

**STATE OF MISSISSIPPI**

**COUNTY OF LOWNDES**

**July 31, 2017**

**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 31<sup>st</sup> day of July, 2017, commencing at 9:00am.

**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

County Staff Members

Members of News Media

County Citizens

The following proceedings were had:

### **CALL TO ORDER/INVOCATION**

- Call to Order, Supervisor Harry Sanders, Board President
- Presiding, Supervisor Harry Sanders, Board President
- Invocation, Supervisor Bill Brigham
- Pledge of Allegiance, Lisa Younger Neese, Chancery Clerk
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### **I**

### **BOARD AGENDA**

**Reference:** Agenda Review

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

(Exhibit A attached hereto and incorporated herein)

### **II**

### **BOARD MINUTES**

Board Minutes for July 14, 2017, presented by Chancery Clerk for Board consideration

- Motion by Supervisor Brigham to approve July 14, 2017, Minutes of Board of Supervisors' Meetings
- Second by Supervisor Holliman
- Vote 5-0

**III**  
**LISA JAMES**  
*Educators are Essential*

Invited Supervisors to an “Educators are Essential” event

- Information only, no action taken

(Exhibit B attached hereto and incorporated herein)

**IV**  
**PRESENTATION OF RESOLUTIONS**

A.) Resolution honoring and commending D.J. Sanders presented.

B.) Resolution honoring and commending Representative Tyrone Ellis presented.

**V.**  
**MOSES JAMES, JR.**

*Columbus Mobility Solutions Executive Director*

**Reference:** Request for funding of Transportation Program

- Motion by Supervisor Brooks to postpone until August 15, 2017
- - Second by Supervisor Smith
- -- Vote 5-0

( Exhibit B-1 attached hereto and incorporated herein)

**VI.**

**JOEY DEASON**

***Golden Triangle Development LINK***

**Reference:** New Process Steel Project

- Motion by Supervisor Sanders to approve construction and access easement for New Process Steel Project
- - Second by Supervisor Brigham
- -- Vote 5-0

(Exhibit C attached hereto and incorporated herein)

**Reference:** Rail Loan Contribution Agreement

- Motion by Supervisor Sanders to approve Rail Loan Contribution Agreement for New Process Steel Project.
- - Second by Supervisor Holliman
- -- Vote 5-0

(Exhibit D attached hereto and incorporated herein)

**VII.**

**LT. COL. NATHAN MILLER**

**Reference:** Community Partnership Memorandum of Understanding

- Motion by Supervisor Sanders to approve execution of Community Partnership Memorandum of Understanding
- - Second by Supervisor Brooks
- -- Vote 5-0

(Exhibit E attached hereto and incorporated herein)

**VIII.**

**LLOYD PRICE**

*Lowndes County Chief Financial Officer*

**Reference: Claims Docket**

- Motion to spread the Claims Docket for period ending July 31, 2017 on the Board Minutes by Supervisor Brooks
- - Second by Supervisor Smith
- -- Vote 5-0

(Exhibit F attached hereto and incorporated herein)

**Reference: Surplus Inventory**

- Motion to spread surplus inventory list on the Board Minutes by Supervisor Brooks
- - Second by Supervisor Holliman
- -- Vote 5-0

(Exhibit G attached hereto and incorporated herein)

**IX.**

**GREG ANDREWS**

*Tax Assessor/Collector*

**Reference: 2017 Tax Rolls**

- Motion to spread 2017 Tax Rolls, which are in compliance, on the minutes by Supervisor Brooks
- - Second by Supervisor Brigham
- -- Vote 5-0

(Exhibit H attached hereto and incorporated herein)

- Motion to approve 2017 Tax Roll change by Supervisor Sanders
- - Second by Supervisor Brooks

- -- Vote 5-0

(Exhibit I attached hereto and incorporated herein)

- Motion by Supervisor Smith to set 2017 Tax Rolls Public Hearing for August 31, 2017 at 9:30 AM in the Lowndes County Board of Supervisors Meeting Room
- - Second by Supervisor Brigham
- -- Vote 5-0

(Exhibit J attached hereto and incorporated herein)

**X.**

**RONNIE BURNS**

*Road Manager*

**Reference:** Timothy Harris

- Motion by Supervisor Holliman to approve the hiring of Timothy Harris in the Road Department
- - Second by Supervisor Brigham
- -- Vote 5-0

(Exhibit K attached hereto and incorporated herein)

**Reference:** Monthly Road Department Report

- Motion by Supervisor Smith to spread the monthly road department report on the minutes
- - Second by Supervisor Brooks
- -- Vote 5-0

(Exhibit L attached hereto and incorporated herein)

**XI.**

**ROGER SHORT**

*Recreation Director*

**Reference:** Lease Assignments

- Motion made by Supervisor Brooks to approve lease assignments by Columbus-Lowndes Recreation to Lowndes County, Mississippi for two community centers.
- - Second by Supervisor Holliman
- --Vote 5-0

(Exhibit M attached hereto and incorporated herein)

**Reference:** Reject Bids for Soccer Complex

- Motion by Supervisor Brooks to reject the Soccer Complex bids of Procreation and H&H Landscape for failure to meet bid specifications (as to weed and pest control, liability insurance, and worker's compensation insurance)
- - Second by Supervisor Smith
- -- Vote 5-0

(Exhibit N attached hereto and incorporated herein)

**Reference:** Accept Bid for Soccer Complex

- Motion by Supervisor Brooks to award the bid for the Soccer Complex to the lowest and best bidder, Grassmasters, for \$61,056.00
- - Second by Supervisor Holliman
- -- Vote 5-0

(Exhibit O attached hereto and incorporated herein)

**Reference:** Reject Bids for Community Centers

- Motion by Supervisor Smith to reject all bids for Lowndes County Community Centers as the specifications included the Caledonia Community Center which will not be maintained by Lowndes

County. Said motion further authorizes rebidding for community center maintenance

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

(Exhibit P attached hereto and incorporated herein)

**XII.**

**BOB CALVERT**

*County Engineer*

**Reference:** Horse Park Phase II

- Motion by Supervisor Brooks to approve an amendment to the Horse Park Phase II Contract
- - Second by Supervisor Holliman
- -- Vote 5-0

(Exhibit Q attached hereto and incorporated herein)

**Reference:** Utility Easement

- Motion by Supervisor Brooks to approve a utility easement on Holly Hills Road
- - Second by Supervisor Holliman
- -- Vote 5-0

(Exhibit R attached hereto and incorporated herein)

**XIII.**

**RALPH BILLINGSLEY**

*County Administrator*



**Reference:** Out-of-State Travel to Point Clear, AL

- Motion by Supervisor Brooks to approve out-of-state travel for county personnel to Point Clear, Alabama for waterway conference
- - Second by Supervisor Smith
- -- Vote 5-0

(Exhibit S attached hereto and incorporated herein)

**Reference:** Resignation of Lester King

- Motion by Supervisor Brooks to accept the resignation of Lester King for the Convention & Visitors Bureau and announce this vacancy to the public
- - Second by Supervisor Holliman
- -- Vote 5-0

(Exhibit T attached hereto and incorporated herein)

**Reference:** Donation of Real Property by Tim Butler

- Motion by Supervisor Sanders to accept the donation of real property from Tim Butler to Lowndes County, Mississippi
- - Second by Supervisor Holliman
- -- Vote 5-0

(Exhibit U attached hereto and incorporated herein)

**XIV.**

**SUPERVISOR LEROY BROOKS**

**Reference:** Donation of Real Property by Graham & Garrett, LLC

- Motion by Supervisor Brooks to accept the donation of real property by Graham & Garrett, LLC to Lowndes County, Mississippi
- - Second by Supervisor Smith

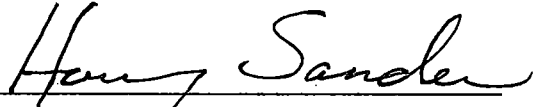
- -- Vote 5-0

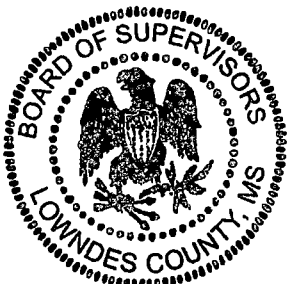
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XV.

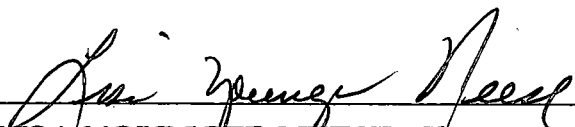
**ADJOURN**

- Motion to adjourn meeting by Supervisor Sanders
- - Second by Supervisor Brooks
- -- Vote 5-0

  
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HARRY SANDERS, Board  
President



ATTEST:

  
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LISA YOUNGER NEESE, Chancery Clerk