

WASHINGTON COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
MINUTES OF JANUARY 21, 2020
BOARD MEETING

Tuesday, January 21, 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 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 THE AGENDA AS AMENDED FOR JANUARY 21, 2020. MOTION BY SUPERVISOR GORDON, SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR BENSON, ALL VOTED AYE. (1)

- Item #11 changed to 1st Item regarding Concerned Citizens of Washington County

BE IT KNOWN: Concerned Citizens of Washington County made presentations/remarks to the Board regarding the Board Appointments for Board Attorney, County Engineer and the Assistant County Engineer. The following citizens appeared before the Board: Susan Shamoun, Carey Karlson, Charles Lesure, James Ceranti, Paul Mathis, Brent Johnson, Jackie Davis, Larry Muhammad, Stanley Ayers, Collins Brent, Laverne Carter, Freddie Hall, Drew Newsom, John Cox, Malcolm Jackson, Freida Hardy, Billie Painter, Bill Brozovich, Susan Simmons. Supervisor Lee Gordon made a motion to go into Executive Session to Reconsider the appointments. The motion failed for a lack of a second

Approval pf Minutes of Previous Meeting

IN RE: ORDER APPROVING MINUTES OF JANUARY 6, 2020 MEETINGS OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS AND DIRECTING THE PRESIDENT AND CLERK OF THE BOARD TO SIGN SAME (2)

David Burford, Emergency Management Director

IN RE: ORDER RATIFYING PROCLAMATION OF EXISTENCE OF A LOCAL EMERGENCY JANUARY 11, 2020 AND AUTHORIZING ALL BOARD MEMBERS AND CLERK OF THE BOARD TO SIGN SAME MOTION BY SUPERVISOR GORDON, SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR BENSON, ALL VOTED AYE. (3)

IN RE: ORDER AUTHORIZING THE PURCHASE OF AN EMERGENCY GENERATOR SYSTEM WITH ACCESSORIES ON SOURCEWELL PURCHASING AGREEMENT IN THE AMOUNT OF \$118,071.12, PENDING DESIGNATION OF FUNDS IN THE BUDGET MOTION BY SUPERVISOR GORDON, SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR BENSON, ALL VOTED AYE. (4)

IN RE: ORDER AUTHORIZING MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING BETWEEN MS RIVER MARATHON AND WASHINGTON COUNTY WITH A LANGUAGE RECOMMENDATION FROM THE BOARD ATTORNEY MOTION BY SUPERVISOR BENSON, SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR GORDON, ALL VOTED AYE. (5)

Tawanna Hayes requesting use of the WCCC

IN RE: ORDER ALLOWING USE OF THE WASHINGTON COUNTY CONVENTION CENTER BY THE DELTA PEARLS CIVIC AND SOCIAL ORGANIZATION FOR THEIR ANNUAL DEBUTANTE BALL, FEBRUARY 1, 2020, AT NO FEE MOTION BY SUPERVISOR BENSON, SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR REDMOND, ALL VOTED AYE. (6)

Demarcus McKinley, D & M Entertainment requesting use of the WCCC

IN RE: ORDER ALLOWING USE OF THE WASHINGTON COUNTY CONVENTION CENTER BY WD&M ENTERTAINMENT, AT NO COST, FEBRUARY 29, 2020, PENDING BOARD ATTORNEY'S REVIEW OF LEGALITY MOTION BY SUPERVISOR BENSON, SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR BROOKS, ALL VOTED AYE, EXCEPT GORDON-NAY. (7)

Corey Holmes, Greenville Park Commission requesting use of the WCCC

IN RE: ORDER ALLOWING USE OF THE WASHINGTON COUNTY CONVENTION CENTER BY GREENVILLE PARK COMMISSION FOR THEIR ANNUAL CHEERLEADER COMPETITION, APRIL 19, 2020, AT NO FEE MOTION BY SUPERVISOR BROOKS, SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR GORDON, ALL VOTED AYE. (8)

Freddie Hall requesting to be added to county's list for liability insurance

IN RE: ORDER ADDING FREDDIE HALL TO THE COUNTY'S LIST FOR LIABILITY COVERAGE MOTION BY SUPERVISOR BENSON, SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR REDMOND, ALL VOTED AYE. (9)

Hayes Dent, Hayes Dent Public Strategies

IN RE: ORDER TAKING UNDER ADVISEMENT THE MATTER OF HIRING A PERSON FOR GOVERNMENTAL AFFAIRS UNTIL FEBRUARY 3, 2020 BOARD MEETING AND ADDITIONAL INFORMATION IS RECEIVED MOTION BY SUPERVISOR BENSON, SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR GORDON, ALL VOTED AYE. (10)

Donna Cremeen, Planning Department

IN RE: ORDER APPROVING USE AND OCCUPANCY PERMIT REQUEST OF AT & T FOR THE CONSTRUCTION OR ADJUSTMENT OF A BURIED FIBER OPTIC CABLE UTILITY FACILITY WITHIN ROAD OR HIGHWAY RIGHT OF WAY ALONG OR ACROSS OLD LELAND ROAD (11)

IN RE: ORDER APPROVING USE AND OCCUPANCY PERMIT REQUEST OF TECINFO FOR THE CONSTRUCTION OR ADJUSTMENT OF A DIRECT BURIED FIBER OPTIC CABLE UTILITY FACILITY WITHIN ROAD OR HIGHWAY RIGHT OF WAY ALONG OR ACROSS OLD LELAND ROAD CROSSING UNDER OLD LELAND ROAD AND ALONG W F ROAD (12)

Beverly Courtney, Washington County Opportunities Headstart, Inc., requesting use of the WCCC

IN RE: ORDER ALLOWING USE OF THE WASHINGTON COUNTY CONVENTION CENTER BY WASHINGTON COUNTY OPPORTUNITIES HEADSTART, INC., FEBRUARY

3-5, 2020, FOR EDUCATIONAL BOOT CAMP, AT NO COST MOTION BY SUPERVISOR BENSON, SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR REDMOND, ALL VOTED AYE. (13)

Eloise Brooks, Justice Court Clerk

IN RE: ORDER RATIFYING THE ACTIONS OF JUSTICE COURT CLERK, ELOISE BROOKS IN EXECUTING A RECORDS DISPOSAL AUTHORIZATION WITH THE MS DEPARTMENT OF ARCHIVES AND HISTORY TO DISPOSE OF VARIOUS CLOSED CRIMINAL, CIVIL AND TRAFFIC COURT CASES IN THE JUSTICE COURT OFFICE MOTION BY SUPERVISOR REDMOND, SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR BENSON, ALL VOTED AYE. (14)

Everett Chinn, Greenville Public School District

IN RE: ORDER ALLOWING USE OF THE WASHINGTON COUNTY CONVENTION CENTER BY THE GREENVILLE PUBLIC SCHOOL DISTRICT, JANUARY 30, 2020, FOR SUPERINTENDENT SCHOLAR EVENT, AT NO COST MOTION BY SUPERVISOR BROOKS, SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR REDMOND, ALL VOTED AYE. (15)

Don Davis, Building and Grounds Director

IN RE: ORDER APPROVING AN UPGRADE OF ACCESS CONTROL SYSTEM FOR THE CIRCUIT COURT 2 BY SECURITY PLUS IN THE AMOUNT OF \$4,936.00 MOTION BY SUPERVISOR GORDON, SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR BENSON, ALL VOTED AYE. (16)

IN RE: ORDER AUTHORIZING THE PURCHASE OF TWO (2) MINI SPLITS FROM THE BAKER COMPANY IN THE AMOUNT OF \$4421.04 MOTION BY SUPERVISOR GORDON, SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR BENSON, ALL VOTED AYE. (17)

RE: ORDER ACCEPTING THE LOWEST AND BEST QUOTE OF GREENVILLE DOORS IN THE AMOUNT OF \$9,135.10 TO REPAIR THE DAMAGED DOOR AT THE WASHINGTON COUNTY CONVENTION CENTER MOTION BY SUPERVISOR GORDON, SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR BENSON, ALL VOTED AYE. (18)

Patricia Lee, Tax Collector

IN RE: ORDER ACCEPTING DECEMBER 2019 SETTLEMENT CHECKS IN THE AMOUNT OF \$3,855,900.81(AD VALOREM TAXES) AND \$64,000.00(MUNICIPAL COLLECTIONS) MOTION BY SUPERVISOR GORDON, SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR BTOOKS, ALL VOTED AYE. (19)

BE IT KNOWN- TAX COLLECTOR, PATRICIA LEE, INFORMED THE BOARD THAT THE 2019 TAX SALE WILL OCCUR ON APRIL 6, 2020 AT THE EXTENSION BUILDING

Mark Seard, Tax Assessor

IN RE: ORDER TAKING UNDER ADVISEMENT DISCUSSION REGARDING EMERGENCY DATA SYSTEM FOR THE TAX ASSESSOR'S OFFICE FOR FURTHER REVIEW MOTION BY SUPERVISOR BROOKS, SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR GORDON, ALL VOTED AYE. (20)

IN RE: ORDER AUTHORIZING THE PRESIDENT OF THE BOARD TO SIGN PETITIONS FOR TRDUCTION/INCREASE OF ASSESSMENT FOR: GULF SOUTH PIPELINE COMPANY LP, WASHINGTON CARE CENTER, MICHAEL'S PET SHOP, ATMOS ENERGY CORPORATION, TEXAS GAS TRANSMISSION, LLC, ENTERGY MISSISSIPPI, INC. MOTION BY SUPERVISOR BENSON, SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR BROOKS, ALL VOTED AYE. (21)

IN RE: ORDER ALLOWING USE OF THE WASHINGTON COUNTY CONVENTION CENTER MARCH 5, 2020 BY THE BOYS AND GIRLS CLUB , FOR AN EVENAT NO COST MOTION BY SUPERVISOR BENSON, SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR GORDON, ALL VOTED AYE. (22)

Chelesa Carter, County Administrator

IN RE: ORDER ALLOWING CLAIMS 144609 THROUGH 144750 IN THE AMOUNT FOR \$553,348.41 MOTION BY SUPERVISOR REDMOND, SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR BENSON, ALL VOTED AYE. (23)

IN RE: ORDER ALLOWING TRAVEL FOR DAVID BURFORD, EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT DIRECTOR AND JAMES STEWART, ASSISTANT EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT DIRECTOR TO ATTEND THE MEMA CRISIS TRACK TRAINING JANUARY 21, 2020 IN GREENWOOD, MS, AT AN ESTIMATED COST OF \$30.00 EACH MOTION BY SUPERVISOR REDMOND, SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR BROOKS, ALL VOTED AYE. (24)

IN RE: ORDER ALLOWING TRAVEL FOR DAVID BURFORD, EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT DIRECTOR AND JAMES STEWART, ASSISTANT EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT DIRECTOR TO ATTEND THE MEMA STATE TRAINING JANUARY 24, 2020 IN PEARL, MS, AT AN ESTIMATED COST OF \$50.00 MOTION BY SUPERVISOR BENSON, SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR REDMOND, ALL VOTED AYE. EACH (25)

IN RE: ORDER AUTHORIZING REIMBURSEMENT TO MS STATE EXTENSION SERVICES IN THE AMOUNT OF \$3,669.68 FOR SALARY AND FRINGE BENEFITS FOR THE MONTH ENDED DECEMBER 21, 2019 MOTION BY SUPERVISOR REDMOND, SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR GORDON, ALL VOTED AYE. (26)

IN RE: ORDER AUTHORIZING PAYMENT NO. 1 IN THE AMOUNT OF \$ 112,131.35 TO TIMBO CONSTRUCTION FOR THEOBALD ROAD PROJECT (19-76-C107) MOTION BY SUPERVISOR GORDON, SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR BENSON, ALL VOTED AYE. (27)

IN RE: ORDER AUTHORIZING SUBMISSION OF REQUISITIONS TO TRUSTMARK NATIONAL BANK IN THE AMOUNT OF \$739,582.22 FOR THE WASHINGTON COUNTY REGIONAL CORRECTIONAL FACILITY AND AUTHORIZING THE SHERIFF AND CLERK OF THE BOARD TO SIGN SAME MOTION BY SUPERVISOR BENSON, SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR REDMOND, ALL VOTED AYE. (28)

IN RE: ORDER AUTHORIZING CLOSING ALL COUNTY OFFICES IN OBSERVANCE OF PRSIDENT'S DAY, FEBRUARY 17, 2020 MOTION BY SUPERVISOR REDMOND, SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR BENSON, ALL VOTED AYE. (29)

IN RE: ORDER RATIFYING THE ACTIONS OF THE BOARD PRESIDENT IN AUTHORIZING THE RENTAL OF GENERATOR FROM THOMPSON MACHINERY AND APPROVING PAYMENT IN THE AMOUNT OF \$3,700.00 MOTION BY SUPERVISOR BENSON, SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR REDMOND, ALL VOTED AYE. (30)

Marilyn Hansell, Chancery Clerk

IN RE: ORDER APPROVING BONDS FOR GREGORY WELCH-WESTERN LINE SCHOOL DISTRICT BOARD OF TRUSTEES AND MARTAVIS MOORE-DEPUTY SHERIFF MOTION BY SUPERVISOR BENSON, SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR REDMOND, ALL VOTED AYE. (31)

IN RE: ORDER RECEIVING AGRICULTURAL LEASE 16TH SECTION PUBLIC SCHOOL TRUST LAND BETWEEN: WESTERN LINE SCHOOL DISTRICT AND MIDDLETON PLANTING COMPANY, JAMES BELL; HUNTING AND FISHING LEASES BETWEEN WESTERN LINE SCHOOL DISTRICT AND LITTLE “q” RANCH, LLC, SILVER LAKE HUNTING CLUB, INC., AND GM FARMS AND AUTHORIZING THE CLERK OF THE BOARD TO FILE SAME IN THE LAND RECORDS MOTION BY SUPERVISOR BENSON, SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR GORDON, ALL VOTED AYE. (32)

IN RE: ORDER AUTHORIZING THE BOARD ATTORNEY TO CONTACT THE “SON” FILM CREW AND DISCUSS POSSIBLE USE OF THE WASHINGTON COUNTY COURTHOUSE FOR FILMING PURPOSES MOTION BY SUPERVISOR BENSON, SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR REDMOND, ALL VOTED AYE. (33)

IN RE: ORDER APPROVING LETTER OF ENGAGEMENT FROM BUTLER SNOW LAW FIRM TO SERVE AS DISSIMINATION AGENT TO WASHINGTON COUNTY FOR THE 2019 CONTINUING DISCLOSURE AND AUTHORIZING THE PRESIDENT OF THE BOARD TO SIGN SAME MOTION BY SUPERVISOR BENSON, SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR REDMOND, ALL VOTED AYE. (34)

IN RE: ORDER RECEIVING YMD JOINT WATER MANAGEMENT DISTRICT UNAUDITED FINANCIAL STATEMENT FOR THE PERIOD ENDING SEPTEMBER 30, 2019 MOTION BY SUPERVISOR BROOKS, SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR REDMOND, ALL VOTED AYE. (35)

IN RE: ORDER ALLOWING TRAVEL FOR CHANCERY CLERK, MARILYN HANSELL TO ATTEND THE CHANCERY CLERK MANDATORY TRAINING CONDUCTED BY THE MS JUDICIAL COLLEGE, FEBRUARY 4-6, 2020 IN JACKSON, MS(EXPENSES PAID BY THE JUDICIAL COLLEGE MOTION BY SUPERVISOR BENSON, SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR REDMOND, ALL VOTED AYE. (36)

Percy Miles, Assistant Chief Deputy Sheriff

IN RE: ORDER AUTHORIZING ARTHUR PERRY, ROAD MANAGER TO DESIGNATE KELVIN KING AS THE MECHANIC FOR THE SHERIFF’S DEPARTMENT VEHICLES MOTION BY SUPERVISOR GORDON, SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR BENSON, ALL VOTED AYE. (37)

IN RE: ORDER ACCEPTING COUNTY OFFICIALS REPORTS MOTION BY SUPERVISOR BENSON, SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR REDMOND, ALL VOTED AYE. (38)

IN RE: ORDER AUTHORIZING COPYING CERTAIN DOCUMENTS INTO THE MINUTES OF THE WASHINGTON COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS MOTION BY SUPERVISOR BENSON, SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR REDMOND, ALL VOTED AYE (39)

IN RE: ORDER AUTHORIZING THE CLERK OF THE BOARD TO ADVERTISE NOTICE TO BIDDERS FOR TWO (2) NEW GARBAGE TRUCKS FOR THE WASHINGTON COUNTY ROAD DEPARTMENT MOTION BY SUPERVISOR GORDON, SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR REDMOND, ALL VOTED AYE (40)

IN RE: ORDER AUTHORIZING THE CLERK OF THE BOARD TO ADVERTISE NOTICE TO BIDDERS FOR A NEW OR DEMO POTHOLE MACHINE WITH A JOYSTICK FOR THE WASHINGTON COUNTY ROAD DEPARTMENT MOTION BY SUPERVISOR GORDON, SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR BENSON, ALL VOTED AYE (41)

IN RE: ORDER GOING INTO CLOSED DETERMINATION TO CONSIDER GOING INTO EXECUTIVE SESSION MOTION BY SUPERVISOR GORDON, SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR REDMOND, ALL VOTED AYE (42)

IN RE: ORDER TO GO INTO EXECUTIVE SESSION TO DISCUSS CONTRACT NEGOTIATIONS MOTION BY SUPERVISOR GORDON, SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR REDMOND, ALL VOTED AYE (43)

IN RE: ORDER TO LEAVE EXECUTIVE SESSION, WITH NO ACTION TAKEN MOTION BY SUPERVISOR GORDON, SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR BROOKS, ALL VOTED AYE (44)

IN RE: ORDER ADJOURN MEETING UNTIL FEBRUARY 3, 2020 MOTION BY SUPERVISOR BENSON, SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR BROOKS, ALL VOTED AYE (45)

*Carl McGee, President
Washington County Board of Supervisors*

Attest:

*Marilyn Hansell
Clerk of the Board*