

STATE OF MISSISSIPPI

COUNTY OF LOWNDES

May 15th, 2020

MINUTE BOOK _365__

BE IT REMEMBERED that a regular meeting of The Board of Supervisors of Lowndes County, Mississippi, was held at the Lowndes County Courthouse, Columbus, Mississippi, Friday, the 15th day of May, 2020, commencing at 9:00 a.m.

Present:

Harry Sanders	Supervisor, District 1, Board President
Trip Hairston	Supervisor, District 2
John Holliman	Supervisor, District 3, Board Vice President
Jeff Smith	Supervisor, District 4
Leroy Brooks	Supervisor, District 5
Tim Hudson Esq.	County Board Attorney
Eddie Hawkins	Sheriff
Cindy Egger Goode	Chancery Clerk
County Staff Members	
Members of News Media	

The following proceedings were had:

CALL TO ORDER/INVOCATION

- I. Call to Order, Harry Sanders, Board President
- II. Presiding, Harry Sanders, Board President
- III. Invocation, Roger Short, Lowndes County Recreational Director
- IV. Pledge Of Allegiance, Cindy E. Goode

ADOPT AGENDA

A. Agenda Review

Motion by Supervisor Brooks to adopt agenda as amended with changes; Second by Supervisor Holliman. Vote 5-0. (Exhibit A attached hereto and incorporated herein.)

B. Announce Executive Session (upon Board request) no request to go into Executive Session.

II
BOARD MINUTES

A. Approve May 4th 2020 Board Minutes

Motion by Supervisor Holliman to approve the May 4th, 2020 board minutes of the Board of Supervisors; Second by Supervisor Hairston. Vote 5-0. (Exhibit B attached hereto and incorporated herein)

III
Lloyd Price
Lowndes County Financial Officer

A. County Claims Docket- Ending May 15th, 2020

Motion by Supervisor Holliman to spread County Claims docket period ending May 15th, 2020 onto board minutes. Second by Supervisor Hairston. Vote 4-1 Supervisor Brooks opposing. (Exhibit C attached hereto and incorporated herein)

B. April 2020 Financials

Motion by Supervisor Brooks to spread April 2020 financials onto board minutes. Second by Supervisor Smith. Vote 5-0 (Exhibit D attached hereto and incorporated herein)

IV
Joe Max Higgins
Golden Triangle Development Link CEO

Economic Development Projects Honeybee and Moore's Bluff

Motion by Supervisor Holliman to adopt the Resolution of Intent to enter into a Fee-In-Lieu of Ad Valorem Tax Agreement for New Solar Electric Generation Facility (Project Honeybee); Second by Supervisor Sanders. Vote 5-0 (Exhibit E attached hereto and incorporated herein)

Motion by Supervisor Brooks to adopt the Resolution of Intent to enter into a Fee-In-Lieu of Ad Valorem Tax Agreement for New Solar Electric Generation Facility (Project Moore's Bluff); Second by Supervisor Smith. Vote 5-0 (Exhibit F attached hereto and incorporated herein)

V
Stephanie Taylor & Keenyn Wald
Community Counseling Representatives

Annual update. No action taken.

VI
Cindy E. Goode
Lowndes County Chancery Clerk

A. Surety Bonds

Motion by Supervisor Holliman to approve Surety Bonds; Second by Supervisor Brooks. Vote 5-0. (Exhibit G attached hereto and incorporated herein)

B. Justice Court Reports

Motion by Supervisor Smith to approve and spread on the minutes Civil and Criminal collections for the month of April 2020; Second by Supervisor Brooks. Vote 5-0 (Exhibit H attached hereto and incorporated herein)

C. Sheriff Report

Motion by Supervisor Brooks to spread Sheriff's Report for April 2020; Second by Supervisor Holliman. Vote 5-0. (Exhibit I attached hereto and incorporated herein)

D. Request Board Order allowing Chancery Clerk to destroy/shred expired Federal Tax Liens and UCC filings

Motion by Supervisor Holliman to authorize Chancery Clerk to dispose of expired federal tax liens and UCC filings; Second by Supervisor Smith. Vote 5-0. (Exhibit J attached hereto and incorporated herein)

VII
Ronnie Burns
Lowndes County Road Manager

A. Board Reports

Motion by Supervisor Smith to approve Board Reports for April 2020; Second by Supervisor Holliman. Vote 5-0. (Exhibit K attached hereto and incorporated herein.)

B. Summer Program

Motion by Supervisor Brooks to approve the Summer Work Program from May 18th through August 6th, 2020; Second by Supervisor Smith. Vote 5-0. (Exhibit L attached hereto and incorporated herein.)

C. Litter Program

Motion by Supervisor Brooks to hire 4 permanent employees; Second by Supervisor Holliman. Supervisor Brooks amended his motion to approve

these employees at \$10/hour for 4 days a week and county benefits. Vote 5-0.

VIII

Bob Calvert
Lowndes County Engineer

A. Caledonia Gas District Utility Permit on Border Springs Road

Motion by Supervisor Brooks to approve the permit application for construction of a $\frac{3}{4}$ Natural Gas Service Line on Border Springs Road; Second by Supervisor Smith. Vote 5-0. (Exhibit M attached hereto and incorporated herein)

IX

Roger Short
Lowndes County Recreation Director

A. New Hire

Motion by Supervisor Holliman to approve Glenda Cummings as Administrative Assistant for Lowndes County Recreation Department start date 1 June 2020, with rate of pay \$13/hour; Second by Supervisor Hairston. Vote 5-0. (Exhibit N attached hereto and incorporated herein)

X

Eddie Hawkins
Lowndes County Sheriff

A. New Hire

Motion by Supervisor Holliman to approve James Billy Woods as Reserve Deputy Sheriff for Lowndes County Sheriff's Department start date 9 May 2020, with rate of pay \$10/hour; Second by Supervisor Hairston. Vote 5-0. (Exhibit O attached hereto and incorporated herein)

B. April 2020 Meal Log

Motion by Supervisor Holliman to approve April 2020 Meal Log; Second by Supervisor Smith. Vote 5-0. (Exhibit P attached hereto and incorporated herein)

C. Accept donation

Motion by Supervisor Holliman to allow the Lowndes County Sheriff's Department to accept \$500.00 donation from Walmart; said donation to be made a part of the Mobile Data Program; second by Supervisor Brooks. Vote 5-0. (Exhibit Q attached hereto and incorporated herein)

XI
Ralph Billingsley
Lowndes County Administrator

A. Approve Salute to Industry Ad

Motion by Supervisor Brooks to approve the Salute to Industry Ad for \$310.00 to advertise county resources; Second by Supervisor Smith. Vote 5-0

B. Resolution of Intent – Bonding Authority Renewal

Motion by Supervisor Brooks to approve the Salute to Industry Ad for \$310.00 to advertise county resources; Second by Supervisor Smith. Vote 5-0

C. Amend budget for District Two Fire Station Roof Repair

Motion by Supervisor Brooks to amend the budget for roof repairs to District Two Fire Station and accept the bid from JBH Construction for \$30,900.00; Second by Supervisor Hairston. Vote 5-0

D. Three River PDD Employment Program

Motion by Supervisor Hairston hire three employees, due to Covid-19, with stipulations up to the rate of \$15/hour; Second by Supervisor Sanders. Vote 5-0

E. District Attorney Notice of Employee Hire

a. Motion by Supervisor Smith to approve the request to supplement, pursuant to Mississippi Code Ann. 25-31-10.1, Maurice Johnson's salary \$5,000.00 yearly salary; Second by Supervisor Brooks. Vote 5-0 (Exhibit R attached hereto and incorporated herein)

F. Advertise for job opening

Motion by Supervisor Brooks to advertise for County Maintenance position at the rate of \$18/hour; Second by Supervisor Smith. Vote 5-0

XII
Tim Hudson
Lowndes County Board of Supervisors Attorney

A. County Emergency Proclamation and Ordinance

Motion by Supervisor Brooks to extend the current emergency declaration for an additional thirty (30) days; Second by Supervisor

Sanders. Vote 5-0. (Exhibit S attached hereto and incorporated herein)

Motion by Supervisor Hairston, the Emergency County Ordinance, in response to the pandemic, is canceled and rescinded effective immediately; Second by Supervisor Sanders. Vote 5-0. (Exhibit T attached hereto and incorporated herein)

XIII
Adjourn

Motion by Supervisor Smith to adjourn until June 1st, 2020 at 9:00 a.m.
Second by Supervisor Sanders. Vote 5-0.



Harry Sanders
HARRY SANDERS, Board President

Cindy E. Goode
Cindy E. Goode, Chancery Clerk