

STATE OF MISSISSIPPI

FEBRUARY 7TH, 2022

COUNTY OF LOWNDES

MINUTE BOOK 379

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 7TH day of February 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, 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 as amended with changes; Second by Supervisor Holliman. Vote 5-0. (Exhibit A attached hereto and incorporated herein.)

II
BOARD MINUTES

- A. Approve January 31st 2022 Board Minutes

Motion by Supervisor Holliman to approve January 31st 2022, board minutes of the Board of Supervisors; Second by Supervisor Smith. Vote 5-0. (Exhibit B attached hereto and incorporated herein)

III
Pat Tuggle
Lowndes County Purchase Clerk

- A. Award Bid for Sale of Fire Trucks

Motion by Supervisor Brooks to accept bids from Center Hill Fire Protection District, Inc. for the sale of (3) fire trucks: (2) 1994 GMC Class A Fire Pumper Trucks \$20,000 each and (1) 2000 International Class A Fire Pumper Truck \$35,000; Second by Supervisor Holliman. Vote 5-0. (Exhibit C attached hereto and incorporated herein)

- B. Award Bid for Tandem Dump Truck

Motion by Supervisor Brooks to accept bid from Waters Truck & Tractor for \$136,500 for a 2022 Tandem Dump Truck; Second by Supervisor Holliman. Vote 5-0. (Exhibit D attached hereto and incorporated herein)

- C. 6 month Bid Quotes

Motion by Supervisor Brooks to accept the herbicide bid from Groundzero Drift Control; Second by Supervisor Holliman. Vote 5-0. (Exhibit E attached hereto and incorporated herein)

IV.
Cindy E. Goode
Lowndes County Chancery Clerk

- A. Sheriff's Report

Motion by Supervisor Holliman to approve and spread on the minutes Sheriff's Reports for January 2022 for \$6,986.89; Second by Supervisor Smith. Vote 5-0. (Exhibit F attached hereto and incorporated herein)

- B. Justice Court Reports

Motion by Supervisor Brooks to approve and spread on the minutes Justice Court Reports - interest for the month of January 2022 for \$20.07; Criminal Collections \$82,323.00; Civil Collections \$25,748.80; cash bond fees (no charges ever filed) in the amount of \$220.00; and collection agency MSB/Gila in the amount of \$1081.13 for the month of January 2022; Second by

Supervisor Holliman. Vote 5-0. (Exhibit G attached hereto and incorporated herein).

V.

**Ronnie Burns
Lowndes County Road Manager**

A. Personnel

Motion by Supervisor Brooks to approve and spread on the minutes the following hires: Ronald Johnson as #1 Operator, rate of pay \$17.79 per hour; Greg Ferguson as #1 Operator, rate of pay \$17.79 per hour; and Michael Wyatt Stapp #2 Operator, rate of pay \$16.79 per hour; Second by Supervisor Smith. Vote 5-0. (Exhibit H attached hereto and incorporated herein)

VI.

**Jay Fisher
Lowndes County Administrator**

A. Approve President's Day Holiday

Motion by Supervisor Brooks to observe President's Day Holiday on Monday, 17 February 2022; Second by Supervisor Holliman. Vote 5-0.

VII.

Board Members & Board Attorney

- A. Hull Group Reimbursement Proposal
- B. Lawsuit Update (Executive Session)
- C. Black Prairie Wildlife Management Area

Motion by Supervisor Brooks to prepare Resolution in support of Black Prairie Wildlife Management Area and set Public Hearing for 28 February 2022; Second by Supervisor Smith. Vote 5-0.

Executive Session

Request for closed determination by Supervisor Hairston.

Motion by Supervisor Holliman to go into executive session to discuss a lawsuit update. Second by Supervisor Smith. Vote 5-0.

Motion by Supervisor Brooks to come out of executive session, Second by Supervisor Sanders. Vote 5-0.

No action taken.

Hull Group Reimbursement Proposal

Motion by Supervisor Brooks to adopt the Expense Reimbursement Agreement between Lowndes County, Mississippi and Hull Property Group, LLC.; Second by Supervisor Smith. Vote 5-0. (Exhibit I attached hereto and incorporated herein)

Motion by Supervisor Brooks to recess until Tuesday, February 15th, 2022; seconded by Supervisor Smith. Vote 5-0.



ATTEST:

Cindy E. Goode, Chancery Clerk

TRIP HAIRSTON, Board President