

STATE OF MISSISSIPPI

COUNTY OF LOWNDES

December 15, 2014

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 15th day of December, 2014, 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
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

ABSENT:

Leroy Brooks	Supervisor, District 5
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The following proceedings were had:

CALL TO ORDER/INVOCATION

- Call to Order, Harry Sanders, Board President

- Presiding, Harry Sanders, Board President
- Invocation, Bill Brigham, Supervisor, District 2
- Pledge of Allegiance, Lisa Younger Neese, Chancery Clerk

I

BOARD AGENDA

Reference: Agenda Review

- Motion by Supervisor Holliman to adopt agenda
- Second by Supervisor Brigham
- Vote 4-0

(Exhibit A attached hereto and incorporated herein)

II

BOARD MINUTES

Board Minutes for December 1, 2014, presented by Chancery  
Clerk for Board consideration

- Motion by Supervisor Brigham to approve December 1,  
2014, Minutes of Board of Supervisors' Meetings
- Second by Supervisor Smith
- Vote 4-0

III

DAVE BASINGER

Chief Financial Officer

A. Reference: Claims Docket – Period Ending December 15, 2014

- Motion by Supervisor Smith to approve and spread upon  
Minutes of Board County Claims Docket for period ending  
December 15, 2014

- - Second by Supervisor Brigham

- - - Vote 4-0

(Exhibit B attached hereto and incorporated herein)

B. Reference: Financial Statements – November, 2014

- Motion by Supervisor Holliman to approve and spread upon  
Minutes of Board financial statements for period ending  
November, 2014

- - Second by Supervisor Brigham

- - - Vote 4-0

(Exhibit C attached hereto and incorporated herein)

#### IV

GREG ANDREWS

Tax Assessor / Collector

A. Reference: Department of Revenue Final Order – 2014 Tax Rolls

- Motion by Supervisor Smith to ratify and spread upon Minutes  
of Board State Department of Revenue final order approving real  
and personal assessment rolls for 2014

- - Second by Supervisor Holliman

- - - Vote 4-0

(Exhibit D attached hereto and incorporated herein)

(SUPERVISOR BROOKS PRESENT)

B. Reference: Section 42 Housing Refunds

- Motion by Supervisor Sanders to deposit City and County Schools' escrowed ad valorem tax revenues into Lowndes County's general fund and subsequently make appropriate disbursements to Section 42 developers who properly appealed 2012 tax assessments, to wit: Lowndes Properties, Jackson Place, Providence Place II, Columbus Heights and Hargrove Partners

- - Second by Supervisor Brigham

- - - Vote 5-0

(Exhibit E attached hereto and incorporated herein)

- Upon recommendation of County Administrator, Motion by Supervisor Sanders to employ Berk Huskison of Mitchell, McNutt & Sams Law Firm to formulate policy/ordinance governing Section 42 housing

- - Second by Supervisor Brigham

- - - Vote 5-0

V

BOB CALVERT

County Engineer

Reference: Utility Permit – Caledonia Natural Gas District

- Motion by Supervisor Brooks to approve permit application of Caledonia Natural Gas District to construct 3/4" natural gas service line road bore along or across Cal-Steens Road

-- Second by Supervisor Holliman

--- Vote 5-0

(Exhibit F attached hereto and incorporated herein)

VI

MIKE ARLEDGE

Sheriff

Reference: Adult Detention Facility Inmate Meal Log – November, 2014

- Motion by Supervisor Smith to approve and spread upon

Minutes of Board November, 2014, inmate daily meal log for

Lowndes County Adult Detention Facility

-- Second by Supervisor Holliman

--- Vote 5-0

(Exhibit G attached hereto and incorporated herein)

VII

LISA YOUNGER NEESE

Chancery Clerk

A. Reference: Sixteenth Section Land Leases (3)

- Motion by Supervisor Brooks to approve the following 16th

Section Land Leases between Lowndes County Board of

Education and Lessees:

(1) Michael A. Quinn – School Trust Land Cancellation of

Lease Agreement + Farm Residential 16th Section Land

Lease Agreement

- (2) Ginger Denise Rogers – School Trust Land Cancellation  
of Lease Agreement + Recreational 16th Section Land  
Lease Agreement

- (3) Kansas City Southern Railway Company – 16th Section  
Public School Trust Lands Amended Railway Right-of-  
Easement

-- Second by Supervisor Smith

--- Vote 5-0

(Exhibit H attached hereto and incorporated herein)

B. Reference: Lowndes County Justice Court Report – November, 2014

- Motion by Supervisor Holliman to approve and spread upon  
Minutes of Board civil and criminal collections for Lowndes  
County Justice Court for month of November, 2014, to wit:

Civil - \$22,487.30      Criminal - \$68,417.73

-- Second by Supervisor Brooks

--- Vote 5-0

(Exhibit I attached hereto and incorporated herein)

C. Reference: Sheriff's Report of Monies Received – November, 2014

- Motion by Supervisor Smith to approve and spread upon  
Minutes of Board Sheriff's Report of Monies Received for  
November, 2014, in amount of \$9,784.99

-- Second by Supervisor Holliman

--- Vote 5-0

(Exhibit J attached hereto and incorporated herein)

VIII

RALPH BILLINGSLEY

County Administrator

A. Reference: Contract Extension – Small Arms Firing Range

- Motion by Supervisor Sanders to approve Burks-Mordecai Builders' request for 90-day extension to complete work at small arms firing range due to delay in culvert and bullet trap installation

-- Second by Supervisor Brigham

--- Vote 5-0

(Exhibit K attached hereto and incorporated herein)

B. Reference: Medical Bridge Plan 'Run Out' Administration –

Employee Benefit Services, Inc.

- Motion by Supervisor Brooks to approve contract with Employee Benefit Services, Inc. to perform 'run out' administration of Medical Bridge Plan for three months at \$1,500 per month

-- Second by Supervisor Smith

--- Vote 5-0

(Exhibit L attached hereto and incorporated herein)

C. Reference: Budget Amendment – United Way

- Motion by Supervisor Sanders to approve budget amendment  
in amount of \$15,000 to comply with legislative authorized  
allocation of \$125,000 annually
- - Second by Supervisor Brooks
- - - Vote 5-0

D. Reference: Advertisement – Job Opening / Youth Court

- Motion by Supervisor Brooks to authorize advertisement for  
in-take counselor at Youth Court
- - Second by Supervisor Smith
- - - Vote 5-0

(Exhibit M attached hereto and incorporated herein)

E. Reference: Amendment – County Holiday Schedule

- Motion by Supervisor Brooks to observe Thursday and Friday,  
December 25 and 26, 2014, as legal Christmas holidays per  
Gubernatorial proclamation
- - Second by Supervisor Smith
- - - Vote 5-0

(Exhibit N attached hereto and incorporated herein)

F. Reference: Board Appointment – Golden Triangle Regional  
Solid Waste Management Authority

- Motion by Supervisor Holliman to re-appoint Bill Andrews to  
Golden Triangle Regional Solid Waste Management Authority



for 4-year term beginning January 1, 2014

-- Second by Supervisor Brooks

--- Vote 5-0

(Exhibit O attached hereto and incorporated herein)

IX

JEFF SMITH

Supervisor, District 4

A. Reference: Budget Amendment – Parks & Recreation Authority

- Motion by Supervisor Smith to amend Columbus/Lowndes

Parks & Recreation Authority budget in amount of \$8,000 to

complete baseball field at Plum Grove Community

-- Second by Supervisor Brigham

--- Vote 5-0

B. Reference: County Announcements

(1) MDOT Study – U.S. Highway 45A / Tarlton Road Intersection

Provided MDOT crash statistics, J-Turn facts and accident

improvement measures at U.S. Highway 45A and Tarlton

Road intersection in Crawford for review and increased law

enforcement

(Exhibit P attached hereto and incorporated herein)

(2) Candidacy – Lowndes County Supervisor, District 4

Announced candidacy for re-election as Supervisor of  
District 4

(Exhibit Q attached hereto and incorporated herein)

X

HARRY SANDERS

Supervisor, District 1

Reference: Resolution – Multi-Purpose Horse/Livestock Pavilion

- Motion by Supervisor Sanders to adopt Resolution endorsing  
the concept and County need for a multi-purpose horse and  
livestock pavilion/arena and requests Mississippi House of  
Representatives and Senate implement legislation to further  
said endeavor for the benefit of 4-H and Extension Service  
events

-- Second by Supervisor Holliman

--- Vote 5-0

(Exhibit R attached hereto and incorporated herein)

XI

LEROY BROOKS

Supervisor, District 5

Reference: Resolution – EMCC National JUCO Football Championship

- Motion by Supervisor Brooks to adopt Resolution commending  
East Mississippi Community College for its excellence in athletic

accomplishments and in winning the National JUCO Football  
Championship

-- Second by Supervisor Holliman

--- Vote 5-0

(Exhibit S attached hereto and incorporated herein)

XII

RECESS

- Motion by Supervisor Sanders to recess Board of Supervisors'  
meeting until December 30, 2014, 9:00 A.M.

-- Second by Supervisor Brooks

--- Vote 5-0

(WHEREUPON, the Board recessed at 9:45 A.M., December 15, 2014)