

STATE OF MISSISSIPPI

November 13, 2015

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, Friday, the 13th day of November, 2015, 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	Deputy 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, Harry Sanders, Board President
- Presiding, Harry Sanders, Board President

- Invocation, Jeff Smith, District 4 Supervisor
- Pledge of Allegiance, Lisa Younger Neese, Chancery Clerk

**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 November 2, 2015, presented by Chancery Clerk for Board consideration

- Motion by Supervisor Brooks to approve November 2, 2015, Minutes of Board of Supervisors' Meetings
- - Second by Supervisor Holliman
- - - Vote 5-0

**III  
DAVIS BASINGER  
Chief Financial Officer**

A. Reference: Claims Docket – Period Ending November 13, 2015

- Motion by Supervisor Brooks to approve and spread upon Minutes of Board Claims Docket for period ending November 13, 2015
- - Second by Supervisor Holliman
- - - Vote 5-0

(Exhibit B attached hereto and incorporated herein)

B. Reference: Financial Statements – October, 2015

- Motion by Supervisor Holliman to approve and spread upon Minutes of Board financial statements for period ending

October, 2015  
- - Second by Supervisor Smith  
- - - Vote 5-0

(Exhibit C attached hereto and incorporated herein)

IV  
SHELLEY SWAILS  
Road Name Coordinator

Reference: New County Road Name – Tubbs Lane

- Motion by Supervisor Smith to ratify new road name in District 4, to wit: Tubbs Lane (off Bud Price Road)
- - Second by Supervisor Holliman
- - - Vote 5-0

(Exhibit D attached hereto and incorporated herein)

V  
GREG MERCHANT  
County Coroner

Reference: Deputy Coroner Appointment

- Motion by Supervisor Holliman to appoint Tenesha Morris Rambus deputy coroner
- - Second by Supervisor Brooks
- - - Vote 5-0

VI  
RONNIE BURNS  
Road Manager

A. Reference: Personnel

(1) New Hires

(a) Kevin Baucom

- Upon recommendation of Road Manager, Motion by Supervisor Holliman to ratify new hire, Kevin Baucom, as Class I crew member at \$13.50 per hour effective November 16, 2015

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

(Exhibit E attached hereto and incorporated herein)

(b) Doug McConaha

- Upon recommendation of Road Manager, Motion by Supervisor Holliman to ratify new hire, Doug McConaha, as Class II truck driver at \$14.94 per hour effective November 16, 2015
- - Second by Supervisor Brigham
- - - Vote 5-0

(Exhibit F attached hereto and incorporated herein)

(c) Terrence Neal

- Upon recommendation of Road Manager, Motion by Supervisor Holliman to ratify new hire, Terrence Neal, as Class I crew member at \$13.50 per hour effective November 16, 2015
- - Second by Supervisor Brigham
- - - Vote 5-0

(Exhibit G attached hereto and incorporated herein)

(2) Employee Transfer – Gerry Sanders

- Upon recommendation of Road Manager, Motion by Supervisor Brooks to ratify transfer of Gerry Sanders to Class II truck driver at \$14.940 per hour effective November 16, 2015
- - Second by Supervisor Brigham
- - - Vote 5-0

(Exhibit H attached hereto and incorporated herein)

VII  
BOB CALVERT  
County Engineer

A. Reference: Supplemental Agreement – Lehmberg Road /  
Contract # SAP-44(33)

- Motion by Supervisor Brooks to approve supplemental agreement with APAC to remove and reset guard rail (post & rail) at Southeast end of bridge to improve sight distance

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

(Exhibit I attached hereto and incorporated herein)

**B. Reference: State Aid Engineering Contract – Artesia Road**

- Motion by Supervisor Brooks to approve Preliminary Engineering Services Contract with Calvert-Spradling Engineers re: Project #STPD-1706(8)B, i.e., Artesia Road
- - Second by Supervisor Smith
- - - Vote 5-0

(Exhibit J attached hereto and incorporated herein)

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

**A. Reference: Section 3 Reports – Close Out of Katrina CDBG Projects, Stark Aerospace & SeverCorr Infrastructure**

- Motion by Supervisor Brooks to authorize Board execution of Section 3 Corrective Action Plans for Stark Aerospace infrastructure (R-103-296-03-KED) and SeverCorr infrastructure (R-103-296-04-KED)
- - Second by Supervisor Smith
- - - Vote 5-0

(Exhibit K attached hereto and incorporated herein)

**B. Reference: Budget Modification #3 – Mississippi Steel Processing**

- Motion by Supervisor Smith to modify Contract #1128-11-044-ED-01 as follows: request transfer of remaining funds from rail line item to loading pad item, same resulting in no change to amount of funds in project
- - Second by Supervisor Brigham
- - - Vote 5-0

(Exhibit L attached hereto and incorporated herein)

**IX**  
**MIKE ARLEDGE**  
Sheriff

Reference: Adult Detention Facility Inmate Daily Meal Log –  
October, 2015

- Motion by Supervisor Brooks to approve and spread upon Minutes of Board October, 2015, inmate daily meal log for Lowndes County Adult Detention Facility
- - Second by Supervisor Brigham
- - - Vote 5-0

(Exhibit M attached hereto and incorporated herein)

**X**  
**LISA YOUNGER NEESE**  
Chancery Clerk

A. Reference: Sheriff's Report of Monies Received – October, 2015

- Motion by Supervisor Brooks to approve and spread upon Minutes of Board Sheriff's Report of Monies Received for October, 2015, in amount of \$11,909.89
- - Second by Supervisor Smith
- - - Vote 5-0

(Exhibit N attached hereto and incorporated herein)

B. Reference: Lowndes County Justice Court Report – October, 2015

- Motion by Supervisor Smith to approve and spread upon Minutes of Board civil and criminal collections for Lowndes County Justice Court for month of October, 2015, to wit:

Civil - \$23,052.21                      Criminal - \$102,674.06

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

(Exhibit O attached hereto and incorporated herein)

**XI**  
**RALPH BILLINGSLEY**  
County Administrator

A. Reference: E911 Phone System

Update re: E911 phone system

Vendor proposals to be presented to E911 Board week of November 16, 2015

No Board Action

**B. Reference: Holiday Schedule**

- Motion by Supervisor Brooks to observe the following as County holidays:

November 26 & November 27, 2015 – Thanksgiving

December 24 & December 25, 2015 – Christmas

December 31, 2015, & January 1, 2016 – New Year's

- - Second by Supervisor Holliman

- - - Vote 5-0

(Exhibit P attached hereto and incorporated herein)

**XII**

**RICK WARD**

**Firearms Instructor / Gun Activist**

**Reference: Courthouse Weapons Policy**

**Presentation re: concealed carry permit holders and courthouse weapons policy**

**Challenged Board's adoption of District Chancery Judges' Court Order and requested that same be rescinded**

No Board Action

(Exhibit Q attached hereto and incorporated herein)

**XIII**

**JEFF HOSFORD, Esquire**

**Attorney at Law**

**JERRY WESTLUND**

**Owner, MEC, Inc. d/b/a The Pony**

**Reference: Hearing - Ordinance Appeal/Exemption Request – The Pony**

Appeal of County's nightclub ordinance

Request for restaurant exemption to extend hours of operation

- Motion by Supervisor Brooks to continue hearing until December 7th, 2015, Board meeting
- - Second by Supervisor Brigham
- - - Vote 5-0

(Exhibit R attached hereto and incorporated herein)

**XIV  
RECESS**

- Motion by Supervisor Sanders to recess Board of Supervisors' meeting until November 30, 2015, 9:00 A.M.
- - Second by Supervisor Brooks
- - - Vote 5-0

(WHEREUPON, the Board of Supervisors recessed at 10:13 A.M.,  
November 13, 2015)

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HARRY SANDERS, Board President

ATTEST:

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LISA YOUNGER NEESE, Clerk