

STATE OF MISSISSIPPI

COUNTY OF LOWNDES

JANUARY 18th, 2022

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, Tuesday, the 18th 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
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, Trip Hairston, Board President
- II. Presiding, Trip Hairston, Board President
- III. Invocation, Leroy Brooks, Supervisor District 5
- 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
Board Minutes

- A. Approve December 30th, 2021 and January 3, 2022 Board Minutes

Motion by Supervisor Holliman to approve the December 30th, 2021 and January 3rd, 2022, board minutes of the Board of Supervisors; Second by Supervisor Smith. Vote 5-0. (Exhibit B attached hereto and incorporated herein)

III
Greg Andrews
Lowndes County Tax Assessor

- A. Request for Tax Exemption – Military Lee, LLC.

Motion by Supervisor Brooks to approve the Application for Exemption of County Ad Valorem Taxes; Second by Supervisor Smith. Vote 5-0. (Exhibit C attached hereto and incorporated herein)

IV
Lloyd Price
Lowndes County CFO

- A. County Claims Docket Period Ending January 15, 2022

Motion by Supervisor Brooks to spread on the minutes the County Claims Docket period ending January 15th, 2022; Second by Supervisor Holliman. Vote 5-0. (Exhibit D attached hereto and incorporated herein)

- B. December 2021 Financials

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

- C. Surplus Property

Motion by Supervisor Brooks to approve and spread on the minutes the surplus property list and declare said items surplus property; Second by Supervisor Smith. Vote 5-0. (Exhibit F attached hereto and incorporated herein)

V
Cindy E. Goode
Lowndes County Chancery Clerk

A. Surety Bonds/Riders

Motion by Supervisor Brooks to approve and spread on the minutes Surety Bonds and Riders for Christy Jackson from Deputy Handling Money to Deputy Circuit Clerk and Kendal Klostermann from County Clerk County of Lowndes to Deputy Circuit Clerk; Second by Supervisor Holliman. Vote 5-0. (Exhibit G attached hereto and incorporated herein)

B. Sheriff's Report

Motion by Supervisor Smith to approve and spread on the minutes Sheriff's Report for the month of December 2021, \$6,530.28; Second by Supervisor Holliman. Vote 5-0. (Exhibit H attached hereto and incorporated herein).

C. Justice Court Reports

Motion by Supervisor Holliman to approve and spread on the minutes Justice Court interest for the month of December 2021 for \$16.98; Criminal Collections \$77,378.42 and Civil Collections \$13,806.16 for the month of December 2021; Second by Supervisor Smith. Vote 5-0. (Exhibit I attached hereto and incorporated herein).

D. 16th Section Lease

Motion by Supervisor Brooks to approve and spread on the minutes 16th Section Lease for Michael F. Boutwell and Megan Boutwell; Second by Supervisor Smith. Vote 5-0. (Exhibit J attached hereto and incorporated herein)

VI
Golden Triangle Development LINK
Joe Higgins & Meryl Fisackerly with Chris Pace

A. Economic Development Project

Motion by Supervisor Brooks to approve and spread on the minutes the Amendment to Economic Development Services Agreement between Lowndes County and Golden Triangle Development LINK; Second by Supervisor Smith. Vote 5-0. (Exhibit K attached hereto and incorporated herein)

- B. Consideration of Intent to Issue Refunding Bonds for International Paper Project

Motion by Supervisor Brooks to approve and spread on the minutes Resolution to Issue Revenue Refunding Bonds not to exceed \$88,200,000; Resolution of Intent; and Assistance Agreement between Lowndes County and International Paper Company; Second by Supervisor Holliman. Vote 5-0. (Exhibit L attached hereto and incorporated herein)

VII
Bob Calvert
Lowndes County Engineer

- A. AT&T utility permits Smith Road and Crowe Road

Motion by Supervisor Holliman to approve and spread on the minutes AT&T utility permits for buried fiber telecommunications route along or across Smith Road and Crowe Road; Second by Supervisor Brooks. Vote 5-0. (Exhibit M attached hereto and incorporated herein)

- B. Federal Land Access Program application Charles Younger Boat Ramp and Access Roads

Motion by Supervisor Brooks to approve and spread on the minutes Federal Lands Access Program Project Application for Charles Younger Boat Ramp and Access Roads; Second by Supervisor Smith. Vote 5-0. (Exhibit N attached hereto and incorporated herein)

- C. Advertise Construction bids for Duncan Road Bridge

Motion by Supervisor Smith to grant permission for County Engineer to advertise construction bids for Duncan Road Bridge; Second by Supervisor Sanders. Vote 5-0. (Exhibit O attached hereto and incorporated herein)

- D. Advertise Construction bids for Agri-Center Concession Stand

Motion by Supervisor Brooks to grant permission for County Engineer to advertise construction bids for Agri-Center Concession Stand; Second by Supervisor Smith. Vote 5-0. (Exhibit P attached hereto and incorporated herein)

VIII
Jay Fisher
Lowndes County Administrator

A. FMLA Request E911 Shalonda Givens

Motion by Supervisor Brooks to approve the request of Family Medical Leave up to twelve weeks for Shalonda Givens (Lowndes County E911) beginning 24 January 2022; Second by Supervisor Smith. Vote 5-0. (Exhibit Q attached hereto and incorporated herein)

B. FMLA Request for Melvin Smith

Motion by Supervisor Brooks to approve the request of Family Medical Leave up to twelve weeks for Melvin Smith (Lowndes County Road Department) beginning 1 February 2022; Second by Supervisor Holliman. Vote 5-0. (Exhibit R attached hereto and incorporated herein)

C. REMOVED FROM AGENDA

D. MDA Rail Loan Agreement Approval

Motion by Supervisor Brooks to approve and spread on the minutes MDA Rail Loan Agreement Freight Rail Service Revolving Loan #18-044-RR-01/GMS#50819; Second by Supervisor Smith. Vote 5-0. (Exhibit S attached hereto and incorporated herein)

E. Airport FBO Contract

Motion by Supervisor Brooks to approve and spread on the minutes FBO Lease Agreement and Maintenance & Management Agreement between City of Columbus, Board of Supervisors, James Dan Duston and Straight UP Aviation, LLC; Second by Supervisor Smith. Vote 5-0. (Exhibit T attached hereto and incorporated herein)

F. COVID Leave Policy – 80 hours of COVID leave for Calendar Year 2022

Motion by Supervisor Smith to amend county's existing COVID Leave Policy from 80 hours to up to 40 hours; Second by Supervisor Hairston. Vote 5-0. (Exhibit U attached hereto and incorporated herein)

IX
Eddie Hawkins
Lowndes County Sheriff

A. December 2021 Meal Log

Motion by Supervisor Brooks to approve and spread on the minutes the December 2021 meal log; Second by Supervisor Smith. Vote 5-0. (Exhibit V attached hereto and incorporated herein)

B. New Hires

Motion by Supervisor Brooks to approve and spread on the minutes the hire of Franklin T. Crowder as Deputy Sheriff rate of pay \$18.25 per hour effective 17 January 2022 and Noah Wright as Reserve Deputy rate of pay \$14.17 per hour effective 3 January 2022; Second by Supervisor Holliman. Vote 5-0. (Exhibit W attached hereto and incorporated herein)

C. Wal-Mart Community Grant approval

Motion by Supervisor Brooks to authorize the acceptance of \$1,500 grant from Walmart and spread on the minutes receipt of grant; Second by Supervisor Holliman. Vote 5-0. (Exhibit X attached hereto and incorporated herein)

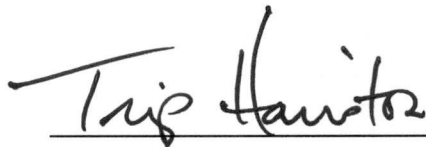
Motion by Supervisor Brooks to recess until Monday, January 31st, 2022; seconded by Supervisor Holliman. Vote 5-0.



ATTEST:



Cindy E. Goode, Chancery Clerk



TRIP HAIRSTON, Board President