

**TOWN OF BENTONIA
220 EAST RAILROAD AVE.
BENTONIA, MS 39040
AGENDA
6:00 pm
MARCH 3, 2026**

Minutes were approved via email on February 10th 2026. Motion was made by Robert Demus, seconded by Colby Parks, Steve Pigg and Tamara Boatner were in favor with no vote from Greg Shaffer, motion passed with the majority in favor.

Bills

Old Business:

New Business:

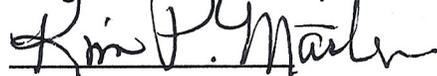
Tommy and Theresa Warren—Compliant on PD

Kale Johnson-Owns lot on Woods and want to see if he can put a mobile home on it.— *NO Show*

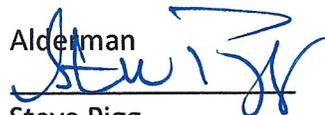
Andrea Stower-Owns a lot in town and wants to know what she can use it for.

Nina Demsus- Owns a lot in town and wants to know what she can use it for.

Bridget Issac-Community Center discussion—Mrs. Owns Buildings



Kim Martin, Mayor

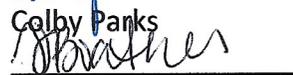


Alderman

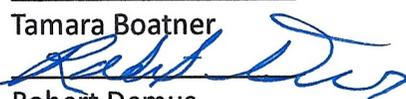
Steve Pigg



Greg Shaffer



Colby Parks



Tamara Boatner

Robert Demus

Town of Bentonia
March 3, 2026
220 East Rail Road Ave.
Bentonia, MS 39040
6:00 PM

The meeting was called to order at 6:00 PM by Mayor Kim Martin. The following members were present: Steve Pigg, Robert Demus, Colby Parks, Tamara Boatner. Absent: Greg Shaffer.

February 2026 minutes were approved via email February 10, 2026. Motion was made by Robert Demus, seconded by Colby Parks, with Steve Pigg and Tamara Boatner voting in favor. No vote from Greg Shaffer. Motion passed with majority in favor.

February expenditures were approved with Steve Pigg making motion, seconded by Colby Parks, motion passed with all in favor.

Tommy Warren addressed the mayor and board of alderman concerning an issue he and his wife have with the police department. Doug Kirkland, Chief of Police, address the mayor and board of alderman stating the investigation is ongoing.

Andrea Stower addressed the mayor and board of alderman inquiring on what options are available for recreational vehicle plug ins. Tabled until the April meeting. She was advised to bring a copy of her plot plan; survey, deed and any other documents related to recreational vehicles and present it for determination on what options are available.

Nina Demus addresses the mayor and board of alderman inquiring about putting a manufactured home on her mother's (Lee Ethel Houge) lot on Church Street. After a brief discussion and the mayor reviewing the ordinance, it was determined that she would be allowed per town ordinance to place a manufactured home on the lot as long as it meets the additional ordinance requirements. Nina Demus was given a copy of the ordinance and check list and advised she would need to turn in the necessary paperwork required per ordinance for review. Motion made by Steve Pigg, seconded by Robert Demus, motion passed with all in favor.

Bridgett Issacc addressed the mayor and board of alderman asking they partner with her on the brick building across the rail road track on making necessary repairs so the town could assist with cost, grants and provided monetary assistance. The mayor stated the only way the town would be able to partner is if the building was deeded over to the town. She also stated that it is just bad timing because the town is in need of financial assistance in form of grants to build a fire department building to house the fire trucks and equipment. She stated that there are grants out there that available for non-profits and also low interest loans.

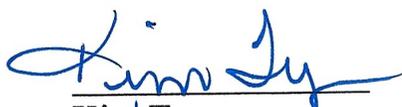
Paul Johnson addressed the mayor and board of alderman with information related to the number of calls for assistance and fires for the month of February 22026, and also discussed the need for a temporary carport structure for housing the fire trucks. Quotes will be obtained and presented for approval. He also expressed the need for 2 or 3 loads of rock for the temporary house to use as a foundation. Colby Parks will get a quote from Hancock's on the rock.

Monica Willis offer the VFD the lot next to her house if needed for a temporary set up if needed. The mayor thanked Monica for her generosity.

Clean up was discussed and Steve Pigg stated he would reach out to the land owner.

A brief discussion was held concerning water school. Alderman who does not have a copy of the certificate of attendance will need to repeat the course.

The mayor asked if any other business needed to come before the board. Motion to adjourn was made by Colby Parks, seconded by Tamara Boatner, motion passed with all in favor. Meeting adjourned at 7:22 PM on March 3, 2026.



Kim Tyer
Clerk



Kim Puckett Martin
Mayor

The minutes were approved via email on March 5, 2026 with Tamara Boatner making motion, Colby Parks seconded, with Steve Pigg being in favor. No vote from Greg Shaffer or Robert Demus.



Re: March 3, 2026 Minutes

From Tamara Boatner <tlboatner@yahoo.com>

Date Thu 3/5/2026 12:51 PM

To Kim Tyer <clerk@townofbentonia.org>

I approve.

Sent from my iPhone

On Mar 5, 2026, at 12:47 PM, Kim Tyer <clerk@townofbentonia.org> wrote:

Please review and respond to this email with approve or object. Let me know of any changes that may be needed.

Thanks,

Kim

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Re: March 3, 2026 Minutes

From Colby Parks <colbybeth09@yahoo.com>

Date Thu 3/5/2026 12:57 PM

To Kim Tyer <clerk@townofbentonia.org>

Received and approved

Colby Beth Parks

Sent from my iPhone

On Thursday, March 5, 2026, 12:47 PM, Kim Tyer <clerk@townofbentonia.org> wrote:

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Thanks,
Kim

Re: March 3, 2026 Minutes

From Steve Pigg <stevenpigg6@gmail.com>

Date Thu 3/5/2026 3:20 PM

To Kim Tyer <clerk@townofbentonia.org>

I read and approve the minutes.

Steven Pigg

Sent from my iPhone

On Mar 5, 2026, at 12:47 PM, Kim Tyer <clerk@townofbentonia.org> wrote:

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Thanks,

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GF BENTONIA - GENERAL FUND

Profit & Loss

February 2026

	Feb 26
Ordinary Income/Expense	
Income	
fee audit	0.00
Miscellaneous Income	100.00
State Sales Tax	13,836.76
water collections	9,120.31
Total Income	23,057.07
Gross Profit	23,057.07
Expense	
care of public property	
Beautification	856.77
Equipment	2,846.07
Improvement	0.00
Maintenance	154.76
town hall	0.00
Utilities	766.31
care of public property - Other	139.31
Total care of public property	4,763.22
electric Expense	1,325.09
Fire Dept Expense	
Equipment	0.00
Fuel	571.99
Maintenance	0.00
Supplies	250.00
Utilities	0.00
Total Fire Dept Expense	821.99
Interest Expense	0.00
late charge	0.00
Legal Fees	2,337.50
Miscellaneous	0.00
Mosquito Control	
Supplies, Mosquito Control	0.00
Total Mosquito Control	0.00
Office Supplies	0.00
Payroll Expenses	
Elected Official Salary	1,550.00
Clerk Hourly	754.12
Employee Ret Contributions	1,696.78
Officer Salary	4,974.12
Payroll Expenses - Other	3,072.18
Total Payroll Expenses	12,047.20
Police Department	
Gasoline Expense P.D.	437.85
P.D. maintenance expense	19.30
Supplies	0.00
Uniforms	163.35
Police Department - Other	0.00
Total Police Department	620.50
Postage and Delivery	28.10
Street Department	
Street Department Fuel	175.15
Street Department Maintenance	116.01
Street Department Supplies	0.00

12:03 PM

GF BENTONIA - GENERAL FUND

03/03/26

Profit & Loss

Accrual Basis

February 2026

	<u>Feb 26</u>
Total Street Department	291.16
tank rent	0.00
Utility Fund	
Sewage Electricity Expense	782.17
Sewer Maintenance	0.00
Water & Sewer Fuel Expense	705.95
Water and Sewer Maintenance	9,122.66
Water Maintenance Expense	2,370.75
Well Electricity Expense	882.00
Utility Fund - Other	603.96
Total Utility Fund	<u>14,467.49</u>
Total Expense	<u>36,702.25</u>
Net Ordinary Income	<u>-13,645.18</u>
Net Income	<u><u>-13,645.18</u></u>