

STATE OF MISSISSIPPI

COUNTY OF LOWNDES

February 3, 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 3rd day of

February, 2014, commencing at 9:00 A.M.

PRESENT:

Harry Sanders Supervisor, District 1, Board President

Bill Brigham Supervisor, District 2

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 Administrator, Lowndes County

County Staff Members

Members of News Media

County Citizens

ABSENT:

John Holliman Supervisor, District 3, Board Vice-President

The following proceedings were had:

CALL TO ORDER/INVOCATION

- Call to order, Mike Arledge, Sheriff
- Presiding, Harry Sanders, Board President
- Invocation, Bill Brigham, Supervisor, District 2

- Pledge, Lisa Younger Neese

I

BOARD AGENDA

Reference: Agenda Review

- Motion by Supervisor Brooks to adopt agenda as amended
- Second by Supervisor Brigham
- Vote 4-0 (Supervisor Holliman absent)

(Exhibit A attached hereto and incorporated herein)

II

BOARD MINUTES

Board Minutes for January 15, 2014, presented by Chancery Clerk for
Board consideration

- Motion by Supervisor Brigham to approve January 15, 2014,

Minutes of Board of Supervisors' Meeting

- Second by Supervisor Brooks
- Vote 4-0 (Supervisor Holliman absent)

III

DAVIS BASINGER

Chief Financial Officer

A. Reference: Claims Docket – Period Ending January 31, 2014

- Motion by Supervisor Brooks to approve and spread upon

Minutes of Board Claims Docket for period ending January

31, 2014

-- Second by Supervisor Smith

--- Vote 4-0 (Supervisor Holliman absent)

(Exhibit B attached hereto and incorporated herein)

B. Reference: Sheriff's Department PIPE Checking Account

- Motion by Supervisor Brooks to increase Sheriff's Department
PIPE checking account by \$5,000

-- Second by Supervisor Smith

--- Vote 4-0 (Supervisor Holliman absent)

(Exhibit C attached hereto and incorporated herein)

IV

GLORIA BLUNT

Assistant Purchasing Clerk

A. Reference: Advertisement - Road Department Semi-Annual Bids

- Motion by Supervisor Brooks to authorize advertisement
for Road Department semi-annual bids

-- Second by Supervisor Smith

--- Vote 4-0 (Supervisor Holliman absent)

(Exhibit D attached hereto and incorporated herein)

B. Reference: Advertisement – Road Department Equipment

- Motion by Supervisor Brooks to authorize bid advertisement
for a motor-grader and front-end load for Road Department

-- Second by Supervisor Smith

--- Vote 4-0 (Supervisor Holliman absent)

(Exhibit E attached hereto and incorporated herein)

V

SAMMY FONDREN

Fire Administrator

Reference: Variance – VFD District 2 Fire Station

- Motion by Supervisor Sanders to approve variance on
foundation for new District 2 fire station

-- Second by Supervisor Smith

--- Vote 4-0 (Supervisor Holliman absent)

VI

BOB CALVERT

County Engineer

A. Reference: Utility Permits

(A) East Lowndes Water Association

- Motion by Supervisor Brooks to approve East Lowndes
Water Association permit application to construct water
utility facility along or across Lauren Lane

-- Second by Supervisor Brigham

--- Vote 4-0 (Supervisor Holliman absent)

(Exhibit F attached hereto and incorporated herein)

(B) Caledonia Natural Gas District

- Motion by Supervisor Smith to approve Caledonia Natural

Gas District permit application to construct ¾" natural gas
service line along or across Alomar Road

-- Second by Supervisor Brigham

--- Vote 4-0 (Supervisor Holliman absent)

(Exhibit G attached hereto and incorporated herein)

(C) AT&T

- Motion by Supervisor Brooks to approve AT&T permit
application to place buried fiber optic cable along or
across Military Road and Charleigh Ford Drive

-- Second by Supervisor Brigham

--- Vote 4-0 (Supervisor Holliman absent)

(Exhibit H attached hereto and incorporated herein)

B. Reference: MDEQ Large Construction Storm Water General Permit -
Old West Point Road

- Motion by Supervisor Brooks to approve Lowndes County
permit application to reconstruct base and surfacing of 1.1
miles of existing roadway on Old West Point Road

-- Second by Supervisor Smith

--- Vote 4-0 (Supervisor Holliman absent)

(Exhibit I attached hereto and incorporated herein)

A. Reference: Purchase Request – Vans (2)

- Motion by Supervisor Brooks to authorize purchase of two vans
for Road Department litter control at total State contract price of
\$4,630

-- Second by Supervisor Sanders

--- Vote 4-0 (Supervisor Holliman absent)

B. Reference: Road Department Monthly Reports

- Motion by Supervisor Brooks to spread upon Minutes of Board
culvert report and work orders for December, 2013, plus work
schedule for February, 2014

-- Second by Supervisor Smith

--- Vote 4-0 (Supervisor Holliman absent)

(Exhibit J attached hereto and incorporated herein)

VIII

GEORGE CRAWFORD

Project Analyst

Golden Triangle Planning & Development District

A. Reference: Small Business Capital Fund of MS – Notice/Consent
of Contract Assignment – MDA Home Grant Program

- Motion by Supervisor Brooks to approve Notice/Consent of Contract

Assignment re: MDA Home Grant Program Contract for demolition/
reconstruction of August Ferguson home on Gilmer-Wilburn Road

-- Second by Supervisor Sanders

--- Vote 4-0 (Supervisor Holliman absent)

(Exhibit K attached hereto and incorporated herein)

B. Reference: CDBG Invoices

(1) Mississippi Steel Processing

- Motion by Supervisor Brooks to approve payment of the following invoices for work on access road expansion at Mississippi Steel Processing:

Ausbern Construction Company - \$194,641

B&P Enterprises (Estimates 1 & 2) - \$25,963.65 & \$61,070.59

Calvert-Spradling Engineers - \$7,285

-- Second by Supervisor Brigham

--- Vote 4-0 (Supervisor Holliman absent)

(Exhibit L attached hereto and incorporated herein)

(2) Cal-Star Products

- Motion by Supervisor Brooks to approve payment of the following invoices for renovation of spec building for Cal-Star Products

Weathers Construction - \$129,694.26 (outside work)

Weathers Construction - \$492,317.32 (inside work)

JBHM Architects - \$2,760

-- Second by Supervisor Smith

--- Vote 4-0 (Supervisor Holliman absent)

(Exhibit M attached hereto and incorporated herein)

C. Reference: East Lowndes Water Association Extension Project -

Railroad Street/Frisco Road

(1) Contract Change Order – Southern Civil Contracting

- Motion by Supervisor Smith to approve payment of

\$8,645.31 to Southern Civil Contracting

-- Second by Supervisor Sanders

--- Vote 4-0 (Supervisor Holliman absent)

(Exhibit N attached hereto and incorporated herein)

(2) Engineering Fees

- Motion by Supervisor Brooks to approve payment of

\$2,948.75 to Calvert-Spradling Engineers

-- Second by Supervisor Smith

--- Vote 4-0 (Supervisor Holliman absent)

(Exhibit O attached hereto and incorporated herein)

D. Reference: Severstal (On-Going Project #R-105-296-04KED)

Advised Board three-month contract extension to Severstal (March 31, 2014) for documentation of low-to-moderate income hires was

approved by MDA

IX

LISA YOUNGER NEESE

Chancery Clerk

Reference: Sixteenth Section Commercial Land Lease

(Parcel 19W08-01- 00907)

- Motion by Supervisor Brooks to approve 16th Section Commercial Land Lease Agreement between Lowndes County School District and D.G. Caledonia, LLC, for forty years effective January 10, 2014; and to cancel prior Lease Agreement re: subject property

- - Second by Supervisor Smith

- - - Vote 4-0 (Supervisor Holliman absent)

(Exhibit P attached hereto and incorporated herein)

X

RALPH BILLINGSLEY

County Administrator

A. Reference: Announce E911 Board Vacancy - District 4

Accepting applications for District 4 E911 Board vacancy;

Four-year term (March 1, 2014 – February 28, 2018)

B. Reference: Board Appointment - Columbus Convention &

Visitors Bureau

Nomination by Supervisor Brigham to appoint Lester King to

Columbus Convention & Visitors Bureau Board

- Motion by Supervisor Brigham to close nominations

- - Second by Supervisor Sanders

- - - Vote 4-0 (Supervisor Holliman absent)

Vote to appoint Lester King: 2-0

(Supervisors Smith & Brooks abstain; Supervisor Holliman absent)

(Exhibit Q attached hereto and incorporated herein)

C. Reference: County Holiday – Presidents Day

- Motion by Supervisor Brooks to observe Presidents Day on Monday,

February 17, 2014, as County holiday

-- Second by Supervisor Smith

--- Vote 4-0 (Supervisor Holliman absent)

D. Reference: Resolution – Request to Repeal Section 42 Housing Law

- Motion by Supervisor Sanders to adopt Resolution requesting

Mississippi Legislature repeal legislation giving substantial ad

valorem tax breaks to valuable federally subsidized housing

properties

-- Second by Supervisor Brooks

--- Vote 4-0 (Supervisor Holliman absent)

(Exhibit R attached hereto and incorporated herein)

XI

TIM HUDSON

Board Attorney

Reference: Resolution – Request for Amendment to Senate Bill 2702 -

Hospital Funds Investment

- Motion by Supervisor Brooks to adopt Resolution requesting

Senate Bill 2702, Local and Private Laws of 2013, be amended

as set forth in document attached hereto

-- Second by Supervisor Brigham

--- Vote 4-0 (Supervisor Holliman absent)

(Exhibit S attached hereto and incorporated herein)

XII

JEFF SMITH

Supervisor, District 3

Reference: Toyota Grant (Non-Agenda Item)

Discussion re: grant by Toyota to place computers in community
centers

No Board Action

XIII

RECESS

- Motion by Supervisor Sanders to recess Board of Supervisors'
meeting until Friday, February 14, 2014, 9:00 A.M.

-- Second by Supervisor Brooks

--- Vote 4-0 (Supervisor Holliman absent)

(WHEREUPON, the Board of Supervisors recessed at 9:40 A.M.,
February 3, 2014)