

**WASHINGTON COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS**

**MINUTES OF OCTOBER 6, 2014**

**BOARD MEETING**

BE IT REMEMBERED on the 6<sup>th</sup> day of October, 2014 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:

Paul Watson, Jr.	Member, First District, President
Mike Gordon	Member, Second District
Troy Wesley	Member, Third District
Jesse Amos	Member, Fourth District, Vice President
Ernest Holmes	Member, Fifth District
Frank Power	Board Attorney
Elizabeth Smith	County Administrator
Marcus E. Hooker, Sr.	County Engineer
Marilyn Hansell	Chancery Clerk
Milton Gaston	Sheriff
Percy Miles	Deputy Sheriff

The meeting was called to order by President Paul Watson. The opening prayer was by Reverend Frank Hall. 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 AS AMENDED FOR OCTOBER 6, 2014 MEETING OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS. MOTION BY SUPERVISOR WESLEY, SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR GORDON, ALL VOTED AYE. (1)

**Added: Attorney Willie Griffin, Reverend Frank Hall**

IN RE: ORDER APPROVING MINUTES FOR SEPTEMBER 15, 2014 MEETING OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS AND DIRECTING THE PRESIDENT TO SIGN SAME. MOTION BY SUPERVISOR GORDON, SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR WESLEY, ALL VOTED AYE. (2)

BE IT KNOWN—SEVERAL CITIZENS AS FOLLOWS: REPRESENTATIVE JOHN HINES, LARRY MOHAMMED, KAREEM MOHAMMED, REV. JESSIE KING, CLAUDETTE AMOS, LAVERNE SING, GLADYS CUSIC LEWIS, BARBARA BACON QUINN, DAVE CLARKE, AL

RANKINS, SR., ANDREW JAMES, SHERIFF GASTON, BRENDA SHORT, ALL OF WASHINGTON COUNTY, APPEARED BEFORE THE BOARD TO DISCUSS THEIR CONCERNS REGARDING THE RACIAL COMMENT THAT PAUL WATSON, PRESIDENT OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS, MADE DURING A PREVIOUS MEETING HELD ON SEPTEMBER 22, 2014.

IN RE: ORDER ACCEPTING RESIGNATION OF PAUL WATSON AS PRESIDENT OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS. MOTION BY SUPERVISOR WESLEY, SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR AMOS, ALL VOTED AYE. (3)

IN RE: ORDER APPOINTING JESSE AMOS AS PRESIDENT OF WASHINGTON COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS. MOTION BY SUPERVISOR GORDON, SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR WATSON, ALL VOTED AYE. (4)

IN RE: ORDER APPOINTING TROY WESLEY AS VICE-PRESIDENT OF WASHINGTON COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS. MOTION BY SUPERVISOR WATSON, SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR GORDON, ALL VOTED AYE. (5)

**DAVID BURFORD, EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT**

IN RE: ORDER APPROVING E 911 EXPENDITURES FOR THE MONTH OF SEPTEMBER IN THE AMOUNT OF \$12,634.11 AND ACCEPTING THE REPORT OF EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT DEPARTMENT. MOTION BY SUPERVISOR GORDON, SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR WESLEY, ALL VOTED AYE. (6)

IN RE: ORDER AUTHORIZING THE EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT DEPARTMENT TO REQUEST GRANT FUNDS FOR CERT PROGRAM. MOTION BY SUPERVISOR WESLEY, SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR GORDON, ALL VOTED AYE. (7)

**MARK HOOKER, COUNTY ENGINEER**

IN RE: ORDER AUTHORIZING THE WASHINGTON COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS AND THE CLERK OF THE BOARD TO SIGN THE STATE AID ROAD CONSTRUCTION CONTRACT FOR THE BURIAL MOUNDS PROJECT. MOTION BY SUPERVISOR HOLMES, SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR WESLEY, ALL VOTED AYE. (8)

IN RE: ORDER TO CONTINUE KEEPING THE SPORTSPLEX BIDS UNDER ADVISEMENT. MOTION BY SUPERVISOR GORDON, SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR HOLMES, ALL VOTED AYE. (9)

**ARTHUR PERRY, ROAD MANAGER**

IN RE: ORDER ACCEPTING LIST OF SCHOOL BUS TURNAROUNDS FOR WESTERN LINE SCHOOL DISTRICT. MOTION BY SUPERVISOR HOLMES, SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR GORDON, ALL VOTED AYE. (10)

**ROY JOHNSON, PLANNING DIRECTOR**

IN RE: ORDER APPROVING USE AND OCCUPANCY PERMIT APPLICATION FOR TWIN COUNTY ELECTRIC POWER ASSOCIATION TO CONSTRUCT A SECONDARY OVERHEAD SERVICE UTILITY FACILITY ALONG OR ACROSS BLACK BAYOU ROAD 240 FEET NORTH OF THE INTERSECTION OF LOWE ROAD. MOTION BY SUPERVISOR GORDON, SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR HOLMES, ALL VOTED AYE. (11)

IN RE: ORDER APPROVING USE AND OCCUPANCY PERMIT APPLICATION FOR AT&T TO CONSTRUCT A BURIED CABLE UTILITY FACILITY ALONG OR ACROSS WILCOX ROAD. MOTION BY SUPERVISOR WESLEY, SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR GORDON, ALL VOTED AYE. (12)

**ELOISE BROOKS, JUSTICE COURT CLERK MONTHLY REPORT FOR SEPTEMBER**

IN RE: ORDER ACCEPTING THE RESIGNATION OF A DEPUTY CLERK IN THE JUSTICE COURT DEPARTMENT. MOTION BY SUPERVISOR WESLEY, SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR GORDON, ALL VOTED AYE. (13)

**TERRY GALES, VETERANS SERVICE OFFICER SEPTEMBER REPORT**

**LAUR R. MOORE, SOLID WASTE ENFORCEMENT OFFICER**

**BORIS BRANDON, BUILDINGS AND GROUNDS DIRECTOR**

ORDER AUTHORIZING CLERK OF THE BOARD TO ADVERTISE NOTICE TO BIDDERS FOR PURCHASE OF A BUCKET TRUCK USING FUNDS SAVED FROM THE COURTHOUSE WORK. MOTION BY SUPERVISOR WESLEY, SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR HOLMES, ALL VOTED AYE. (14)

IN RE: ORDER APPROVING USE OF BUDGETED FUNDS FROM WASHINGTON COUNTY CONVENTION AND VISITORS BUREAU TO OFFSET INCREASE IN COST FOR THE ONE AND ONLY BID FOR REAR MOUNT PROJECTOR AND CONTROLS FROM ACADEMIC TECHNOLOGIES. MOTION BY SUPERVISOR GORDON, SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR WESLEY, ALL VOTED AYE. (15)

IN RE: ORDER TAKING UNDER ADVISEMENT BIDS FOR TWO (2) GARBAGE COLLECTION TRUCKS. MOTION BY SUPERVISOR WATSON, SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR GORDON, ALL VOTED AYE. (16)

BE IT KNOWN—PREMISE INC., APPEARED BEFORE THE BOARD PROVIDING A NEW CONTRACT.

IN RE: ORDER AUTHORIZING THE CLERK OF THE BOARD TO ADVERTISE NOTICE TO BIDDERS FOR A LOCAL IT VENDOR TO PERFORM THE SAME DUTIES AS PREMISE, INC. MOTION BY SUPERVISOR GORDON, SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR WESLEY, ALL VOTED AYE. (17)

BE IT KNOWN—JIMMY BROWN AND VICTOR PINION, LAKE LEE NEIGHBORS APPEARED BEFORE THE BOARD COMPLAINING ABOUT WEST LAKE LEE ROAD BEING USED AS A CUT-THROUGH AND WANTS TO PLACE A GATE ON GRAVEL ROAD.

IN RE: ORDER TAKING UNDER ADVISEMENT REQUEST FROM LAKE LEE RESIDENTS. MOTION BY SUPERVISOR GORDON, SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR WESLEY, ALL VOTED AYE. (18)

IN RE: ORDER ALLOWING THE SERVING OF ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES AT THE WASHINGTON COUNTY CONVENTION CENTER FOR AN OUTDOOR GUN SHOW, JANUARY 16-18, 2015; PENDING INSURANCE. MOTION BY SUPERVISOR GORDON, SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR WESLEY, ALL VOTED AYE. (19)

IN RE: ORDER ALLOWING TRAVEL AND DUES FOR PATRICIA LEE, TAX COLLECTOR AND MARK SEARD, TAX ASSESSOR TO ATTEND THE MISSISSIPPI TAX ASSESSOR/ COLLECTOR ASSOCIATION MEETING IN OXFORD, MS, OCTOBER 20-24, 2014. MOTION BY SUPERVISOR HOLMES, SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR WESLEY, ALL VOTED AYE. (20)

IN RE: ORDER ACCEPTING PATRICIA LEE, TAX COLLECTOR'S RETURNED CHECK INSOLVENCY LIST THAT HAS BEEN TURNED OVER TO DISTRICT ATTORNEY. MOTION BY SUPERVISOR HOLMES, SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR WESLEY, ALL VOTED AYE. (21)

IN RE: ORDER ACCEPTING PATRICIA LEE, TAX COLLECTOR'S MOBILE HOME INSOLVENCY LIST THAT HAS BEEN TURNED OVER TO JUSTICE COURT. MOTION BY SUPERVISOR HOLMES, SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR WESLEY, ALL VOTED AYE. (22)

IN RE: ORDER ACCEPTING PATRICIA LEE, TAX COLLECTOR'S PERSONAL PROPERTY INSOLVENCY LIST THAT HAS BEEN TURNED OVER TO JUSTICE COURT. (23)

IN RE: ORDER CONSIDERING GOING INTO A CLOSED DETERMINATION TO CONSIDER GOING INTO EXECUTIVE SESSION. MOTION BY SUPERVISOR WESLEY, SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR GORDON, ALL VOTED AYE. (24)

IN RE: ORDER TO GO INTO EXECUTIVE SESSION TO DISCUSS PERSONNEL MATTER. MOTION BY SUPERVISOR GORDON, SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR HOLMES, ALL VOTED AYE. (25)

IN RE: ORDER TO LEAVE EXECUTIVE SESSION. MOTION BY SUPERVISOR WESLEY, SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR GORDON, ALL VOTED AYE. (26)

IN RE: ORDER AUTHORIZING A SALARY INCREASE TO \$12.00 PER HOUR FOR A COUNTY EMPLOYEE IN THE BUILDINGS AND GROUNDS DEPARTMENT. MOTION BY SUPERVISOR GORDON, SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR HOLMES, ALL VOTED AYE. (27)

**ELIZABETH SMITH, COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR**

IN RE: ORDER AMENDING FINAL 2013-2014 BUDGET. MOTION BY SUPERVISOR GORDON, SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR WESLEY, ALL VOTED AYE. (28)

IN RE: ORDER ALLOCATING FIRST QUARTER 2014-2015 FUNDS FOR TAX ASSESSOR, TAX COLLECTOR, SHERIFF AND REGIONAL CORRECTIONAL FACILITY. MOTION BY SUPERVISOR GORDON, SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR HOLMES, ALL VOTED AYE. (29)

IN RE: ORDER RESCINDING PRIOR ORDER TERMINATING ABE HUDSON'S CONTRACT. MOTION BY SUPERVISOR GORDON, SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR HOLMES, ALL VOTED AYE. (30)

IN RE: ORDER DELAYING TERMINATION OF ABE HUDSON'S CONTRACT UNTIL NOVEMBER 8, 2014. MOTION BY SUPERVISOR GORDON, SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR HOLMES, ALL VOTED AYE. (31)

IN RE: ORDER AUTHORIZING REFUND TO CARLEAN HORTON FOR CLEAN-UP FEE. MOTION BY SUPERVISOR WESLEY, SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR GORDON, ALL VOTED AYE. (32)

IN RE: ORDER APPROVING JUDGER VERNITA KING JOHNSON'S REQUEST FOR GRANT FOR WASHINGTON COUNTY YOUTH COURT IN THE AMOUNT OF \$45,000. MOTION BY SUPERVISOR WESLEY, SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR HOLMES, ALL VOTED AYE. (33)

IN RE: ORDER APPROVING GREENVILLE PUBLIC SCHOOL DISTRICT PERMISSION TO INSTALL TESTING TECHNIQUES ON COMPUTERS AT THE WASHINGTON COUNTY DETENTION CENTER. MOTION BY SUPERVISOR GORDON, SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR WESLEY, ALL VOTED AYE. (34)

IN RE: ORDER ADDING CLAIMS TO THE CLAIMS DOCKET. MOTION BY SUPERVISOR WATSON, SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR WESLEY, ALL VOTED AYE. (35)

**MARILYN HANSELL, CHANCERY CLERK**

IN RE: ORDER APPROVING BONDS FOR MARCUS YOUNG AND BRANDON KYLE CLARK AS DEPUTIES FOR THE WASHINGTON COUNTY SHERIFF DEPARTMENT. MOTION BY SUPERVISOR WESLEY, SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR GORDON, ALL VOTED AYE. (36)

IN RE: ORDER TAKING UNDER ADVISEMENT REQUEST FROM ATTORNEY ASHLEY HARRIS, ESQ TO BE PLACED ON THE ROTATION FOR ATTORNEYS IN THE JUSTICE COURT. MOTION BY SUPERVISOR WESLEY, SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR GORDON, ALL VOTED AYE. (37)

IN RE: ORDER AUTHORIZING THE PRESIDENT OF THE BOARD TO SIGN CORRECTION/DELETION OF HOMESTEAD EXEMPTION APPLICATIONS FOR MATTHEW

FRIZZELL AND MICHAEL RAYMOND BARNETT. MOTION BY SUPERVISOR GORDON, SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR HOLMES, ALL VOTED AYE. (38)

IN RE: ORDER ALLOWING THE SERVING OF ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES AT THE WASHINGTON COUNTY CONVENTION CENTER BY BOB PATEL FOR THEIR INDIAN NEW YEAR CELEBRATION, OCTOBER 19, 2014. MOTION BY SUPERVISOR GORDON, SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR WESLEY, ALL VOTED AYE. (39)

IN RE: ORDER APPROVING USE OF THE WASHINGTON COUNTY CONVENTION CENTER BY PORT CITY ADULT DAYCARE FOR THEIR ANNUAL THANKSGIVING DINNER, NOVEMBER 20, 2014. MOTION BY SUPERVISOR GORDON, SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR WESLEY, ALL VOTED AYE. (40)

IN RE: ORDER ACCEPTING THE MISSISSIPPI DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE'S REJECTION OF THE REQUEST FOR AD VALOREM TAX EXEMPTION FROM MONSANTO COMPANY (HOLLANDALE AND WINTERVILLE) DUE TO NON-COMPLIANCE UNDER MISSISSIPPI CODE ANNOTATED SECTION 27-31-101. MOTION BY SUPERVISOR GORDON, SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR WESLEY, ALL VOTED AYE. (41)

IN RE: ORDER APPROVING REQUEST FOR AD VALOREM TAX EXEMPTION FROM MONSANTO COMPANY (HOLLANDALE). MOTION BY SUPERVISOR GORDON, SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR WATSON, ALL VOTED AYE. (42)

IN RE: ORDER AUTHORIZING THE PRESIDENT TO SIGN INCREASE/REDUCTION /CHANGE IN ASSESSMENTS FOR MELTON HOUSE JR. ET AL, PERDON INC. (3), TRUNKLINE GAS COMPANY LLC (3), MATTHEW FRIZZELL ESTATE, DEBRA NYCOLE WILLIAMS. MOTION BY SUPERVISOR WESLEY, SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR WATSON, ALL VOTED AYE. (43)

**PERCY MILES, SHERIFF DEPARTMENT REPORT**

IN RE: ORDER APPROVING REQUEST FROM SHERIFF MILTON GASTON FOR USE OF THE WASHINGTON COUNTY CONVENTION CENTER FOR MONTHLY TRIAD MEETINGS. MOTION BY SUPERVISOR GORDON, SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR WESLEY, ALL VOTED AYE. (44)

IN RE: ORDER ALLOWING TRAVEL FOR TWO (2) WASHINGTON COUNTY SHERIFF DEPUTIES TO ATTEND INTERVIEW & INTERROGATION TRAINING ON OCTOBER 23-24, 2014 IN BYRAM, MS. MOTION BY SUPERVISOR GORDON, SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR WESLEY, ALL VOTED AYE. (45)

IN RE: ORDER ALLOWING TRAVEL FOR TWO (2) WASHINGTON COUNTY SHERIFF DEPUTIES TO ATTEND HOMICIDE & QUESTIONED DEATH SCENE DETERMINATION & RECONSTRUCTION TRAINING ON NOVEMBER 4-6, 2014 IN SLIDELL, LOUISIANA. MOTION BY SUPERVISOR WESLEY. SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR GORDON, ALL VOTED AYE. (46)

IN RE: ORDER ALLOWING MARILYN HANSELL, CHANCERY CLERK, USE OF THE FOUR (4) MEETING ROOMS AND HALLWAY AT THE WASHINGTON COUNTY CONVENTION CENTER FOR A RECEPTION ON OCTOBER 23, 2014. MOTION BY SUPERVISOR WATSON, SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR WESLEY, ALL VOTED AYE. (47)

IN RE: ORDER AUTHORIZING THE WASHINGTON COUNTY ROAD DEPARTMENT TO CLEAN-UP THE TOWN OF ARCOLA'S CEMETERY UPON RECEIPT OF AN OPINION FROM THE BOARD ATTORNEY CONFIRMING THAT SUCH ACTION IS LEGAL. MOTION BY SUPERVISOR WESLEY, SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR GORDON, ALL VOTED AYE. (48)

**MONTHLY ORDERS**

IN RE: ORDER AUTHORIZING ISSUANCE OF WARRANTS TO COVER BI-WEEKLY PAYROLLS AND MONTHLY PAYROLLS FOR OCTOBER 2014. MOTION BY SUPERVISOR GORDON, SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR WESLEY, ALL VOTED AYE. (49)

IN RE: ORDER ALLOWING CLAIMS ( ) THROUGH ( ). MOTION BY SUPERVISOR GORDON, SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR WESLEY, ALL VOTED AYE. (50)

IN RE: ORDER AUTHORIZING ISSUANCE OF WARRANTS TO MISSISSIPPI PUBLIC ENTITY EMPLOYEE BENEFIT TRUST AND HIGHMARK LIFE INSURANCE FOR COUNTY'S SHARE OF INSURANCE FOR OCTOBER 2014. MOTION BY SUPERVISOR GORDON, SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR WESLEY, ALL VOTED AYE. (51)

IN RE: ORDER TRANSFERRING ONE-HALF OF HIGHWAY MAINTENANCE TAXES TO MUNICIPALITIES OF THE COUNTY FOR OCTOBER 2104. MOTION BY SUPERVISOR GORDON, SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR WESLEY, ALL VOTED AYE. (52)

IN RE: ORDER AUTHORIZING PAYMENT OF BONDS AND INTEREST DURING THE MONTH OF OCTOBER 2014. MOTION BY SUPERVISOR GORDON, SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR WESLEY, ALL VOTED AYE. (53)

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 OCTOBER 2014. MOTION BY SUPERVISOR GORDON, SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR WESLEY, ALL VOTED AYE. (54)

IN RE: ORDER ACCEPTING REPORTS OF COUNTY OFFICIALS AND COPYING DOCUMENTS INTO MINUTES OF BOARD OF SUPERVISORS. MOTION BY SUPERVISOR GORDON, SECONDED BY WESLEY, ALL VOTED AYE. (55)

IN RE: ORDER TO RECESS MEETING UNTIL 2:00 P.M. FOR QUARTERLY JAIL INSPECTION AT THE WASHINGTON COUNTY REGIONAL CORRECTIONAL FACILITY. MOTION BY SUPERVISOR HOLMES, SECONDED BY SUPERISOR GORDON, ALL VOTED AYE. (56)

**MEETING RECONVENED AT 2:00 P.M. AT THE WASHINGTON COUNTY REGIONAL CORRECTIONAL FACILITY FOR THE QUARTERLY JAIL INSPECTION**

IN RE: ORDER TO RECESS MEETING UNTIL OCTOBER 7, 2014 AT 9:00 A.M. MOTION BY SUPERVISOR HOLMES, SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR GORDON. ALL VOTED AYE (57)

JESSE AMOS, PRESIDENT

ATTEST: MARILYN HANSELL, CHANCERY CLERK