

STATE OF MISSISSIPPI

COUNTY OF LOWNDES

SEPTEMBER 6TH, 2022

MINUTE BOOK 385

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 6TH day of September 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
Shantrell Granderson	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 Eddie Hawkins, Sheriff
- II. Presiding, Trip Hairston, Board President
- III. Invocation, Jeff Smith, Supervisor District 4
- 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 August 31st, 2022 Board Minutes

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

III.
Cindy E. Goode
Lowndes County Chancery Clerk

- A. Surety Bonds

Motion by Supervisor Brooks to spread on the minutes Surety Bond for Columbus Municipal School District Dennis J. Dupree as Interim Superintendent; Second by Supervisor Smith. Vote 5-0. (Exhibit C attached hereto and incorporated herein)

IV.
Bob Calvert
Lowndes County Engineer

- A. Charlie Ford Drive – Completion

Motion by Supervisor Brooks to approve and spread on the minutes the Certificate of Substantial Completion for Charlie Ford Drive; Second by Supervisor Sanders. Vote 5-0. (Exhibit D attached hereto and incorporated herein)

V.
George Crawford
GTPDD, Inc. District Planner

- A. Engineering Contract – Manufacturers Drive (Emergency Loop Road)

Motion by Supervisor Brooks to approve and spread on the minutes Engineering Contract for Manufacturers Drive; Second by Supervisor Smith. Vote 5-0. (Exhibit E attached hereto and incorporated herein)

VI.
Jay Fisher
Lowndes County Administrator

- A. New Hires – Juvenile Detention (6)

Motion by Supervisor Sanders to approve and spread on the minutes the following Juvenile Detention hires: Tabitha Davis, effective August 17, 2022, rate of pay \$13.00; Rachel Pounders, effective August 25, 2022, rate of pay

\$13.00; Frank Sledge, Jr., effective August 26, 2022, rate of pay \$13.00; Camp Prowell, effective September 9, 2022, rate of pay \$13.00; Franklin Sledge, effective September 9, 2022, rate of pay \$13.00; and Austin Jones, effective September 12, 2022 rate of pay \$13.00; Second by Supervisor Smith. Vote 5-0.

B. Family Medical Leave Act (FMLA) Request – Treddis Anderson

Motion by Supervisor Brooks to approve and spread on the minutes FMLA Request from Treddis Anderson requesting up to 12 weeks beginning September 13, 2022; Second by Supervisor Holliman. Vote 5-0. (Exhibit F attached hereto and incorporated herein)

C. Notification of Extension Agent (4-H) Opening

Motion by Supervisor Brooks to spread on the minutes notification of Extension Agent (4-H) opening; Second by Supervisor Smith. Vote 5-0. (Exhibit G attached hereto and incorporated herein)

D. Contract USDA (APHIS) Beaver Control

Motion by Supervisor Smith to approve and spread on the minutes Beaver Control Renewal Contract; Second by Supervisor Brooks. Vote 5-0. (Exhibit H attached hereto and incorporated herein)

E. New Hires – Justice Court

Motion by Supervisor Smith to spread on the minutes Justice Court new hires: QuaShonda Gore as full time Civil Deputy Clerk, effective September 12, 2022; starting rate of pay \$13.25 – upon completion of probationary period, rate of pay will be \$13.75 and Ededina Stokes as full time Civil Deputy Clerk, effective September 12, 2022, starting rate of pay \$13.25 – upon completion of probationary period, rate of pay will be \$13.75; Second by Supervisor Brooks. Vote 5-0. (Exhibit I attached hereto and incorporated herein)

Executive Session

Request for closed determination by Supervisor Hairston to discuss a legal update.

Motion by Supervisor Sanders to go into Executive Session; Second by Supervisor Brooks. Vote 5-0.

Supervisor Hairston recused himself from Executive Session.

Motion by Supervisor Brooks to come out of Executive Session; Second by Supervisor Smith. Vote 4-0.

No action taken.

PUBLIC HEARING

2022 Real & Personal Tax Roll Appeals

Supervisor Hairston opened Public Hearing for Real & Personal Roll Appeals; Second by Supervisor Smith. Vote 5-0.

Motion by Supervisor Hairston to spread on the minutes the formal appeal from Caledonia Energy Partners and accept the recommendation of Lowndes County Tax Assessor/Collector of Caledonia Energy Partners valuation of \$79,955,625; Second by Supervisor Smith. Vote 5-0. (Exhibit J attached hereto and incorporated herein)

No one present to appeal 2022 Real & Personal Tax Rolls.

Supervisor Hairston closed Public Hearing for Real & Personal Roll Appeals; Second by Supervisor Holliman. Vote 5-0. (Sign in sheet attached as Exhibit K hereto and incorporated herein)

VII.

Board Members and Board Attorney

A. Interlocal Joint Resolution with City of Columbus

Motion by Supervisor Hairston to enter into Interlocal Joint Resolution with City of Columbus regarding housing City prisoners in Lowndes County Jail contingent upon any suggestions from City Attorney and Board Attorney from a legal standpoint; Second by Supervisor Brooks. Vote 5-0. (Exhibit L attached hereto and incorporated herein)

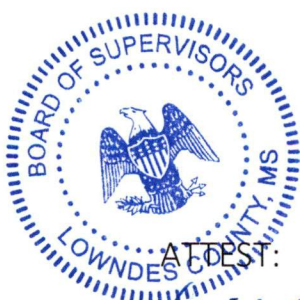
ARPA WORKSHOP

Horne, LLP

Ty Hardy Representative

No action taken.

Motion by Supervisor Brooks to adjourn until Wednesday, September 15th, 2022; seconded by Supervisor Holliman. Vote 5-0.



ATTEST:

Cindy E. Goode, Chancery Clerk

TRIP HAIRSTON, Board President