

WASHINGTON COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

MINUTES OF FEBRUARY 12, 2024

HEARING ON ELECTION CHALLENGES

Monday, February 12, 2024 at 10:00 A.M., the Board of Supervisors of Washington County, Mississippi, meet pursuant to recess, to consider the challenges to petitions submitted for the position of Election Commission for District 1 and District 5, there being the following members present, Supervisor Carl McGee, Supervisor Lee Gordon, Supervisors Tommy Benson, Supervisor Mala Brooks and Supervisor Jerry Redmond. 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.

(1) IN RE: ORDER TO CONSIDER AND ACCEPT AGENDA WITH ADDITIONS FOR SEPTEMBER 12, 2024 MOTION BY SUPERVISOR GORDON, SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR BENSON, THE VOTE: AYE-MCGEE, GORDON, BENSON, BROOKS, REDMOND ADDED: PROCLAMATION, CABIN ON THE BOGUE, SAMUEL ODLE

BE IT KNOWN: ATTORNEY WILLIE GRIFFIN PRESENTED AN OVERVIEW OF THE ROLE OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS WHEN ELECTION CHALLENGES COME BEFORE THE BOARD.

BE IT KNOWN: JACQUELINE THOMPSON, DISTRICT 1, PRESENTED THE CONCERNS AND ISSUES SHE HAD WITH THE STATEMENT OF INTENT SUBMITTED BY MICHAEL OLTREMARI. MICHAEL OLTREMARI SUBMITTED COUNTER STATEMENTS REGARDING HIS SUBMISSION OF HIS STATEMENT OF INTENT. NAOMI CURTIS DISTRICT 5, PRESENTED HER CONCERNS AND ISSUES SHE HAD WITH THE STATEMENT OF INTENT SUBMITTED BY DARRYL TERRELL BLUE OF DISTRICT 5. DARRYL TERRELL BLUE DID NOT APPEAR. THE BOARD WILL INVESTIGATE THE COMPLAINTS AND MAKE A DECISION.

(2) IN RE: ORDER RECEIVING THE ALL COMPLAINTS AND TAKE UNDER INVESTIGATION MOTION BY SUPERVISOR BROOKS, SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR GORDON, THE VOTE: AYE-MCGEE, GORDON, BENSON, BROOKS REDMOND

RAISE GRANT

(3) IN RE: ORDER OPENING PUBLIC HEARING ON RAISE GRANT MOTION BY SUPERVISOR BROOKS, SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR BENSON, THE VOTE: AYE-MCGEE, BENSON, BROOKS, REDMOND, ABSENT- GORDON

(4) IN RE: ORDER CLOSE PUBLIC HEARING ON RAISE GRANT MOTION BY SUPERVISOR BROOKS, SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR BENSON, THE VOTE: AYE-MCGEE, BENSON, BROOKS, REDMOND, ABSENT- GORDON

(5) IN RE: ORDER POSTPONING MEETING WITH SAMUEL ODLE AND RE-SCHEDULE FOR ANOTHER DATE MOTION BY SUPERVISOR GORDON, SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR REDMOND, THE VOTE: AYE-MCGEE, GORDON, BENSON, BROOKS REDMOND

SUPERVISOR MALA BROOKS

(6) IN RE: ORDER APPROVING THE USE OF THE WASHINGTON COUNTY CONVENTION CENTER FEBRUARY 19, 2024 BY THE CHILD PROTECTION SERVICES, AT NO FEE MOTION BY SUPERVISOR BROOKS, SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR GORDON, THE VOTE: AYE-MCGEE, GORDON, BENSON, BROOKS, REDMOND

SUPERVISOR CARL MCGEE

(7) IN RE: ORDER APPROVING A DONATION IN THE AMOUNT OF \$2,500.00 TO THE CABIN ON THE BOGUE EVENT MOTION BY SUPERVISOR BROOKS, SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR BENSON, THE VOTE: AYE-MCGEE, GORDON, BENSON, BROOKS, REDMOND

(8) IN RE: ORDER APPROVING \$10,000.00 CONTRIBUTION TO THE BASS TOURNAMENT MEMORIAL DAY EVENT MOTION BY SUPERVISOR BENSON, SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR GORDON, THE VOTE: AYE-MCGEE, BENSON, BROOKS, REDMOND

(9) IN RE: ORDER ALLOWING THE SERVING OF ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES AT THE WASHINGTON COUNTY CONVENTION CENTER BY THE BIG MAMA CRAPPIE FISHING TOURNAMENT MOTION BY SUPERVISOR BROOKS, SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR REDMOND, THE VOTE: AYE-MCGEE, GORDON, BENSON, BROOKS, REDMOND, NAY-GORDON

SUPERVISOR LEE GORDON INFORMED THE BOARD OF THE EQUIPMENT THE DRAINAGE COMMISSION HAS FOR SALE

SUPERVISOR CARL MCGEE

10) IN RE: ORDER AUTHORIZING THE PRESIDENT AND CLERK OF THE BOARD TO SIGN PROCLAMATION DECLARING FEBRUARY 18, 2024 AS "BETTYE LLOYD FARMER DAY" IN WASHINGTON COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI MOTION BY SUPERVISOR BROOKS, SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR GORDON, THE VOTE: AYE-MCGEE, GORDON, BENSON, BROOKS, REDMOND

SUPERVISOR JERRY REDMOND

(11) IN RE: ORDER APPROVING THE REQUEST TO ALLOW THE CITY OF HOLLANDALE TO PLACE A SHIPPING CONTAINER ON THE SIDE OF THE SOUTH WASHINGTON COUNTY MULTIPLEX BUILDING TO USE FOR STORAGE MOTION BY SUPERVISOR BENSON, SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR BROOKS, THE VOTE: AYE-MCGEE, BENSON, BROOKS, REDMOND

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

(13) IN RE: ORDER TO GO INTO EXECUTIVE SESSION MOTION BY SUPERVISOR GORDON, SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR BENSON, THE VOTE: AYE-MCGEE, BENSON, BROOKS, REDMOND

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

(15) IN RE: ORDER TO RECESS MEETING UNTIL 9:00 A.M., TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 20, 2024 MOTION BY SUPERVISOR REDMOND, SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR BENSON, THE VOTE: AYE-MCGEE, GORDON, BENSON, BROOKS, REDMOND

CARL MCGEE, PRESIDENT

ATTEST:

MARILYN HANSELL, CLERK OF THE BOARD