

Ward 5 eblast

Sunday, January 19, 2020

Good morning all...

A new sound system will be in place for Tuesday's Council meeting. The system is designed to improve acoustics in the high-ceilinged council room during meetings. (Hope council members use their microphones!)

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Meetings this week...

- City Council
[January 21, 1:30 pm](#)
- Development Review Committee (DRC)
[January 22, 9:00 am](#)

Bits & Pieces...

- [Annual State of the City Address](#)
Biloxi Bay Area Chamber Event, \$50
- [Mississippi Sound Coalition](#)
- [Census 2020, interactive gallery](#)
- [Weekly department reports](#)
- [See the Docket](#) Your tax \$\$\$...
- [See Traffic/Road closures](#)
- [Listen to this week's podcast](#)

Who to contact for...

- *Water, Sewer, Gas, or Drainage emergency after working hours?*
Call BPD Dispatch: 228.392.0641
- Garbage, trash, limbs pickup
Harrison County Utility Authority
228.868.8752
- City complaints or concerns
228.435.6271, cross@biloxi.ms.us

Next Council meeting: Tuesday, January 21, 1:30 pm. [Agenda](#)
Of particular interest...

- (1) [First Reading, text amendments re residential districts and zoning](#)
- (2) [First Reading, re bulk fuel plant/storage tanks in Waterfront zones](#)
- (3) [First Reading, re-zoning property, 1751 Popp's Ferry Road to NB](#)
- (4) [First Reading, re public records requests, uniform crash reports](#)
- (5) [Second Reading, employee: sick leave, unused leave, FMLA, et al](#)
- (6) [\\$25,000 to Back Bay Mission for housing rehabilitation program](#)
- (7) [Application for \\$25,000 grant, Point Cadet Traffic Impact Analysis](#)
- (8) [Application for \\$15,000 grant, Atkinson Road Traffic Study](#)



Peoples Bank, Corner of Howard Ave. and Lameuse St., 1911

Department spotlight...

Director: Chief Joe Boney

Biloxi Fire Department

The department is comprised of four (4) divisions, 175 personnel
Administrative Division: 1 Fire Chief, 1 Asst. Chief, 1 Admin. Assistant, 1 Budget Tech, 1 Staff Support Officer, 1 Clerk

Operations Division: 1 Deputy Chief, 1 Clerk, 6 Battalion Chiefs, 27 Captains, and 124 Firefighters. Responsible for providing fire suppression, basic life support for medical calls (that account for over 70% of the calls received), water rescues, and special operations such as confined space, hazardous material, high angle rescue, urban search and rescue, and regional response teams that assist other agencies with disaster response

Fire Prevention: 1 Deputy Chief, 1 Clerk, 4 Fire Inspectors. Responsible for fire/arson investigation, commercial inspections (including short term rentals), and public safety education, including the annual Fire Academy for Kid's Workshop that is open to community children free of charge.

Training: 1 Deputy Chief, 1 Clerk, 6 Field Training Officers (shift personnel). Responsible for providing in-house training for new fire recruits, CPR, and EMT certification, and on-going training to keep all fire personnel current with life-safety skills and certifications as established by the state's Minimum Standards Board.

Department assets... (3 firefighters are needed to man a fire truck)
10 fire stations 10 fire engines 3 ladder trucks 3 tankers
2 command vehicles various vehicles (heavy rescue, boats, etc.)

Answers to last week's Energy Quiz

Source: FY2019 city dockets

- 1) Avg bill, MS Power \$ 236,242/Mo
 - 2) Avg bill, Coast Elec \$ 44,883/Mo
 - 3) Avg bill, Fuelman \$ 56,225/Mo
 - 4) Avg bill, Center Point \$ 9,675/Mo
- Or, about \$11,409/Day total for all four.