

**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 4<sup>th</sup> of February 2019, commencing at 9:00 a.m.

**PRESENT:**

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| 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                               |
| County Staff Members  |  |
| Members of News Media |  |
| County Citizens       |  |

The following proceedings were had:

**CALL TO ORDER/INVOCATION**

- I. Call to Order, Sheriff Mike Arledge
- II. Presiding, Harry Sanders, Board President
- III. Invocation, Supervisor Jeff Smith
- IV. Pledge of Allegiance

**I  
BOARD AGENDA**

**A. 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**

A. Approve January 15<sup>th</sup> Board Minutes

Motion by Supervisor Brigham to approve the January 15, 2019 Minutes of the Board of Supervisors; second by Supervisor Smith. Vote 5-0. (Exhibit B attached hereto and incorporated herein)

**III**  
**LLOYD PRICE**  
*Lowndes County CFO*

A. County Claims Docket

Motion by Supervisor Brooks to approve and spread the county claims docket for the period ending January 31, 2019 on the Minutes; second by Supervisor Smith. Vote 5-0. (Exhibit C attached hereto and incorporated herein)

B. Surplus Property

Motion by Supervisor Holliman to declare three items Surplus Property; second by Supervisor Brigham. Vote 5-0. (Exhibit D attached hereto and incorporated herein)

**IV**  
**GLENN LAUTZENHISER**  
*Lowndes County Citizen*

A. Present Ordinance regarding *Metragyna Speciosa* aka Kratom

Motion by President Sanders to consider passage of an ordinance banning *Metragyna Speciosa* in Lowndes County, MS and set a public hearing regarding same on March 15, 2019 at 9:05 a.m. at the Lowndes County Boardroom; second by Supervisor Smith. Vote 5-0. (Exhibit E attached hereto and incorporated herein)

**V**  
**GEORGE CRAWFORD**  
*Project Analyst*  
*Golden Triangle Planning and Development District, Inc.*

A. Approve Economic Development Jobs Report

Motion by Supervisor Smith to approve an Economic Development Jobs Report; second by Supervisor Holliman. Vote 5-0. (Exhibit F attached hereto and incorporated herein)

**VI**  
**ROGER SHORT**  
*Lowndes County Recreation Manager*

A. Permission to execute contracts for Baseball/Softball League Functions

Motion by Supervisor Holliman to approve a standard contract for Game officials and concessions regarding Lowndes County Recreation programs and authorize the Manager to execute same; second by Supervisor Brooks. Vote 5-0. (Exhibit G attached hereto and incorporated herein)

**VII**  
**LISA Y. NEESE**  
*Lowndes County Chancery Clerk*

A. Sixteenth Section Land Lease

Motion by Supervisor Brooks to approve a Sixteenth Section right-of-way easement to Quan Timber LLC; second by Supervisor Brigham. Vote 5-0. (Exhibit H attached hereto and incorporated herein)

**VIII**  
**RONNIE BURNS**  
*Lowndes County Road Manager*

A. Monthly Reports

Motion by Supervisor Brooks to approve and spread the monthly reports of the Road Department on the Minutes; second by Supervisor Holliman. Vote 5-0. (Exhibit I attached hereto and incorporated herein)

**IX**  
**RALPH BILLINGSLEY**  
*Lowndes County Administrator*

A. Approve Change Order on Courthouse Renovation Project

Motion by Supervisor Smith to approve a change order in the amount of \$9,970.00 for the Courthouse Renovation Project; second by Supervisor Holliman. Vote 5-0. (Exhibit J attached hereto and incorporated herein)

B. Acceptance of Court Order for Payment of Invoice

Motion by Supervisor Brooks to spread a Circuit Court Order on the Minutes authorizing payment of District 4 VFD equipment; second by

Supervisor Smith. Vote 5-0. (Exhibit K attached hereto and incorporated herein)

- C. Motion by Supervisor Brooks to reimburse Ralph Billingsley \$524.97 for charges on his personal credit card for a purchase for the sole benefit of Lowndes County due to the entity refusing to accept checks and the county not having a credit card; second by Supervisor Holliman. Vote 5-0. (Exhibit L attached hereto and incorporated herein)

- D. Building Inspection Bonds

Motion by Supervisor Brooks to obtain bonds for County Building Inspection employees; second by Supervisor Holliman. Vote 5-0.

- E. Approve Advertisement

Motion by Supervisor Smith to approve advertising county resources at Columbus High School Baseball Field in the amount of \$25.00; second by Supervisor Brooks. Vote 5-0.

- F. Approval of Courthouse Closure

Motion by Supervisor Brooks to approve the decision to close the Lowndes County Courthouse on January 29 and January 30, 2019 due to no heat and severely cold weather; second by Supervisor Smith. Vote 5-0.

- G. Approve Holiday

Motion by Leroy Brooks to declare February 18, 2019 a holiday; second by Supervisor Holliman. Vote 5-0.

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RECESS**

Motion by President Sanders to recess until February 15, 2019 at 9:00 a.m.; 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