

WASHINGTON COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

MINUTES OF APRIL 6, 2020

BOARD MEETING

BE IT REMEMBERED on the 6th day of April, 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:

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| 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, absent |
| Willie Griffin | Board Attorney |
| Chelesa Carter | County Administrator |
| IMS, 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 Tommy Benson. 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 APRIL 6, 2020. MOTION BY SUPERVISOR GORDON, SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR BENSON, ALL VOTED AYE. (1)

Added: Emergency Updates, Bids for Agricultural Land, Entergy Easement, Hayes Dent' Consulting contract

APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETINGS

IN RE: ORDER APPROVING MINUTES OF MARCH 16, 2020 MEETING OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS AND DIRECTING THE PRESIDENT TO SIGN SAME MOTION BY SUPERVISOR BENSON, SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR REDMOND, ALL VOTED AYE. (2)

BE IT KNOWN: There was some discussion regarding the language in the IMS Engineers' Contract. The State Aid Engineer has also informed the Board Attorney that former Engineer Marcus Hooker, Sr.

Hooker Engineering needs to receive Notice of Termination. The Board Attorney will submit a request to IMS Engineers to submit their Liability Coverage Certificate to the Board of Supervisors

**IN RE: ORDER DIRECTING EACH BOARD MEMBER TO REVIEW THE CONTRACT WITH IMS ENGINEERS AND MAKE RECOMMENDATIONS TO THE BOARD ATTORNEY
MOTION BY SUPERVISOR GORDON, SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR BENSON,
SUPERVISORS MCGEE, GORDON, BENSON VOTED AYE, SUPERVISORS BROOKS VOTED
NAY, SUPERVISOR REDMOND-OFF LINE . (3)**

EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT E-911 REPORT AND MONTHLY EXPENDITURES

IN RE: ORDER APPROVING MARCH 2020 EXPENDITURES IN THE AMOUNT OF \$29,303.37 FOR E-911. MOTION BY SUPERVISOR GORDON, SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR BENSON, ALL SUPERVISORS VOTED AYE, EXCEPT SUPERVISOR BROOKS-OFFLINE. (4)

LORENZO ANDERSON-IMS, COUNTY ENGINEER, SUBMITTED A TASK ORDER FOR BOARD APPROVAL

IN RE: ORDER AUTHORIZING POSTPONMENT OF CONSIDERATION OF TASK ORDER #1, AS SUBMITTED BY LORENZO ANDERSON, COUNTY ENGINEER UNTIL ALL SUPERVISORS CAN REVIEW MOTION BY SUPERVISOR GORDON, SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR BENSON, ALL SUPERVISORS VOTED AYE, EXCEPT SUPERVISOR BROOKS-OFFLINE (5)

BOARD ATTORNEY WILLIE GRIFFIN DISCUSSED STATE AID ENGINEER LETTER

IN RE: ORDER AUTHORIZING THE PRESIDENT OF THE BOARD TO SIGN LETTER GIVING A THIRTY (30) DAYS NOTICE TO MARCUS HOOKER, SR., TERMINATING CURRENT STATE AID CONTRACT MOTION BY SUPERVISOR BENSON, SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR REDMOND, SUPERVISOR- MCGEE, BENSON, REDMOND VOTED AYE, SUPERVISOR GORDON VOTED NAY, SUPERVISOR BROOKS- OFFLINE. (6)

IN RE: ORDER RECESSING MEETING UNTIL APRIL 7, 2020 MOTION BY SUPERVISOR REDMOND, SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR BENSON, ALL VOTED AYE, SUPERVISOR BROOKS- OFFLINE. (7)

WASHINGTON COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

MINUTES OF APRIL 7, 2020

BOARD MEETING

Tuesday, April 7, 2020 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.

IN RE: ORDER ACCEPTING LOWEST AND BEST BID OF FORDICE CONSTRUCTION COMPANY, AWARDED CONTRACT IN THE AMOUNT OF \$736,431.25 AND ESTABLISHING PROJECT FUND IN THE AMOUNT OF \$898,446.13 FOR THE WC 19-2 WILMOT ROAD PROJECT MOTION BY SUPERVISOR GORDON, SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR BENSON, ALL VOTED AYE. (1)

CHELESA CARTER, COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR PRESENTED HER BI-WEEKLY REPORT

IN RE: ORDER AUTHORIZING PAYMENT OF CLAIMS 146409 THROUGH 146644 IN THE AMOUNT OF \$ 665,887.54 MOTION BY SUPERVISOR REDMOND, SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR GORDON, ALL VOTED AYE. (2)

MONTHLY CLAIMS

IN RE: ORDER AUTHORIZING ISSUANCE OF WARRANTS TO COVER BI-WEEKLY PAYROLLS AND MONTHLY PAYROLLS FOR APRIL 2020. MOTION BY SUPERVISOR REDMOND, SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR GORDON, ALL VOTED AYE. (3)

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 APRIL 2020. MOTION BY SUPERVISOR REDMOND, SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR GORDON, ALL VOTED AYE. (4)

IN RE: ORDER TRANSFERRING ONE-HALF OF HIGHWAY MAINTENANCE TAXES TO MUNICIPALITIES OF THE COUNTY IN APRIL 2020 MOTION BY SUPERVISOR REDMOND, SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR GORDON, ALL VOTED AYE. (5)

IN RE: ORDER AUTHORIZING PAYMENT OF BONDS AND INTEREST DURING THE MONTH OF APRIL 2020. MOTION BY SUPERVISOR REDMOND, SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR GORDON, ALL VOTED AYE. (6)

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 APRIL 2020. MOTION BY SUPERVISOR REDMOND, SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR GORDON, ALL VOTED AYE. (7)

IN RE: ORDER AUTHORIZING CLERK TO ISSUE WARRANTS TO DISTRIBUTE MOTOR VEHICLE RENTAL IN THE AMOUNT OF \$97,848.46 AND RAILROAD CAR TAX IN THE AMOUNT OF \$101,926.12 FOR THE PERIOD ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2019 MOTION BY SUPERVISOR REDMOND, SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR GORDON, ALL VOTED AYE. (8)

IN RE: ORDER AUTHORIZING PAYMENT NO. 3 IN THE AMOUNT OF \$214,227.00 TO FORDICE CONSTRUCTION COMPANY FOR THE WOODSAWMILL ROAD PROJECT MOTION BY SUPERVISOR GORDON, SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR REDMOND, ALL VOTED AYE, BROOKS, BENSON-ABSTAIN (9)

IN RE: ORDER AUTHORIZING PAYMENT NO. 1 IN THE AMOUNT OF \$55,750.00 TO FORDICE CONSTRUCTION COMPANY FOR THE HELM ROAD PROJECT MOTION BY SUPERVISOR REDMOND, SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR GORDON, ALL VOTED AYE, BROOKS, BENSON-ABSTAIN (10)

IN RE: ORDER AUTHORIZING PAYMENT IN THE AMOUNT OF \$24,024.57 TO HOOKER ENGINEERING SERVICES, INC., FOR THE SAP76-94 (NAPANEE & WINTERVILLE-PRICILLA ROAD) PROJECT MOTION BY SUPERVISOR GORDON, SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR REDMOND, ALL VOTED AYE, BROOKS, BENSON- ABSTAIN (11)

IN RE: ORDER AUTHORIZING PAYMENT IN THE AMOUNT OF \$5,845.24 TO HOOKER ENGINEERING SERVICES, INC.,FOR THE LSBP76-27 (FRAZIER) ROAD PROJECT MOTION BY SUPERVISOR GORDON, SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR REDMOND, ALL VOTED AYE, BROOKS-ABSTAIN (12)

IN RE: ORDER POSTPONING CONSIDERATION AUTHORIZING PAYMENT IN THE AMOUNT OF \$24,323.04 TO HOOKER ENGINEERING SERVICES, INC., FOR THE WC19-3 GREER ROAD PROJECT MOTION BY SUPERVISOR REDMOND, SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR GORDON, ALL VOTED AYE, BROOKS-ABSTAIN (13)

IN RE: ORDER AUTHORIZING THE PAYMENT TO HOOKER ENGINEERING SERVICES, INC., FOR THE FOLLOWING PROJECTS: ERBR76-01 (PRICILLA) ROAD PROJECT-\$38,077.79; ERBR76-03 (BASSI) ROAD PROJECT-\$26,085.33; ERBR76-06 (STONE AIRPORT) ROAD PROJECT-\$18,561.05; ERBR76-07 (EIFLING) ROAD PROJECT-\$20,260.20; ERBR76-07 (EIFLING) ROAD GEOTECHNICAL, WERLANDS, AND ENVIRONMENTAL REPORTS-\$7,500.00 MOTION BY SUPERVISOR BENSON, SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR GORDON, ALL VOTED AYE (14)

IN RE: ORDER AUTHORIZING PAYMENT IN THE AMOUNT OF \$1,500.00 FOR ANNUAL PAYMENT TO VOTING PRECINCTS MOTION BY SUPERVISOR BENSON, SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR REDMOND, ALL VOTED AYE. (15)

IN RE: ORDER AUTHORIZING PAYMENT OF INVOICE NO. 2010817 IN THE AMOUNT OF \$14,720.00 TO IMS ENGINEERS FOR GENERAL ENGINEERING SERVICES (200662) MOTION BY SUPERVISOR BENSON, SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR REDMOND, ALL VOTED AYE. (16)

BE IT KNOWN: IMS HAS A NEW ASSISTANT ENGINEER-JERON COLLINS

IN RE: ORDER ACCEPTING THE LOW QUOTE OF TRUSTMARK NATIONAL BANK FOR FINANCING OF THREE(3) VEHICLES AND ANCILLARY EQUIPMENT FOR THE WASHINGTON COUNTY SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT IN THE AMOUNT OF 2.58% FIXED RATE FOR FIVE (5) YEARS, TAX EXEMPT MOTION BY SUPERVISOR BENSON, SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR REDMOND, ALL VOTED AYE. (17)

IN RE: ORDER APPROVING CONSTRUCTION CHANGE ORDER IN THE AMOUNT OF \$6,114.00 FOR PROJECT WC19-1 (WOODSAWMILL ROAD) TO AVOID DAMAGE TO UPSTREAM PILE MOTION BY SUPERVISOR BROOKS, SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR GORDON, ALL VOTED AYE. (18)

IN RE: ORDER AUTHORIZING THE PRESIDENT OF THE BOARD TO SIGN TOSHIBA LEASE-MAINTENANCE AGREEMENT FOR COPIER FOR JUDGE BENNIE RICHARD' OFFICE MOTION BY SUPERVISOR BENSON, SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR REDMOND, ALL VOTED AYE. (19)

ATTORNEY WILLIE GRIFFIN, BOARD ATTORNEY PRESENTED LIMITED ACCESS NOTICE, SHELTER IN PLACE ORDER AND AMENDED COVID 19 BOARD ORDER

IN RE: ORDER APPROVING PUBLIC NOTICE REGARDING LIMITED ACCESS TO THE WASHINGTON COUNTY COURTHOUSE, WASHINGTON COUNTY AMENDED EMERGENCY COVID-19 BOARD ORDER AND SHELTER IN PLACE ORDER AND AUTHORIZING THE PRESIDENT AND CLERK OF THE BOARD TO SIGN SAME MOTION BY SUPERVISOR BROOKS, SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR REDMOND, ALL VOTED AYE. (20)

PATRICIA LEE, TAX COLLECTOR

IN RE: ORDER APPROVING THE REQUEST OF TAX COLLECTOR, PATRICIA LEE TO REMOVE FROM THE TAX SALE FILE, PROPERTY ASSESSED TO DAVID COBB, PARCEL NO. 12627501070 PPIN#8631 DUE TO AN ERRONEOUS ASSESSMENT AND LAND PATENT ISSUED MOTION BY SUPERVISOR GORDON, SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR BENSON, ALL VOTED AYE. (21)

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

IN RE: ORDER AUTHORIZING THE PRESIDENT AND CLERK OF THE BOARD TO SIGN CORRECTION/DELETION OF HOMESTEAD EXEMPTION APPLICATION FOR CONTAVEIA LAMONT JOHNSON MOTION BY SUPERVISOR BROOKS, SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR GORDON, ALL VOTED AYE. (22)

IN RE: ORDER REAPPOINTING DAVID FURR AS COUNTY DRAINAGE DISTRICT COMMISSIONER (BOGUE PHALIA DRAINAGE DISTRICT AND RIVERSIDE DRAINAGE DISTRICT MOTION BY SUPERVISOR REDMOND, SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR GORDON, ALL VOTED AYE. (23)

BID FOR 199 ACRES OF SURPLUS LAND

IN RE: ORDER ACCEPTING THE BID OF TONY ZEPPONI IN THE AMOUNT OF \$11,000.00 FOR AGRICULTURAL LEASE OF 199.50 ACRES OF SURPLUS LAND IN INDUSTRIAL PARK, WASHINGTON COUNTY, MS MOTION BY SUPERVISOR BENSON, SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR BROOKS, ALL VOTED AYE. (24)

PERCY MILES PRESENTED THE SHERIFF'S REPORT

IN RE: ORDER APPROVING REQUEST TO PURCHASE BULLET PROOF VESTS FOR THE SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT FROM MIS SOUTH UNIFORM & SUPPLY, INC., IN THE AMOUNT OF \$8,421.70 MOTION BY SUPERVISOR BENSON, SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR GORDON, ALL VOTED AYE. (25)

MARK SEARD, TAX ASSESSOR, REQUESTING REFUND FOR CONTAVEIA JOHNSON

IN RE: ORDER APPROVING REFUND TO M&T BANK FOR CONTAVEIA JOHNSON IN THE AMOUNT OF \$2,326.94 AND AUTHORIZING \$191.18 TO BE APPLIED TO THE 2019 TAXES, DUE TO ERRONEOUS ASSESSMENT OF PARCEL NO. 50146400000 PPIN# 35865 MOTION BY SUPERVISOR BENSON, SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR BROOKS, ALL VOTED AYE. (26)

IN RE: ORDER AUTHORIZING THE PURCHASE OF AN AD IN THE MAY EDITION OF THE DELTA BUSINESS JOURNAL, AT A COST OF \$400.00 MOTION BY SUPERVISOR BROOKS, SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR BENSON, ALL VOTED AYE. (27)

DON DAVIS, BUILDING & GROUNDS DIRECTORS REQUESTING APPROVAL TO PURCHASE LAWNMOWERS

IN RE: ORDER AUTHORIZING THE PURCHASE OF THREE(3) LAWNMOWERS AT A COST OF \$67,579.50 AND FINISHING MOWER AT A COST OF \$10,636.01 ON STATE CONTRACT FROM DEERE & COMPANY MOTION BY SUPERVISOR GORDON, SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR BENSON, ALL VOTED AYE. (28)

IN RE: ORDER ACCEPTING COUNTY OFFICIALS REPORTS MOTION BY SUPERVISOR GORDON, SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR BENSON, ALL VOTED AYE (29)

IN RE: ORDER AUTHORIZING COPYING CERTAIN DOCUMENTS INTO THE MINUTES OF THE WASHINGTON COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS MOTION BY SUPERVISOR GORDON, SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR BENSON, ALL VOTED AYE (30)

IN RE: ORDER RECESSING MEETING UNTIL APRIL 20, 2020 MOTION BY SUPERVISOR GORDON, SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR BENSON, ALL VOTED AYE. (31)

*CARL MCGEE, PRESIDENT
WASHINGTON COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS*

*ATTEST:
MARILYN HANSELL, CLERK OF THE BOARD*