

TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 19, 2008

Pursuant to recess the Lauderdale County Board of Supervisors resumed its regular February meeting at 5:00 p.m., Tuesday, February 19, 2008, at the Raymond P. Davis County Annex Building in Meridian, Mississippi, with the following members present: Mr. Ray Boswell, President of the Board and Supervisor of District Five, Mr. Hank Florey, Supervisor of District One, Mr. Wayman Newell, Supervisor of District Two, Mr. Craig Hitt, Supervisor of District Three, and Mr. Joe Norwood, Supervisor of District Four.

Also present were Ms. Carolyn Mooney, Chancery Clerk and Clerk of the Board of Supervisors, Mr. Neal Carson, County Engineer/Road Manager, and Mr. Rick Barry, Board Attorney.

Mr. Ray Boswell, President of the Board, called the recessed February 19, 2008 meeting to order.

Prayer was offered by Rev. Gary Bickford, Agape Fellowship Church.

All persons in attendance recited the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America.

A motion by Supervisor Wayman Newell, seconded by Supervisor Hank Florey, to approve the "Agenda" for even date, with amendments as follows, was passed unanimously.

RECESSED BOARD MEETING AGENDA
LAUDERDALE COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 19, 2008 – 5:00 P.M.

1. Recessed meeting called to order.
2. Prayer given by Rev. Gary Bickford, Agape Fellowship Church.
3. Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America.
4. Approval of Agenda for even date.
5. Approval of minutes dated January 30, 2008.
6. Jennifer Buford, East Central Planning & Development.
7. Resolution: Fair Housing Plan (Jennifer Buford).
8. Jimmy Slay, Tax Assessor:
 - A) Petitions for reduction and/or change of assessment.
 - B) Other matters for general good and welfare.
9. Staff Reports:
10. Other matters for general good and welfare.
11. Actions by Supervisors.
12. Executive session, if needed.
13. Adjourn until March 3, 2008 at 9:00 A.M.

AMENDMENT:

- 1) Add to Sheriff Billy Sollie's Agenda – Item 3. MOU

(See pages _____ through _____ of these minutes.)

SO ORDERED, this February 19, 2008.

A motion by Supervisor Hank Florey, seconded by Supervisor Wayman Newell, to approve the minutes dated January 30, 2008, was passed unanimously.

(See pages _____ through _____ of these minutes.)

SO ORDERED, this February 19, 2008.

A motion by Supervisor Hank Florey, seconded by Supervisor Craig Hitt, to approve the request presented by Jennifer Buford, for East Central Planning & Development to be the administrator for the Home Program, in the amount of \$250,000, at a cost of 8% (\$20,000) from the beginning to the end of the project duration; and to accept the contract as presented to provide safe, sanitary, and affordable housing for low and moderate income persons in Lauderdale County, was passed unanimously. Grant funds are awarded to individuals who qualify for down payment assistance in purchasing a home. The motion was passed unanimously.

(See pages _____ through _____ of these minutes.)

SO ORDERED, this February 19, 2008.

A motion by Supervisor Joe Norwood, seconded by Supervisor Hank Florey, to approve the Fair Housing Plan Resolution as presented by Jennifer Buford, of East Central Planning and Development, in which Lauderdale County will act as a referral agency for people that need low income housing. The County will refer these people to the Mississippi Regional Housing Authority for Section 8 Housing, or the Meridian Public Housing Authority for assistance. The motion was passed unanimously.

(See page _____ of these minutes.)

SO ORDERED, this February 19, 2008.

Upon the recommendation of Jimmy Slay, Lauderdale County Tax Assessor, a motion by Supervisor Wayman Newell, seconded by Supervisor Hank Florey, to approve the attached petitions for reduction and/change of assessment and notices to increase the

assessment of real/personal property, for the reasons set forth and as further described on attachments hereto, was passed unanimously.

(See pages _____ through _____ of these minutes.)

SO ORDERED, this February 19, 2008.

Chancery Clerk Carolyn Mooney submitted for inclusion in minutes the public notice, as posted on the bulletin board on the first floor of the Raymond P. Davis County Annex Building, advising of the date and time of this meeting, pursuant to Section 25-41-13, Mississippi Code of 1972.

(See page _____ of these minutes.)

A motion by Supervisor Hank Florey, seconded by Supervisor Wayman Newell, to approve the following Oaths of Office, was passed unanimously.

- A) Walter J. Shields, Deputy Tax Assessor
- B) Latisha Taylor, Detention Officer
- C) LeAdrian Jones, Detention Officer

SO ORDERED, this February 19, 2008.

A motion by Supervisor Hank Florey, seconded by Supervisor Wayman Newell, to approve the request to advertise for county depositories for 2008-2010, according to Mississippi Code 27-05-305, was passed unanimously.

SO ORDERED, this February 19, 2008.

A motion by Supervisor Wayman Newell, seconded by Supervisor Hank Florey, to approve the request of the Justice Court to purchase a new copier from Purvis Business Machines, an E-Studio 352 with networking card in the amount of \$3,990.00 plus maintenance contract after the six month warranty has expired, in the amount of \$359.40 per year (\$29.95 per month), and will require a budget amendment, was passed unanimously.

SO ORDERED, this February 19, 2008.

A motion by Supervisor Hank Florey, seconded by Supervisor Wayman Newell, to approve a budget amendment to the Justice Court for supplies in the amount of \$3,000 was passed unanimously.

SO ORDERED, this February 19, 2008.

A motion by Supervisor Wayman Newell, seconded by Supervisor Hank Florey, to approve a request for Veteran Services to purchase a new copier from Purvis Business Machines, an E-Studio 166 in the amount of \$995.00 plus maintenance contract after the six month warranty has expired, in the amount of \$359.40 per year (\$29.95 per month), and will require a budget amendment, was passed unanimously.

SO ORDERED, this February 19, 2008.

A motion by Supervisor Wayman Newell, seconded by Supervisor Hank Florey, to approve the request by the Democratic and Republican Parties that the Lauderdale County Election Commissioners perform the Logic and Accuracy Testing (L&A) on the TSX voting machines. According to Mississippi Code 23-15-301 election commissioners are entitled to compensation in the amount agreed upon by the parties and approved by the county board of

Supervisors. They are requesting \$16.00 per hour to compensate the election commissioners for performing the L&A Testing on the TSX voting machines. Attached is a copy of the opinion authorizing the board to pay the election commissioner. This is beyond the statutory duties of the commissioners (The Board has approved this request in the past, on 7/16/07). The motion was passed unanimously.

(See pages _____ through _____ of these minutes.)

SO ORDERED, this February 19, 2008.

A motion by Supervisor Wayman Newell, seconded by Supervisor Hank Florey, to approve the request for Tourism annual post office box rental fee in the amount of \$104.00, was passed unanimously.

SO ORDERED, this February 19, 2008.

A motion by Supervisor Hank Florey, seconded by Supervisor Wayman Newell, to approve the re-appointment of Jesse Barnett to the Jury Commission, was passed unanimously.

SO ORDERED, this February 19, 2008.

A motion by Supervisor Craig Hitt, seconded by Supervisor Hank Florey, to approve the request to publish "Notice of Publication of Final Settlement" to Atwood fence Company, Inc. – Contract Project No. STP 0038 32 B. According to the provisions of Section 31-5-53, Laws of 1972, a Notice of Publication of Final Settlement shall be published in some newspaper in the county before a suit can be instituted against the contractor and his surety by

a person or persons for claims arising out of the performance of the contract (see attached).

The motion was passed unanimously.

(See pages _____ through _____ of these minutes.)

SO ORDERED, this February 19, 2008.

A motion by Supervisor Wayman Newell, seconded by Supervisor Hank Florey, to include in the minutes a petition to make Boyd Lane a public road and motion to approve as a public road (Boyd Lane was inspected at the time Rip Lane was inspected). The motion was passed unanimously.

(See page _____ of these minutes.)

SO ORDERED, this February 19, 2008.

A motion by Supervisor Wayman Newell, seconded by Supervisor Hank Florey, to table the request to make Rip Lane a public road, was passed unanimously.

SO ORDERED, this February 19, 2008.

A motion by Supervisor Hank Florey, seconded by Supervisor Wayman Newell, to approve the hire of James Allen Stanton, laborer, at the rate of \$91.2 per hour; and, Jeremy Lee Woodall, Cleanup Crew, at the rate of \$7.50 per hour, was passed unanimously.

SO ORDERED, this February 19, 2008.

A motion by Supervisor Hank Florey, seconded by Supervisor Wayman Newell, to approve the request for Clarence Butler, VFD Coordinator, to attend the Governor's Homeland Security Conference in Tunica, MS on March 11-14, 2008. Registration will be reimbursed by a grant from Homeland Security of the state. The motion was passed unanimously.

SO ORDERED, this February 19, 2008.

A motion by Supervisor Wayman Newell, seconded by Supervisor Hank Florey, to approve the request by Clarence Butler to apply for the Fire Act Grant through FEMA, and to utilize the East Central Planning and Development District employees to help in writing the grant for all the volunteer fire departments as listed below, was passed unanimously.

Bailey	Causeyville
Center Ridge	Clarkdale
Collinsville	Lauderdale
Long Creek	Lost Gap
Marion	Martin
Meehan	Northeast
Russell	Sam Dale
South	Suqualena
Toomsuba-Alamucha	
Southeast District (Vimville, Causeyville, & Whynot)	

SO ORDERED, this February 19, 2008.

A motion by Supervisor Wayman Newell, seconded by Supervisor Hank Florey, to approve the request by Clarence Butler to apply for a grant from the Rural Fire Truck Acquisition Act in the amount of \$70,000, to purchase a fire truck if needed. The grant will require a 5% match from Lauderdale County. The motion was passed unanimously.

SO ORDERED, this February 19, 2008.

A motion by Supervisor Wayman Newell, seconded by Supervisor Hank Florey, to approve the request by Clarence Butler to apply for a supplemental grant in the amount of \$70,000, in conjunction with the above grant and will require a 5% match from Lauderdale County, was passed unanimously.

SO ORDERED, this February 19, 2008.

Sheriff Billy Sollie submitted the following personnel/payroll changes for inclusion in the minutes:

- 1) Effective February 5, 2008, Matthew Pierre was hired as Detention Officer.
His starting ray of pay is \$8.00 per hour.
- 2) Effective February 11, 2008, LeAdrian Jones is no longer employed.
- 3) Effective February 14, 2008, Latisha Ann Taylor is no longer employed.
Her starting rate of pay is \$8.00 per hour.

A motion by Supervisor Hank Florey, seconded by Supervisor Joe Norwood, to approve the request by Sheriff Billy Sollie, to list the Ballistic vest assigned to Erica Harmon while she was assigned to the Sheriff's Department, as surplus; and, to be purchased by the Town of Marion for \$1.00, where she is now employed. The motion was passed unanimously.

SO ORDERED, this February 19, 2008.

A motion by Supervisor Hank Florey, seconded by Supervisor Wayman Newell, to approve the Memorandum of Understanding between Lauderdale County, the Lauderdale

County Sheriff, and Rush Medical Foundation d/b/a Rush Foundation Hospital, a Mississippi corporation, to provide medical services for the inmates at the Lauderdale County Detention Facility; and to participate in the 340B Drug Pricing Program administered by the Health Resources and Services Administration Agency of the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, which may enable Lauderdale County and/or the Lauderdale County Sheriff to purchase certain medications for the inmates at a reduced price. The motion was passed unanimously.

(See pages _____ through _____ of these minutes.)

SO ORDERED, this February 19, 2008.

A motion by Supervisor Hank Florey, seconded by Supervisor Wayman Newell, to adopt a RESOLUTION FINDING AND DETERMINING THAT THE RESOLUTION DECLARING THE INTENTION OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF LAUDERDALE COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI, TO ISSUE GENERAL OBLIGATION BONDS , SERIES 2008, OF LAUDERDALE COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI, IN THE MAXIMUM PRINCIPAL AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED NINE MILLION THREE HUNDRED THOUSAND DOLLARS (\$9,300,000) ADOPTED ON THE 22ND DAY OF JANUARY, 2008, WAS DULY PUBLISHED AS REQUIRED BY LAW; THAT NO SUFFICIENT PROTEST AGAINST THE ISSUANCE OF THE BONDS DESCRIBED IN SAID RESOLUTION HAS BEEN FILED BY THE QUALIFIED ELECTORS; AND AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE OF SAID BONDS. The motion was passed unanimously.

(See pages _____ through _____ of these minutes.)

SO ORDERED, this February 19, 2008.

A motion by Supervisor Hank Florey, seconded by Supervisor Wayman Newell, to adopt a RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING EXECUTION OF A MEMORANDUM OF

UNDERSTANDING WITH RUSH FOUNDATION HOSPITAL REGARDING HEALTHCARE TO INMATES AT THE LAUDERDALE COUNTY DETENTION FACILITY, was passed unanimously.

(See pages _____ through _____ of these minutes.)

SO ORDERED, this February 19, 2008.

A motion by Supervisor Craig Hitt, seconded by Supervisor Hank Florey, to adopt a RESOLUTION OF THE LAUDERDALE COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS ENDORSING AND URGING THE MISSISSIPPI LEGISLATURE TO ADOPT LOCAL AND PRIVATE LEGISLATION FOR THE FUNDING OF THE LAUDERDALE COUNTY DETENTION FACILITY'S GOOD NEWS JAIL & PRISON MINISTRY CHAPLAIN AND CHAPLAINCY PROGRAM FROM NON-TAX REVENUE GENERATED BY THE INMATE TELEPHONE SERVICE, was passed unanimously.

(See pages _____ through _____ of these minutes.)

SO ORDERED, this February 19, 2008.

A motion by Supervisor Wayman Newell, seconded by Supervisor Hank Florey, to approve FINAL RESOLUTION FOR GRANTING EXEMPTION FROM AD VALOREM TAXES FOR ATLAS ROOFING CORPORATION FOR PPIN 11417, for a period of ten years beginning on January 1, 2008, on the property described in the application with a total true value of \$1,659,965. The motion was passed unanimously.

(See pages _____ through _____ of these minutes.)

SO ORDERED, this February 19, 2008.

A motion by Supervisor Wayman Newell, seconded by Supervisor Hank Florey, to approve FINAL RESOLUTION FOR GRANTING EXEMPTION FROM AD VALOREM TAXES FOR ATLAS ROOFING CORPORATION FOR PPIN 11367, for a period of ten years beginning on January 1, 2007, on the property described in the application with a total true value of \$\$4,842,557. The motion was passed unanimously.

(See pages _____ through _____ of these minutes.)

SO ORDERED, this February 19, 2008.

THE BOARD OF SUPERVISOR, IMMEDIATELY THEREAFTER WITH NO BUSINESS INTERVENING, CONSIDERED THE NECESSITY FOR AN EXECUTIVE SESSION, AND A MOTION BY SUPERVISOR CRAIG HITT, SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR HANK FLOREY, TO RESOLVE THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS INTO EXECUTIVE SESSION, WAS PASSED BY THE FOLLOWING VOTE: SUPERVISOR HANK FLOREY VOTED AYE; SUPERVISOR WAYMAN NEWELL VOTED AYE; SUPERVISOR CRAIG HITT VOTED AYE; SUPERVISOR JOE NORWOOD VOTED AYE; AND, SUPERVISOR RAY BOSWELL VOTED AYE. WHILE THE BOARD WAS IN EXECUTIVE SESSION ALL PERSONS LEFT THE BOARD ROOM WITH THE EXCEPTION OF THE SUPERVISORS HANK FLOREY, WAYMAN NEWELL, CRAIG HITT, JOE NORWOOD, RAY BOSWELL, AND THE BOARD ATTORNEY, RICK BARRY.

SO ORDERED, this February 19, 2008.

A MOTION BY SUPERVISOR CRAIG HITT, SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR HANK FLOREY TO GO OUT OF EXECUTIVE SESSION WAS PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

SO ORDERED, this February 19, 2008.

The Board then went back into open meeting. Attorney Rick Barry announced that the Board went into executive session to discuss a personnel matter. No action was taken at this time.

A motion by Supervisor Craig Hitt, seconded by Supervisor Hank Florey, to recessed until Friday, February 29, 2008, at 10:00 A.M., was passed unanimously.

SO ORDERED, this February 19, 2008.


Ray Boswell, President