

STATE OF MISSISSIPPI

April 3, 2017

COUNTY OF LOWNDES

MINUTE BOOK ____

BE IT REMEMBERED that a regular meeting of The Board of Supervisors of Lowndes County, Mississippi, was held at The Lowndes County Courthouse, Columbus, Mississippi, Monday, the 3rd day of April, 2017, commencing at 9:00 A.M.

PRESENT:

Harry Sanders	Supervisor, District 1, Board President
Bill Brigham	Supervisor, District 2
John Holliman	Supervisor, District 3, Board Vice-President
Jeff Smith	Supervisor, District 4
Leroy Brooks	Supervisor, District 5
Tim Hudson, Esq.	Board Attorney
Lisa Younger Neese	Chancery Clerk
Mike Arledge	Sheriff
Ralph Billingsley	County Administrator

County Staff Members

Members of News Media

County Citizens

The following proceedings were had:

CALL TO ORDER/INVOCATION

- Call to Order, Mike Arledge, Sheriff
- Presiding, Harry Sanders, Board President

- Invocation, Mike Arledge
- Pledge of Allegiance, Board of Supervisors

**I
BOARD AGENDA**

Reference: Agenda Review

- Motion by Supervisor Brooks to adopt agenda as amended
 - - Second by Supervisor Holliman
 - - - Vote 5-0

(Exhibit A attached hereto and incorporated herein)

**II
BOARD MINUTES**

Board Minutes for March 15, 2017, presented by Chancery Clerk for Board consideration

- Motion by Supervisor Brigham to approve March 15, 2017, Minutes of Board of Supervisors' Meetings
 - - Second by Supervisor Smith
 - - - Vote 5-0

**III
LLOYD PRICE
Chief Financial Officer**

A. Reference: County Claims Docket - Period Ending March 31, 2017

- Motion by Supervisor Brooks to approve and spread upon Minutes of Board of Supervisors County Claims Docket for period ending March 31, 2017,
 - - Second by Supervisor Smith
 - - - Vote 5-0

(Exhibit B attached hereto and incorporated herein)

B. Reference: Surplus Property – Sheriff's Department

- Motion by Supervisor Smith to declare surplus and trade-in two Sheriff's Department vehicles, to wit:

2008 Ford F-250, VIN 1FTNX20558ED85904
2011 Chevrolet Impala, VIN 2G1WF5EK2B1261212

- - Second by Supervisor Brigham
- - - Vote 5-0

(Exhibit C attached hereto and incorporated herein)

IV
BRENDA LATHAN
Senior Vice-President
Golden Triangle Development Link

Reference: Southern Cross Transmission Lines – Fee In Lieu Agreement
+ Resolution

- Motion by Supervisor Holliman to ratify Agreement to Make Make Payments In Lieu of Ad Valorem Taxes entered into by and among Lowndes County (acting through Board of Supervisors), Lowndes County Tax Assessor/Collector and Southern Cross Transmission, LLC; and to adopt Resolution of Board of Supervisors In Connection With Southern Cross Transmission Line Project evidencing Board's recognition of Project's benefits to County and Board's support thereof
- - Second by Supervisor Brigham
- - - Vote 5-0

(Exhibit D attached hereto and incorporated herein)

V
KEVIN STAFFORD
Engineer – Neel Schaffer

Reference: Grant Easement – College Street Property

- Motion by Supervisor Smith to ratify Indenture for Permanent Right of Way Easement and Temporary Construction Easement between Lowndes County, Grantor, and City of Columbus, Grantee, on College Street property for box culvert replacement
- - Second by Supervisor Brooks
- - - Vote 5-0

(Exhibit E attached hereto and incorporated herein)

**VI
LISA RICKS
County Citizen**

Reference: Complaint - Road Name Designation (165 Neilson Road)

Discussion regarding issue with County road sign

(No Board Action)

**VII
BOB CALVERT
County Engineer**

Reference: AT&T Utility Permit (Bell South) – Old Macon Road

- Motion by Supervisor Brooks to ratify Bell South Telecommunications utility permit to construct buried fiber optic telecommunications cable along or across Old Macon Road**
- - Second by Supervisor Holliman**
- - - Vote 5-0**

(Exhibit F attached hereto and incorporated herein)

**VIII
PUBLIC HEARING**

Reference: Project GARAGE Rail Loan

Hearing opened to public for comments regarding proposed Mississippi Development Authority rail loan for spur improvements at Steel Dynamics site

No comments presented to Board

Public hearing closed

(Exhibit G attached hereto and incorporated herein)

**IX
GEORGE CRAWFORD
Project Analyst
Golden Triangle Planning & Development District**

A. Reference: Rail Loan Application – Project GARAGE

- Motion by Supervisor Sanders to authorize application to Mississippi Development Authority pursuant to Rail Loan Program for capital improvements (rail spur) on campus of Steel Dynamics in Golden Triangle Industrial Park
- - Second by Supervisor Brooks
- - - Vote 5-0

(Exhibit H attached hereto and incorporated herein)

B. Reference: DIP Funding Application – Project GARAGE

- Motion by Supervisor Sanders to authorize application to Mississippi Development Authority pursuant to Development Infrastructure Program for economic development project in amount not to exceed \$750,000
- - Second by Supervisor Smith
- - - Vote 5-0

(Exhibit I attached hereto and incorporated herein)

C. Reference: Invoices – Steel Dynamics Paint Shop

- Motion by Supervisor Brooks to approve the following invoices, to wit:

Perma Corporation - \$53,425.84 – Water & Sewer Extension

Phillips Construction - \$333,905.32 – Access Road

Calvert-Spradling Engineers - \$8,220.58 – Engineering Services

- - Second by Supervisor Smith
- - - Vote 5-0

(Exhibit J attached hereto and incorporated herein)

X
RALPH BILLINGSLEY
County Administrator

A. Reference: E911 – Entry Pay Rate Increase

- Motion by Supervisor Brooks to authorize entry pay increase for twelve E911 employees
- - Second by Supervisor Smith
- - - Vote 5-0

(Exhibit K attached hereto and incorporated herein)

XI
GREG MERCHANT
County Coroner

Reference: Deputy Coroner

- Motion by Supervisor Smith to appoint Tia Anthony Deputy Coroner
- - Second by Supervisor Brooks
- - - Vote 5-0

XII
GLORIA BLUNT
Purchasing Clerk

Reference: Bid Advertisement - Road Plan Asphalt Overlay / Road Surfacing

- Motion by Supervisor Brooks to advertise for asphalt overlay and road surfacing as per attached itemized listing
- - Second by Supervisor Holliman
- - - Vote 5-0

(Exhibit L attached hereto and incorporated herein)

XIII
GREG ANDREWS
Tax Assessor/Collector

Reference: Tax Refund – PPIN #1561 - Communiversity

- Motion by Supervisor Sanders to approve tax refund in amount of \$413.53 for payment of 2015 taxes re: PPIN #1561
- - Second by Supervisor Brooks
- - - Vote 5-0

(Exhibit M attached hereto and incorporated herein)

XIV
LISA YOUNGER NEESE
Chancery Clerk

A. Reference: 2016 Real & Personal Property Assessment Rolls

- Motion by Supervisor Brooks to ratify Department of Revenue Certificate of Approval for 2016 Real & Personal Property

Assessment Rolls

- - Second by Supervisor Holliman
- - - Vote 5-0

(Exhibit N attached hereto and incorporated herein)

B. Reference: Recreational 16th Section Land Lease Agreements (3)

- Motion by Supervisor Holliman to spread upon Minutes of Board Recreational 16th Section Land Lease Agreements, to wit:

Lowndes County School District and Russell L. / Michael D. McCrory
(1 lease)

Lowndes County School District and Robert W. / Patricia W. Taylor
(2 leases)

- - Second by Supervisor Brooks
- - - Vote 5-0

(Exhibit O attached hereto and incorporated herein)

**X
(Continuation)
RALPH BILLINGSLEY**

B. Reference: Board Appointments – Library

(1) District 2

- Motion by Supervisor Brigham to appoint Cathy Duncan as District 2 representative to Columbus/Lowndes Library Board (April 1, 2017 through March 31, 2017)
- - Second by Supervisor Brooks
- - - Vote 5-0

(2) District 3

- Motion by Supervisor Holliman to appoint Amanda Meadows as District 3 representative to Columbus/Lowndes Library Board (April 1, 2017 through March 31, 2017)
- - Second by Supervisor Brooks
- - - Vote 5-0

C. Reference: Out-of-State Travel – NACVSO Conference

- Motion by Supervisor Smith to approve out-of-state travel for Annie Hines to attend National Association of County Veterans Service Officers' Conference in San Diego, California

- - Second by Supervisor Brooks
- - - Vote 5-0

D. Reference: Amendment – Medical Clinic Contract

- Motion by Supervisor Smith to approve First Amendment to Services Agreement with Baptist Memorial Medical Group effective April 1, 2017
- - Second by Supervisor Holliman
- - - Vote 5-0

(Exhibit P attached hereto and incorporated herein)

XV
TIM HUDSON
County Attorney

Reference: Release of Road Permit Bond – Gulf Pine Energy

- Motion by Supervisor Brooks to authorize release of Gulf Pine Energy from \$200,000 road permit bond
- - Second by Supervisor Holliman
- - - Vote 5-0

(Exhibit Q attached hereto and incorporated herein)

IX
(Continuation)
GEORGE CRAWFORD

D. Reference: Summary Change Orders – Steel Dynamics Paint Shop

(1) Phillips Contracting – Access Road Construction

- Motion by Supervisor Brooks to approve Change Order #2 in amount \$152,502.07 (decrease)
- - Second by Supervisor Sanders
- - - Vote 5-0

(Exhibit R attached hereto and incorporated herein)

(2) Perma Corporation – Water & Sewer Extension

- Motion by Supervisor Brooks to approve Change Order #1 in amount \$21,983.55 (decrease)

- - Second by Supervisor Smith
- - - Vote 5-0

(Exhibit S attached hereto and incorporated herein)

XVI
RECESS

- Motion by Supervisor Sanders to recess Board of Supervisors'
meeting until Monday, April 17, 2017, 9:00 A.M.
- - Second by Supervisor Brooks
- - - Vote 5-0

(WHEREUPON, the Board of Supervisors recessed at 9:40 A.M.,
April 3, 2017)

HARRY SANDERS, Board President

ATTEST:

LISA YOUNGER NEESE, Clerk