

**MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE
MAYOR AND BOARD OF ALDERMEN
OF THE TOWN OF SHERMAN, MISSISSIPPI
December 2, 2025
6:00 P.M.**

BE IT REMEMBERED that the Mayor and Board of Aldermen met at the Municipal Building at 6:00 p.m. on the second day of December.

ROLL CALL

Present: Mike Swords, Mayor
Randy Bolen, Alderman
Christie McDonald, Alderman
Adam Jolly, Alderman
Keith Rogers, Alderman
Martha Swindle, Alderman
Amanda Hodge, Town Clerk
Joel Spellins, Police Chief
Clint Long, Public Works Director
Brad McMurry, Fire Chief
Legal Counsel: Attorney Kirk Tharp

Also Present: Jody Goodwin, David and Maria Taylor, Billy Kidd and Stan Wood.

WELCOME AND CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Mike Swords called the meeting to order.

INVOCATION

Alderman Keith Rogers gave the invocation.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Alderman Adam Jolly led the Pledge of Allegiance.

PUBLIC HEARINGS

The public hearing for the variance request submitted by Stan Wood was opened. After discussion, the Board agreed that the best course of action was to table the vote until Mr. Wood officially owns the property. The land is currently under contract, but the sale has not yet been completed. Once the purchase is finalized, Mr. Wood will bring the request back before the Board.

PUBLIC CONCERNS

Billy Kidd addressed the Board regarding storm water drainage on Sixth Avenue.

IN THE MATTER OF MINUTES OF NOVEMBER 4, 2025

The minutes of November 4, 2025, were presented to the Mayor and Board for approval. A motion to approve was made by Alderman Martha Swindle and seconded by Alderman Adam Jolly. The motion carried with a 5-0 vote.

IN THE MATTER OF FINANCIAL REPORTS

Town Clerk Amanda Hodge delivered the monthly budget and bank balance reports to the Board.

IN THE MATTER OF BILL PAY

The invoices for payment from the General Account and the Water and Sewer Account were presented for approval. Alderman Randy Bolen made a motion to approve and pay the bills for both accounts, which Alderman Keith Rogers seconded. The motion passed with a 5-0 vote.

Clerk Hodge informed the Board that the Fire Department has received their air packs, which were purchased through a grant. The Town is responsible for five percent of the total cost. Alderman Keith Rogers made a motion to pay the five-percent match, not to exceed \$6,000, for the Town's portion. Alderman Randy Bolen seconded. The motion passed 5-0.

IN THE MATTER OF INCOME

Clerk Hodge informed the Mayor and Board that the sales tax collected for October 2025 totaled \$62,893.30.

IN THE MATTER OF DEPOSITORY BIDS

The depository bids were all received on Monday, December 1, 2025. Alderman Martha Swindle made a motion to table the decision on the depository bids until January 6 to allow the Board time to review all submissions. Alderman Keith Rogers seconded. The motion passed 5-0.

DEPARTMENTS

FIRE DEPARTMENT

Chief Brad McMurry requested incentive pay for Firefighter Jake Galloway for the year. Alderman Keith Rogers made a motion to pay Jake Galloway \$500 in incentive pay. Alderman Randy Bolen seconded. The motion passed 5-0.

IN THE MATTER OF ADJOURNMENT OR RECESS

Alderman Martha Swindle made a motion to adjourn the meeting until January 6, 2026, at 6:00 p.m. Alderman Keith Rogers seconded the motion. The motion passed with a 5-0 vote.

APPROVED, this the 06 day of JANUARY, 2026.



MAYOR MIKE SWORDS

ATTEST: Amanda Hodge
AMANDA HODGE, TOWN CLERK

