

STATE OF MISSISSIPPI

COUNTY OF LOWNDES

July 15th, 2021

MINUTE BOOK 374

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, Thursday, the 15TH day of July 2021, commencing at 9:00 a.m.

Present:

Harry Sanders	Supervisor, District 1
Trip Hairston	Supervisor, District 2, President
John Holliman	Supervisor, District 3
Jeff Smith	Supervisor, District 4
Leroy Brooks	Supervisor, District 5
Tim Hudson Esq.	County Board Attorney
Eddie Hawkins	Sheriff
Tia Rushing	Deputy Chancery Clerk
Jay Fisher	County Administrator
County Staff Members	
Members of News Media	
County Citizens	

The following proceedings were had:

CALL TO ORDER/INVOCATION

- I. Call to Order, Trip Hairston, Board President
- II. Presiding, Trip Hairston, Board President
- III. Invocation, Jay Fisher, County Administrator
- IV. Pledge Of Allegiance, Trip Hairston, Board President

I

Adopt Agenda

A. Agenda Review

Motion by Supervisor Holliman to adopt agenda as amended with changes; Second by Supervisor Brooks. Vote 5-0. (Exhibit A attached hereto and incorporated herein.)

II
BOARD MINUTES

A. Approve July 6th, 2021 Board Minutes

Motion by Supervisor Brooks to approve July 6th, 2021 board minutes of the Board of Supervisors; Second by Supervisor Holliman. Vote 5-0. (Exhibit B attached hereto and incorporated herein)

III
Lloyd Price
Lowndes County CFO

A. County Claims Docket – Period ending July 15th, 2021

Motion by Supervisor Brooks to spread on the minutes the County Claims Docket period ending July 15th, 2021; Second by Supervisor Sanders. Vote 5-0. (Exhibit C attached hereto and incorporated herein)

B. June 2021 Financials

Motion by Supervisor Smith to spread on the minutes June 2021 financials; Second by Supervisor Brooks. Vote 5-0. (Exhibit D attached hereto and incorporated herein)

C. Narcotics Bank Accounts – Signature Card

Motion by Supervisor Holliman to approve Treddis Anderson for signature card for Narcotics bank accounts at Trustmark due to the resignation of Brian Turner; Second by Supervisor Smith. Vote 5-0.

IV.
Steve Pittman
Government Consultant, Inc. Representative

A. 2014 Bond Refunding

Motion by Supervisor Brooks to adopt and spread on the minutes the Resolution authorizing and directing preparations for the issuance of refunding bonds of Lowndes County, Mississippi for the purpose of advance refunding and defeasing all or a portion of the County's outstanding \$9,165,000 General Obligation Refunding Bonds, Series 2014 dated September 30, 2014; Second by Supervisor Smith. Vote 5-0. (Exhibit E attached hereto and incorporated herein)

V.
Luke Fisher
Life Scout Troop 2 FUMC

- A. Presentation Eagle Scout Community Service Project
Reserved parking for Veterans

Motion by Supervisor Brooks to approve Eagle Scout Community Service Project for reserved parking for Veterans, one (1) reserved parking spot at each location: Courthouse, Sheriff's Department, Department of Motor Vehicles, and County Administration building. The County will provide materials for signs and the Scouts will provide labor for assembling signage; Second by Supervisor Smith. Vote 5-0.

VI.
Greg Andrews
Lowndes County Tax Assessor/Collector

- A. 2020 Audit Changes (Real & Personal Rolls)

Motion by Supervisor Brooks to approve and spread on the minutes 2020 Audit Changes Real & Personal Rolls; Second by Supervisor Holliman. Vote 5-0. (Exhibit F attached hereto and incorporated herein)

- B. Set Public Hearing

Motion by Supervisor Brooks to set the final public hearing for 2021 Real & Personal property values for September 7th, 2021, at 9:30 a.m. Also at this time, the final values will be for 2021 Real & Personal Property Tax Rolls; Second by Supervisor Hairston. Vote 5-0. (Exhibit G attached hereto and incorporated herein)

VII.
Pat Tuggle
Lowndes County Purchase Clerk

- A. Permission to Advertise for \$5 Million Road Plan

Motion by Supervisor Smith to grant permission to advertise for Asphalt Overlay, Road Surfacing Treatment, Reseal, Double Bituminous Surface Treatment (DBST), and Road Striping \$5 Million Road Plan; Second by Supervisor Holliman. Vote 5-0. (Exhibit H attached hereto and incorporated herein)

VIII.
Jay Fisher
Lowndes County Administrator

A. CGI

Motion by Supervisor Smith to accept the recommendation of County Administrator contingent upon working with Board Attorney to move forward with a county highlights video program, at no costs to the County, to promote county resources; Second by Supervisor Holliman. Vote 5-0. (Exhibit I attached hereto and incorporated herein).

B. Lowndes County Board Calendar Policy

Motion by Supervisor Holliman to adopt and spread on the minutes the Lowndes County Board of Supervisors Scheduling Policy guidelines for 2022; Second by Supervisor Brooks. Vote 5-0. (Exhibit J attached hereto and incorporated herein).

C. Nominee for Convention & Visitors Board

Motion by Supervisor Brooks to nominate Richard Morgan to serve on Convention & Visitors Board for the remainder of Steve Wallace's term ending 6 February 2022; Second by Supervisor Hairston. Vote 5-0.

D. State Bond Approval

Motion by Supervisor Brooks to approve and spread on the minute Resolution for issuance of State General Obligation Bonds, in an amount not to exceed \$2,000,000.00 (increase of \$1M) to provide funding to assist Lowndes County Board of Supervisors with the Manufactures Drive and Artesia Road intersection project; Second by Supervisor Holliman. Vote 5-0. (Exhibit K attached hereto and incorporated herein)

Motion by Supervisor Brooks to open separate bank account with regard to General Obligation bonds for Manufactures Drive and Artesia Road intersection project; Second by Supervisor Sanders. Vote 5-0.

IX.
Larry Collums
Lowndes County Building Inspection Director

A. Dilapidated Property at 44 Suggs Road

Motion by Supervisor Brooks to get bids to clean up property located at 44 Suggs Road. Further, assess the costs of cleanup as a lien against property; Second by Supervisor Sanders. Vote 5-0.

X.
Bob Calvert
Lowndes County Engineer

A. Utility Permit Caledonia Natural Gas on Wolfe Road

Motion by Supervisor Brooks to approve and spread on the minutes the Utility permit from Caledonia Natural Gas District for a $\frac{3}{4}$ " road bore along and across Wolfe Road; Second by Supervisor Sanders. Vote 5-0. (Exhibit L attached hereto and incorporated herein)

B. Utility Permits Caledonia Water & Sewer Department Freeman Road
Williams Road

Motion by Supervisor Sanders to approve and spread on the minutes the Utility permit from Caledonia Water & Sewer Department for a 1" Water Service line along or across Freeman Road and a $\frac{3}{4}$ " Water Service line along or across Williams Road; Second by Supervisor Smith. Vote 5-0. (Exhibit M attached hereto and incorporated herein)

XI.
Cindy E. Goode/Tia Rushing Deputy Chancery Clerk
Lowndes County Chancery Clerk

A. Surety Bonds

Motion by Supervisor Brooks to approve and spread on the minutes Surety Bond for Monica Tate, Appointed Detention Officer; Second by Supervisor Smith. Vote 5-0. (Exhibit N attached hereto and incorporated herein)

B. Justice Court Reports

Motion by Supervisor Holliman to approve and spread on the minutes Justice Court Reports for the month of June 2021, interest earned \$16.26; Criminal Collection for \$105,257.44, Civil Collections for \$17,481.99 and fees from Collection Agency, MSB/Gila \$5,772.13; Second by Supervisor Smith. Vote 5-0. (Exhibit O attached hereto and incorporated herein)

C. 16th Section Leases

Motion by Supervisor Brooks to approve and spread on the minutes two (2) 16th Section Leases for Chris Knight and wife, Kristi Knight; Second by Supervisor Smith. Vote 5-0. (Exhibit P attached hereto and incorporated herein)

Motion by Supervisor Brooks to approve and spread on the minutes the Option & Easement Agreement between Lowndes County School District and MS Solar 5, LLC; Second by Supervisor Smith. Vote 5-0. (Exhibit Q attached hereto and incorporated herein)

XII.
George Crawford
Project Analyst
Golden Triangle Planning & Development District, Inc.

- A. Approval of Jobs Report to Mississippi Development Authority for SDI Rail Extension Project.

Motion by Supervisor Holliman to approve and spread on the minutes Mississippi Development Authority Community Services Division Economic Development Jobs Report with SDI Rail Extension Project; Second by Supervisor Brooks. Vote 5-0. (Exhibit R attached hereto and incorporated herein)

XIII.
Eddie Hawkins
Lowndes County Sheriff

- A. New Hire – Detention Officer

Motion by Supervisor Brooks to approve the hire of Velda Delphine Luckett as Detention Officer at a rate of pay \$13.42 per hour effective July 19, 2021; Second by Supervisor Smith. Vote 5-0. (Exhibit S attached hereto and incorporated herein)

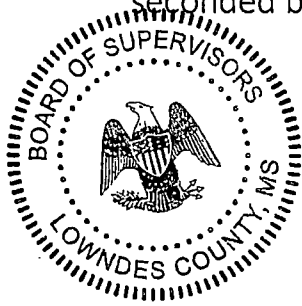
- B. June 2021 - Meal Log

Motion by Supervisor Holliman to approve and spread on the minutes the June 2021 Meal Log; Second by Supervisor Smith. Vote 5-0. (Exhibit T attached hereto and incorporated herein)

XIV.
Board Members

Supervisor Leroy Brooks – Garden old Lipscomb lot.

Motion by Supervisor Brooks to adjourn until Monday, August 2nd, 2021; seconded by Supervisor Holliman. Vote 5-0.



ATTEST:



Cindy E. Goode, Chancery Clerk



TRIP HAIRSTON, Board President