

WASHINGTON COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

MINUTES OF DECEMBER 6, 2021

BOARD MEETING

BE IT REMEMBERED on the 6th day of December 2021 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 at the Washington County Extension Building 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 Office
Lorenzo Anderson	County Engineer
Marilyn Hansell	Chancery Clerk
Milton Gaston	Sheriff
Tommy Flanagan	Deputy Sheriff

The meeting was called to order by President Carl McGee. The opening prayer was by Supervisor Mala Brooks. 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 FOR DECEMBER 6, 2021. *ADDED: BLINDS FOR JIM HENSON MUSEUM, PROCUREMENT FOR WASHINGTON COUNTY, RANDY GREER-NIGHTINGALE ROAD, JESSIE WILSON, EXECUTIVE SESSION-CONTRACT NEGOTIATIONS, COMMISSIONER WILLIE SIMMONS, EARL LYNN-DISTRICT ENGINEER REGARDING THE GREENVILLE BYPASS PROJECT, MOTION BY SUPERVISOR REDMOND, SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR GORDON, THE VOTE: AYE-MCGEE, GORDON, BENSON, BROOKS, REDMOND (1)*

IN RE: ORDER APPROVING MINUTES OF NOVEMBER 15, 2021 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, BROOKS, REDMOND (2)*

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

IN RE: ORDER APPROVING THE E911 NOVEMBER 2021 EXPENDITURES IN THE AMOUNT OF \$19,443.81 MOTION BY SUPERVISOR GORDON, SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR BENSON, THE VOTE: AYE-MCGEE, GORDON, BENSON, BROOKS, REDMOND (3)

BE IT KNOWN: COMMISSIONER WILLIE SIMMONS WAS PRESENT AT THE MEETING. MADE A PRESENTATION. SUPERVISOR JERRY REDMOND INQUIRED ABOUT CAUTION LIGHTS AT HWY 12 & HWY 1 AND AT SIMMONS HIGH SCHOOL

LORENZO ANDERSON, COUNTY ENGINEER, PRESENTED THE BOARD AN UPDATE ON VARIOUS PROJECTS AND HIS MONTHLY REPORT

IN RE: ORDER ACCEPTING AWARD LETTERS FROM THE MS DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION FOR THE REPLACEMENT OF THE WINTERVILLE-PRICILLA BRIDGE-SA76-280 IN THE AMOUNT OF \$561,080.01 AND WINTERVILLE-PRICILLA BRIDGE-SA76-304 IN THE AMOUNT OF \$490,345.17 MOTION BY SUPERVISOR BROOKS, SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR REDMOND, THE VOTE: AYE-MCGEE, GORDON, BENSON, BROOKS, REDMOND (4)

IN RE: ORDER APPROVING MEMORANDUM OF AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE MS TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION AND WASHINGTON COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS FOR PROJECT CRSA-0616-00(002)/109113-701000 WINTERVILLE-PRICILLA ROAD BRIDGE INTERSECTING BEE BAYOU (SA76-280) AND CRSA-0616-00(004)/109114-701000 WINTERVILLE-PRICILLA ROAD-BRIDGE CROSSING CREEK SEC 10 T19N R 8W(SA76-304); AUTHORIZING THE PRESIDENT AND COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR TO SIGN DOCUMENTS, PENDING ATTORNEY'S REVIEW OF DOCUMENTS MOTION BY SUPERVISOR BROOKS SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR REDMOND, THE VOTE: AYE-BROOKS, REDMOND, BENSON, MCGEE, GORDON (5)

IN RE: ORDER REAFFIRMING ORDER OF NOVEMBER 1, 2021 SEEKING STATE AID APPROVAL FOR THE FOLLOWING LSBP BRIDGE PROJECTS: LSBP-76(28)-NIGHTINGALE; LSBP76(29)-HANDLY ROAD; LSBP76(30)-BAKER ROAD; LSBP76(31)-BURDETT ROAD; LSBP76(32)-WILLIAMS BAYOU ROAD AND AUTHORIZING THE PRESIDENT AND CLERK OF THE BOARD TO SIGN SAME MOTION BY SUPERVISOR BROOKS, SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR BENSON, THE VOTE: AYE-BROOKS, REDMOND, BENSON, MCGEE, GORDON (6)

IN RE: ORDER APPROVING THE FOLLOWING LSBP BRIDGE PROJECT: 76(96)-WILMOT ROAD AND AUTHORIZING THE PRESIDENT AND CLERK OF THE BOARD TO SIGN SAME MOTION BY SUPERVISOR BROOKS, SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR BENSON, THE VOTE: AYE-BROOKS, REDMOND, BENSON, MCGEE, GORDON (7)

MARK JOHNSON, ASSISTANT ROAD MANAGER PRESENTED THE MONTHLY REPORT AND A VEHICLE PURCHASE REQUEST

IN RE: ORDER APPROVING THE PURCHASE OF TWO (2) TRUCKS (VIN1FT7W2BN4NEC98550 & 3C6UR5HJ7NG131227) ON STATE CONTRACT FROM CANNON MOTORS MOTION BY SUPERVISOR BENSON, SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR GORDON, THE VOTE: AYE-MCGEE, GORDON, BROOKS, REDMOND, BENSON (8)

IN RE: ORDER AUTHORIZING THE ROAD DEPARTMENT TO MOVE FORWARD WITH ADVERTISING AND REVERSE AUCTION FOR THE PURCHASE OF A 2006 RECERTIFIED DRAGLINER FROM MID-SOUTH MACHINERY, INC., SERIAL NUMBER LS1384319 MOTION BY SUPERVISOR BENSON, SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR GORDON, THE VOTE: AYE- MCGEE, GORDON, BENSON, BROOKS, REDMOND (9)

IN RE: ORDER ACCEPTING LETTER FROM THE MAYOR OF THE CITY GREENVILLE RESCINDING CEASE AND DESIST ORDER #21-440 BY THE CITY COUNCIL AND REQUEST THAT THE COUNTY ALLOW THE ROAD DEPARTMENT TO RESUME ASSISTANCE TO THE CITY OF GREENVILLE WITH REPAIRS ON PEAR LANE MOTION BY SUPERVISOR BROOKS, SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR BENSON, THE VOTE: AYE- BENSON, BROOKS, REDMOND, NAY- MCGEE, GORDON (10)

RANDY GREER-NIGHTENGALE ROAD

IN RE: ORDER AUTHORIZING THE WASHINGTON COUNTY ROAD DEPARTMENT TO PERFORM TEMPORARY REPAIRS ON NIGHTENGALE ROAD BY USING CULVERTS UNTIL THE BRIDGE IS REPLACED MOTION BY SUPERVISOR BROOKS, SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR BENSON, THE VOTE: AYE- MCGEE, BENSON, REDMOND, BROOKS, GORDON (11)

DONNA CREMEEN, PLANNING DEPARTMENT, PRESENTED THE MONTHLY REPORT

IN RE: ORDER APPROVING USE AND OCCUPANCY PERMIT FOR TWIN COUNTY ELECTRIC POWER ASSOCIATION TO CONSTRUCT A SECONDARY SERVICE LINE UTILITY FACILITY ALONG OR ACROSS SUNFLOWER RIVER ROAD, 4.19 MILES NORTH OF INTERSECTION OF HWY 12 AND SUNFLOWER RIVER ROAD MOTION BY SUPERVISOR GORDON, SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR REDMOND, THE VOTE: AYE- MCGEE, BENSON, REDMOND, BROOKS, GORDON (12)

ELOISE BROOKS, JUSTICE COURT CLERK, PRESENTED HER MONTHLY REPORT AND A REQUEST TO CLOSE TWO (2) INACTIVE ACCOUNTS

IN RE: ORDER AUTHORIZING THE CLOSING OF AN INACTIVE WASHINGTON COUNTY JUSTICE COURT BANK ACCOUNT AT TRUSTMARK BANK MOTION BY SUPERVISOR BROOKS, SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR GORDON, THE VOTE: AYE- MCGEE, REDMOND, BROOKS, GORDON, ABSENT- BENSON (13)

IN RE: ORDER AUTHORIZING THE CLOSING OF AN INACTIVE WASHINGTON COUNTY JUSTICE COURT BANK ACCOUNT AT GUARANTY BANK AND TRUST MOTION BY SUPERVISOR BROOKS, SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR GORDON, THE VOTE: AYE- MCGEE, REDMOND, BROOKS, GORDON, ABSENT- BENSON (14)

BILL SAINT SING

IN RE: ORDER TAKING UNDER ADVISEMENT DENTAL AND VISION COVERAGE FOR COUNTY EMPLOYEES UNTIL NEXT BOARD MEETING MOTION BY SUPERVISOR GORDON, SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR BROOKS, THE VOTE: AYE- MCGEE, REDMOND, BROOKS, GORDON, BENSON (15)

WILLIE LEWIS REQUESTING USE OF THE WASHINGTON COUNTY CONVENTION CENTER

IN RE: ORDER ALLOWING USE OF THE WASHINGTON COUNTY CONVENTION CENTER BY DLUMPS EDUCATIONAL/SPORTS/ DRAMA JANUARY 9, 2022 FOR THEIR ANNUAL FOOTBALL/CHEER BANQUET, AT NO FEE *MOTION BY SUPERVISOR BENSON, SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR BROOKS, THE VOTE: AYE- MCGEE, BENSON, BROOKS, REDMOND, NAY-GORDON (16)*

ANNIE POWELL-WILLIAMS AND JAMES HARDIMAN REQUESTING USE OF THE EXPO BUILDING

IN RE: ORDER ALLOWING USE OF THE WASHINGTON COUNTY CONVENTION CENTER BY BIG RODEO PROJECTS, LLC FEBRUARY 25, 2022 FOR THEIR 6TH ANNUAL GREENVILLE HERITAGE RODEO & COLLEGE FAIR, AT NO FEE *MOTION BY SUPERVISOR BROOKS, SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR BENSON, THE VOTE: AYE- MCGEE, BENSON, BROOKS, REDMOND, NAY-GORDON (17)*

COREY HOLMES REQUESTING USE OF THE WASHINGTON COUNTY CONVENTION CENTER

IN RE: ORDER ALLOWING USE OF THE WASHINGTON COUNTY CONVENTION CENTER BY THE CITY OF GREENVILLE PARKS & RECREATION MARCH 27, 2022- BATTLE OF THE BANDS; APRIL 3, 2022-CHEER COMPETITION; MAY 1, 2022-DANCE COMPETITION, AT NO FEE *MOTION BY SUPERVISOR BROOKS, SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR BENSON, THE VOTE: AYE- MCGEE, BENSON, BROOKS, REDMOND, NAY-GORDON (18)*

IN RE: ORDER REMOVING ITEM NO. SIXTEEN (16)-TOMMY GOODWIN, FROM THE AGENDA FOR DECEMBER 6, 2021 *MOTION BY SUPERVISOR BENSON, SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR BROOKS, THE VOTE: AYE- MCGEE, BENSON, REDMOND, BROOKS, GORDON (19)*

BID: PARCEL OF LAND IN METCALFE

IN RE: ORDER ACCEPTING AND AWARDING JOYCE BAKER-HACKLER THE BID FOR THE SALE OF THE PARCEL OF LAND CONTAINING 6,341 SQUARE FEET OF 0.15 ACRES MORE OR LESS, SITUATED IN SECTION 35, TOWNSHIP 19N, RANGE 8 WEST, METCALFE, WASHINGTON COUNTY, MS IN THE AMOUNT OF \$150.00 *MOTION BY SUPERVISOR BROOKS, SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR BENSON, THE VOTE: AYE- MCGEE, BENSON, REDMOND, BROOKS, GORDON (20)*

BE IT KNOWN: JESSE WILSON APPEARED BEFORE THE BOARD WITH CONCERNS REGARDING ROAD WORK ON HWY 1

SIX MONTHS SUPPLY BIDS

IN RE: ORDER ACCEPTING SIX MONTH SUPPLY BIDS FROM ERGON ASPHALT INC., GREENVILLE GRAVEL, APAC, CUSTOM PRODUCTS CORP. AND TURN OVER TO THE WASHINGTON COUNTY ROAD DEPARTMENT FOR REVIEW AND RECOMMENDATIONS *MOTION BY SUPERVISOR BROOKS, SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR GORDON, THE VOTE: AYE- MCGEE, BENSON, REDMOND, BROOKS, GORDON (21)*

SUPERVISOR MALA BROOKS

IN RE: ORDER APPROVING THE PURCHASE OF BLINDS FOR THE JIM HENSON MUSEUM UP TO THE AMOUNT OF \$1,300.00 *MOTION BY SUPERVISOR BROOKS, SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR GORDON, THE VOTE: AYE- MCGEE, REDMOND, BROOKS, GORDON, BENSON (22)*

IN RE: ORDER AUTHORIZING THE INCREASE OF PROCUREMENT FROM \$1,000.00 TO \$2,500.00 WITHOUT BOARD APPROVAL *MOTION BY SUPERVISOR BROOKS, SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR GORDON, THE VOTE: AYE- MCGEE, REDMOND, BROOKS, GORDON, BENSON (23)*

CHELESA CARTER PRESENTED THE REPORT OF COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR'S OFFICE

IN RE: ORDER ALLOWING CLAIMS 220912 THROUGH 221108 IN THE AMOUNT OF \$795,897.99 *MOTION BY SUPERVISOR BENSON, SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR REDMOND, THE VOTE: AYE- MCGEE, BENSON, REDMOND, NAY-BROOKS, GORDON (24)*

IN RE: ORDER AUTHORIZING ISSUANCE OF WARRANTS TO COVER BI-WEEKLY PAYROLLS AND MONTHLY PAYROLLS FOR DECEMBER 2021. *MOTION BY SUPERVISOR BENSON, SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR REDMOND, THE VOTE: AYE- MCGEE, GORDON, BENSON, BROOKS, REDMOND (25)*

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 DECEMBER 2021. *MOTION BY SUPERVISOR GORDON, SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR BENSON, THE VOTE: AYE- MCGEE, GORDON, BENSON, BROOKS, REDMOND (26)*

IN RE: ORDER TRANSFERRING ONE-HALF OF HIGHWAY MAINTENANCE TAXES TO MUNICIPALITIES OF THE COUNTY FOR DECEMBER 2021. *MOTION BY SUPERVISOR GORDON, SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR BENSON, THE VOTE: AYE- MCGEE, GORDON, BENSON, BROOKS, REDMOND (27)*

IN RE: ORDER AUTHORIZING PAYMENT OF BONDS AND INTEREST DURING THE MONTH OF DECEMBER 2021. *MOTION BY SUPERVISOR GORDON, SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR BENSON, THE VOTE: AYE- MCGEE, GORDON, BENSON, BROOKS, REDMOND (28)*

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 DECEMBER 2021. *MOTION BY SUPERVISOR GORDON, SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR BENSON, THE VOTE: AYE- MCGEE, GORDON, BENSON, BROOKS, REDMOND (29)*

IN RE: ORDER ALLOWING TRAVEL FOR CARNICE WOODS, CHANCERY COURT ADMINISTRATOR TO ATTEND NATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF COURT ADMINISTRATORS ANNUAL CONFERENCE, FEBRUARY 18-23, 2022 IN BELLEVUE, WASHINGTON, AT ESTIMATED COST OF \$2,215.98 *MOTION BY SUPERVISOR BROOKS, SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR BENSON, THE VOTE: AYE-BROOKS, REDMOND, BENSON, MCGEE, GORDON (30)*

IN RE: ORDER DECLARING AN EMERGENCY AT THE JUVENILE DETENTION CENTER DUE TO THE GAS AND ELECTRICAL SYSTEMS OUTAGE AND AUTHORIZING PAYMENT IN THE AMOUNT OF \$7,399.00 FOR EMERGENCY PURCHASE AND INSTALLATION OF A 4-TON TRANE HIGH EFFICIENCY GAS/ELECTRIC PACKAGE UNIT *MOTION BY SUPERVISOR BROOKS, SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR GORDON, THE VOTE: AYE-MCGEE, GORDON, BENSON, BROOKS, REDMOND (31)*

IN RE: ORDER APPROVING THE REQUEST OF DELTA HEALTH SYSTEM FOR PAYMENT IN THE AMOUNT OF \$2,505.00 TO FOXFIRE MEDIA GROUP FOR PROFESSIONAL SERVICES FOR THE “DELTA FACTS” *MOTION BY SUPERVISOR BROOKS, SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR BENSON, THE VOTE: AYE-MCGEE, GORDON, BENSON, BROOKS, REDMOND (32)*

IN RE: ORDER APPROVING THE REQUEST OF COUNTY EMPLOYEE, GEORGIA PARKER FOR AN EXTENSION OF HER LEAVE UNTIL MARCH 31, 2022 *MOTION BY SUPERVISOR BENSON, SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR BROOKS, THE VOTE: AYE-MCGEE, BENSON, BROOKS, REDMOND, ABSTAIN- GORDON (33)*

IN RE: ORDER APPROVING THE PURCHASE OF TWO (2) SEVEN DRAWER CARD CABINETS IN THE AMOUNT OF \$3,120.00 FOR THE WASHINGTON COUNTY SHERIFF’S DEPARTMENT *MOTION BY SUPERVISOR GORDON, SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR BROOKS, THE VOTE: AYE-MCGEE, GORDON, BENSON, BROOKS, REDMOND (34)*

IN RE: ORDER AUTHORIZING REIMBURSEMENT TO CIRCUIT CLERK, BARBARA ESTERS-PARKER FOR \$371.71 FOR FOOD PURCHASE FOR JURY *MOTION BY SUPERVISOR BROOKS, SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR GORDON, THE VOTE: AYE-MCGEE, GORDON, BENSON, BROOKS, REDMOND (35)*

IN RE: ORDER AUTHORIZING PAYMENT TO WISE SOLUTIONS, INC., IN THE AMOUNT OF \$3,458.18 FOR PROJECTOR, PRINTER AND WIRELESS KIT FOR THE WASHINGTON COUNTY CIRCUIT COURT *MOTION BY SUPERVISOR BENSON, SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR BROOKS, THE VOTE: AYE-MCGEE, GORDON, BENSON, BROOKS, REDMOND (36)*

MARILYN HANSELL, CHANCERY CLERK

IN RE: ORDER APPROVING BONDS FOR COMMISSIONERS HERBERT HUDDLESTON, III AND MARCUS HOOKER OF THE YMD JOINT WATER MANAGEMENT DISTRICT *MOTION BY SUPERVISOR GORDON, SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR BROOKS, THE VOTE: AYE- MCGEE, GORDON, BENSON, BROOKS, REDMOND (37)*

IN RE: ORDER ACCEPTING SEPTEMBER 2021 SETTLEMENTS IN THE AMOUNT OF \$871,138.00 FROM TAX COLLECTOR, PATRICIA LEE *MOTION BY SUPERVISOR BROOKS, SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR GORDON THE VOTE: AYE- MCGEE, GORDON, BENSON, BROOKS, REDMOND (38)*

IN RE: ORDER ACCEPTING COUNTY OFFICIALS REPORTS *MOTION BY SUPERVISOR BROOKS, SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR GORDON, THE VOTE: AYE- MCGEE, GORDON, BENSON, BROOKS, REDMOND (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 GORDON, THE VOTE: AYE- MCGEE, GORDON, BENSON, BROOKS, REDMOND (40)*

IN RE: ORDER RECESSING MEETING UNTIL DECEMBER 13, 2021 AT 9:00 A.M. *MOTION BY SUPERVISOR BROOKS, SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR GORDON, THE VOTE: AYE- MCGEE, GORDON, BENSON, BROOKS, REDMOND (41)*

CARL MCGEE, PRESIDENT

ATTEST:

**MARILYN HANSELL, CLERK
BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF WASHINGTON COUNTY**