

WASHINGTON COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

MINUTES OF SEPTEMBER 16, 2024

BOARD MEETING

Monday, September 16, 2024 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 Carl McGee. All present said the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag, and the meeting was officially opened by the Deputy Sheriff.

(1) IN RE: ORDER TO CONSIDER AND ACCEPT AGENDA WITH ADDITIONS FOR SEPTEMBER 16, 2024 MOTION BY SUPERVISOR GORDON, SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR REDMOND, THE VOTE: AYE-MCGEE, GORDON, BROOKS, REDMOND, ABSENT- BENSON

- *Added: Paul Dillon-Delta Health System, Demetric Warren, Sportsplex Commissioner, Update on Clean-up around Washington County*

(2) IN RE: ORDER APPROVING MINUTES OF SEPTEMBER 3, 2024 MEETING AND PROPOSED BUDGET 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 REDMOND, THE VOTE: AYE-MCGEE, GORDON, REDMOND, NAY-BROOKS, ABSENT-BENSON

DEMETRIC WARREN, SPORTSPLEX COMMISSIONER

(3) IN RE: ORDER ACCEPTING THE LOWEST QUOTE IN THE AMOUNT OF \$14,000.00 FROM WEBB ELECTRIC TO MOVE THE SCOREBOARD AT THE SPORTSPLEX MOTION BY SUPERVISOR BROOKS, SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR GORDON, THE VOTE: AYE-MCGEE, GORDON, BROOKS, REDMOND, ABSENT- BENSON

(4) IN RE: ORDER ACCEPTING THE LOWEST QUOTE IN THE AMOUNT OF 5,996.00 FROM CONTAINER ONE FOR DOUBLE DOOR STORAGE CONTAINER FOR THE SPORTSPLEX MOTION BY SUPERVISOR BROOKS, SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR REDMOND, THE VOTE: AYE-MCGEE, GORDON, BROOKS, REDMOND, ABSENT- BENSON

BE IT KNOWN: IRIS STACKER, CEO, DELTA HEALTH SYSTEM PRESENTED THE FISCAL YEAR BUDGET FOR 2024-2025 FOR DELTA HEALTH SYSTEM. INTRODUCED PAUL DILLON, DIRECTOR OF PLANT OPERATIONS AT DELTA HEALTH SYSTEM. COAHOMA PAYMENTS WILL BE COMPLETE IN NOVEMBER.

BE IT KNOWN: JUSTIN BURCH, EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR, ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT CENTER PRESENTED THE MS DEVELOPMENT GUIDE TO THE BOARD

BILL AND BRITT SAINT SING PRESENTED AN UPDATE ON THE COUNTY HEALTH INSURANCE AND EXPLAINED THE 10 % INCREASE IN THE COST WITH PRESCRIPTION DRUGS HAVING A SIGNIFICANT IMPACT

(5) IN RE: ORDER APPROVING RENEWAL OF THE WASHINGTON COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS' HEALTH BENEFIT PLAN AND AUTHORIZING THE PRESIDENT OF THE BOARD TO SIGN SAME, EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2024, PENDING ATTORNEY REVIEW MOTION BY SUPERVISOR GORDON, SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR REDMOND, THE VOTE: AYE-MCGEE, GORDON, BROOKS, REDMOND, ABSENT-BENSON

MARK HOOKER, COUNTY ENGINEER PRESENTED BID TABULATIONS AND ORDER

(6) IN RE: ORDER SETTING FORTH PROPOSED LOCAL SYSTEM BRIDGE REPLACEMENT AND REHABILITATION PROJECTS FOR PERIOD JANUARY 1, 2024 THROUGH DECEMBER 31, 2027 FOR LSBP-76(33)- COLLIER ROAD AT ESTIMATED COST OF \$682,185.00 AND AUTHORIZING THE PRESIDENT TO SIGN SAME MOTION BY SUPERVISOR BROOKS, SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR GORDON, THE VOTE: AYE- MCGEE, GORDON, BROOKS, REDMOND, ABSENT- BENSON

(7) IN RE: ORDER AUTHORIZING THE CANCELLATION OF THE PREVIOUSLY PROGRAMMED BRIDGE REPLACEMENT PROJECT NO. SA76-179 AS SAP-7(96) ON WILMOT ROAD TO BETTER UTILIZE SABP FUNDS MOTION BY SUPERVISOR GORDON, SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR BROOKS, THE VOTE: AYE- MCGEE, GORDON, BROOKS, REDMOND, ABSENT- BENSON

(8) IN RE: ORDER SETTING FORTH PROPOSED LOCAL SYSTEM BRIDGE REPLACEMENT AND REHABILITATION PROJECTS FOR PERIOD JANUARY 1, 2024 THROUGH DECEMBER 31, 2027 FOR SABP-76(02)-WILMOT ROAD AT ESTIMATED COST OF \$701,012.00 MOTION BY SUPERVISOR GORDON, SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR REDMOND, THE VOTE: AYE- MCGEE, GORDON, BROOKS, REDMOND, ABSENT- BENSON

(9) IN RE: ORDER AUTHORIZING REPAIRS TO THE SUNFLOWER RIVER ROAD BRIDGE (SA76(93) S8, T16N, R5W) IN RESPONSE TO AN APRIL 1, 2024 LETTER SENT BY THE OFFICE OF STATE OF THE IMMEDIATE NEED OF REPAIRS TO AVOID CLOSURE MOTION BY SUPERVISOR REDMOND, SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR GORDON, THE VOTE: AYE-MCGEE, GORDON, BROOKS, REDMOND, ABSENT- BENSON

ATTY ASHLEY HARRIS & SUPERTINDENT JESSE KING REGARDING TAX SALE

(10) IN RE: ORDER AUTHORIZING THE BOARD ATTORNEY TO SEND A NOTICE TO MUNICIPAL POINT CAPITAL LP REGARDING PARCEL NO. 241801000 PPIN NO. 36843 FORFEITED BY THE LELAND SCHOOL DISTRICT FOR THE 2021 TAXES MOTION BY SUPERVISOR GORDON, SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR BROOKS, THE VOTE: AYE-MCGEE, GORDON, BROOKS, REDMOND, ABSENT-BENSON

(11) IN RE: ORDER ALLOWING USE OF THE WASHINGTON COUNTY CONVENTION CENTER FOR THE ANNUAL DELTA RIDES SENIOR CITIZEN TAILGATE EVENT, OCTOBER 15, 2024 9AM-1PM, AT NO FEE MOTION BY SUPERVISOR BROOKS, SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR REDMOND, THE VOTE: AYE- MCGEE, GORDON, BROOKS, REDMOND, ABSENT- BENSON

SUPERVISOR MALA BROOKS

BE IT KNOWN: SUPERVISOR BROOKS DISCUSSED CLEAN UP IN WASHINGTON COUNTY

CHELESA CARTER, COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR BI-WEEKLY REPORT

(12) IN RE: ORDER ALLOWING CLAIMS 247045 THRU 247282 IN THE AMOUNT OF \$611,823.95 MOTION BY SUPERVISOR GORDON, SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR REDMOND, THE VOTE: AYE-MCGEE, GORDON, BROOKS, REDMOND, ABSENT-BENSON

(13) IN RE: ORDER ALLOWING TRAVEL FOR COUNTY OFFICIALS TO ATTEND THE 2024 MAS FALL WORKSHOP TRAINING OCTOBER 29-31, 2024 IN VICKSBURG, MS AT ESTIMATED COST OF \$3,000 AND USE OF THE COUNTY CREDIT CARD MOTION BY SUPERVISOR BROOKS, SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR REDMOND, THE VOTE: AYE-MCGEE, GORDON, BROOKS, REDMOND, ABSENT-BENSON

(14) IN RE: ORDER AUTHORIZING THE CLERK OF THE BOARD TO ISSUE WARRANTS TO DISTRIBUTE TAX LOSS HOMESTEAD REIMBURSEMENT TO HOLLANDALE, LELAND AND WESTERN LINE SCHOOL DISTRICTS WITH THE REMAINDER (\$218,500.00) TO THE COUNTY GENERAL FUND MOTION BY SUPERVISOR REDMOND, SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR GORDON, THE VOTE: AYE- MCGEE, GORDON, BROOKS, REDMOND, ABSENT- BENSON

(15) IN RE: ORDER AUTHORIZING PAYMENT NO. 8 IN THE AMOUNT OF \$14,968.00 TO J.J. FERGUSON FOR FURR ROAD BRIDGE PROJECT(WS20223), AS REQUESTED BY LORENZO ANDERSON/IMS MOTION BY SUPERVISOR REDMOND, SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR BROOKS, THE VOTE: AYE-MCGEE, REDMOND, BROOKS, NAY-GORDON ABSENT- BENSON

(16) IN RE: ORDER AUTHORIZING PAYMENT NO. 9 IN THE AMOUNT OF \$25,932.00 TO J.J. FERGUSON FOR FURR ROAD BRIDGE PROJECT(WS20223), AS REQUESTED BY LORENZO ANDERSON/IMS MOTION BY SUPERVISOR REDMOND, SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR BROOKS, THE VOTE: AYE-MCGEE, REDMOND, BROOKS, NAY-GORDON ABSENT- BENSON

(17) IN RE: ORDER AUTHORIZING PAYMENT NO. 10 IN THE AMOUNT OF \$130,759.32 TO J.J. FERGUSON FOR FURR ROAD BRIDGE PROJECT(WS20223), AS REQUESTED BY LORENZO ANDERSON/IMS MOTION BY SUPERVISOR REDMOND, SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR BROOKS, THE VOTE: AYE-MCGEE, REDMOND, BROOKS, NAY-GORDON ABSENT- BENSON

(18) IN RE: ORDER AUTHORIZING COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR TO MAKE GENERAL JOURNAL ENTRIES IN THE ACCOUNTING SYSTEM TO ELIMINATE NEGATIVE CASH BALANCES THAT WOULD BE CARRIED OVER FOR THE FISCAL YEAR 2024-2025 MOTION BY SUPERVISOR GORDON, SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR REDMOND THE VOTE: AYE-MCGEE, GORDON, BROOKS, REDMOND, ABSENT-BENSON

(19) IN RE: ORDER ALLOCATING 1ST QUARTER 2024-2025 FUNDS FOR TAX ASSESSOR, TAX COLLECTOR, SHERIFF AND REGIONAL CORRECTIONAL FACILITY MOTION BY SUPERVISOR GORDON, SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR REDMOND, THE VOTE: AYE-MCGEE, GORDON, BROOKS, REDMOND, ABSENT- BENSON

(20) IN RE: ORDER AUTHORIZING THE OPENING OF A BANK ACCOUNT AT GUARANTY BANK & TRUST COMPANY {2024 LOCAL IMPROVEMENTS PROJECT FUND FOR WASHINGTON COUNTY (\$1.5 MIL FOR IMPROVEMENTS, RENOVATIONS, REPAIRS AND UPGRADES TO GREENVILLE MID-DELTA AIRPORT AND \$500,000

INFRASTRUCTURE IMPROVEMENTS-CITY OF GREENVILLE)}} MOTION BY SUPERVISOR GORDON, SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR REDMOND, THE VOTE: AYE-MCGEE, GORDON, BROOKS, REDMOND, ABSENT- BENSON

21) IN RE: ORDER ACCEPTING ORDER FROM CIRCUIT COURT JUDGE MARGARET CAREY-MCCRAY FOR APPOINTMENT AND SETTING SALARY FOR AOC LAW CLERK 1, MALAIKA A. ELLISON MOTION BY SUPERVISOR BROOKS, SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR REDMOND, THE VOTE: AYE-MCGEE, GORDON, BROOKS, REDMOND, ABSENT-BENSON

(22) IN RE: ORDER APPROVING THE REQUEST OF THE CITY OF HOLLANDALE TO ALLOCATE THE \$100,000 ALLOCATION FOR SATTERFIELD TO THE INDUSTRIAL PARK IMPROVEMENT PROJECT MOTION BY SUPERVISOR REDMOND, SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR BROOKS, THE VOTE: AYE-MCGEE, GORDON, BROOKS, REDMOND, ABSENT- BENSON

23) IN RE: ORDER APPROVING THE RE-HIRE OF DIETRICK BOOKER TO FILL THE ROAD GRADER POSITION AT THE WASHINGTON COUNTY ROAD DEPARTMENT MOTION BY SUPERVISOR BROOKS, SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR REDMOND, THE VOTE: AYE-MCGEE, GORDON, BROOKS, REDMOND, ABSENT-BENSON

(24) IN RE: ORDER APPROVING PAYMENT NO. 2 IN THE AMOUNT OF \$118,446.48 TO KOESTLER TILE FOR DHS FLOORING PROJECT MOTION BY SUPERVISOR BROOKS, SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR GORDON, THE VOTE: AYE-MCGEE, GORDON, BROOKS, REDMOND, ABSENT- BENSON

(25) IN RE: ORDER ACCEPTING SETTLEMENT CHECK IN THE AMOUNT OF \$347,777.92 FOR THE MONTH OF AUGUST 2024 FROM TAX COLLECTOR, PATRICIA LEE MOTION BY SUPERVISOR GORDON, SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR REDMOND, THE VOTE: AYE-MCGEE, GORDON, BROOKS, REDMOND, ABSENT-BENSON

(26) IN RE: ORDER AUTHORIZING RATIFYING THE ACTIONS OF COUNTY OFFICIALS SIGNING PROCLAMATION OF EXISTENCE OF A LOCAL EMERGENCY CAUSED BY HURRICANE FRANCINE MOTION BY SUPERVISOR GORDON, SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR REDMOND, THE VOTE: AYE-MCGEE, GORDON, BROOKS, REDMOND, ABSENT- BENSON

BERNADINE HOLMES PRESENTED CLERK OF THE BOARD BI-WEEKLY REPORT

27) IN RE: ORDER APPROVING BONDS FOR VALENCIA CHESTER, DEPUTY TAX COLLECTOR AND DARIEN EVANS, WASHINGTON COUNTY GROUNDS SUPERVISOR MOTION BY SUPERVISOR BROOKS, SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR GORDON, THE VOTE: AYE-MCGEE, GORDON, BROOKS, REDMOND, ABSENT-BENSON

CHIEF BILLY BARBER PRESENTING WCRCF MEAL LOG

28) IN RE: ACCEPTING THE WASHINGTON COUNTY REGIONAL CORRECTIONAL FACILITY MEAL LOG MOTION BY SUPERVISOR GORDON, SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR REDMOND, THE VOTE: AYE-MCGEE, GORDON, BROOKS, REDMOND, ABSENT-BENSON

29) IN RE: ORDER AUTHORIZING THE WASHINGTON COUNTY ROAD DEPARTMENT TO ASSIST THE TOWN OF ARCOLA WITH THE INSTALLATION OF CULVERTS, PENDING LETTER FROM THE TOWN OF ARCOLA *MOTION BY SUPERVISOR GORDON, SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR REDMOND, THE VOTE: AYE-MCGEE, GORDON, BROOKS, REDMOND, ABSENT- BENSON*

30) IN RE: ORDER ADDING EXECUTIVE SESSION TO THE AGENDA FOR SEPTEMBER 16, 2024 *MOTION BY SUPERVISOR BROOKS, SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR MCGEE, THE VOTE: AYE-MCGEE, BROOKS, REDMOND, ABSENT- GORDON, BENSON*

31) IN RE: ORDER ALLOWING USE OF THE WASHINGTON COUNTY CONVENTION CENTER SEPTEMBER 17, 2024 BY WASHINGTON COUNTY ECONOMIC ALLIANCE AND USDA RURAL DEVELOPMENT RURAL PARTNERS NETWORK TO HOST A RESOURCE WORKSHOP FOR WASHINGTON, BOLIVAR, LEFLORE AND SUNFLOWER COUNTIES, AT NO FEE *MOTION BY SUPERVISOR BROOKS, SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR REDMOND, THE VOTE: AYE- MCGEE, GORDON, BROOK,S REDMOND, ABSENT-BENSON*

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

33) IN RE: ORDER TO GO INTO EXECUTIVE SESSION TO DISCUSS A PERSONNEL MATTER *MOTION BY SUPERVISOR GORDON, SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR BROOKS, THE VOTE: AYE-MCGEE, GORDON, BROOKS, REDMOND, ABSENT-BENSON*

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

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

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

37) IN RE: ORDER TO ADJOURN MEETING UNTIL OCTOBER 7, 2024 AT 9:00 A.M. *MOTION BY SUPERVISOR GORDON, SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR BROOKS, THE VOTE: AYE-MCGEE, GORDON, BROOKS, REDMOND, ABSENT- BENSON*

CARL MCGEE, PRESIDENT
BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF WASHINGTON COUNTY

ATTEST:
MARILYN HANSELL, CLERK