

# **WASHINGTON COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS**

## **MINUTES OF AUGUST 19, 2024**

### **BOARD MEETING**

Monday, August 19, 2024 at 9:00 A. M., the Board of Supervisors of Washington County, Mississippi, met pursuant to recess for Budget Session, there being the following members present, Carl McGee, Lee Gordon, and Jerry Redmond. Supervisor Tommy Benson and Supervisor Mala Brooks were absent. The meeting was called to order by President Carl McGee. The opening prayer was by Supervisor Carl McGee. 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 AUGUST 19, 2024 MEETING OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS MOTION BY SUPERVISOR GORDON, SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR REDMOND, THE VOTE- MCGEE, GORDON, REDMOND, ABSENT-BENSON, BROOKS**

***ADDED: County Engineer/IMS, Simmons High School Alumni Representatives-Ruby Ford & Shirley Ford, Executive Session***

***APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING***

**2) IN RE: ORDER APPROVING MINUTES OF AUGUST 1, 5, 2024 MEETINGS OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS AND DIRECTING THE PRESIDENT AND CLERK OF THE BOARD TO SIGN SAME. MOTION BY SUPERVISOR GORDON, SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR REDMOND, THE VOTE: AYE- MCGEE, GORDON, REDMOND, ABSENT- BENSON, BROOKS**

**3) IN RE: ORDER AUTHORIZING TERMINATION OF COUNTY ENGINEER LORENZO ANDERSON & INTEGRATED MANAGEMENT SERVICES, (IMS), EFFECTIVE IMMEDIATELY, AUGUST 19, 2024, FOR PERFORMANCE REASONS MOTION BY SUPERVISOR MCGEE, SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR GORDON, THE VOTE: AYE- MCGEE, GORDON, NAY- REDMOND, ABSENT- BENSON, BROOKS**

**(4) IN RE: ORDER AUTHORIZING A LETTER TO BE IMMEDIATELY SENT TO LORENZO ANDERSON & INTERGRATED MANAGEMENT SERVICES(IMS) OF THE TERMINATION OF CURRENT STATE AID CONTRACTS, SAMPLING & TESTING SERVICES CONTRACTS ON STATE AID/LSBP, SABP AND ERBR PROJECTS, EFFECTIVE IMMEDIATELY, AUGUST 19, 2024 MOTION BY SUPERVISOR MCGEE, SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR GORDON, THE VOTE: AYE- MCGEE, GORDON, NAY- REDMOND, ABSENT- BENSON, BROOKS**

**(5) IN RE: ORDER APPOINTING MARCUS HOOKER, SR. AS COUNTY ENGINEER /STATE AID COUNTY ENGINEER, EFFECTIVE IMMEDIATELY, AUGUST 19, 2024 AND AUTHORIZING THE PRESIDENT OF THE BOARD TO EXECUTE ALL CONTRACT AGREEMENTS COVERING PAYMENT FROM STATE AID FUNDS FOR SAMPLING & TESTING SERVICES AND LOCAL SYSTEM BRIDGE REPLACEMENT & REHABILITATION (LSBP) ENGINEER FOR COUNTY AND ALL ERBR PROJECTS *MOTION BY SUPERVISOR GORDON, SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR MCGEE, THE VOTE: AYE- MCGEE, GORDON, NAY- REDMOND, ABSENT- BENSON, BROOKS***

*SHIRLEY REDMOND, PLANNING DEPARTMENT*

**(6) IN RE: ORDER APPROVING USE AND OCCUPANCY PERMIT APPLICATION FOR ENTERGY SERVICES, LLC TO CONSTRUCT A BURIED FIBER OPTIC ROUTE UTILITY FACILITY ALONG OR ACROSS FURR ROAD 7,400 FEET, SHARKEY COUNTY LINE RD 8,505 FEET AND TREADWAY ROAD 6,550 FEET *MOTION BY SUPERVISOR GORDON, SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR MCGEE, THE VOTE: AYE- MCGEE, GORDON, REDMOND, ABSENT- BENSON, BROOKS***

*DEMETRIC WARREN, SPORTSPLEX COMMISSIONER*

**(7) IN RE: ORDER ACCEPTING THE LOWEST QUOTE OF BSN SPORTS FOR THE PURCHASE OF BLEACHERS IN THE AMOUNT OF \$12,385.26 FOR THE SPORTSPLEX *MOTION BY SUPERVISOR GORDON, SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR REDMOND, THE VOTE: AYE- MCGEE, GORDON, REDMOND, ABSENT- BENSON, BROOKS***

**8) IN RE: ORDER ACCEPTING THE LOWEST QUOTE OF JOHN DEERE FOR THE PURCHASE OF A LAWNMOWER IN THE AMOUNT OF \$13,393.61 FOR THE SPORTSPLEX *MOTION BY SUPERVISOR GORDON, SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR REDMOND, THE VOTE: AYE- MCGEE, GORDON, REDMOND, ABSENT- BENSON, BROOKS***

**9) IN RE: ORDER APPROVING THE REQUEST OF DEMETRIC WARREN, SPORTSPLEX COMMISSIONER TO AMEND THE SALARY FOR ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANT FOR THE SPORTSPLEX *MOTION BY SUPERVISOR MCGEE, SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR GORDON, THE VOTE: AYE- MCGEE, GORDON, REDMOND, ABSENT- BENSON, BROOKS***

**10) IN RE: ORDER APPROVING THE REQUEST OF SHAMERIA PHILLIPS TO SERVE ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES AT THE WASHINGTON COUNTY MULTIPLEX BUILDING SEPTEMBER 28, 2024 FOR WEDDING RECEPTION *MOTION BY SUPERVISOR REDMOND, SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR MCGEE, THE VOTE: AYE- MCGEE, REDMOND, NAY- GORDON, ABSENT- BENSON, BROOKS***

**11) IN RE: ORDER APPROVING THE REQUEST OF DLUMPS EDUCATIONAL /SPORTS/DRAMA FOR USE OF THE WASHINGTON COUNTY CONVENTION CENTER FOR THEIR ANNUAL FOOTBALL/CHEER BANQUET DECEMBER 8, 2024, AT NO FEE *MOTION BY SUPERVISOR GORDON, SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR***

**REDMOND, THE VOTE: AYE- MCGEE, GORDON, REDMOND, ABSENT- BENSON, BROOKS**

**12) IN RE: ORDER APPROVING THE REQUEST OF THE WASHINGTON COUNTY-MS STATE EXTENSION SERVICE 4-H FOR USE OF THE WASHINGTON COUNTY EXPO BUILDING AND RV HOOK-UP JUNE 6-7, 2025 TO HOST THE 4-H NORTHWEST DISTRICT HORSE SHOW, FEE WAIVER MOTION BY SUPERVISOR GORDON, SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR REDMOND, THE VOTE: AYE- MCGEE, GORDON, REDMOND, ABSENT- BENSON, BROOKS**

**SHIRLEY JENKINS & RUBY FORD-SIMMONS HIGH SCHOOL ALUMNI**

**13) IN RE: ORDER APPROVING THE REQUEST OF THE SIMMONS HIGH SCHOOL ALUMNI ASSOCIATION TO EXTEND THE TIME OF THEIR EVENT, MAY 24, 2025 TO 1:00 A.M. AND TO SERVE ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES AT THE WASHINGTON COUNTY MULTIPLEX BUILDING FOR THEIR ANNUAL SIMMONS REUNION MOTION BY SUPERVISOR REDMOND, SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR MCGEE, THE VOTE: AYE-MCGEE, REDMOND, NAY-GORDON, ABSENT-BENSON, BROOKS**

**BERNADINE HOLMES, DEPUTY CHANCERY CLERK**

**(14) IN RE: ORDER ACCEPTING SETTLEMENT CHECK IN THE AMOUNT OF \$444,493.58 FOR THE MONTH OF JULY 2024 FROM TAX COLLECTOR, PATRICIA LEE MOTION BY SUPERVISOR GORDON, SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR REDMOND, THE VOTE: AYE- MCGEE, GORDON, REDMOND, ABSENT-BENSON, BROOKS**

**(15) IN RE: ORDER ACCEPTING AND APPROVING ORDER FOR APPOINTMENT AND SETTING COMPENSATION FOR COURT REPORTER HARLEY HOLLOWELL OF THE NINTH CHANCERY COURT DISTRICT MOTION BY SUPERVISOR GORDON, SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR REDMOND, THE VOTE: AYE- MCGEE, GORDON, REDMOND, ABSENT-BENSON, BROOKS**

**CHELESA CARTER, COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR**

**16) IN RE: ORDER APPROVING CLAIMS 246576 TO 246712 IN THE AMOUNT OF \$442,383.98 MOTION BY SUPERVISOR GORDON, SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR REDMOND, THE VOTE: AYE- MCGEE, GORDON, REDMOND, ABSENT-BENSON, BROOKS**

**17) IN RE: ORDER APPROVING PAYMENT NO. 3 IN THE AMOUNT OF \$176,891.60 TO HEMPHILL CONSTRUCTION COMPANY FOR WORK COMPLETED FOR THE GLEN ALLAN UTILITY DISTRICT WATER IMPROVEMENT PROJECT MOTION BY SUPERVISOR GORDON, SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR REDMOND, THE VOTE: AYE- MCGEE, GORDON, REDMOND, ABSENT- BENSON, BROOKS**

**18) IN RE: ORDER APPROVING PAYMENT IN THE AMOUNT OF \$25,820.76 TO TIMBO CONSTRUCTION COMPANY FOR THE SWITCHGEAR ORDERED FOR THE GENERATOR PROJECT AT THE MULTIPLEX BUILDING MOTION BY SUPERVISOR GORDON, SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR REDMOND, THE VOTE: AYE- MCGEE, GORDON, REDMOND, ABSENT- BENSON, BROOKS**

**(19) IN RE: ORDER AUTHORIZING THE PRESIDENT OF THE BOARD TO SIGN THE SOFTWARE MAINTENANCE SERVICE AGREEMENT WITH HARRIS DELTA COMPUTERS SYSTEMS FOR THE ADMINISTRATION, TAX ASSESSOR, AND TAX COLLECTORS OFFICE *MOTION BY SUPERVISOR GORDON, SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR REDMOND, THE VOTE: AYE- MCGEE, GORDON, REDMOND, ABSENT-BENSON, BROOKS***

**(20) IN RE: ORDER APPROVING THE REQUEST FROM THE GREENVILLE PUBLIC SCHOOL DISTRICT FOR ASSISTANCE WITH EQUIPMENT AND MANPOWER, AS SCHEDULING PERMITS, TO REPAIR THE PARKING LOTS AT MATTY ATKINS AND THE MAINTENANCE SHOP/BUS BARN, PROVIDED THE DISTRICT PROVIDESTHE MATERIALS *MOTION BY SUPERVISOR GORDON, SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR REDMOND, THE VOTE: AYE- MCGEE, GORDON, REDMOND, ABSENT-BENSON, BROOKS***

**(21) IN RE: ORDER AUTHORIZING THE CLOSING OF COUNTY OFFICES MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 2, 2024 IN OBSERVANCE OF THE LABOR DAY HOLIDAY *MOTION BY SUPERVISOR GORDON, SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR BROOKS, THE VOTE: AYE- MCGEE, GORDON, REDMOND, ABSENT- BENSON, BROOKS***

**(22) IN RE: ORDER RATIFYING AND ACCEPTING THE WESTERN LINE SCHOOL DISTRICT 2024-2025 BUDGET RECOMMENDATIONS AND AUTHORIZING THE PRESIDENT OF THE BOARD TO SIGN CERTIFICATION FOR THE SCHOOL DISTRICT *MOTION BY SUPERVISOR GORDON, SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR REDMOND, THE VOTE: AYE- MCGEE, GORDON, REDMOND, ABSENT-BENSON, BROOKS***

**(23) IN RE: ORDER ADDING JEREMY SMITH, BUILDING AND GROUNDS DIRECTOR TO THE AGENDA FOR AUGUST 19, 2024 *MOTION BY SUPERVISOR GORDON, SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR REDMOND, THE VOTE: AYE- MCGEE, GORDON, REDMOND, ABSENT-BENSON, BROOKS***

*JEREMY SMITH, BUILDING AND GROUNDS DIRECTOR*

**(24) IN RE: ORDER ACCEPTING THE LOW QUOTE OF BOWLIN HEATING AND AIR IN THE AMOUNT OF \$7,600.00 TO REPLACE THE COMPRESSOR AT THE WASHINGTON COUNTY EXTENSION BUILDING, AS REQUESTED BY JEREMY SMITH, BUILDING AND GROUNDS DIRECTOR *MOTION BY SUPERVISOR GORDON, SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR REDMOND, THE VOTE: AYE- MCGEE, GORDON, REDMOND, ABSENT-BENSON, BROOKS***

**(25) IN RE: ORDER APPROVING LOW QUOTE OF UPCHURCH IN THE AMOUNT OF \$13,900.00 TO REPLACE THE 10 TON HVAC AT THE WASHINGTON COUNTY COURTHOUSE, AS REQUESTED BY JEREMY SMITH, BUILDING AND GROUNDS DIRECTOR *MOTION BY SUPERVISOR GORDON, SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR REDMOND, THE VOTE: AYE- MCGEE, GORDON, REDMOND, ABSENT-BENSON, BROOKS***

**(26) 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, REDMOND, ABSENT-BENSON, BROOKS***

**(27) IN RE: ORDER TO GO INTO EXECUTIVE SESSION TO DISCUSS PERSONNEL MATTER MOTION BY SUPERVISOR GORDON, SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR REDMOND, THE VOTE: AYE- MCGEE, GORDON, REDMOND, ABSENT-BENSON, BROOKS**

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

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

**30) IN RE: ORDER AUTHORIZING COPYING CERTAIN DOCUMENTS INTO THE MINUTES OF THE WASHINGTON COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS MOTION BY SUPERVISOR GORDON, SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR REDMOND, THE VOTE: AYE- MCGEE, GORDON, REDMOND, ABSENT- BENSON, BROOKS**

**(31) IN RE: ORDER TO ADJOURN MEETING UNTIL 9:00 A.M. SEPTEMBER 3, 2024 MOTION BY SUPERVISOR GORDON, SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR REDMOND, THE VOTE: AYE- MCGEE, GORDON, REDMOND, ABSENT-BENSON, BROOKS**

CARL MCGEE, PRESIDENT

ATTEST:

MARILYN HANSELL, CLERK  
BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF WASHINGTON COUNTY