

WASHINGTON COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

MINUTES OF JUNE 1, 2020

BOARD MEETING

BE IT REMEMBERED on the 1st day of June, 2020 at 9:00 A. M., and being the time designated by law for the regular meeting of the Board of Supervisors, the said board meeting was held as provided by Chapter, 3, Title 19 of Mississippi Code of 1972, Annotated. The Board met in their room at the Washington County Courthouse in Greenville, Mississippi, at the time designated for the purpose of transacting such business as might properly come before it; there being present the following:

Lee Gordon	Member, First District, Vice President
Tommy Benson	Member, Second District
Carl McGee	Member, Third District, President
Mala Brooks	Member, Fourth District
Jerry Redmond	Member, Fifth District
Willie Griffin	Board Attorney
Chelesa Carter	County Administrator
Lorenzo Anderson	County Engineer
Marilyn Hansell	Chancery Clerk
Milton Gaston	Sheriff
Percy Miles	Deputy Sheriff

The meeting was called to order by President Carl McGee. The opening prayer was by Supervisor Carl McGee. All present said the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag, and the meeting was officially opened by the Deputy Sheriff.

IN RE: ORDER TO CONSIDER AND ACCEPT AGENDA WITH ADDITIONS /DELETION FOR JUNE 1, 2020 MOTION BY SUPERVISOR GORDON, SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR BENSON, ALL VOTED AYE. (1)

- ***Added: Bernadine Holmes, ABW/MARS Lease, Public Defender's Office***

APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING

IN RE: ORDER APPROVING MINUTES OF MAY 18, 2020 MEETING OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS AND DIRECTING THE PRESIDENT AND CLERK OF THE BOARD TO SIGN SAME. MOTION BY SUPERVISOR REDMOND, SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR BENSON, ALL VOTED AYE. (2)

JAMES STEWART, ASSISTANT EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT DIRECTOR PRESENTED THE E-911 MONTHLY EXPENDITURES REPORT

IN RE: ORDER ACCEPTING AND APPROVING THE E-911 MONTHLY EXPENDITURE REPORT FOR MAY 2019 IN THE AMOUNT OF \$15,820.10, AS PRESENTED BY JAMES STEWART, ASSISTANT EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT DIRECTOR. MOTION BY SUPERVISOR GORDON, SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR REDMOND, ALL VOTED AYE. (3)

LORENZO ANDERSON, COUNTY ENGINEER, REQUESTING APPROVAL OF SEVERAL STATE AID PROJECTS

ARTHUR PERRY, COUNTY ROAD MANAGER, PRESENTED HIS MONTHLY REPORT AND INFORMED THE BOARD THAT SOUTHSIDE ROAD NEEDS TO BE CHIPPED AND SEALED

BE IT KNOWN: BERNADINE HOLMES APPEARED BEFORE THE BOARD TO DISCUSS CONCERNS REGARDING AVAILABILITY OF MASKS AND SANITIZING OF THE WASHINGTON COUNTY COURTHOUSE OFFICES

MARK SEARD, TAX ASSESSOR, APPEARED BEFORE THE BOARD REGARDING VEHICLES FOR THE TAX ASSESSOR'S OFFICE

MARILYN HANSELL PRESENTING AD VALOREM REQUESTS FOR PRODUCERS RICEMILL, INC. AND USG INTERIORS, LLC

IN RE: ORDER ACCEPTING POSITION STATEMENT FROM TAX ASSESSOR, MARK SEARD AND APPROVING THE INITIAL RESOLUTION APPROVING THE AD VALOREM TAX EXEMPTION FOR PRODUCERS RICE MILL, INC. AND AUTHORIZING THE PRESIDENT OF THE BOARD TO SIGN SAME MOTION BY SUPERVISOR BROOKS, SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR GORDON, ALL VOTED AYE. (4)

IN RE: ORDER ACCEPTING POSITION STATEMENT FROM TAX ASSESSOR, MARK SEARD AND APPROVING THE INITIAL RESOLUTION APPROVING NINE (9) & TEN (10) YEAR AD VALOREM TAX EXEMPTION FOR U.S.G. INTERIORS, LLC AND AUTHORIZING THE PRESIDENT OF THE BOARD TO SIGN SAME MOTION BY SUPERVISOR BROOKS, SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR GORDON, ALL VOTED AYE. (5)

IN RE: ORDER APPROVING FIFTH (5TH) AMENDMENT TO MARS FOOD US, LLC LEASE AGREEMENT AND AUTHORIZING THE PRESIDENT AND CLERK OF THE BOARD TO SIGN SAME MOTION BY SUPERVISOR GORDON, SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR REDMOND, ALL VOTED AYE (6)

IN RE: ORDER ADDING THE PUBLIC DEFENDER'S OFFICE TO THE BOARD'S AGENDA FOR JUNE 1, 2020 MOTION BY SUPERVISOR GORDON, SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR BROOKS, ALL VOTED AYE (7)

IN RE: ORDER APPROVING THE REQUEST OF PUBLIC DEFENDER, TRISHA ROGERS TO HIRE A PART TIME ASSISTANT PUBLIC DEFENDER FOR THE PUBLIC DEFENDER'S OFFICE MOTION BY SUPERVISOR BENSON, SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR BROOKS, ALL VOTED AYE (8)

IN RE: ORDER APPROVING SALARY ADJUSTMENT FOR PERSONNEL IN THE PUBLIC DEFENDER'S OFFICE BY DIVIDING THE REMAINDER OF ASSISTANT PUBLIC DEFENDER'S SALARY *MOTION BY SUPERVISOR BROOKS, SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR BENSON, ALL VOTED AYE (9)*

IN RE: ORDER ACCEPTING BID OF SANSOM EQUIPMENT COMPANY FOR TWO (2) AUTOMATED SIDE LOADERS, PENDING CLARIFICATION FROM THE AG OFFICE *MOTION BY SUPERVISOR GORDON, SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR BROOKS, ALL VOTED AYE (10)*

COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR, CHELESA CARTER PRESENTED HER BI-WEEKLY REPORT

IN RE: ORDER ALLOWING CLAIMS 147495 THROUGH 147654 IN THE AMOUNT FOR \$543,705.51 *MOTION BY SUPERVISOR GORDON, SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR BENSON, ALL VOTED AYE. (11)*

IN RE: ORDER AUTHORIZING ISSUANCE OF WARRANTS TO COVER BI-WEEKLY PAYROLLS AND MONTHLY PAYROLLS FOR JUNE 2020. *MOTION BY SUPERVISOR GORDON, SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR BENSON, ALL VOTED AYE. (12)*

IN RE: ORDER AUTHORIZING ISSUANCE OF WARRANTS TO MISSISSIPPI PUBLIC ENTITY EMPLOYEE BENEFIT TRUST AND HIGHMARK LIFE INSURANCE FOR COUNTY'S SHARE OF INSURANCE IN JUNE 2020. *MOTION BY SUPERVISOR GORDON, SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR BENSON, ALL VOTED AYE. (13)*

IN RE: ORDER TRANSFERRING ONE-HALF OF HIGHWAY MAINTENANCE TAXES TO MUNICIPALITIES OF THE COUNTY IN JUNE 2020. *MOTION BY SUPERVISOR GORDON, SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR BENSON, ALL VOTED AYE. (14)*

IN RE: ORDER AUTHORIZING PAYMENT OF BONDS AND INTEREST DURING THE MONTH OF JUNE 2020. *MOTION BY SUPERVISOR GORDON, SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR BENSON, ALL VOTED AYE. (15)*

IN RE: ORDER AUTHORIZING THE CHANCERY CLERK TO ISSUE WARRANTS FOR RENTAL OF POST OFFICE BOXES AND FOR POSTAGE AND POSTAGE TAPE FOR POSTAGE MACHINES OF THE COUNTY AND SOCIAL SERVICES DEPARTMENT AND ANY OTHER ACTION FOR OPERATION OF POSTAL SERVICE FOR MONTH OF JUNE 2020. *MOTION BY SUPERVISOR GORDON, SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR BENSON, ALL VOTED AYE. (16)*

IN RE: ORDER APPROVING LOWEST BID OF TRUCKWORKS FOR TWO (2) GARBAGE TRUCKS IN THE AMOUNT OF \$204,500.00 AND AUTHORIZING NOTICE TO BIDDERS FOR FINANCING *MOTION BY SUPERVISOR GORDON, SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR BENSON, ALL VOTED AYE. (17)*

IN RE: ORDER APPROVING LOWEST BID OF B&D DISTRIBUTION FOR THE PURCHASE OF ONE (1) MAN PATCH TRUCK IN THE AMOUNT OF \$225,000.00 *MOTION BY SUPERVISOR GORDON, SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR BENSON, ALL VOTED AYE, EXCEPT BROOKS-NAY. (18)*

IN RE: ORDER AUTHORIZING THE CLERK OF THE BOARD TO ADVERTISE NOTICE TO BIDDERS FOR SIX MONTHS SUPPLIES MOTION BY SUPERVISOR BROOKS, SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR BENSON, ALL VOTED AYE. (19)

IN RE: ORDER TO POSTPONE APPROVAL OF LOW BID FROM HORNER FLOORING COMPANY FOR THE PURCHASE OF A BASKETBALL FLOOR FOR THE WASHINGTON COUNTY CONVENTION CENTER MOTION BY SUPERVISOR BENSON, SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR BROOKS, ALL VOTED AYE. (20)

IN RE: ORDER APPROVING BID OF HOLDEN TRAILERS FOR THE LOW PROFILE HYDRAULIC DETACHABLE TRAILER IN THE AMOUNT OF \$57,316.00 MOTION BY SUPERVISOR GORDON, SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR BENSON, ALL VOTED AYE. (21)

IN RE: ORDER DISQUALIFYING THE \$57.00 BID OF LAPINE TRUCKS & TRAILERS OF JACKSON FOR LOW PROFILE HYDRAULIC DETACHABLE TRAILER MOTION BY SUPERVISOR GORDON, SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR BENSON, ALL VOTED AYE, EXCEPT BROOKS-NAY. (22)

IN RE: ORDER MAKING A FINDING THAT \$57.00 WAS NOT THE INTENDED BID. THE BOARD IS GUESSING THE BID BECAUSE OF SPECULATION MOTION BY SUPERVISOR GORDON, SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR BENSON, ALL VOTED AYE, EXCEPT BROOKS- NAY (23)

IN RE: ORDER APPROVING BUDGET AMENDMENT REQUEST OF THE WASHINGTON COUNTY SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT TO TRANSFER \$20,000 FROM ACCOUNT 001-200-582 TO ACCOUNT 001-200-925 TO PURCHASE HANDHELD RADIOS MOTION BY SUPERVISOR GORDON, SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR BENSON, ALL VOTED AYE. (24)

CLERK OF THE BOARD, MARILYN HANSELL PRESENTED HER BI-WEEKLY REPORT

IN RE: ORDER APPROVING USE AND OCCUPANCY PERMIT REQUEST OF TWIN COUNTY EPA FOR THE CONSTRUCTION OR ADJUSTMENT OF A SECONDARY OVERHEAD SERVICE UTILITY FACILITY WITHIN ROAD OR HIGHWAY RIGHT OF WAY ALONG OR ACROSS WEST LAKE WASHINGTON ROAD, 0.53 MILES EAST OF THE INTERSECTION OF STEIN ROAD MOTION BY SUPERVISOR GORDON, SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR BENSON, ALL VOTED AYE (25)

IN RE: ORDER APPROVING LOGGING PERMIT FOR GOOD HOPE PENDING RECEIPT OF ROAD BOND AND INFORMATION FROM THE PLANNING DEPARTMENT MOTION BY SUPERVISOR BENSON, SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR REDMOND, ALL VOTED AYE. (26)

IN RE: ORDER APPROVING THE REQUEST OF THE WASHINGTON COUNTY ELECTION COMMISSION FOR AN ADDITIONAL THIRTY-FIVE (35) DAYS FOR SPECIAL ELECTIONS AND AUTHORIZING CIRCUIT CLERK BARBARA ESTERS-PARKER TO COMPLETE THE DATABASE FOR THE LEVEE BOARD ELECTION MOTION BY SUPERVISOR BROOKS, SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR REDMOND, ALL VOTED AYE. (27)

IN RE: ORDER ACCEPTING LOWEST QUOTE OF WISE SOLUTIONS, INC., IN THE AMOUNT OF \$13,460.10 FOR VANDAL RESISTANT VIDEO DOOR STATIONS WITH 7" TOUCHSCREEN FOR THE ADMINISTRATION OFFICE, PUBLIC DEFENDER'S OFFICE AND SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT *MOTION BY SUPERVISOR BROOKS, SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR GORDON, ALL VOTED AYE. (28)*

IN RE: ORDER ACCEPTING ORDER FOR APPOINTMENT AND COMPENSATION OF COURT REPORTER, LEIGH ANN DEWEASE FROM CHANCELLOR VICKI BARNES *MOTION BY SUPERVISOR REDMOND, SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR BENSON, ALL VOTED AYE. (29)*

IN RE: ORDER AUTHORIZING THE PRESIDENT OF THE BOARD TO SIGN THE MDEQ AGREEMENT BETWEEN MS DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY AND WASHINGTON COUNTY IN THE AMOUNT OF \$7,911.00 *MOTION BY SUPERVISOR AMOS, SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR BENSON, ALL VOTED AYE. (30)*

IN RE: ORDER ACCEPTING GREENVILLE ARTS COUNCIL DOCUMENTS AND TAKING UNDER ADVISEMENT FOR FURTHER REVIEW *MOTION BY SUPERVISOR BROOKS, SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR REDMOND, ALL VOTED AYE. (31)*

IN RE: ORDER AUTHORIZING AN INCREASE FROM TWENTY-FIVE (\$25.00) TO FORTY (\$40.00) FOR THE HOUSING OF INMATES FROM THE CITY OF LELAND, CITY OF HOLLANDALE, TOWN OF ARCOLA AND TOWN OF METCALFE, EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2020 AND DIRECTING THE BOARD ATTORNEY TO SEND LETTERS TO EACH OF THE ABOVE MENTIONED MUNICIPALITIES REGARDING THE INCREASE *MOTION BY SUPERVISOR GORDON, SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR BENSON, ALL VOTED AYE, EXCEPT BROOKS-NAY. (32)*

IN RE: ORDER AUTHORIZING THE OPENING OF ALL COUNTY OFFICES ACCORDING THE STATE AND CDC GUIDELINES, EFFECTIVE IMMEDIATELY *MOTION BY SUPERVISOR BROOKS, SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR BENSON, ALL VOTED AYE. (33)*

IN RE: ORDER REJECTING ALL BIDS FOR THE SECURITY CAMERAS FOR THE WASHINGTON COUNTY REGIONAL CORRECTIONAL FACILITY, AS RECOMMENDED BY SHERIFF MILTON GASTON *MOTION BY SUPERVISOR BENSON, SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR REDMOND, ALL VOTED AYE.(34)*

IN RE: ORDER AUTHORIZING IMS TO MOVE FORWARD WITH THE FOLLOWING STATE AID PROJECTS: WILMOT TOAD-2.64 MILES; ROY STORE ROAD-1.33 MILES; OLD LELAND ROAD-.55 MILES; OLD LELAND ROAD-2.92 MILES; OLD HWY 61-6.25 MILES AND NORTH BROADWAY EXTENDED-1.61 MILES *MOTION BY SUPERVISOR BROOKS, SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR BENSON, ALL VOTED AYE, EXCEPT GORDON-NAY. (35)*

IN RE: ORDER ALLOWING USE OF THE COURTHOUSE GROUNDS FOR DISTRIBUTION OF FACE MASKS BY VESSELS OF MERCY CHURCH AND THE CITY OF GREENVILLE

MOTION BY SUPERVISOR BENSON, SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR GORDON, ALL VOTED AYE. (36)

IN RE: ORDER AUTHORIZING PAYMENT OF SHERIFF MILTON GASTON'S DUES IN THE AMOUNT OF \$1,000.00 TO THE MS SHERIFF'S ASSOCIATION MOTION BY SUPERVISOR BENSON, SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR BROOKS, ALL VOTED AYE. (37)

IN RE: ORDER APPROVING \$4000.00 IN FUNDS TO ASSIST WITH THE REVITALIZATION OF THE HOLT COLLIER GRAVESITE AT LIVE OAK CEMETERY WITH FUNDS TO COME FROM THE CONVENTION AND VISITORS BUREAU FUNDS MOTION BY SUPERVISOR BENSON, SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR BROOKS, ALL VOTED AYE. (38)

IN RE: ORDER ACCEPTING COUNTY OFFICIALS REPORTS MOTION BY SUPERVISOR BROOKS, SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR REDMOND, ALL VOTED AYE. (39)

IN RE: ORDER AUTHORIZING COPYING CERTAIN DOCUMENTS INTO THE MINUTES OF THE WASHINGTON COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS. MOTION BY SUPERVISOR BROOKS, SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR REDMOND, ALL VOTED AYE. (40)

IN RE: ORDER RECESSING MEETING UNTIL JUNE 15, 2020. MOTION BY SUPERVISOR BENSON, SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR GORDON, ALL VOTED AYE. (41)

CARL MCGEE, PRESIDENT

ATTEST:MARILYN HANSELL, CLERK

BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF WASHINGTON COUNTY