

STATE OF MISSISSIPPI

COUNTY OF LOWNDES

August 3, 2015

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 August, 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
Timothy Hudson, Esq. Board Attorney
Lisa Younger Neese Deputy Chancery Clerk
Mike Arledge Sheriff
Ralph Billingsley Administrator, Lowndes County

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, Sheriff

- Pledge, Lisa Younger Neese

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, July 15, 2015, presented by Chancery Clerk for Board consideration

- Motion by Supervisor Brigham to approve July 15, 2015, Minutes of Board of Supervisors' Meeting
- - Second by Supervisor Smith
- - - Vote 5-0

III

DAVE BASINGER

Chief Financial Officer

A. Reference: Claims Docket – Period Ending July 31, 2015

- Motion by Supervisor Holliman to approve and spread upon Minutes of Board Claims Docket for period ending July 31, 2015
- - Second by Supervisor Brooks

--- Vote 5-0

(Exhibit B attached hereto and incorporated herein)

B. Reference: Surplus Assets

- Motion by Supervisor Smith to approve and spread upon
Minutes of Board surplus asset listing

-- Second by Supervisor Brooks

--- Vote 5-0

(Exhibit C attached hereto and incorporated herein)

IV

GREG ANDREWS

County Tax Collector/Assessor

A. Reference: 2015 Real and Personal Property Rolls -

Department of Revenue Certification

- Motion by Supervisor Smith to ratify and spread upon Minutes
of Board recapitulation of Lowndes County 2015 preliminary real
and personal assessment rolls

-- Second by Supervisor Brigham

--- Vote 5-0

(Exhibit D attached hereto and incorporated herein)

B. Reference: Public Hearing – 2015 Real and Personal Property

Appeals

- Motion by Supervisor Holliman to set final public hearing August
31, 2015, at 9:15 A.M. for 2015 real and personal property appeals,
said hearing to be advertised accordingly

-- Second by Supervisor Brigham

--- Vote 5-0

(Exhibit E attached hereto and incorporated herein)

V

SHELLEY SWAILS

County Road Name Coordinator

Reference: New County Roads (2) - District 1

- Motion by Supervisor Sanders to accept two private roads in

District 1, to wit:

Hillbrooke Way (off Caledonia-Kolola Springs Road)

Lexington Lane (off Hillbrooke Way)

-- Second by Supervisor Holliman

--- Vote 5-0

(Exhibit F attached hereto and incorporated herein)

VI

KEVIN STAFFORD, P.E.

Neel-Schaffer, Inc.

A. Reference: Change Orders – Columbus/Lowndes County Airport

(1) Smith Landscaping

- Motion by Supervisor Brigham to approve final change order
in amount of \$420 to Smith Landscaping for additional site
grading

-- Second by Supervisor Holliman

--- Vote 5-0

(Exhibit G attached hereto and incorporated herein)

(2) Perma Corp

- Motion by Supervisor Smith to approve change order #2 in amount of \$5,296.25 to Perma Corporation for airfield drainage improvements

-- Second by Supervisor Brooks

--- Vote 5-0

(Exhibit H attached hereto and incorporated herein)

B. Reference: FAA Airport Improvement Project – Columbus/Lowndes

County Airport

- Motion by Supervisor Sanders to accept AIP grant in amount of \$119,128 funded by Federal Aviation Administration for additional tree removal (Phase II)

-- Second by Supervisor Holliman

--- Vote 5-0

(Exhibit I attached hereto and incorporated herein)

VII

RENEE SANDERS

Director

United Way Volunteer Center

Reference: Introduction as New Director of United Way

Introduction to Board and request for County participation in
United Way's volunteer programs

No Board Action

VIII

GEORGE CRAWFORD

Project Analyst

Golden Triangle Planning & Development District

Reference: Memorandum of Agreement / DIP Grant – Steel Dynamics

- Motion by Supervisor Brooks to enter into Memorandum of Agreement
with Steel Dynamics to apply for Mississippi Development
Infrastructure Program Grant (DIP)

-- Second by Supervisor Holliman

--- Vote 5-0

(Exhibit J attached hereto and incorporated herein)

IX

RONNIE BURNS

Road Manager

A. Reference: School Bus Turn-Around Request - Lowndes County Schools

- Motion by Supervisor Smith to make necessary repairs for school
bus turn-around at 139 Penn Station Road, Crawford

-- Second by Supervisor Brooks

--- Vote 5-0

(Exhibit K attached hereto and incorporated herein)

B. Reference: Ditching on Private Property – Steens / Lagrone Roads

- Motion by Supervisor Holliman to authorize 200 feet of ditching work between Steens & Lagrone Roads to prevent water damage to County roads
- - Second by Supervisor Smith
- - - Vote 5-0

(Exhibit L attached hereto and incorporated herein)

C. Reference: Road Department Monthly Board Reports

- Motion by Supervisor Brooks to approve and spread upon Minutes of Board culvert report and work orders for July, 2015, together with work schedule for August, 2015
- - Second by Supervisor Holliman
- - - Vote 5-0

(Exhibit M attached hereto and incorporated herein)

X

BOB CALVERT

County Engineer

A. Reference: Acceptance of County Road for Maintenance

- Motion by Supervisor Brooks to ratify acceptance of County road in Hillcrest Subdivision encompassing Crestview Circle, Terraceview Lane and part of Meadowview Lane for maintenance purposes
- - Second by Supervisor Holliman

--- Vote 5-0

(Exhibit N attached hereto and incorporated herein)

B. Reference: State-Aid Project # SAP-44(9)M (Striping and Signage)

Joint Letter Of Acceptance

- Motion by Supervisor Brooks to approve Board execution of joint letter of contract acceptance to J.C. Cheek Contractors, thereby releasing them from further maintenance responsibility

-- Second by Supervisor Sanders

--- Vote 5-0

(Exhibit O attached hereto and incorporated herein)

C. Reference: Utility Permits

(1) East Lowndes Water Association – Mockingbird Lane

- Motion by Supervisor Holliman to approve permit application of East Lowndes Water Association to construct water facility along or across Mockingbird Lane

-- Second by Supervisor Brigham

--- Vote 5-0

(Exhibit P attached hereto and incorporated herein)

(2) Telepak Networks / C-Spire Fiber

- Motion by Supervisor Smith to approve permit application of Telepak Networks d/b/a C-Spire Fiber to construct fiber network along or across North Lehmberg Road and Dutch Lane

-- Second by Supervisor Brooks

--- Vote 5-0

(Exhibit Q attached hereto and incorporated herein)

XI

JOHN HOLLIMAN

Supervisor, District 3

Reference: Ditching - Magby Creek / Tabernacle Road Area

- Motion by Supervisor Holliman to authorize ditching work from
Sansing Store to Magby Creek in order to protect integrity of
Tabernacle Road

-- Second by Supervisor Brooks

--- Vote 5-0

XII

LISA YOUNGER NEESE

Chancery Clerk

Reference: Chancery Court Reporter Pay Increase

Request on behalf of Chancery Judges for court reporter pay increase
to be included in County budget

No Board Action

(Exhibit R attached hereto and incorporated herein)

XIII

RALPH BILLINGSLEY

County Administrator

A. Reference: Advertisement – Junior Auxiliary

- Motion by Supervisor Brooks to advertise County resources in Junior Auxiliary's Annual Report to Community (\$125)
 - - Second by Supervisor Holliman
 - - - Vote 5-0

B. Reference: Out-of-State Travel

- Motion by Supervisor Brooks to approve reimbursement of expenses to authorized County personnel for attendance at Tennessee-Tombigbee Waterway Conference August 25-27, 2015, in Point Clear, Alabama
 - - Second by Supervisor Smith
 - - - Vote 5-0

C. Reference: Holcim Landfill – Notification of Siting Impact

- Motion by Supervisor Smith to acknowledge siting of proposed industrial landfill at Artesia facility is in conformance with County Solid Waste Management Plan
 - - Second by Supervisor Holliman
 - - - Vote 5-0

(Exhibit S attached hereto and incorporated herein)

D. Reference: New Hire – Lowndes County Justice Court

- Motion by Supervisor Holliman to ratify employment of Karri Dulaney at Lowndes County Justice Court effective August 3, 2015, at starting wage of \$10.50 per hour with raise to \$11 per hour upon satisfactory completion of six-month probationary period
- - Second by Supervisor Brooks
- - - Vote 5-0

XIV

TIM HUDSON

Board Attorney

Reference: Cal-Star Products – Landlord Waiver Agreement

- Motion by Supervisor Sanders to approve and authorize Board execution of Landlord’s Waiver Agreement in favor of Square 1 Bank regarding Cal-Star Products’ equipment, fixtures, intangibles and inventory
- - Second by Supervisor Smith
- - - Vote 5-0

(Exhibit T attached hereto and incorporated herein)

XV

CLOSED DETERMINATION

Reference: Potential Litigation Settlement

- Motion by Supervisor Sanders to go into closed determination
- - Second by Supervisor Brooks
- - - Vote 5-0

XVI

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Reference: Potential Litigation Settlement

- Motion by Supervisor Sanders to go into executive session for discussion regarding proposed settlement of potential lawsuit
- - Second by Supervisor Brooks
- - - Vote 5-0

XVII

OPEN BOARD MEETING

Reference: Potential Litigation Settlement

- Motion by Supervisor Brooks to adjourn Executive Session and resume open board meeting
- - Second by Supervisor Holliman
- - - Vote 5-0
- Motion by Supervisor Smith to authorize County's insurance carrier to settle claim of Tony Carter
- - Second by Supervisor Holliman
- - - Vote 5-0

(Exhibit U attached hereto and incorporated herein)

XVIII

RECESS

- Motion by Supervisor Brooks to recess Board of Supervisors' meeting

until August 14, 2015, 9:00 A.M.

- - Second by Supervisor Holliman

- - - Vote 5-0

(WHEREUPON, the Board of Supervisors recessed at 9:45 A.M., August 3,
2015)