

STATE OF MISSISSIPPI

JANUARY 3RD, 2022

COUNTY OF LOWNDES

MINUTE BOOK 378

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 3rd day of January 2022, 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
Brent Swan	Chief Deputy 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, Brent Swan, Chief Deputy
- 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 as amended with changes; Second by Supervisor Smith. Vote 5-0. (Exhibit A attached hereto and incorporated herein.)

II
Cindy E. Goode
Lowndes County Chancery Clerk

A. Surety Bonds Riders

Motion by Supervisor Holliman to approve and spread on the minutes Surety Bond Riders for Diane Stephens from Assistant Purchasing Clerk to Accounts Payable and Carley Michelle Estes from Administrative Assistant to Receiving Clerk; Second by Supervisor Smith. Vote 5-0. (Exhibit E attached hereto and incorporated herein)

III.
Jay Fisher
Lowndes County Administrator

A. Authorize Tax Assessor/Collector and Sheriff Quarterly Budget

Motion by Supervisor Brooks in accordance with Mississippi Code Section 27-1-9(c) (Tax Assessor/Collector), authorize the request to appropriate a quarter of Tax Assessor's budget \$101,611.25 and Tax Collector's budget \$203,284.25; Mississippi Code Section 19-25-13 (Sheriff Dept) Sheriff's budgets \$1,249,679.25 and Adult Detention Center \$997,931.75 and spread on the minutes as presented; Second by Holliman. Vote 5-0. (Exhibit M attached hereto and incorporated herein)

B. COVID-19 Policy Discussion – Masks, Isolation/Quarantine changes

Motion by Supervisor Hairston to change the County's current COVID-19 policy to meet CDC guidelines with regard to quarantine guidelines; Second by Supervisor Brooks. Vote 5-0.

Motion by Supervisor Brooks to allow county employees, with a valid doctor's note, for 10 days will be approved; Second by Supervisor Smith. Vote 5-0.

C. Approval Martin Luther King, Jr. Holiday

Motion by Supervisor Brooks to observe Martin Luther King, Jr. Holiday on Monday, 17 January 2022; Second by Supervisor Smith. Vote 5-0.

PUBLIC PROPERTY HEARING
1641 STEENS ROAD

Motion by Supervisor Hairston to open the Public Hearing for Property located at 1641 Steens Road. Second by Supervisor Sanders. Vote 5-0.

Motion by Supervisor Hairston to close the Public Hearing. Second by Supervisor Holliman. Vote 5-0.

Motion by Supervisor Brooks based on a finding that property located at 1640 Steens Road is a danger, health and safety concerns due to varmints to surrounding property owners. Board takes action to enter into a contract, upon Board approval, to clean property with costs for cleanup assessed to property owner Second by Supervisor Smith. Vote 5-0.

Motion by Supervisor Brooks to recess until Tuesday, January 18th, 2022; seconded by Supervisor Holliman. Vote 5-0.



ATTEST:

Cindy E. Goode, Chancery Clerk

TRIP HAIRSTON, Board President