

**TOWN OF PLANTERSVILLE
BOARD MEETING
FEBRUARY 3, 2026
AGENDA**

Time: 6:00 p.m.
Place: Town Hall

Meeting called to order
Pledge to the flag

Roll Call

Adopt the agenda

Approve the minutes for January 6, January 9, and January 19, 2026

Public Comments:

- **Jon Milstead, CDF-** Business Ideas for the Town
- **Farren Berryhill, Plantersville Middle School-** Roadblock to raise funds for the school's prom
- **Steven and Alyssa Estes, 328 CR 1001-** Water Bill Payment Issues

Public Hearing:

- **Efrom Coleman, 804 Central Street-** Property Maintenance Update

Reports:

Water/Maintenance
Fire
Police
Animal Control
Park
Code Enforcement
Attorney
Mayor
Clerk

Pay Claims

Adjourn

**TOWN OF PLANTERSVILLE
MONTHLY BOARD MEETING
February 3, 2026**

Time: 6:00 p.m.
Place: Town Hall

Meeting called to order: Mayor Shelton Shannon
Pledge to the flag
Roll Call: Brandy Smith

Mayor Shelton Shannon- present
Renee Morris - present
Sedrick Mabry – present

Vice Mayor Sextus Shannon- present
Charles Heard- present
Nathan Chisolm - present

Adopt the Agenda:

Charles Heard asked to be added to the agenda.

Sextus Shannon made the motion to add Charles Heard to the agenda and to adopt the amended agenda.

Sedrick Mabry seconded the motion. All were in favor.

Approve January 6, January 9, and January 19, 2026 minutes:

Charles Heard made the motion to adopt the January 6, 9, and 19, 2026 minutes.

Sextus Shannon seconded the motion. All were in favor.

Public Comments:

- **Jon Milstead, CDF-** Business Ideas for the Town, *present-* Business recruitment and grocery store establishments; Board input included a grocery store, restaurants particularly fast food or local.
 1. Visibility study done to find a need in the community (grocery tax loss to Tupelo, where's the demand, have the ability to remain open)
 2. What properties are available to acquire and how much and is the Town willing to help business owner(s) to acquire the property
 3. More success with local business owners or big corporations (?).
- MSU Extension and/or Ole Miss can assist with the visibility study and CDF can partner with to present to businesses.
- Renee Morris inquired about reviewing the Town's ordinances for houses and subdivisions such as adding a clause that houses must have a concrete slab; Jon Milstead said yes; currently requirements for a concrete slab are for subdivisions and not individual houses and by adding a carport or garbage clause would be a good idea. The Board thank Jon Milstead for his time.
- **Farren Berryhill, Shannon High School-** Roadblock to raise funds for the school's prom, *present-* Suggested date, Saturday, February 28, 2026 8:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m.; waiting on Board approvals from Shannon and Verona to cover all cities where students reside

- Sextus Shannon made the motion to approve the roadblock for Shannon High School to raise funds for their prom on Saturday, February 28, 2026, from 8:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. with police presence and students are supervised.
- Sedrick Mabry seconded the motion. All were in favor.
- **Steven and Alyssa Estes, 328 CR 1001-** Water Bill Payment Issues, *absent*
- **Charles Heard, 1045 East Central-** Warming Stations for the Town, *present-* during the cold weather/ice storm, many municipalities suffered because they did not have warming stations; the Town needs a warming station- that has power, phone charging area, etc. with the use of a generator; Mayor Shelton Shannon suggest Charles Heard to sphere head the project
- Sedrick Mabry made the motion to approve Charles Heard as chairperson for the warming station project for the Town.
- Sextus Shannon seconded the motion. All were in favor.

Public Hearing:

- **Efrom Coleman, 804 Central Street-** Property Maintenance Update- see Code Enforcement report

Reports

Water/Fire: Public Works Director/Fire Chief Jim Curry, *present-*

- **ARPA/MCWI Sewer Project Update:** The contracting crew will start a stock pile at the community center; will not be in the way of the Bike-A-Thon; will start work on the lagoon first and last stop will be on Grant; next stock pile will be at Grant-Wuichet Park;
- **Water Tanks Painting:** have to let water out of the tanks; already completed the water tank on Main Street and will start at on the one on State Park Road; possible brown water and low water pressure might occur in some areas
- **Fire-** five calls but none were the Town's but assisting other departments

Charles Heard made the motion to accept both the water and fire reports.

Sextus Shannon seconded the motion. All were in favor.

Police: Police Chief Keith Foster, *present-*

- **Fine Revenue:** \$4,564.08
- Police department had training meeting on January 22, 2026; topics discussed: Safety, Traffic Stops, and Body Cameras
- **Taser training:** Police Chief Keith Foster showed the Board the new body cameras and tasers that are linked to the body cameras; when the taser is turned on the body camera automatically turn on along with the dash cameras; must be certified to use a taser.

Sedrick Mabry made the motion to accept the police report.

Nathan Chisolm seconded the motion. All were in favor.

Animal Control: Assistant Animal Control Officer William Franke, *present-*

- Eight calls/messages for the month
- One stray dog picked up
- Fourteen registered for the month.

Charles Heard made the motion to accept the animal control report.

Sextus Shannon seconded the motion. All were in favor.

Park: Event Coordinator Stephanie Brown, *present but no report*

Code Enforcement: Deputy Code Enforcement Officer Alex S, present

- **Efrom Coleman 804 Central Street Property Public Hearing**
 - Nathan Chisolm made the motion to approve the public hearing for 804 Central Street, Tuesday, February 10, 2026 at 6:00 p.m.
 - Sedrick Mabry seconded the motion. All were in favor.
- Cadence Bank owns the property at 131 Meadowbrook.

Nathan Chisolm made the motion to accept the code enforcement report.

Sedrick Mabry seconded the motion. All were in favor.

Attorney: Attorney Jamie Franks, *present but no report*

Mayor: Mayor Shelton Shannon, *present-*

- Attended COG meeting with Matt Laubhan as guest speaker; spoke about weather related problems and how they affect municipalities.
- Attended special call meeting with the Board concerning employment of an applicant.
- Called Lee County for assistance with getting pot holes patched on the roads in Plantersville.

Sedrick Mabry made the motion to accept the mayor's report.

Nathan Chisolm seconded the motion. All were in favor.

Clerk: Clerk Brandy Smith, *present-*

- **Mississippi Municipal League Conference 2026-** Registration has opened; June 29-July 1, 2026
- **2026 MML Excellence Awards Submission-** emailed the form to the Plantersville Volunteer Fire Department (Public Safety nomination) on their safety efforts during the Atmos gas explosion and the Plantersville VIVs (City Spirit nomination) for the Town's 135th Charter Celebration honoring the Grant Family; Deadline is April 24, 2026
- **Spring Clerk Conference 2026-** Mississippi State University, April 29-May 1, 2026; classes offered: HR, Payroll, Legislative Updates
 - Nathan Chisolm made the motion to approve Brandy Smith to attend the Spring Municipal Clerk Conference in Starkville April 29- May 1, 2026 with all expenses paid by the Town.
 - Charles Heard seconded the motion. All were in favor.
- **St. Jude Bike-A-Thon Committee-** permission to use Town Hall for meetings
 - Nathan Chisolm made the motion to approve the St. Jude Bike-A-Thon Committee to have meetings at Town Hall.
 - Sextus Shannon seconded the motion. All were in favor.
- **Crime Stoppers Luncheon-** rescheduled to Wednesday, Feb. 18, 2026
- **Jim Ingram Community Leadership Institute Project-** Kocktail King Fundraiser for Beds for Kids; met Monday, February 2 and will meet again Thursday, February 5, 2026; still in the beginning stages; had a minor setback due to health and weather but are moving forward

- **Presidents' Day-** Monday, February 16, 2026 Closed

Charles Heard made the motion to accept the clerk report.

Renee Morris seconded the motion. All were in favor.

Pay the Claims

Renee Morris made the motion to pay the claims.

Charles Heard seconded the motion. All were in favor.

Executive Session 7:15 p.m.

- Charles Heard made the motion to enter into executive session to discuss the business of personnel.
- Sextus Shannon seconded the motion. All were in favor.

Present:

Shelton Shannon

Sextus Shannon

Charles Heard

Renee Morris

Sedrick Mabry

Nathan Chisolm

Attorney Jamie Franks

Three Personnel Recommendations

- Sextus Shannon made the motion to approve the three personnel recommendations from Mayor Shelton Shannon which includes:
 1. All department heads must be present during all Town's annual or scheduled events (Day in the Park, parades, etc.)
 2. All department heads must stay for the entire Board meeting so that they will know what issues will occur or have occurred in the Town and
 3. Brandy Smith to send an emailed letter to the department heads informing them of these recommendations immediately and for them to sign and put in their employee files.
- Renee Morris seconded the motion. All were in favor.

Full Time Maintenance Employee

- **Hire:**
 - Sedrick Mabry made the motion to hire Major Rudolph Young as full time maintenance employee with start date, Monday, February 9, 2026, with a probation period of six months.
 - Sextus Shannon seconded the motion.
 - Renee Morris questioned the motion: currently have a litigation case against former employer, City of Tupelo.
 - Sextus Shannon, Sedrick Mabry, and Charles Heard voted in favor of the motion.
 - Renee Morris and Nathan Chisolm opposed the motion.
 - Motion passed with majority vote.

• **Pay Rate:**

- Sedrick Mabry made the motion to approve Major Rudolph Young probation pay rate at \$15.00 per hour and after his six-month probation period with employee review, increase to \$16.00 per hour.
- Sextus Shannon seconded the motion.
- Sextus Shannon, Sedrick Mabry, Charles Heard, and Nathan Chisolm voted in favor of the motion.
- Renee Morris opposed the motion.
- Motion passed with majority vote.

Maintenance Employee Daniel Strickland Promotion and Pay Rate Increase

- Sedrick Mabry made the motion to promote current maintenance employee Daniel Strickland from full time maintenance employee to full time Assistant Public Works Director, new pay wage of \$18.50 per hour, and when he has completed water school training for certification, will top out at \$20.00 per hour effective February 4, 2026.
- Sextus Shannon seconded the motion. All were in favor.

Exit Executive Session

Charles Heard made the motion to exit out of executive session.
Sextus Shannon seconded the motion. All were in favor.

Brandy Smith read aloud the motions that were made during the executive session.

Adjourn

Charles Heard made the motion to adjourn.
Sedrick Mabry seconded the motion. All were in favor.

Shelton Shannon Date 2-27-2026
Mayor Shelton Shannon

ATTEST:
Brandy Smith Date 2/27/26
Clerk Brandy Smith

**TOWN OF PLANTERSVILLE
SPECIAL CALL MEETING**

February 6, 2026

Time: 5:30 p.m.
Place: Town Hall

Call to Order: Mayor Shelton Shannon

Mayor Shelton Shannon requested to skip the preliminary actions to accommodate time.

- Charles Heard made the motion to skip the preliminary actions to accommodate time.
- Sextus Shannon seconded the motion. All were in favor.

Present for meeting:

Mayor Shelton Shannon- present
Charles Heard -present
Nathan Chisolm - present

Vice Mayor Sextus Shannon- present
Renee Morris - present
Sedrick Mabry- present

Purpose of the meeting

Discuss the Business of Personnel

Executive Session 5:30 p.m.

- Charles Heard made the motion to enter into executive session to discuss the business of personnel.
- Sextus Shannon seconded the motion. All were in favor.

Present:

Mayor Shelton Shannon
Sextus Shannon
Charles Heard
Renee Morris
Sedrick Mabry
Nathan Chisolm

Employee Leave Policy Plan of Action

- Sedrick Mabry made the motion that the Employee Leave Policy is extended for **ALL** full time employees including department heads to complete a two week notice/form for leave or vacation time to be submitted to the **mayor** (immediate supervisor) and the **mayor** will report to the Board except for emergencies.
- Charles Heard seconded the motion. All were in favor.

Exit Executive Session

Charles Heard made the motion to exit out of executive session.
Sextus Shannon seconded the motion. All were in favor.

Brandy Smith read aloud the motion that was made during the executive session.

Adjourn

Charles Heard made the motion to adjourn.

Nathan Chisolm seconded the motion. All were in favor.

Shelton Shannon Date 2-27-2026
Mayor Shelton Shannon

ATTEST:

Brandy Smith Date 2/27/26
Clerk Brandy Smith

**TOWN OF PLANTERSVILLE
SPECIAL CALL MEETING**

February 10, 2026

Time: 6:00 p.m.

Place: Town Hall

Call to Order: Mayor Shelton Shannon

Mayor Shelton Shannon requested to skip the preliminary actions to accommodate time.

- Sedrick Mabry made the motion to skip the preliminary actions to accommodate time.
- Nathan Chisolm seconded the motion. All were in favor.

Present for meeting:

Mayor Shelton Shannon- present

Charles Heard -absent

Nathan Chisolm - present

Vice Mayor Sextus Shannon- present

Renee Morris - present

Sedrick Mabry- present

Purpose of the meeting

Public Hearing: Efrom Coleman, 804 Central Street- Property Review Final Evaluation

- Code Enforcement Officer Shane Davis presented his observations to the Board: the property had fire damage for almost two years (3/1/2024); presented updated pictures to the Board (pictures taken 2/9/2026); not finished; exterior work to be done; interior: still no water/sewer; no water heater hook up; has electricity but Efrom Coleman claims he is waiting on the Town for the sewer hookup; Jessica Ruff spoke on Efrom Coleman's behalf; Jessica Ruff said that Public Works Director Jim Curry would purchase a sewer pump from Memphis; Code Enforcement Officer Shane Davis called Public Works Director Jim Curry to explain the sewer pump situation; Public Works Director Jim Curry said over the phone that he did not tell Efrom Coleman that he would purchase a sewer pump from Memphis but suggested one is from the Memphis area; Code Enforcement Officer Shane Davis recommends more time from the Board in order for the house to be safe to be inhabitable
- Nathan Chisolm made the motion to not extend any more extensions to the 804 Central Street property and to proceed with demolition of the property and that Efrom Coleman has a 30-day appeal period to appear in Lee County Court to have the decision appealed.
- Sedrick Mabry seconded the motion. All were in favor.

Adjourn

Nathan Chisolm made the motion to adjourn.

Sedrick Mabry seconded the motion. All were in favor.

Shelton Shannon Date 2-27-2026
Mayor Shelton Shannon

ATTEST:
Brandy Smith Date 2/27/26
Clerk Brandy Smith