

**Town of Bentonia
Monthly Meeting
October 7, 2025**

The meeting was called to order at 6:00 PM by Mayor Kim Martin. Members present: Steve Pigg, Robert Demus, Tamara Boatner, Greg Shaffer and Town Attorney Robert Parrish. Absent: Colby Parks

Minutes and bill for September 2025 were approved motion made by Steve Pigg and seconded by Tamara Boatner, motion passed with all in favor.

Sammy Price addressed the mayor and board concerning an issue he had with the police department for not bringing a copy of his beer license to town hall. Price stated that he was put in handcuff and in the police vehicle. Alderman Robert Demus called Mayor Kim Martin and she went to the location and asked officer Hammer to release him until she could find out if a copy was needed at town hall.

The mayor stated that Chief Doug Kirkland is in charge of police business and that if you are disrespectful or disorderly you could be arrested.

Carolyn Hicks was on the agenda to speak but did not show up for the meeting.

Bids were opened for the demolition of 207 and 209 W. Railroad Ave, Bentonia, MS. Steve Pigg questioned if the bids had been opened prior to the meeting. The mayor stated that they had not been opened prior to the meeting.

<i>Pristine lawn care and tree service</i>	<i>\$14,500</i>
<i>Benji Ragland</i>	<i>\$25,000</i>
<i>Carson Works</i>	<i>\$12,000</i>
<i>Carson Works bid was not for demolition it was for clean up of lots</i>	
<i>Parker Builders</i>	<i>\$28,500</i>
	<i>\$500.00 for clean up</i>

Steve Pigg made motion to accept the lowest bid, seconded by Tamara Boatner, motion passed majority in favor. Greg Shaffer recused himself from the vote.

Monica Willis addressed the mayor and board of alderman concerning how the town recoups the cleaning fees. Steve Pigg explained that the bill goes against the owner's property taxes. Ms. Willis also expressed her concern over a citizen that told her they were not paying a water/sewer bill and that they never would. Robert Demus stated he would rather her not discuss other people's business, if there is an issue that person needs to come before the board.

Monica Willis questioned board members about bids not being sealed when an alderman was awarded a bid on an air conditioning unit. Attorney Robert Parrish stated that it was illegal and the state auditor is reviewing the matter.

Action taken from executive session: On the recommendation of the town attorney, it was decided that a town employee would be terminated.

Mayor and Alderman's pay will increase.

Mayor salary will increase to \$550 per month

Alderman salary will increase to \$200 per month. Motion made by Robert Demus, seconded by Steve Pigg, motion passed with all in favor.

Paul Johnson asked when the property would be cleaned up near where they plan to build the fire station. Mayor stated a cleanup letter would go out to address that. He also gave a brief update of calls responded to by the volunteer fire department the prior month.

Motion to adjourn was made by Robert Demus and seconded by Steve Pigg, motion passed with all in favor.

Kim Tyer, Clerk

Kim P. Martin, Mayor

Steve Pigg _____

Robert Demus _____

Tamara Boatner _____

Greg Shaffer _____

PROFESSIONAL LAWN MAINTENANCE

P.O. Box 37
Benton, MS 39039

Quote

PHONE: 601-214-9803



DATE 9-30-25

NAME Town of Benton

ADDRESS _____

CITY, STATE, ZIP _____

SOLD BY	CASH	CHARGE	TERMS	ON ACCT.	MISC.
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DESCRIPTION	AMOUNT
Doug Andrews gives a bid of \$14,500.00 to DEMO buildings on Railroad Avenue 207 & 209 and haul-off debris \$14,500.00	
<i>(Faint signature)</i>	
Thank You	TOTAL \$14,500.00

	Valid to
15	9/24/2025

the exception of (vehicles, tractors, moved from the livingquarters. Of

TOWN OF BENTONIA
P. O. BOX 310
BENTONIA, MS 39040
662-755-2281

(Signature)

Total

\$12,000.00

The work will be invoiced upon completion. Payment terms are 30 days.

(Signature)

10-7-2025



Date	Valid to
10/25/2025	9/24/2025

all with the exception of (vehicles, tractors, be removed from the living quarters. Of

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SOLD TO

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CITY, STATE, ZIP

CUSTOMER ORDER NO.

SOLD BY

TERMS

SHIP TO
ADDRESS
CITY, STATE, ZIP

DESCRIPTION

PRICE

UNIT

DATE

AMOUNT

Bid for Demo
Shaffer Funeral Home
Bentonia Cafe
662/571-2681

25,000.00

Estimate

Carson Work's LLC
Byram MS 39212
Phone: +16017096305
CarsonWorksllc@outlook.com
EIN: 93-1817348



City Of Bentonia
Bentonia Mississippi

Customer number	Document number	Page	Date	Valid to
1013	1015	1 / 1	8/25/2025	9/24/2025

Cleaning property

Removal of all debris and materials from property. Disposal and recycling of material with the exception of (vehicles, tractors, and trailers and debris thats 5ft of the living quarters on the property)No debris will be removed from the livingquarters. Of completion lot will be clean of all junk and miscellaneous debris

*Not for
Building - for Allen Ross's property*

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ESTIMATE

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1803 Jerry Clower Blvd
Yazoo City, MS 39194

paul@parkerbuildersofms.com
+1 (662) 571-0340

Bill to

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City of Bentonina
P O BOX 310
Bentonina, MS 39040

Ship to

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Estimate details

Estimate no.: 1280
Estimate date: 08/20/2025

#	Product or service	Description	Qty	Rate	Amount
1.	PARKER BUILDERS LABOR	Parker Builders Labor & Materials for the following: Demolition work on several buildings located off West Railroad Ave. The scope of the work includes: 1. Thelma's Kitchen & Shaffer's Funeral Home (Providential Properties) A. Take down & remove both structures and haul off debris *Note* Does not include any concrete removal such as sidewalk or other foundation slabs. *Note* Thelma's Kitchen- There are 9"x9" floor tiles which has asbestos. If abatement is necessary, there will be a charge of \$4,900 to demo and haul off.	1	\$28,500.00	\$28,500.00
2.		*Note* Estimate includes demo of the (2) buildings. Does not include the asbestos abatement.			

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1.	PARKER BUILDERS LABOR	Parker Builders Labor and Materials for the following: Owens Property- Demolition of Awning located off West Railroad Ave. The scope of work includes: Demolition of the awning which includes demo and hauling off "Note" This includes the Awning only. No other structure included.	1	\$5,000.00	\$5,000.00

Total **\$5,000.00**

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R. Day 10-7-2025

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Accrual Basis

GFBENTONIA - GENERAL FUND

Profit & Loss

September 2025

	Sep 25
Ordinary Income/Expense	
Income	
Homestead Exemption	1,777.48
Miscellaneous Income	0.00
Mobile Home Income	4.99
Real & Personal Tax	2,137.26
State Sales Tax	11,644.66
Tag Income	1,109.52
water collections	12,742.34
water deposit	100.00
Total Income	29,516.25
Gross Profit	29,516.25
Expense	
Advertising	737.74
care of public property	
Utilities	507.55
care of public property - Other	4,868.70
Total care of public property	5,376.25
Dues & Subscriptions	61.38
electric Expense	1,228.87
Fire Dept Expense	
Maintenance	0.00
Utilities	0.00
Total Fire Dept Expense	0.00
Insurance Expense	5,188.16
Interest Expense	
Finance Charge	0.00
Interest Expense - Other	0.00
Total Interest Expense	0.00
late charge	0.00
Office Supplies	86.65
Payroll Expenses	
Clerk Salary	0.00
Elected Official Salary	1,075.00
Clerk Hourly	787.10
Employee Ret Contributions	1,767.10
Officer Salary	3,359.30
Payroll Expenses - Other	6,088.30
Total Payroll Expenses	13,076.80
Police Department	
Gasoline Expense P.D.	19.30
P.D. Continuing Education	0.00
Supplies	0.00
Police Department - Other	0.00
Total Police Department	19.30
Postage and Delivery	200.00
Street Department	
Street Department Maintenance	0.00
Total Street Department	0.00
Travel & Ent	119.70
Utility Fund	
Design and Construction Fee	9,825.00
Sewage Electricity Expense	310.04
Water and Sewer Maintenance	12,094.29

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Register: AA-Water/Sewer Fund

From 09/01/2025 through 09/30/2025

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Date	Number	Payee	Account	Memo	Payment	C	Deposit	Balance
09/02/2025			water collections	Deposit			133.61	227,739.10
09/02/2025			water deposit	Deposit			100.00	227,839.10
09/08/2025	24521	Ivan Holder	Utility Fund:Water and...	July 202508 A...	4,000.00			223,839.10
09/08/2025	24522	Savell Services	Utility Fund:Water and...	1470, 1471, 14...	6,250.00			217,589.10
09/08/2025	24523	NAPA Motor Parts	Utility Fund:Water Ma...	555377, 548506	736.46			216,852.64
09/08/2025	24524	AutoZone	Utility Fund:Water Ma...	02364693326	270.91			216,581.73
09/08/2025	24525	Mississippi 811	Dues & Subscriptions	ACTUAL USA...	61.38			216,520.35
09/08/2025	24526	Tri-State Chlorination	Utility Fund:Water and...	INVOICE 129...	10.00			216,510.35
09/09/2025			water collections	Deposit			571.11	217,081.46
09/09/2025			water collections	Deposit			1,404.07	218,485.53
09/09/2025			water collections	Deposit			105.00	218,590.53
09/09/2025	24528	Core & Main	-split-	INVOICE #X6...	257.13			218,333.40
09/10/2025			water collections	Deposit			52.50	218,385.90
09/10/2025	Draft	Yazoo Valley E.P.A.	-split-		74.16			218,311.74
09/10/2025	24530	Gerald A Leming	-split-		900.44			217,411.30
09/11/2025			water collections	Deposit			105.00	217,516.30
09/13/2025			water collections	Deposit			52.50	217,568.80
09/14/2025			water collections	Deposit			52.50	217,621.30
09/15/2025			water collections	Deposit			272.50	217,893.80
09/16/2025			water collections	Deposit			182.50	218,076.30
09/16/2025			water collections	Deposit			1,347.31	219,423.61
09/16/2025			water collections	Deposit			2,435.55	221,859.16
09/16/2025			water collections	Deposit			52.50	221,911.66
09/16/2025	24539	Core & Main	-split-	INVOICE #X9...	1,090.39			220,821.27
09/18/2025			water collections	Deposit			74.31	220,895.58
09/19/2025			water collections	Deposit			115.00	221,010.58
09/22/2025	24540	Entergy	-split-	August Enterg...	1,269.79			219,740.79
09/22/2025	24542	Yazoo Valley E.P.A.	-split-		405.75			219,335.04
09/22/2025	24543	Tri-State Chlorination	Utility Fund:Water and...	INVOICE 130...	10.00			219,325.04
09/22/2025	24544	McMaster & Associa...	Travel & Ent	mileage inv 20...	119.70			219,205.34
09/23/2025			water collections	Deposit			277.36	219,482.70
09/23/2025			water collections	Deposit			285.00	219,767.70
09/23/2025			water collections	Deposit			177.50	219,945.20
09/25/2025			water collections	Deposit			125.00	220,070.20
09/25/2025	24545	Gerald A Leming	-split-		1,039.02			219,031.18
09/26/2025			water collections	Deposit			125.00	219,156.18
09/27/2025			water collections	Deposit			62.50	219,218.68
09/30/2025			water collections	Deposit			292.50	219,511.18
09/30/2025			water collections	Deposit			440.42	219,951.60
09/30/2025			water collections	Deposit			262.50	220,214.10

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09/30/2025	24554	Yazoo Valley E.P.A.	-split-		287.67		219,926.43
09/30/2025	24556	Waypoint Analytical	-split-	INVOICE# 04-...	412.00		219,514.43