

**WASHINGTON COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS**  
**MINUTES OF JANUARY 17, 2023**  
**BOARD MEETING**

Tuesday, January 17, 2023 at 9:00 A.M., the Board of Supervisors of Washington County, Mississippi, met pursuant to recess, there being all members present. The meeting was called to order by President Carl McGee. The opening prayer was by Supervisor Tommy Benson. All present said the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag, and the meeting was officially opened by the Deputy Sheriff.

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**IN RE: ORDER TO CONSIDER AND ACCEPT THE AGENDA WITH ADDITIONS FOR JANUARY 18, 2023 MOTION BY SUPERVISOR GORDON, SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR BENSON, THE VOTE: AYE- MCGEE, GORDON, BENSON, REDMOND, ABSENT-BROOKS. Added: County Engineer, Executive Session-Contract Negotiations (1)**

*Approval of Minutes of Previous Meeting*

**IN RE: ORDER APPROVING MINUTES OF JANUARY 3, 2023 MEETING OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS AND DIRECTING THE PRESIDENT AND CLERK OF THE BOARD TO SIGN SAME MOTION BY SUPERVISOR GORDON, SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR BENSON THE VOTE: AYE- MCGEE, GORDON, BENSON, REDMOND, ABSENT- BROOKS (2)**

**SUPERVISOR MALA BROOKS IS NOW PRESENT**

**BE IT KNOWN:**

*Parker England presented the Washington County Economic Alliance updates. Stated that the Alliance is looking for a new Director.*

*Lorenzo Anderson, County Engineer informed the Board that there were no bids received for the Furr Road Project, presented quotes for the Circuit Clerk HVAC electrical work*

**IN RE: ORDER ACCEPTING QUOTE FROM TREY CHILDS IN THE AMOUNT OF \$25,000 AND JACKSON HEATING, COOLING AND AIR IN THE AMOUNT OF \$24,000 FOR THE ELECTRICAL WORK ON THE HVAC PROJECT IN THE CIRCUIT CLERK'S OFFICE MOTION BY SUPERVISOR BROOKS, SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR BENSON, THE VOTE: AYE- MCGEE, GORDON, BENSON, BROOKS, REDMOND (3)**

**IN RE: ORDER AUTHORIZING COUNTY ENGINEER, LORENZO ANDERSON TO RE-ADVERTISE NOTICE TO BIDDERS FOR THE FURR ROAD PROJECT MOTION BY SUPERVISOR BROOKS, SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR REDMOND, THE VOTE: AYE- MCGEE, GORDON, BENSON, REDMOND, BROOKS (4)**

**BE IT KNOWN:**

*Stephanie Patton & Chad Neal presented the Board an update on the Thrive Grant Program. Discussed the lease and desire to purchase the mobile clinic they are leasing. Also, the budgeting for two (2) evaluator assistants for MVSU and Outreach Coordinators.*

*Attorney Frank Dantone requesting permission to serve alcoholic beverages at the Washington County Convention Center*

**IN RE: ORDER AUTHORIZING THE SERVING OF ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES AT THE WASHINGTON COUNTY CONVENTION CENTER FEBRUARY 10, 2023 FOR THE ANNUAL TURKEY FEDERATION BANQUET MOTION BY SUPERVISOR BENSON, SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR REDMOND, THE VOTE: AYE- MCGEE, BENSON, BROOKS, REDMOND, NAY- GORDON (5)**

*Linda Wilson requesting permission to serve alcoholic beverages at the Washington County Convention Center*

**IN RE: ORDER ALLOWING THE SERVING OF ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES AT THE WASHINGTON COUNTY CONVENTION CENTER BY LINDA WILSON FOR AN 80<sup>TH</sup> BIRTHDAY PARTY, FEBRUARY 25, 2023 MOTION BY SUPERVISOR BROOKS, SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR REDMOND, THE VOTE: AYE- MCGEE, BENSON, REDMOND, BROOKS, NAY- GORDON (6)**

*Cory Moorhead requesting permission to serve alcoholic beverages at the Washington County Convention Center*

**IN RE: ORDER ALLOWING THE SERVING OF ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES AT THE WASHINGTON COUNTY CONVENTION CENTER BY CORY MOOREHEAD TO HOST THE ANNUAL MS WIDOWS SONS MASONIC RIDERS ASSOCIATION RALLY, APRIL 27-30, 2023 MOTION BY SUPERVISOR BROOKS, SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR REDMOND, THE VOTE: AYE- MCGEE, BENSON, REDMOND, BROOKS, NAY- GORDON (7)**

*Mark Seard, Tax Assessor presenting Petitions for Increase/Reduction of Assessments, Homestead Corrections*

**IN RE: ORDER AUTHORIZING PRESIDENT AND CLERK OF THE BOARD TO SIGN PETITION FOR REDUCTION OF ASSESSMENT FOR THE CITY OF HOLLANDALE DUE TO ERRONEOUS ASSESSMENT FOR PARCEL #50205710000 AND ALLOW 2022 EXEMPTION MOTION BY SUPERVISOR GORDON, SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR BENSON, THE VOTE: AYE- MCGEE, GORDON, BENSON, REDMOND, ABSENT- BROOKS (8)**

**IN RE: ORDER AUTHORIZING PRESIDENT AND CLERK OF THE BOARD TO SIGN PETITION FOR INCREASE OF ASSESSMENT FOR ENTERGY MISSISSIPPI, INC., FOR PARCEL #99990025 DUE TO REPORTING ERROR MOTION BY SUPERVISOR GORDON, SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR BENSON, THE VOTE: AYE- MCGEE, GORDON, BENSON, REDMOND, BROOKS (9)**

**IN RE: ORDER AUTHORIZING PRESIDENT AND CLERK OF THE BOARD TO SIGN PETITION FOR REDUCTION OF ASSESSMENT FOR IBM CREDIT, LLC FOR PARCEL #0125435700, SHOULD HAVE BEEN DELETED FOR 2022 MOTION BY SUPERVISOR GORDON, SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR BENSON, THE VOTE: AYE- MCGEE, GORDON, BENSON, REDMOND, ABSENT- BROOKS (10)**

**IN RE: ORDER APPROVING CORRECTION OF HOMESTEAD EXEMPTION APPLICATION FOR ALMA TURNER AMBROSE, PARCEL#10805200000 TO ALLOW HOMESTEAD EXEMPTION FOR 2022 AND AUTHORIZING THE PRESIDENT AND CLERK OF THE BOARD TO SIGN SAME MOTION BY SUPERVISOR GORDON, SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR REDMOND, *THE VOTE: AYE- MCGEE, GORDON, BENSON, REDMOND, BROOKS* (11)**

**IN RE: ORDER APPROVING CORRECTION OF HOMESTEAD EXEMPTION APPLICATION FOR EVELYN GREEN NETTERVILLE, PARCEL#364480000 TO ALLOW HOMESTEAD FOR THE 2022 TAX YEAR AND AUTHORIZING THE PRESIDENT AND CLERK OF THE BOARD TO SIGN SAME MOTION BY SUPERVISOR BROOKS, SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR REDMOND, *THE VOTE: AYE- MCGEE, GORDON, BENSON, REDMOND, BROOKS* (12)**

**IN RE: ORDER APPROVING CORRECTION OF HOMESTEAD EXEMPTION APPLICATION FOR PEARLIE MAE JOINER, PARCEL#14561200000 FOR THE 2022 TAX YEAR AND AUTHORIZING THE PRESIDENT AND CLERK OF THE BOARD TO SIGN SAME MOTION BY SUPERVISOR BROOKS, SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR GORDON, *THE VOTE: AYE- MCGEE, GORDON, BENSON, REDMOND, BROOKS* (13)**

**IN RE: ORDER AUTHORIZING CHANCERY CLERK, MARILYN HANSELL TO CONTACT THE DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE REGARDING 2021 HOMESTEAD CHARGEBACK FOR PROPERTY ASSESSED HARRIMAN TRICE MOTION BY SUPERVISOR GORDON, SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR BENSON, *THE VOTE: AYE- MCGEE, GORDON, BENSON, BROOKS, REDMOND* (14)**

***BE IT KNOWN:***

*Reverend Roosevelt Johnson of Evergreen Baptist Church requesting exemption on property acquired. Board Attorney explained why the property could not have "Exempt" status.*

*Jeremy Smith, Building and Grounds Director presented two (2) quotes for Darlove voting precinct building*

**IN RE: ORDER ACCEPTING QUOTE FROM EDS SHEDS, LLC IN THE AMOUNT OF \$33,000 AND SHIVERS BUILDINGS IN THE AMOUNT OF \$39,000 FROM JEREMY SMITH, BUILDING AND GROUNDS DIRECTOR TO REPLACE THE DARLOVE PRECINCT BUILDING MOTION BY SUPERVISOR BROOKS, SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR REDMOND, *THE VOTE: AYE- MCGEE, GORDON, BENSON, BROOKS, REDMOND* (15)**

***BID OPENING: TWELVE MONTHS SUPPLIES***

**IN RE: ORDER ACCEPTING TWELVE MONTH SUPPLY BIDS AND TURN OVER TO THE WASHINGTON COUNTY ROAD DEPARTMENT FOR RECOMMENDATIONS MOTION BY SUPERVISOR BROOKS, SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR GORDON, *THE VOTE: AYE- MCGEE, GORDON, BENSON, BROOKS, REDMOND* (16)**

**IN RE: ORDER ACCEPTING CHAMBERS MIDDLE SCHOOL GYM & CAFETERIA BIDS FROM DAVID SMITH CONSTRUCTION, MIKE ROZIER CONSTRUCTION AND MILLS CONTRACTING AND TAKING UNDER ADVISEMENT FOR REVIEW MOTION BY**

**SUPERVISOR BENSON, SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR GORDON, *THE VOTE: AYE-MCGEE, GORDON, BENSON, BROOKS, REDMOND* (17)**

**IN RE: ORDER ACCEPTING THE PROPOSAL FROM HEFLIN ENGINEERING, LLC FOR ARPA ENGINEERING SERVICES FOR GLEN ALLAN AND OTHER WATER ASSOCIATIONS EXCEPT GOLDEN ACRES WATER ASSOCIATION MOTION BY SUPERVISOR BROOKS, SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR GORDON, *THE VOTE: AYE-MCGEE, GORDON, BENSON, BROOKS, REDMOND* (18)**

*Methel Johnson, Coroner presented a travel request*

**IN RE: ORDER ALLOWING TRAVEL AND ADVANCE CHECK IN THE AMOUNT OF \$650.00 FOR CORONER, METHEL JOHNSON TO ATTEND THE 2023 MS CORONER MEDICAL EXAMINER ASSOCIATION WINTER CONFERENCE IN FLOWOOD, MS JANUARY 18-20, 2023 AND PAYMENT OF ANNUAL FEE FOR DEPUTY CORONER STEPHON DORSEY, AT ESTIMATED COST OF \$1,290.40 MOTION BY SUPERVISOR BROOKS, SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR GORDON, *THE VOTE: AYE- MCGEE, GORDON, BENSON, REDMOND, BROOKS* (19)**

*Cheslea Carter, County Administrator*

**IN RE: ORDER ALLOWING CLAIMS 229327 THRU 229440 IN THE AMOUNT OF \$366,492.49 MOTION BY SUPERVISOR GORDON, SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR REDMOND, *THE VOTE: AYE- MCGEE, GORDON, BENSON, REDMOND, ABSENT-BROOKS* (20)**

**IN RE: ORDER ALLOWING TRAVEL FOR TEN (10) DRUG COURT PARTICIPANTS TO ATTEND THE INCENTIVES, SANCTIONS AND THERAPEUTIC ADJUSTMENT TRAINING IN JACKSON, MS FEBRUARY 1-2, 2023, AT ESTIMATED COST OF \$2,000 TO BE REIMBURSED THE FROM AOC GRANT FUNDS MOTION BY SUPERVISOR GORDON, SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR BENSON, *THE VOTE: AYE- MCGEE, GORDON, BENSON, REDMOND, ABSENT-BROOKS* (21)**

**IN RE: ORDER AUTHORIZING PAYMENT IN THE AMOUNT OF \$875.00 TO LAMAR COMPANIES FOR POSTERS, BULLENTINS AND BILLBOARD DESIGNS PURCHASED THROUGH THE DELTA HEALTH LITERACY GRANT MOTION BY SUPERVISOR GORDON, SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR REDMOND, *THE VOTE: AYE- MCGEE, GORDON, BENSON, REDMOND, ABSENT-BROOKS* (22)**

**IN RE: ORDER AUTHORIZING PAYMENT IN THE AMOUNT OF \$1,136.00 TO DELTA DEMOCRAT TIMES, \$4,362.40 TO THE GREENWOOD COMMONWEALTH, \$2,510.00 TO IMAGICOMM GREENWOOD (2 INVOICES), \$1,008.00 TO DELTA RADIO NETWORK (2 INVOICES) AND \$1,404.00 (2 INVOICES) TO RADIO NETWORK FOR POSTERS, BULLENTINS AND BILLBOARD DESIGNS PURCHASED THROUGH THE DELTA HEALTH LITERACY GRANT MOTION BY SUPERVISOR GORDON, SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR BENSON, *THE VOTE: AYE- MCGEE, GORDON, BENSON, REDMOND, BROOKS* (23)**

**IN RE: ORDER APPROVING PAYMENT IN THE AMOUNT OF \$2,500.00 TO ANDREW L. SMITH FOR MONTHLY GRANT CONSULTING SERVICES MOTION BY SUPERVISOR BENSON, SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR REDMOND, *THE VOTE: AYE- MCGEE, BENSON, BROOKS, REDMOND, NAY-GORDON (24)***

**IN RE: ORDER APPROVING PAYMENT IN THE AMOUNT OF \$3,333.33 TO ANDREW L. SMITH FOR MONTHLY COMPLIANCE GENERAL SERVICES PERFORMED FOR THE AMERICAN RESCUE PLAN ACT MOTION BY SUPERVISOR BENSON, SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR REDMOND, *THE VOTE: AYE- MCGEE, BENSON, BROOKS, REDMOND, NAY-GORDON (25)***

**IN RE: ORDER ACCEPTING AND APPROVING REVERSE AUCTION BID OF JOE REED & COMPANY, INC., IN THE AMOUNT OF \$300,000 FOR TWO (2) USED SEMI-TRAILER TRUCKS, AS REQUESTED BY THE WASHINGTON COUNTY ROAD DEPARTMENT MOTION BY SUPERVISOR GORDON, SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR BENSON, *THE VOTE: AYE- MCGEE, GORDON, BENSON, REDMOND, BROOKS (26)***

**IN RE: ORDER ACCEPTING AND APPROVING REVERSE AUCTION BID OF TRI-STATE TRUCK CENTER, INC., IN THE AMOUNT OF \$45,160.00 EACH FOR TWO (2) NEW TANDEM AXLE END DUMP TRAILERS, AS REQUESTED BY THE WASHINGTON COUNTY ROAD DEPARTMENT MOTION BY SUPERVISOR GORDON, SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR BENSON, *THE VOTE: AYE- MCGEE, GORDON, BENSON, REDMOND, BROOKS (27)***

**IN RE: ORDER AUTHORIZING THE CLOSING OF COUNTY OFFICES, FEBRUARY 20, 2023 IN OBSERVANCE OF PRESIDENT'S DAY MOTION BY SUPERVISOR REDMOND, SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR BENSON, *VOTE: AYE- MCGEE, GORDON, BENSON, BROOKS, REDMOND (28)***

**IN RE: ORDER AUTHORIZING PAYMENT IN THE AMOUNT OF \$2,400.00 TO WILLIAMS CONSTRUCTION, LLC FOR FOUNDATION LEAK REPAIRS AT 415 DEER CREEK DR., LELAND, MS (KERMIT MUSEUM) MOTION BY SUPERVISOR GORDON, SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR BROOKS, *VOTE: AYE- MCGEE, GORDON, BENSON, BROOKS, REDMOND (29)***

**IN RE: ORDER AUTHORIZING PAYMENT IN THE AMOUNT OF \$20,000.00 TO BOSE FOR PROFESSIONAL SERVICES RENDERED REGARDING DELTA HEALTH SYSTEM MOTION BY SUPERVISOR GORDON, SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR BENSON, *VOTE: AYE- MCGEE, GORDON, BENSON, BROOKS, REDMOND (30)***

**IN RE: ORDER APPROVING THE REQUEST OF THE LELAND SCHOOL DISTRICT FOR \$20,000 APPROPRIATION FOR THE LELAND FOODCORPS PROGRAM MOTION BY SUPERVISOR BROOKS, SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR REDMOND, *VOTE: AYE- GORDON, BENSON, BROOKS, REDMOND, NAY- MCGEE (31)***

**IN RE: ORDER ACCEPTING LETTER FROM DANIEL HOOKER P.E., P.S. OF HOOKER ENGINEERING SERVICES, INC., REGARDING IMMEDIATE CLOSURE OF KENNEDY FLAT ROAD OVER BOGUE PHALIA (SA76-0154) MOTION BY SUPERVISOR BROOKS, SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR REDMOND, *VOTE: AYE- GORDON, BENSON, BROOKS, REDMOND, NAY- MCGEE (32)***

*Marilyn Hansell, Chancery Clerk*

**IN RE: ORDER ACCEPTING THE OTTER BAYOU DRAINAGE DISTRICT 2021-2022 STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL CONDITION FOR PERIOD ENDING SEPTEMBER 30, 2022 MOTION BY SUPERVISOR REDMOND, SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR BENSON, THE VOTE: AYE- MCGEE, BENSON, REDMOND, BROOKS, GORDON (33)**

**IN RE: ORDER AUTHORIZING THE PRESIDENT OF THE BOARD TO SIGN THE AGREEMENT BETWEEN WASHINGTON COUNTY AND W.L. BURLE ENGINEERS, P.A. FOR THE FOREST ACRES AMERICAN RESCUE PLAN ACT PROJECT MOTION BY SUPERVISOR BENSON, SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR GORDON, VOTE: AYE- MCGEE, BENSON, BROOKS, REDMOND, GORDON (34)**

**IN RE: ORDER AUTHORIZING THE PRESIDENT AND CLERK OF THE BOARD TO SIGN RESOLUTION IN MEMORY OF DR. WILLIE B. LUCAS MOTION BY SUPERVISOR GORDON SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR BENSON, VOTE: AYE- MCGEE, BENSON, REDMOND, GORDON, ABSENT- BROOKS (35)**

**IN RE: ORDER GOING INTO CLOSED DETERMINATION TO CONSIDER GOING INTO EXECUTIVE SESSION MOTION BY SUPERVISOR REDMOND, SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR BENSON, THE VOTE: AYE- MCGEE, BENSON, REDMOND, BROOKS, GORDON (36)**

**IN RE: ORDER TO GO INTO EXECUTIVE SESSION TO DISCUSS CONTRACT NEGOTIATIONS MOTION BY SUPERVISOR GORDON, SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR BENSON, THE VOTE: AYE- MCGEE, BENSON, REDMOND, BROOKS, GORDON (37)**

**IN RE: ORDER TO LEAVE EXECUTIVE SESSION, WITH NO ACTION TAKEN. MOTION BY SUPERVISOR BENSON, SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR GORDON, THE VOTE: AYE- MCGEE, GORDON, BENSON, BROOKS, REDMOND (38)**

**IN RE: ORDER RESCINDING ORDER #3 ACCEPTING QUOTE FROM TREY CHILDS IN THE AMOUNT OF \$25,000 AND JACKSON HEATING, COOLING AND AIR IN THE AMOUNT OF \$24,000 FOR THE ELECTRICAL WORK ON THE HVAC PROJECT IN THE CIRCUIT CLERK'S OFFICE AND POSTPONE UNTIL BOARD ATTORNEY CAN REVIEW MOTION BY SUPERVISOR BROOKS, SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR BENSON, THE VOTE: AYE- MCGEE, GORDON, BENSON, BROOKS, REDMOND (39)**

**IN RE: ORDER ACKNOWLEDGING THE CHANGE IN OWNERSHIP OF THE CORNERSTONE BAPTIST CHURCH VOTING PRECINCT (1-3A) TO ARMS OF MERCY AND AUTHORIZING THE COUNTY TO CONTINUE TO USE THE VOTING PRECINCT WITH THE NEW OWNERS MOTION BY SUPERVISOR BROOKS, SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR BENSON, THE VOTE: AYE- MCGEE, GORDON, BENSON, BROOKS, REDMOND (40)**

**IN RE: ORDER ACCEPTING QUOTE IN THE AMOUNT OF \$3,313.70 FROM HOBART SERVICE TO REPAIR THE STOVE AT THE ARMS OF MERCY VOTING PRECINCT MOTION BY SUPERVISOR BENSON, SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR GORDON, THE VOTE: AYE- MCGEE, GORDON, BENSON, BROOKS, REDMOND (41)**

**IN RE: ORDER AUTHORIZING COPYING CERTAIN DOCUMENTS INTO THE MINUTES OF THE WASHINGTON COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS. MOTION BY SUPERVISOR BENSON, SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR GORDON, *THE VOTE: AYE- MCGEE, GORDON, BENSON, REDMOND, BROOKS* (42)**

**IN RE: ORDER ACCEPTING COUNTY OFFICIALS REPORTS MOTION BY SUPERVISOR BENSON, SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR GORDON, *THE VOTE: AYE- MCGEE, GORDON, BENSON, REDMOND, BROOKS* (43)**

**IN RE: ORDER ADJOURN MEETING UNTIL FEBRUARY 6, 2023 MOTION BY SUPERVISOR BROOKS, SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR REDMOND, *THE VOTE: AYE- MCGEE, GORDON, BENSON, BROOKS, REDMOND* (44)**

*Carl McGee, President  
Washington County Board of Supervisors*

*Attest:*

*Marilyn Hansell  
Clerk of the Board*