

Town of Taylor Minutes of the Mayor and Board of Aldermen
Public Hearing on August 23, 2012

Be it remembered that the Mayor and Board of Aldermen of the Town of Taylor, Mississippi, held a Public Hearing at the Town Hall on this twenty third day of August, 2012, at 7:00 p.m., with the following officers and members present to-wit:

Mayor Jim Hamilton; Alderman Tim Bridges; Alderman Betty Kisner; Alderman Courtney Nichols; Alderman Lyn Roberts; and Clerk Richard Williams.

Alderman Pete Brummett was absent.

The members of the public in attendance were: Mark Stone; Regina Stone; Kevin Knight.

The hearing was called to order by Mayor Hamilton, and the following items were presented to be heard:

Alderman Nichols made a motion to accept the agenda for the hearing. The motion was seconded by Alderman Bridges and passed with a unanimous vote.

Mayor Hamilton presented the proposed budget for the Town of Taylor for fiscal year 2013.

The floor was opened for public comment:

Mark Stone asked if there is a state law concerning hiring the municipal court judge and marshal. Mayor Hamilton said that there is. The Municipal court is required for all Mississippi municipalities. The Town of Taylor must have the court established in order to enforce its ordinances.

Mr. Stone asked if the taxes levied and collected for automobiles for the town are state law. Mayor Hamilton said yes, the taxes are based on state law. Mr. Stone asked why “nobody he has talked to” knew that the taxes were being charged. Mayor Hamilton said the taxes were fully discussed in public budget hearings and at public board of aldermen meetings which all have notices posted publicly before they occur.

Clerk/Citizen Richard Williams asked rhetorically how could the town afford to maintain the public streets and provide improvements without tax revenues.

No further public comments were made.

The public hearing was adjourned.

Jim Hamilton, Mayor

Richard Williams, Clerk

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