

CITY OF FLORENCE
REGULAR MEETING OF MAYOR AND BOARD
JULY 7, 2026

The Governing Authorities of the city of Florence met in their regularly scheduled meeting set for the 1st Tuesday in July, July 7, 2026 at 6:30 p.m. at city hall located at 203 College Street in Florence, MS.

Initially present were Mayor Gunn, Aldermen Banks, Grantham, Herrin, Martin and Sistrunk.

Mayor Gunn called the Meeting to order and announced a quorum.

Alderman Grantham gave the invocation.

Mayor Gunn presented retiree Captain David Cannon with a life-time service award.

At the regular meeting of Mayor and Board of Aldermen July 7, 2026, **a Motion was made by Alderman Sistrunk, seconded by Alderman Grantham, in recognition of the retirement of Captain David Cannon, in accordance with Section 45-9-191 of Mississippi Code of 1972, to move to establish a value of \$1.00 for sidearm Model Glock 45 Serial # BKDW585 formerly issued by the city of Florence unto David H. Cannon; and that an offer by David H. Cannon to purchase the sidearm for \$1.00 be implemented. The Motion was carried by a unanimous vote.**

Upon recommendation of Chief Burns, a Motion was made by Alderman Banks, seconded by Alderman Martin to approve Performance Therapy's Get Fit Florence 5-K Run and Fun route set for August 15, 2026 at 7:30 a.m., ending around 9:30 a.m. using the same race route from past events. The Motion was carried by a unanimous vote.

Upon recommendation of Public Works Operator Billy Russell, a Motion was made by Alderman Grantham, seconded by Alderman Martin to approve payment of invoice # 14470, payable to Tri-State Chlorination in the amount of \$5,950.00 for the purchase of a Hydro SVR-1000CL2 Vacuum Regulator, 100 PPD, an emergency purchase due to the need to supply water service to the community. The Motion was carried by a unanimous vote.

Upon recommendation of Public Works Operator Billy Russell, a Motion was made by Alderman Banks, seconded by Alderman Sistrunk to approve payment of invoice # 406 payable to Rapid Action Service, LLC in the amount of \$6,496.79 for emergency repair to the lift station located as Polk's Drugs, repair being deemed an emergency due to the public safety and welfare of the community due to the possibility of raw sewage leakage in the area. The Motion was carried by a unanimous vote.

Upon recommendation of Street Director David Myers, a Motion was made by Alderman Sistrunk, seconded by Alderman Martin to approve the quote of John Deere for the purchase of a Z970R ZT mower for the Park Department, in the amount of \$16,760.59 under state contract pricing. The Motion was carried by a unanimous vote.

Upon recommendation of Mayor Gunn, a Motion was made by Alderman Banks, seconded by Alderman Herrin to approve all items under consent agenda with one motion and on one vote as follows:

Appoint Brian Granam as Mayor Pro-Tem
Appoint Engineering Service as City Engineer
Appoint Windham & Lacey, PLLC as Municipal Auditors
Appoint Linda Wigley as City Clerk
Appoint Melissa McCue as Court Clerk
Appoint Kevin Stewart as Municipal Judge
Appoint Witney Adams as Judge Pro-Tem
Appoint Greg Hemphill as Indigent Attorney
Annual re-appointment of Robert F. Lingold, Jr. as City Attorney and Prosecutor, with same terms and conditions as the current term.

The Motion was carried by a unanimous vote.

Upon recommendation of City Clerk, Linda Wigley, a Motion was made by Alderman Banks seconded by Alderman Herrin to **ADOPT FYE 09/30/2025 AUDITED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS AS PRESENTED BY WINDHAM & LACEY, PLLC CERTIFIED PUBLIC ACCOUNTANTS.**
The Motion was carried by a unanimous vote.

A Motin was made by Alderman Sistrunk, seconded by Alderman Grantham to approve the claims docket. The Motion was carried by a unanimous vote.

A Motion was made by Alderman Martin, seconded by Alderman Banks, to approve the Minutes of June 16, 2026. The Motion was carried by a unanimous vote.

A Motion was made by Alderman Banks, seconded by Alderman Grantham to consider the need for an executive session to discuss possibility of pending litigation, leasing of equipment and a personnel matter in the Police Department involving the position of patrolman and inmate litter control. The Motion was carried by a unanimous vote.

A Motion was made by Alderman Grantham, seconded by Alderman Martin to go into executive session for the above stated purpose at 6:50 p.m. The Motion was carried by a unanimous vote.

Upon recommendation of Chief Burns, a Motion was made in executive session by Alderman Grantham, seconded by Alderman Herrin to place in Kuawai Brown’s personal file a signed memorandum outlining the duties and responsibilities as the Inmate Supervisor for the city of Florence and to authorize and direct the city clerk to place said letter in Kuawai Brown’s personnel file. The Motion was carried as follows:

Alderman John Banks voted:	Aye
Alderman Brian Grantham voted:	Aye
Alderman Mason Herrin voted:	Aye
Alderman Kyle Martin voted:	Aye
Alderman Brent Sistrunk voted:	Aye

Upon recommendation of Chief Burns, a Motion was made in executive session by Alderman Herrin, seconded by Alderman Sistrunk to accept the resignation of Captain David Cannon effective June 30, 2026. The Motion was carried as follows:

Alderman John Banks voted:	Aye
Alderman Brian Grantham voted:	Aye
Alderman Mason Herrin voted:	Aye
Alderman Kyle Martin voted:	Aye
Alderman Brent Sistrunk voted:	Aye

Upon recommendation of Chief Burns, a Motion was made in executive session by Alderman Banks, seconded by Alderman Grantham to accept the resignation of Officer Terrance Redmond effective July 17, 2026. The Motion was carried as follows:

Alderman John Banks voted:	Aye
Alderman Brian Grantham voted:	Aye
Alderman Mason Herrin voted:	Aye
Alderman Kyle Martin voted:	Aye
Alderman Brent Sistrunk voted:	Aye

Upon recommendation of Chief Burns, a Motion was made in executive session by Alderman Banks, seconded by Alderman Grantham to hire Keith Brown as a full-time patrolman at \$21.06 per hour starting July 22, 2026, with a (6) months' probation period, pending a successful background check and drug and alcohol testing. The Motion was carried as follows:

Alderman John Banks voted:	Aye
Alderman Brian Grantham voted:	Aye
Alderman Mason Herrin voted:	Aye
Alderman Kyle Martin voted:	Aye
Alderman Brent Sistrunk voted:	Aye

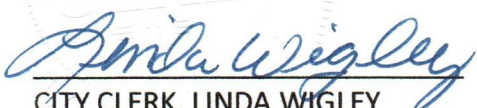
A Motion was made by Alderman Grantham, seconded by Alderman Banks to return to regular session at 7:15 p.m. The Motion was carried by a unanimous vote.

Being no further business, Mayor Gunn adjourned the Meeting at 7:25 p.m.



MAYOR, TREY GUNN

7-22-2026

ATTEST


CITY CLERK, LINDA WIGLEY

NOTICE

CITY OF FLORENCE
WORK SESSION

WHEN: TUESDAY JULY 21, 2026

TIME: 5:30 P.M.

WHERE: CITY HALL BOARD ROOM
203 COLLEGE STREET
FLORENCE, MS 39073

PURPOSE: GENERAL WORK SESSION

- 1. Presentation.....Rankin First
- 2. EPL/MDA Grant.....Mayor Gunn
- 3. Curtis Brewer Site Plan.....Mayor Gunn
- 4. O’Riley Auto Parts signage.....Joel Sims
- 5. Concession Agreement.....Mark Hester
- 6. C-Spire damage report.....Billy Russell
- 7. Ms. Dept. Public Safety Traffic Grant Agreement.....Brad Burns
- 8. Federal Technology Grant Application.....Brad Burns
- 9. Continuing Disclosure/Butler Snow.....Linda Wigley

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MEETING CALLED TO ORDER:

INVOCATION:

REPORTS:

1. POLICE DEPARTMENT
2. PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT
3. STREET DEPARTMENT
4. PARK DEPARTMENT
5. COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT
6. CITY CLERK
7. CITY ENGINEER
8. CITY ATTORNEY

OLD BUSINESS:

NEW BUSINESS:

1. Butler/Snow FYE 2025 Continuing Disclosure.....Linda Wigley

CORRESPONDENCE:

ORDINANCES:

RESOLUTIONS:

APPROVAL OF MID-MONTH CLAIMS:

APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF JULY 7, 2026:

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