

**WASHINGTON COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS**

**MINUTES OF OCTOBER 16, 2023**

**BOARD MEETING**

Monday, October 16, 2023 at 9:00 A.M., the Board of Supervisors of Washington County, Mississippi, meet pursuant to recess, there being five (5) members present, Carl McGee, Lee Gordon, Tommy Benson, Mala Brooks, and Jerry Redmond. The meeting was called to order by President Carl McGee. The opening prayer was by Supervisor Lee Gordon. All present said the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag, and the meeting was officially opened by the Deputy Sheriff.

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**(1) IN RE: ORDER TO CONSIDER AND ACCEPT THE AGENDA WITH ADDITION FOR OCTOBER 16, 2023 MEETING OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS *MOTION BY SUPERVISOR GORDON, SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR BENSON, THE VOTE: AYE-MCGEE, GORDON, REDMOND, BENSON, ABSENT- BROOKS ADDITIONS: Election Commission***

**(2) IN RE: ORDER APPROVING THE MINUTES OF THE WASHINGTON COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF OCTOBER 2, 2023 MEETING AND DIRECTING THE PRESIDENT AND CLERK TO SIGN SAME *MOTION BY SUPERVISOR BENSON, SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR GORDON, THE VOTE: AYE-MCGEE, GORDON, REDMOND, BENSON, ABSENT- BROOKS***

SHIRLEY REDMOND, PLANNING DEPARTMENT ASSISTANT REQUESTING APPROVAL OF ROAD BOND CANCELLATION AND LOGGING PERMIT REQUEST

**(3) IN RE: IN RE: ORDER AUTHORIZING THE RELEASE OF ROAD BOND IN THE AMOUNT OF \$28,000.00 FOR FLY TIMBER COMPANY, INC FOR OLD HIGHWAY 61 FROM MCCUTCHEON TO AVON DARLOVE ROAD TO NEW HIGHWAY 61 (2.8 MILES) *MOTION BY SUPERVISOR GORDON, SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR BENSON, THE VOTE: AYE-MCGEE, GORDON, REDMOND, BENSON, ABSENT- BROOKS***

**(4) IN RE: ORDER APPROVING APPLICATION FOR LOGGING PERMIT OF GOOD HOPE LOGGING FOR HAULING TIMBER ON PERCY WILLIS ROAD TO HIGHWAY 61, PENDING POSTING OF ROAD BOND *MOTION BY SUPERVISOR GORDON, SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR BENSON, THE VOTE: AYE-MCGEE, GORDON, REDMOND, BENSON, ABSENT- BROOKS***

AUSTIN MOORE, HEFLIN ENGINEERING PRESENTED BID TABULATIONS FOR THE ARPA WATER DISTRIBUTION FOR BLACK BAYOU WATER ASSOCIATION

**(5) IN RE: ORDER ACCEPTING BID TABULATIONS FOR THE BLACK BAYOU WATER ASSOCIATION WATER DISTRIBUTION ARPA PROJECT AND APPROVING RECOMMENDATIONS OF HEFLIN ENGINEERING TO AWARD CONTRACT IN THE AMOUNT TO \$498,845.00 TO T.L. WALLACE CONSTRUCTION COMPANY, AS THE LOWEST AND BEST BID MOTION BY SUPERVISOR GORDON, SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR BENSON, *THE VOTE: AYE-MCGEE, BROOKS, REDMOND, BENSON, NAY-GORDON***

**BE IT KNOWN: ROBERT DOGAN AND BILLIE JIMERSON APPRARED BEFORE THE BOARD WITH CONCERNS REGARDING THE CLEANING OUT OF ROPER BAYOU TO PREVENT FLOODING IN THE FOREST ACRES SUBDIVISION**

**CHELESA CARTER, COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR PRESENTED HER BI-WEEKLY REPORT**

**(6) IN RE: ORDER ALLOWING CLAIMS 240125 THROUGH 240277 IN THE AMOUNT OF \$588,187.17 *MOTION BY SUPERVISOR GORDON, SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR BENSON, THE VOTE: AYE- MCGEE, GORDON, BENSON, REDMOND, ABSENT-BROOKS***

**(7) IN RE: ORDER ALLOWING TRAVEL FOR TAMELA HARDY FOURTH CIRCUIT INTERVENTION COURT COORDINATOR TO ATTEND A TRAIN THE TRAINER WORKSHOP IN JACKSON, MS, OCTOBER 17-19, 2023, ESTIMATED COST OF \$900.00 TO BE PAID WITH GRANT FUNDS MOTION BY SUPERVISOR GORDON, SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR BENSON, *THE VOTE: AYE-MCGEE, BROOKS, REDMOND, BENSON, GORDON***

**(8) IN RE: ORDER APPROVING PAYMENT IN THE AMOUNT OF \$20,000.00 TO BOSE PUBLIC AFFAIRS GROUP FOR PROFESSIONAL SERVICES RENDERED FOR THE MONTH OF SEPTEMBER FOR DELTA HEALTH SYSTEM MOTION BY SUPERVISOR GORDON, SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR BENSON, *THE VOTE: AYE-MCGEE, GORDON, BENSON, BROOKS, REDMOND***

**(9) IN RE: ORDER APPROVING PAYMENT NO. 2 IN THE AMOUNT OF \$1004.10.00 TO WES KIGHT L. SMITH FOR REVIEWING GREATER GREENVILLE FINANCIALS, MILEAGE AND ATTENDING BOARD MEETING MOTION BY SUPERVISOR GORDON, SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR REDMOND, *THE VOTE: AYE-MCGEE, GORDON, BENSON, BROOKS, REDMOND***

**(10) IN RE: ORDER AUTHORIZING PAYMENT IN THE AMOUNT OF \$553,930.00 TO THE OFFICE OF STATE AID FOR PAVING PROJECT SAP-76(7) M- PRICILLA ROAD, OLD LELAND ROAD, LELAND STONEVILLE WILDLIFE REFUGE ROAD, HOLLANDALE-ARCOLA ROAD (OLD HWY 61), AND LEOTA-NEW MS HWY 1(ROY'S STORE ROAD) MOTION BY SUPERVISOR BROOKS, SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR GORDON, *THE VOTE: AYE-MCGEE, GORDON, BENSON, BROOKS, REDMOND***

**(11) IN RE: ORDER AUTHORIZING THE REHIRE OF BOBBIE STRBLING, CHANDRA MCGINNIS, JACQUES HEROD AND LAJARREYAN EVANS AT THE JUVENILE DETENTION CENTER MOTION BY SUPERVISOR BROOKS, SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR BENSON, *THE VOTE: AYE-MCGEE, GORDON, BROOKS, REDMOND, BENSON***

**(12) IN RE: ORDER CLOSING THE WASHINGTON COUNTY TRUST FUND ACCOUNT AT GUARANTY BANK & TRUST COMPANY MOTION BY SUPERVISOR BROOKS, SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR GORDON, *THE VOTE: AYE-MCGEE, GORDON, BROOKS, BENSON, REDMOND***

**(13) IN RE: ORDER ACCEPTING SETTLEMENTS, COMMISSION AND FEES FROM TAX COLLECTOR PATRICIA LEE IN THE AMOUNT OF \$330,230.44 FOR THE MONTH OF SEPTEMBER 2023 MOTION BY SUPERVISOR GORDON, SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR BENSON, *THE VOTE: AYE-MCGEE, GORDON, BENSON, BROOKS, REDMOND***

**(14) IN RE: ORDER AUTHORIZING PAYMENT NO.4 IN THE AMOUNT OF \$25,000.00 TO MS DELTA COMMUNITY COLLEGE FOR THE NEW CAREER-TECHNICAL TRAINING FACILITY AT THE GREENVILLE HIGHER EDUCATION CENTER MOTION BY SUPERVISOR BROOKS, SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR BENSON, *THE VOTE: AYE-MCGEE, GORDON, BENSON, BROOKS, REDMOND***

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

**(15) IN RE: ORDER APPROVING BONDS FOR TYEASA JONES AND TIFFANY SMITH GOSSETT DEPUTY TAX ASSESSORS MOTION BY SUPERVISOR GORDON, SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR BROOKS, *THE VOTE: AYE-MCGEE, GORDON, BENSON, BROOKS, REDMOND***

MARK SEARD TAX ASSESSOR REQUESTING APPROVAL OF PETITIONS TO INCREASE ASSESSMENTS

**(16) IN RE: ORDER AUTHORIZING PRESIDENT OF THE BOARD TO SIGN PETITION FOR INCREASE OF ASSESSMENTS FOR SHARON ELIZABETH FOLSOM-PARCEL NO. 12172600000 AND JONTRELL WELLS PRCEL NO. 601400000 ON THE 2023 LAND ROLL MOTION BY SUPERVISOR BENSON, SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR GORDON, *THE VOTE: AYE-MCGEE, GORDON, BENSON, BROOKS, REDMOND***

**(17) IN RE: ORDER APPROVING THE REQUEST MOTION BY SUPERVISOR BROOKS, SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR BENSON, *THE VOTE: AYE-MCGEE, BROOKS, REDMOND, BENSON, ABSENT-GORDON (44)***

**IN RE: ORDER ALLOWING TRAVEL FOR TWO (2) DISPATCHERS OF THE WASHINGTON COUNTY SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT TO ATTEND IAED BASIC COMMUNICATIONS COURSE IN GREENVILLE, MS, NOVEMBER 7-11, 2022, ESTIMATED**

**COST OF \$395.00 EACH MOTION BY SUPERVISOR GORDON, SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR REDMOND, *THE VOTE: AYE-MCGEE, BROOKS, REDMOND, BENSON, GORDON* (41)**

**IN RE: ORDER APPROVING A PAYMENT PLAN FOR THE CITY OF HOLLANDALE OF \$1,000 PER MONTH FOR ARREARAGE PLUS REGULAR PAYMENT FOR THE HOUSING OF INMATE AT THE WASHINGTON COUNTY REGIONAL CORRECTIONAL FACILITY MOTION BY SUPERVISOR GORDON, SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR BROOKS, *THE VOTE: AYE-MCGEE, BROOKS, REDMOND, BENSON, GORDON* (42)**

**IN RE: ORDER ACCEPTING THE LOWEST BID OF HOL-MAC CORP. IN THE AMOUNT OF \$190,000 FOR KNUCKLEBOOM LOADER AND TRASH BODY *MOTION BY SUPERVISOR GORDON, SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR BROOKS, THE VOTE: AYE-MCGEE, BENSON, REDMOND, BROOKS, GORDON* (43)**

**IN RE: ORDER ACCEPTING ORDER FROM THE DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE CERTIFYING THE RECAPITULATION OF ASSESSMENTS OF THE REAL AND PERSONAL PROPERTY ROLLS OF WASHINGTON COUNTY FOR 2022 MOTION BY SUPERVISOR GORDON, SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR BENSON, *THE VOTE: AYE-MCGEE, GORDON, BROOKS, REDMOND, BENSON* (46)**

BILLY BARBER, CHIEF DEPUTY, WASHINGTON COUNTY SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT

**IN RE: ORDER ALLOWING TRAVEL FOR A DEPUTY TO ATTEND FIREARMS INSTRUCTOR COURSE IN YAZOO CITY, MS OCTOBER 17-21, 2022, AT ESTIMATED COST OF \$575.00 *MOTION BY SUPERVISOR BROOKS, SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR BENSON, THE VOTE: AYE-MCGEE, BROOKS, REDMOND, BENSON, GORDON* (47)**

**IN RE: ORDER ALLOWING TRAVEL FOR CAPTAIN CEDRIC ADAMS TO ATTEND 2022 CRIME STOPPERS TRAINING CONFERENCE OCTOBER 18-21, 2022 IN BILOXI, MS, AT ESTIMATED COST OF \$216.00 *MOTION BY SUPERVISOR BENSON, SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR REDMOND, THE VOTE: AYE-MCGEE, BROOKS, REDMOND, BENSON, GORDON* (48)**

**IN RE: ORDER ALLOWING TRAVEL FOR FIVE (5) DEPUTIES TO ATTEND DEVELOPING EFFECTIVE LEADERS CONFERENCE IAED TRAINING IN HATTIESBURG, MS NOVEMBER 29-30, 2022, AT ESTIMATED COST OF \$3,335.00 *MOTION BY SUPERVISOR BROOKS, SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR BENSON, THE VOTE: AYE-MCGEE, BROOKS, REDMOND, BENSON, ABSENT-GORDON* (49)**

BARBARA PARKER, CIRCUIT CLERK

**IN RE: ORDER AUTHORIZING PAYMENT OF ANNUAL DUES IN THE AMOUNT OF \$1,000 FOR CIRCUIT CLERK BARBARA ESTERS PARKER TO THE MS CIRCUIT CLERK ASSOCIATION MOTION BY SUPERVISOR BROOKS, SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR REDMOND, *THE VOTE: AYE-MCGEE, GORDON, BROOKS, REDMOND, BENSON* (51)**

SUPERVISOR JERRY REDMOND

**IN RE: ORDER AUTHORIZING THE WASHINGTON COUNTY ROAD DEPARTMENT TO ASSIST THE CITY OF HOLLANDALE TO REPAIR POT HOLES ON THE SCHOOL BUS ROUTES MOTION BY SUPERVISOR REDMOND, SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR BROOKS, *THE VOTE: AYE-MCGEE, BROOKS, REDMOND, BENSON, GORDON (52)***

**IN RE: ORDER ACCEPTING COUNTY OFFICIALS REPORTS. MOTION BY SUPERVISOR GORDON, SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR BENSON, *THE VOTE: AYE-MCGEE, GORDON, BROOKS, REDMOND, BENSON (53)***

**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, *THE VOTE: AYE-MCGEE, GORDON, BROOKS, REDMOND, BENSON (54)***

**IN RE: ORDER TO RECESS MEETING UNTIL 6:00 P.M. OCTOBER 20, 2022, PUBLIC HEARINGS MOTION BY SUPERVISOR BROOKS, SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR BENSON, *THE VOTE: AYE-MCGEE, GORDON, BROOKS, REDMOND, BENSON (55)***

**CARL MCGEE, PRESIDENT**

**ATTEST:**

**MARILYN HANSELL, CLERK**