

**THE CITY OF CLEVELAND  
BOLIVAR COUNTY  
STATE OF MISSISSIPPI**

**MINUTES OF SPECIAL MEETING HELD  
ON SUNDAY, APRIL 5, 2020**

This special meeting of the Mayor and Board of Aldermen of The City of Cleveland, Mississippi, was duly and legally begun and held remotely via Zoom at 4:00 o'clock p.m. on Sunday, April 5, 2020, pursuant to the following order of the Mayor and Board, which was posted according to law.

**Notice of Special Call Meeting of the  
Mayor and Board of Aldermen of the City of Cleveland  
April 5, 2020**

Pursuant to Mississippi Code Annotated §21-3-21, Mayor Billy Nowell calls a special meeting of the Mayor and Board of Aldermen of the City of Cleveland to discuss the following matters:

1. Discussion of Essential Businesses Operational Requirements

Said meeting shall be held on **Sunday, April 5, 2020 at 4:00 p.m.** via Zoom Video Communications per the following link and call-in information:

Join Zoom Meeting:

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pwd=RWpPOWxJV3dtdDV3eCsydHVuTWlqdz09](https://us04web.zoom.us/j/131518051?pwd=RWpPOWxJV3dtdDV3eCsydHVuTWlqdz09)

Meeting ID: 131 518 051

Password: 012952

Notice of this special meeting shall be delivered to all aldermen who may be found. Notice of this meeting shall be placed in City Hall pursuant to Mississippi Code Annotated § 25-41-13 and shall be made a part of the minutes of said special call meeting.

So called this, the 5<sup>th</sup> day of April, 2020 at 1:00 p.m.

/s/ Billy Nowell

BILLY NOWELL  
Mayor City of Cleveland

Present were: Billy Nowell, Mayor; Kirkham Povall, Robert Sanders, Danny Abraham, Theodore "Ted" Campbell and Maurice Smith, Aldermen; Danny Griffith, City Attorney; Dominique Green, City Clerk; Michelle Arbuckle, Deputy City Clerk; Charles "Buster" Bingham, Chief of Police; Aldermen J. Paul Janoush and Gary Gainspoletti were absent.

The meeting was duly opened, and, upon due proclamation first made, the following proceedings were held, to-wit:

**ORDER TO REQUIRE ESSENTIAL BUSINESSES TO FOLLOW STATED  
GUIDELINES TO REMAIN OPEN AND MITIGATE THE FURTHER SPREAD  
OF COVID-19**

After discussion, upon Motion by Alderman Abraham, second by Alderman Sanders, and unanimously adopted, it is ordered to require Essential Businesses to follow stated guidelines to remain open during the COVID-19 pandemic to aid in mitigating the further spread of COVID-19.

**Requirements for Essential Businesses to Remain Open**

**In the City of Cleveland, Mississippi**

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE MAYOR AND BOARD OF ALDERMEN** of the City of Cleveland pursuant to Mississippi Code Section 45-17-7, that the City hereby adopts the following additional emergency measures that shall take effect immediately and expire at the times provided in Executive Order 1466 unless further action is taken by the governmental authority of the City of Cleveland, to protect the public health, safety, and welfare of the community from the spread of a contagious or infectious disease and to eliminate or limit injuries or deaths that may occur in the absence of such measures:

**SECTION 1**

In order to protect the health and safety of customers and employees inside any business' facilities which remain open as essential businesses, such business must take appropriate actions to promote proper sanitization and minimize close person-to-person contact and enforce appropriate social distancing, to include the following:

- a) Employees must wear a mask to cover nose and mouth. If masks are not available, a cloth or bandana, or other similar material may be used.
- b) Employer must require and provide hand sanitization materials for employees.
- c) Implement 1 person per Basket/Buggy.
- d) Limit the number of customers allowed inside each business to no more than 5 customers for each 1,000 square feet at a given time or approximately 20% of a store's local fire code capacity. Once the store reaches its capacity, customers are to be admitted inside on a "1-out-1-in" basis. The business must have employees specifically tasked to enforce this.
- e) Business must provide sanitizing materials for customer hands and baskets.
- f) Business must provide Prominent signs at every entrance informing customers they must stay 6 feet away from other customers.
- g) Business must implement 1-way movement through aisles to prevent customers from coming in close contact with each other. Signage and markers on the flow must be used to implement this.
- h) For businesses with existing public address systems, regular announcements instructing customers to stay six feet away from each other must be made.
- i) Markers on floors and signage measuring six-foot intervals and instructing people where to stand in checkout lanes and other lines must be implemented.
- j) Business must have employees specifically tasked to enforce social distancing among customers.
- k) For businesses that utilize such technology, signage encouraging cashless purchases, online ordering and pickup, and use of self-service checkout stations.

**SECTION II**

**ENFORCEMENT** of this Emergency Order shall be via issuance of a citation to the manger (person in charge) on the premises of the business at the time of the occurrence. **CITATIONS** shall be answerable to the City of Cleveland Municipal Court. **VIOLATIONS** of this Emergency Order shall be a misdemeanor. **PENALTIES** for violations shall be punishable by a fine not exceeding Three Hundred Dollars (\$300.00) as provided by Mississippi Code Section 45-17-9.

Alderman Danny Abraham moved for adoption of this Emergency Order, which motion was seconded by Alderman Robert Sanders, said Emergency Order having been introduced in writing at a specially called meeting of the Mayor Board of Aldermen of the City of Cleveland, Mississippi, held on April 5, 2020, at 4:00 p.m., which was read, considered, debated and ultimately adopted unanimously, paragraph by paragraph, section by section, then as a whole, and the question being put to a vote, the Mayor recorded the votes as follows:

Alderman Gary Gainpoletti voted:	Absent
Alderman J. Paul Janoush voted:	Absent
Alderman Ted Campbell voted:	Aye
Alderman Robert Sanders voted:	aye
Alderman Danny Abraham voted:	aye
Alderman Maurice Smith voted:	aye
Alderman Kirkham Povall voted:	aye

*/s/ Billy Nowell*

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Billy Nowell  
Mayor of the City of Cleveland, Mississippi

*/s/ Dominique Green*

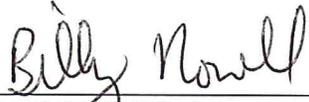
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Attest: Dominique Green  
City Clerk, City of Cleveland, Mississippi

ORDERED this April 5, 2020.

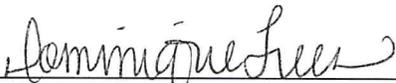
**ORDER TO ADJOURN**

With there being no further business to come before the Board at this session of this special meeting, upon motion duly made by Alderman Povall, second by Alderman Abraham, and unanimously adopted, it is ordered that the special called meeting of April 5, 2020 thereof be adjourned.

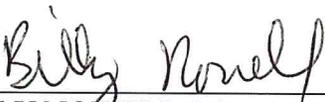
ORDERED this April 5, 2020.

  
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BILLY NOWELL, Mayor

Attest:

  
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DOMINIQUE GREEN, City Clerk

Minutes approved this 5th day of MAY, 2020.

  
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BILLY NOWELL, Mayor

Attest:

  
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DOMINIQUE GREEN, City Clerk