

# WASHINGTON COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

MINUTES OF JULY 17, 2023

## BOARD MEETING

Monday, July 17, 2023 at 9:00 A. M., the Board of Supervisors of Washington County, Mississippi, met pursuant to recess, there being the following members present, Carl McGee, Lee Gordon, Mala Brooks, Tommy Benson and Jerry Redmond. The meeting was called to order by President Carl McGee. The opening prayer was by Chief Deputy Billy Barber. All present said the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag, and the meeting was officially opened by the Chief Deputy Sheriff.

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**(1) IN RE: ORDER TO CONSIDER AND APPROVE AGENDA, AS AMENDED FOR JULY 17, 2023 MEETING OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS MOTION BY SUPERVISOR GORDON, SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR BENSON THE VOTE-MCGEE, GORDON, BENSON, BROOKS, REDMOND**

- **ADDED: Eddie Brown, Road Department, County Engineer, Accounts Payable-Susan Shamoan Advertising**

**(2) IN RE: ORDER APPROVING MINUTES OF JULY 3, 2023 MEETING OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS WITH CORRECTIONS AND DIRECTING THE PRESIDENT AND CLERK OF THE BOARD TO SIGN SAME MOTION BY SUPERVISOR BENSON, SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR REDMOND, THE VOTE: AYE - MCGEE, GORDON, BENSON, REDMOND, NAY-BROOKS**

**JUSTIN BURCH OF ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT PRESENTED HIS MONTHLY REPORT AND UPDATES ON VARIOUS PROJECTS**

**DAVID BURFORD, EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT DIRECTOR, REQUESTING APPROVAL OF 911 ANNUAL MAINTENANCE RENEWAL**

**(3) IN RE: ORDER APPROVING THE REQUEST OF DAVID BURFORD, EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT DIRECTOR FOR PAYMENT IN THE AMOUNT OF \$2,289.00 FOR THE ANNUAL MAINTENANCE OF THE 911 REPLAY RECORDER SYSTEM MOTION BY SUPERVISOR BROOKS, SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR BENSON, THE VOTE: AYE -MCGEE, GORDON, BENSON, BROOKS, REDMOND**

**(4) IN RE: ORDER AUTHORIZING DAVID BURFORD, EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT DIRECTOR TO APPLY FOR A RFTAAP GRANT FOR THE HOLLANDALE FIRE DEPARTMENT FOR THE FISCAL YEAR 2023-2024, PENDING FUNDING OF \$100,000 FROM THE STATE LEGISLATURE MOTION BY SUPERVISOR GORDON, SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR BENSON, THE VOTE: AYE - MCGEE, GORDON, BENSON, BROOKS, REDMOND**

**SHIRLEY REDMON/ROY JOHNSON, PLANNING DEPARTMENT**

**(5) IN RE: ORDER APPROVING REVISED USE AND OCCUPANCY PERMIT FOR HEFLIN ENGINEERING FOR THE CONSTRUCTION OR ADJUSTMENT OF 6" PVC WATERLINE UTILITY FACILITY ALONG OR ACROSS WILCOX ROAD, WILMONT ROAD, DEERFIELD ROAD WEST LAKE LEE ROAD, AVON DARLOVE ROAD AND TRIBBETT ROAD BORING WITH HDPE MOTION BY SUPERVISOR GORDON, SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR BENSON, THE VOTE: AYE -MCGEE, GORDON, BENSON, REDMOND, ABSTAIN- BROOKS**

**DONLY DRAKES WITH CONCERNS REGARDING THE 82 BYPASS AND POTENTIAL IMPACT**

**(6) IN RE: ORDER AUTHORIZING THE BOARD ATTORNEY TO SEND A LETTER TO THE STATE ENGINEER TO ADDRESS THE CONCERNS ADDRESSED BY MR. DONLY DRAKES MOTION BY SUPERVISOR BROOKS, SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR BENSON, THE VOTE: AYE- BENSON, BROOKS, REDMOND, NAY- MCGEE, GORDON**

**ANDREW SMITH, GRANT CONSULTANT**

**(7) IN RE: ORDER AUTHORIZING THE RE-ADVERTISING OF NOTICE TO BIDDERS FOR OLD HEALTH DEPARTMENT BUILDING IN HOLLANDALE AND COMMERCIAL KITCHEN IMPROVEMENTS AT THE WASHINGTON COUNTY MULTIPLEX BUILDING IN HOLLANDALE DUE TO THE DATE BEING INADVERTENTLY LEFT OFF THE NEWSPAPER NOTICE MOTION BY SUPERVISOR REDMOND, SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR BROOKS, THE VOTE: AYE- MCGEE, BENSON, GORDON, BROOKS, REDMOND**

**(8) IN RE: ORDER APPROPRIATING ARPA FUNDS IN THE AMOUNT OF \$75,000.00 FOR BATHROOM MODIFICATIONS FOR THE HOLLANDALE MULTIPLEX PROVIDED THERE ARE SUFFICIENT FUNDS MOTION BY SUPERVISOR REDMOND, SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR BROOKS, THE VOTE: AYE-MCGEE, BENSON, GORDON, BROOKS, REDMOND**

**(9) IN RE: ORDER AUTHORIZING MILLS AND MILLS ARCHITECTS TO DEVELOP PLANS AND SPECIFICATIONS FOR BATHROOM MODIFICATIONS AT THE WASHINGTON COUNTY MULTIPLEX BUILDING AND AUTHORIZE THE PRESIDENT TO SIGN ARCHITECTURAL SERVICES CONTRACT FOR SAID WORK MOTION BY SUPERVISOR REDMOND, SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR BROOKS, THE VOTE: AYE- BENSON, BROOKS, REDMOND, NAY- MCGEE, GORDON**

**(10) IN RE: ORDER APPROVING THE MODIFICATION OF THE EMERGENCY ELEVATED WATER TANK SUBRECEIPIENT AWARD/AGREEMENT FROM \$15,000.00 TO \$9,067.00 FOR THE CITY OF HOLLANDALE DUE TO ACTUAL COST OF THE PROJECT MOTION BY SUPERVISOR REDMOND, SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR BENSON, THE VOTE: AYE- BENSON, BROOKS, REDMOND, NAY- MCGEE, GORDON**

**(11) IN RE: ORDER AUTHORIZING REIMBURSEMENT IN THE AMOUNT OF \$9,067 FOR EMERGENCY ELEVATED WATER TANK EXPENSES PER SUBRECEIPIENT AWARD/AGREEMENT FOR THE CITY OF HOLLANDALE MOTION BY**

***SUPERVISOR REDMOND, SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR BENSON, THE VOTE: AYE- MCGEE, GORDON, BENSON, BROOKS, REDMOND***

**(12) IN RE: ORDER CANCELING REIMBURSEMENT IN THE AMOUNT OF \$15,000.00 FOR EMERGENCY ELEVATED WATER TANK EXPENSES PER SUBRECEIPT AWARD/AGREEMENT FOR THE CITY OF HOLLANDALE  
*MOTION BY SUPERVISOR REDMOND, SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR BROOKS, THE VOTE: AYE- MCGEE, GORDON, BENSON, BROOKS, REDMOND***

**(13) IN RE: ORDER APPROVING REQUEST FOR FUNDS (ARPA FUNDING) TO REPAIR SIXTEEN (16) WATER LINE LEAKS THROUGHOUT THE CITY OF HOLLANDALE THAT ARE EMERGENCY REPAIRS DUE TO THE IMPACT THE LEAKS ARE HAVING ON THE WATER SYSTEM PUMPS AND WATER SYSTEM PRESSURE  
*MOTION BY SUPERVISOR REDMOND, SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR BROOKS, THE VOTE: AYE- MCGEE, GORDON, BENSON, BROOKS, REDMOND***

**(14) IN RE: ORDER AUTHORIZING THE ACQUISITION OF PROPERTY IN HOLLANDALE FROM THE STATE OF MISSISSIPPI  
*MOTION BY SUPERVISOR BROOKS, SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR REDMOND, THE VOTE: AYE- MCGEE, GORDON, BENSON, BROOKS, REDMOND***

***BE IT KNOWN: JUILET THOMAS OF USDA RURAL PARTNERS NETWORK DISCUSSED AVAILABLE ASSISTANCE FOR FEDERAL FUNDING AND INVITED THE BOARD TO A WORKING LUNCH JULY 26, 2023 AT THE WASHINGTON COUNTY ECONOMIC ALLIANCE CENTER***

***BE IT KNOWN: SALLY GRAHAM, PUBLIC AFFAIRS SPECIALIST OF THE SBA DISCUSSED LOW INTEREST ECONOMIC INJURY DISASTER LOAN PROGRAM***

***ARTHUR PERRY, ROAD MANAGER AND ASSISTANT ROAD MANAGER MARK JOHNSON REQUESTING APPROVAL OF QUOTES FOR PIPES FOR EAST LAKE WASHINGTON REPAIRS***

**(15) IN RE: ORDER ACCEPTING THE LOWEST AND BEST QUOTE OF CONTECH ENGINEERED SOLUTIONS IN THE AMOUNT OF \$13,158.95 FOR GALVALIZED PIPE FOR THE EAST LAKE WASHINGTON COUNTY REPAIRS  
*MOTION BY SUPERVISOR BROOKS, SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR GORDON, THE VOTE: AYE- MCGEE, GORDON, BENSON, BROOKS, REDMOND***

***BE IT KNOWN: STEPHANIE PATTON AND CHAD NEAL OF THE DELTA HEALTH LITERACY GRANT MADE FINAL REPORTS REGARDING THE STATUS OF THE GRANTS***

***LORENZO ANDERSON, COUNTY ENGINEER REQUESTING APPROVAL TO ADVERTISE***

**(16) IN RE: ORDER AUTHORIZING THE COUNTY ENGINEER TO ADVERTISE NOTICE TO BIDDERS FOR WASHINGTON COUNTY CONVENTION CENTER PHASE I- ROOF IMPROVEMENTS  
*MOTION BY SUPERVISOR BROOKS, SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR GORDON, THE VOTE: AYE- MCGEE, GORDON, BENSON, BROOKS, REDMOND***

***EDDIE BROWN REQUESTING PERMISSION TO SERVE ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES AT THE EXPO BUILDING***

**(17) IN RE: ORDER ALLOWING EDDIE BROWN TO SERVE ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES AT THE WASHINGTON COUNTY EXPO BUILDING, AUGUST 5, 2023**

***MOTION BY SUPERVISOR BROOKS, SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR REDMOND, THE VOTE: AYE- MCGEE, BENSON, BROOKS, REDMOND, NAY- GORDON***

**(18) IN RE: ORDER ALLOWING SHEILA MOSBY TO SERVE ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES AT THE WASHINGTON COUNTY CONVENTION CENTER, JULY 21-22, 2023, FOR FAMILY REUNION *MOTION BY SUPERVISOR BROOKS, SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR REDMOND, THE VOTE: AYE- MCGEE, BENSON, BROOKS, REDMOND, NAY- GORDON***

***PATRICIA LEE, TAX COLLECTOR REQUESTING TRAVEL AND VOIDING TAX SALE***

**(19) IN RE: ORDER VOIDING THE APRIL 2023 TAX SALE OF THE 2022 TAXES FOR PROPERTY ASSESSED TO ASHLEY TOLLFREE, PARCEL NO. 12627500480, PPIN NO. 8572, DUE TO ERRONEOUS SALE AND AUTHORIZING THE TAX COLLECTOR TO REIMBURSE \$1,507.00 TO THE BUYER, ODYSSEUS STRATEGIES, LLC *MOTION BY SUPERVISOR BROOKS, SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR REDMOND, THE VOTE: AYE-MCGEE, GORDON, BENSON, BROOKS, REDMOND***

**(20) IN RE: ORDER ALLOWING TRAVEL FOR TAX COLLECTOR, PATRICIA LEE TO ATTEND THE CONGRESSIONAL BLACK CAUCUS CONFERENCE, AUGUST 10-12, 2023 IN BILOXI, MS, ESTIMATED COST OF \$840.00 *MOTION BY SUPERVISOR BROOKS, SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR GORDON, THE VOTE: AYE-MCGEE, GORDON, BENSON, BROOKS, REDMOND***

***ACCOUNTS PAYABLE***

**(21) IN RE: ORDER APPROVING PAYMENT OF INVOICE IN THE AMOUNT OF \$935.00 TO SHAMOON ADVERTISING FOR TABLE THROWS FOR DELTA HEALTH LITERACY PROJECT TO BE PAID FROM THE DELTA THRIVE GRANT FUNDS *MOTION BY SUPERVISOR BENSON, SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR REDMOND, THE VOTE: AYE MCGEE, GORDON, BENSON, BROOKS, REDMOND***

***CHELESA CARTER, COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR***

**(22) IN RE: ORDER ALLOWING CLAIMS 232732 THROUGH 232926 IN THE AMOUNT OF \$390,469.47 *MOTION BY SUPERVISOR GORDON, SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR BENSON, THE VOTE: AYE- MCGEE, GORDON, BENSON, BROOKS, REDMOND***

**(23) IN RE: ORDER AUTHORIZING UNITY CHRISTIAN ACADEMY USE OF THE WASHINGTON COUNTY LEGION FIELD DURING THE 2023 FOOTBALL SEASON TO HOST FOOTBALL GAMES AND PRACTICES, AT NO FEE *MOTION BY SUPERVISOR GORDON, SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR BROOKS, THE VOTE: AYE- MCGEE, GORDON, BROOKS, REDMOND, ABSENT-BENSON***

**(24) IN RE: ORDER APPOINTING AC JERNIGAN TO THE EAST WASHINGTON COUNTY FIRE DISTRICT BOARD *MOTION BY SUPERVISOR REDMOND, SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR BROOKS, THE VOTE: AYE- MCGEE, GORDON, BROOKS, REDMOND, ABSENT- BENSON***

**(25) IN RE: ORDER AUTHORIZING THE WASHINGTON COUNTY ROAD DEPARTMENT TO ASSIST THE CITY OF HOLLANDALE IN REMOVING AND**

**HAULING DEBRIS FROM THE CITY BARN MOTION BY SUPERVISOR REDMOND, SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR BROOKS, THE VOTE: AYE- MCGEE, GORDON, BROOKS, REDMOND, ABSENT- BENSON**

**MARILYN HANSELL, CLERK OF THE BOARD**

**(26) IN RE: ORDER APPROVING BOND FOR DEXTURE RENAL FRANKLIN OF THE WASHINGTON COUNTY SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT MOTION BY SUPERVISOR BROOKS, SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR GORDON, THE VOTE: AYE- MCGEE, GORDON, BROOKS, REDMOND, ABSENT- BENSON**

**(27) IN RE: ORDER ACCEPTING CERTIFICATION FROM THE DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE AND AUTHORIZING THE PRESIDENT AND CLERK OF THE BOARD TO SIGN RESOLUTION GRANTING USG INTERIORS, LLC A TEN (10) YEAR AD VALOREM EXEMPTION UPON ADDITIONS TO AND EXPANSIONS OF ITS MANUFACTURING PLANT OPERATED AND LOCATED IN THE CITY OF GREENVILLE MOTION BY SUPERVISOR BROOKS, SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR REDMOND, THE VOTE: AYE- MCGEE, GORDON, BROOKS, REDMOND, ABSENT-BENSON**

**(28) IN RE: ORDER ACCEPTING THE 2023 PUBLIC UTILITY ROLL FROM THE DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE MOTION BY SUPERVISOR GORDON, SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR BENSON, THE VOTE: AYE- MCGEE, GORDON, BENSON, BROOKS, REDMOND**

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

**(29) IN RE: ORDER ACCEPTING THE LOWEST QUOTE OF MS POLICE SUPPLY & SALES, LLC FOR THE PURCHASE OF THIRTEEN (13) (.45 GLOCK MODELS 21 &30) GLOCKS FOR THE WASHINGTON COUNTY SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT MOTION BY SUPERVISOR BROOKS, SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR GORDON, THE VOTE: AYE- MCGEE, GORDON, BENSON, BROOKS, REDMOND**

**(30) IN RE: ORDER ALLOWING TRAVEL FOR ROSIE WILEY AND CHARLOTTE WILLIAMS OF THE WASHINGTON COUNTY REGIONAL CORRECTIONAL FACILITY TO ATTEND CLASSIFICATION TRAINING JULY 19, 2023 IN JACKSON, MS MOTION BY SUPERVISOR BENSON, SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR REDMOND, THE VOTE: AYE- MCGEE, GORDON, BENSON, BROOKS, REDMOND**

**(31) IN RE: ORDER ALLOWING TRAVEL FOR ROSELMA HAYGOOD OF THE WASHINGTON COUNTY REGIONAL CORRECTIONAL FACILITY TO ATTEND MANDATORY REGIONAL NURSES MEETING, JULY 25-26, 2023 IN RIDGELAND, MS MOTION BY SUPERVISOR BROOKS, SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR GORDON, THE VOTE: AYE- MCGEE, GORDON, BENSON, BROOKS, REDMOND**

**(32) IN RE: ORDER APPROVING THE REQUEST OF THE WASHINGTON COUNTY SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT TO APPLY FOR THE TRIAD GRANT MOTION BY SUPERVISOR BROOKS, SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR REDMOND, THE VOTE: AYE- MCGEE, GORDON, BENSON, BROOKS, REDMOND**

**(33) IN RE: ORDER AUTHORIZING THE CONSULTANT TO MOVE FORWARD WITH THE PROCESS FOR THE LIGHTING FOR THE WASHINGTON COUNTY REGIONAL CORRECTIONAL FACILITY MOTION BY SUPERVISOR BROOKS, SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR BENSON, THE VOTE: AYE- MCGEE, GORDON, BENSON, BROOKS, REDMOND**

**(34) IN RE: RESCINDING ORDER NO. 17 “ALLOWING EDDIE BROWN TO SERVE ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES AT THE WASHINGTON COUNTY EXPO BUILDING, AUGUST 5, 2023” FOR ATV RALLY MOTION BY SUPERVISOR BENSON, SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR GORDON, THE VOTE: AYE- MCGEE, GORDON, BENSON, BROOKS, REDMOND**

**BE IT KNOWN: IRIS STACKER, CEO, DELTA HEALTH SYSTEM PRESENTED THE QUARTERLY REPORT**

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

**(36) 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, BENSON, BROOKS, REDMOND**

**(37) IN RE: ORDER APPROVING PAUPER’S BURIAL THE REQUEST OF MORTIMER FUNERAL HOME FOR MAURY LANE RAY MOTION BY SUPERVISOR BENSON, SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR BROOKS, THE VOTE: AYE- MCGEE, GORDON, BENSON, BROOKS, REDMOND**

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

**(39) IN RE: ORDER TO GO INTO EXECUTIVE SESSION TO DISCUSS ISSUES WITH DELTA HEALTH AND CONTRACT NEGOTIATIONS MOTION BY SUPERVISOR BENSON, SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR GORDON, THE VOTE: AYE- MCGEE, GORDON, BENSON, BROOKS, REDMOND**

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

**(41) IN RE: ORDER TO RECESS MEETING UNTIL 9:00 A.M. JULY 19, 2023 MOTION BY SUPERVISOR GORDON, SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR REDMOND, THE VOTE: AYE- MCGEE, GORDON, BENSON, BROOKS, REDMOND**

CARL MCGEE, PRESIDENT

ATTEST:

MARILYN HANSELL, CLERK  
BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF WASHINGTON COUNTY