

STATE OF MISSISSIPPI

OCTOBER 4TH, 2021

COUNTY OF LOWNDES

MINUTE BOOK 376

BE IT REMEMBERED, that a regular meeting of The Board of Supervisors of Lowndes County, Mississippi, held at the Lowndes County Courthouse, Columbus, Mississippi, Monday, the 4TH day of October 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
Cindy E. Goode	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, Eddie Hawkins, Sheriff
- II. Presiding, Trip Hairston, Board President
- III. Invocation, John Holliman, Supervisor, District 3
- IV. Pledge Of Allegiance, Cindy E. Goode, Chancery Clerk

I

Adopt Agenda

A. Agenda Review

Motion by Supervisor Brooks to adopt agenda; Second by Supervisor Smith.
Vote 5-0. (Exhibit A attached hereto and incorporated herein.)

II
BOARD MINUTES

- A. Approve September 30th, 2021 Board Minutes

Motion by Supervisor Smith to approve September 30th, 2021 board minutes of the Board of Supervisors; Second by Supervisor Holliman. Vote 5-0. (Exhibit B attached hereto and incorporated herein)

III
Trip Hairston – Board President
Resolution of Recognition

- A. Resolution in Support of Citizen Actions in Emergency – Mr. Chad Surunis (Patricia Gordon Goodwin)

Motion by Supervisor Brooks to adopt and spread on the minutes the Resolution expressing sincere appreciation and recognition of Chad Surunis for his life saving action and service to the citizens of Lowndes County, Mississippi; Chad Surunis demonstrated incredible courage as he came to the aid of a distressed driver; Second by Supervisor Smith. Vote 5-0. (Exhibit C attached hereto and incorporated herein)

IV.
Jay Fisher
Lowndes County Administrator

- A. Family Medical Leave Act Request FMLA
Theapalus Hairston – Road Department

Motion by Supervisor Smith to approve the request Family Medical Leave up to twelve weeks for Theapalus Hairston (Lowndes County Road Department) beginning 17 September 2021; Second by Supervisor Brooks. Vote 5-0. (Exhibit D attached hereto and incorporated herein)

- B. Announce Opening for LCIDA Seat – Thomas Lee (1 Nov 2021 – 31 Oct 2025)

No action taken.

- C. American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) Presentations
- i. Butler-Snow: Troy Johnston and Parker Berry
 - ii. Horne, LLP: Chris Richardson & Timothy Smith
 - iii. The Capitol Group: Haley Martin & Jon McCormick
 - iv. Local Government Solutions & Strategies: Andrew Smith

D. EMCC Board Applicants for Board Seats

Motion by Supervisor Sanders to consider top three applicants for EMCC Board of Trustees at the next board meeting 15 October 2021: Keith Gaskin, Dr. Richard Eubanks, Jr., and Andrew Appel; Second by Supervisor Holliman. Vote 5-0.

V.

**Sue Fairbank/Steve Edds
Butler-Snow Representatives**

A. Resolution for \$5M Road Note

Motion by Supervisor Smith to adopt and spread on the minutes the Resolution authorizing General Obligation note of Lowndes County, Mississippi principal amount not to exceed \$5,000,000 for the purpose of raising money to construct, reconstruct, and repair roads, highways and bridges and acquire necessary land, including land for road building materials, acquiring rights-of-way therefor; and purchase heavy construction equipment and accessories thereto reasonably required to construct, repair and renovate roads, highways, and bridges within the County; Second by Supervisor Holliman. Vote 5-0. (Exhibit E attached hereto and incorporated herein)

VI.

**Cindy E. Goode
Lowndes County Chancery Clerk**

A. Justice Court Reports

Motion by Supervisor Holliman to approve and spread on the minutes Justice Court Reports for fees from collection agency MSB/Gila in the amount of \$2,025.33; bank interest in the amount of \$19.18, Civil Collections \$19,880.68 and Criminal Collections \$83,075.88 for the month of September 2021; Second by Supervisor Smith. Vote 5-0. (Exhibit F attached hereto and incorporated herein)

B. Sheriff's Report

Motion by Supervisor Holliman to approve and spread on the minutes Sheriff's Report for September 2021, for \$7,358.53; Second by Supervisor Smith. Vote 5-0. (Exhibit G attached hereto and incorporated herein)

VII.

Board Members/Board Attorney

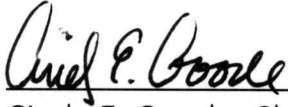
Board Attorney Tim Hudson – Opioid settlement

No action taken.

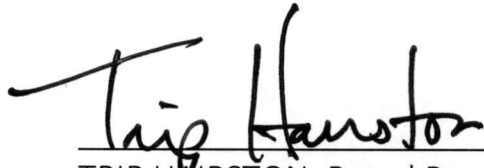
Motion by Supervisor Holliman to recess until Friday, October 15th, 2021;
seconded by Supervisor Smith. Vote 5-0.



ATTEST:



Cindy E. Goode, Chancery Clerk



TRIP HAIRSTON, Board President