

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 3rd day of January 2023, 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, 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 Smith. Vote 5-0. (Exhibit A attached hereto and incorporated herein.)

II
Approve December 30th and January 3rd
Board Minutes

Motion by Supervisor Sanders to approve and spread on the minutes December 30th, 2022 and January 3rd, 2023 board minutes; Second by Supervisor Holliman. Vote 5-0. (Exhibit B attached hereto and incorporated herein)

III
Golden Triangle Development LINK
Joe Max Higgins

A. Road Improvements for Project Triple Crown

Motion by Supervisor Holliman to adopt and spread on the minutes procedures for road improvements and form committee of Jay Fisher, Meryl Fisackerly and Bob Calvert to handle bidding and follow same bidding procedures; Second by Supervisor Smith. Vote 5-0. (Exhibit C attached hereto and incorporated herein)

B. Economic Development Resolution

Motion by Supervisor Smith to adopt and spread on the minutes the Economic Development Resolution with corrections; Second by Supervisor Holliman. Vote 5-0. (Exhibit D attached hereto and incorporated herein)

IV
Bob Calvert
Lowndes County Engineer

A. Caledonia Utility Water Permit – Kidd Road

Motion by Supervisor Brooks to approve and spread on the minutes the Caledonia Utility Water Permit for ¾" water service line along and across Kidd Road; Second by Supervisor Smith. Vote 5-0. (Exhibit E attached hereto and incorporated herein)

B. Revise LSBP Program -Old Wolfe Road

Motion by Supervisor Brooks to approve and spread on the minutes Revised LSBP Program for Old Wolfe Road lowering speed limit from 40 MPH to 35 MPH; Second by Supervisor Smith. Vote 5-0. (Exhibit F attached hereto and incorporated herein)

City of Columbus Mayor Keith Gaskin
Columbus Police Chief Joseph Daughtry

Addressed the Board – no action taken.

V.
Neel-Schaffer Engineering Vice President
Kevin Stafford

- A. USDA Rural Development Grant for Joint Recreation Study with City of Columbus

Motion by Supervisor Brooks to participate in the joint venture with City of Columbus and allocate necessary funds to consultants not to exceed \$9,250, with one-half compensation provide client City of Columbus and one-half compensation by client Lowndes County BOS; Second by Supervisor Holliman. Vote 5-0. (Exhibit G attached hereto and incorporated herein)

Supervisor Brooks amended his motion to approve contingent upon the approval of City Council; Second by Supervisor Holliman. Vote 5-0.

VI.
Lowndes County CFO
Lloyd Price

- A. County Claims Docket – Period ending January 17, 2023

Motion by Supervisor Holliman to spread on the minutes County Claims Docket period ending January 17, 2023; Second by Supervisor Smith. Vote 5-0. (Exhibit H attached hereto and incorporated herein)

- B. Surplus Property

Motion by Supervisor Holliman to approve and spread on the minutes the surplus property list and declare said items surplus property and authorize Sheriff to advertise vehicles for sell; Second by Supervisor Smith. Vote 5-0. (Exhibit I attached hereto and incorporated herein)

VII.
Lowndes County Chancery Clerk
Cindy Goode

- A. Justice Court Reports

Motion by Supervisor Brooks to approve and spread on the minutes Justice Court Reports for the month of December, 2022, Civil collections in the amount of \$25,386.68 and Criminal collections in the amount of \$75,131.06 and bank interest in the amount of \$46.41; and the Notice of Semiannual Peer Report with Administrative Office of Courts; Second by Supervisor Smith. Vote 5-0. (Exhibit J attached hereto and incorporated herein)

- B. Sheriff's Reports

Motion by Supervisor Smith to approve and spread on the minutes Sheriff's Report for December, 2022 for \$6,875.31; Second by Supervisor Holliman. Vote 5-0. (Exhibit K attached hereto and incorporated herein)

C. Surety Bonds

Motion by Supervisor Holliman to spread on the minutes surety bonds for Tom Velek as Assistant Purchasing Clerk and Recreation Manager; Second by Supervisor Sanders. Vote 5-0. (Exhibit L attached hereto and incorporated herein)

VIII.
Lowndes County Fire Coordinator
Neal Austin

A. Transfer Equipment from GT Regional Airport to Lowndes County Fire Services District 5 – Crash Truck

Motion by Supervisor Brooks to approve the transfer of Crash Truck from GT Regional Airport to District 5 Lowndes County Fire Services; Second by Supervisor Holliman. Vote 5-0.

IX.
Lowndes County Administrator
Jay Fisher

A. Resolution Honoring Former Recreation Director, Roger Short

Motion by Supervisor Holliman authorizing a Resolution honoring former Recreation Director Roger Short; Second by Smith. Vote 5-0.

B. Review Revised Property Lease for District Attorney's Office – Billy Coleman

Motion by Supervisor Brooks to enter into new property lease for District Attorney's Office with BCAT Holdings, LLC effective 1 February 2023, lease rent shall be \$3,000 per month and utility and services shall be \$572 per month; Second by Supervisor Hairston. Vote 5-0.

C. Consider Implementation of Longevity Pay Proposal

Motion by Supervisor Sanders to table; no second.

Motion by Supervisor Brooks to adopt and spread on the minutes the Longevity Pay Proposal effective 1 February 2023, for hourly employees; Second by Supervisor Holliman. Vote 5-0. (Exhibit M attached hereto and incorporated herein)

X.
Lowndes County Sheriff
Eddie Hawkins

A. December Meal Log

Motion by Supervisor Brooks to approve and spread on the minutes December Meal Log; Second by Supervisor Holliman. Vote 5-0. (Exhibit N attached hereto and incorporated herein)

B. New Hire – Detention Officer

Motion by Supervisor Brooks to approve and spread on the minutes the hire of Dillion Brandon Bolin as Detention Officer, rate of pay \$15.00 per hour, effective 17 January 2023; Second by Supervisor Holliman. Vote 5-0. (Exhibit O attached hereto and incorporated herein)

XI.
Lowndes County Road Manager
Mike Aldridge

A. Board Reports

Motion by Supervisor Brooks to approve and spread on the minutes monthly reports for December 2022 and work schedule for January 2023; Second by Supervisor Holliman. Vote 5-0. (Exhibit P attached hereto and incorporated herein)

B. Drainage on First Colony Drive

Motion by Supervisor Smith to make a finding the drainage on First Colony Drive is damaging County property and approve the cleaning out of ditch with permission from property owner and property lessee; Second by Supervisor Holliman. Vote 5-0.

C. Request for Gilmer Wilburn Public Notice

Motion by Supervisor Brooks to authorize the publication of Public Notice for Gilmer Wilburn Road in the Columbus Packet and The Commercial Dispatch; Second by Supervisor Smith. Vote 5-0.

D. Waters Truck and Tractor 2022 bid – International Dump Truck

Motion by Supervisor Brooks to authorize Board Attorney request Waters Truck and Tractor honor contract and the County be awarded the truck based on previous bid; Second by Supervisor Smith. Vote 5-0.

XII.
Board Members and Board Attorney

Board Attorney Tim Hudson – TRVWMD Resolution

Motion by Supervisor Sanders to adopt and spread on the minutes Resolution correcting drainage issues on Younger Road; Second by Supervisor Smith. Vote 5-0. (Exhibit Q attached hereto and incorporated herein)

Supervisor Jeff Smith – Hill City Fire Station Alarm

No action taken.

Executive Session

Request for closed determination by Supervisor Hairston to discuss a potential property matter.

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

Motion by Supervisor Brooks to come out of Executive Session; Second by Supervisor Smith. Vote 5-0.

Motion by Supervisor Brooks to recess until Tuesday, January 31st, 2023; seconded by Supervisor Hairston. Vote 5-0.



ATTEST:

Cindy E. Goode, Chancery Clerk

TRIP HAIRSTON, Board President