

MONDAY, MAY 5 2008

BE IT REMEMBERED that the Lauderdale County Board of Supervisors began and held its regular May meeting at 9:00 a.m., Monday, May 5, 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, and Mr. Joe Norwood, Supervisor of District Four.

Also present were Ms. Carolyn Mooney, Chancery Clerk and Clerk of the Board of Supervisors, Mr. Mike Sumrall, County Administrator, Mr. Neal Carson, County Engineer/Road Manager, and Mr. Rick Barry, Board Attorney. Mr. Craig Hitt, Supervisor of District Three, was not present.

Sheriff Billy Sollie called the May, 2008 meeting of the Board of Supervisors to order.

Prayer was offered by Rev. Earl Wheatly with NorthPark Church.

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

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

BOARD MEETING AGENDA
LAUDERDALE COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
MONDAY, MAY 5, 2008 – 9 A.M.

1. Sheriff Billy Sollie calls the May 5, 2008 meeting to order.
2. Prayer given by Rev. Earl Wheatly with NorthPark 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 April 17, 2008.
6. Proclamation: Peace Officer's Memorial Day, Thursday, May 15, 2008.
7. Jimmy Slay, Tax Assessor:
 - A) Petitions for reduction and/or change of assessment.
 - B) Other matters for general good and welfare.
8. Staff Reports:
9. Other matters for general good and welfare.
10. Actions from Supervisors.
11. Executive session, if needed.
12. Recess until, Monday, May 19, 2008 at 3:00 P.M.

AMENDMENTS:

BOARD ATTORNEY:

- 1b. Request to approve rent question between Meridian Public Schools and the Boy's and Girl's Club of Meridian.

SUPERVISOR JOE NORWOOD:

- 6b. Response to Proclamation.
(See pages _____ through _____ of these minutes.)

SO ORDERED, this May 5, 2008.

A motion by Supervisor Wayman Newell, seconded by Supervisor Hank Florey, to approve the Proclamation as presented by Supervisor Hank Florey to Sheriff Billy Sollie, proclaiming the week of May 15, 2008 as National Police Week, with May 15th designated Peace Officers' Memorial Day, was passed unanimously.

(See page _____ of these minutes.)

SO ORDERED, this May 5, 2008.

Supervisor Joe Norwood read a letter of appreciation from the family of Obie Clark, thanking the Board of Supervisors for proclaiming March 28, 2008, as Obediah "Obie" Clark Recognition Day for the many years of hard work he dedicated to the betterment of the community in which he lived.

Upon the recommendation of Jimmy Slay, Lauderdale County Tax Assessor, a motion by Supervisor Hank Florey, seconded by Supervisor Wayman Newell, to adopt the attached petitions for reduction and/or change of assessment and notices to increase the assessment of real/personal property, for the reasons set forth and further described on attachments hereto, was passed unanimously.

(See pages _____ through _____ of these minutes.)

SO ORDERED, this May 5, 2008.

Chancery Clerk Carolyn Mooney submitted for inclusion in the 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) David Patrick Wetter, Detention Officer
- B) Loreal Ruttley, Detention Officer
- C) Diane Ridout, Deputy Chancery Clerk
- D) Dottie Orr, Deputy Chancery Clerk
- E) Nancy Eastman, Deputy Tax Assessor

SO ORDERED, this May 5, 2008.

A motion by Supervisor Wayman Newell, seconded by Supervisor Hank Florey, to approve the claims docket for May, 2008; and to authorize the Chancery Clerk to issue warrants therefore, was passed unanimously.

(See pages _____ through _____ of these minutes.)

SO ORDERED, this May 5, 2008.

A motion by Supervisor Hank Florey, seconded by Supervisor Joe Norwood, to approve the request to place an ad in the June 2008 Convention issue of Mississippi Association of Supervisors' magazine in the amount of \$650.00 for a full page color ad, was passed unanimously.

SO ORDERED, this May 5, 2008.

A motion by Supervisor Wayman Newell, seconded by Supervisor Hank Florey, to approve the request for Deputy Johnny Williamson to attend the Mississippi Coroners' Association Conference June 10-13, 2008, in Biloxi, MS. Cost will be registration \$250, and lodging for \$259.98 for a total of \$509.98, which will need a budget amendment to move funds from objective 603 to 467, was passed unanimously.

SO ORDERED, this May 5, 2008.

A motion by Supervisor Hank Florey, seconded by Supervisor Wayman Newell, to approve the request to extend until June 15, 2008 the audit performed by Rea, Shaw, Giffen, & Stuart, LLP. This is due to not having necessary paperwork from organizations/business, the unavailability of work space and other issues that may cause a delay in completing the audit on its regularly scheduled date. The motion was passed unanimously.

SO ORDERED, this May 5, 2008.

A motion by Supervisor Wayman Newell, seconded by Supervisor Hank Florey, to approve payment of membership dues for Darlene Jones to Justice Court Clerks Association of MS in the amount of \$100.00, was passed unanimously.

SO ORDERED, this May 5, 2008.

A motion by Supervisor Wayman Newell, seconded by Supervisor Hank Florey, to disapprove the request to participate in the Beaver Control Assistance Program, was passed unanimously.

SO ORDERED, this May 5, 2008.

A motion by Supervisor Hank Florey, seconded by Supervisor Wayman Newell, to approve the request to accept the lowest and best bid from The Service Company for lighting at the Juvenile Center in the amount of \$10,373.00, was passed unanimously.

SO ORDERED, this May 5, 2008.

A motion by Supervisor Wayman Newell, seconded by Supervisor Hank Florey, to approve the request to advertise for bids for fencing at the Juvenile Center, was passed unanimously.

SO ORDERED, this May 5, 2008.

A motion by Supervisor Joe Norwood, seconded by Supervisor Hank Florey, to approve the request to obtain insurance on the Marquee sign at the Agri-Center, at a price quote of \$295.00 per year from Meyer & Rosenbaum, was passed unanimously.

SO ORDERED, this May 5, 2008.

A motion by Supervisor Hank Florey, seconded by Supervisor Wayman Newell, to approve the request for Justice Court Judges to attend the Summer Convention & Professional Judicial Development in Biloxi, MS July 20-24, 2008. Cost for registration is \$250.00 each, and lodging for four (4) nights at the Beau Rivage Resort at \$585.00 each, was passed unanimously.

SO ORDERED, this May 5, 2008.

A motion by Supervisor Hank Florey, seconded by Supervisor Wayman Newell, to take under advisement the purchase of lights for Mike Meyers' constable car in the amount of \$1,965.00 until a future meeting, was passed unanimously.

SO ORDERED, this May 5, 2008.

A motion by Supervisor Joe Norwood, seconded by Supervisor Hank Florey, to approve the request for Constables Buck Roberts and Tommie Coker to attend the Mississippi Constable Association Meeting June 6 –7, 2008 in Biloxi, MS, with registration at \$600.00 for both, and lodging at \$553.00, was passed unanimously.

SO ORDERED, this May 5, 2008.

A motion by Supervisor Wayman Newell, seconded by Supervisor Hank Florey, to approve the request by the Toomsba Water Department for permit application for use and occupancy agreement for the construction or adjustment of a utility within road or highway right-of-way for Lauderdale-Toomsba Road, Welch Road, Oxford Road, and Lake Point Lane, was passed unanimously.

SO ORDERED, this May 5, 2008.

A motion by Supervisor Wayman Newell, seconded by Supervisor Hank Florey to approve the request by AT&T to place a buried fiber optic telecommunications cable along/across Causeyville Road and Centerhill Road in Lauderdale County, was passed unanimously.

SO ORDERED, this May 5, 2008.

A motion by Supervisor Wayman Newell, seconded by Supervisor Hank Florey, to approve the following rate changes, was passed unanimously.

Deeton, Lamar	Satellite A	from \$9.12	to \$10.12 per hour
Covington, Craig	Road Unit	from \$10.37	to \$12.37 per hour
Joyner, Roger	Road Unit	from \$13.39	to \$14.39 per hour
Simmons, Leslie	Central Garage	from \$7.84	to \$ 9.12 per hour

Theall, Darrell	Satellite B	\$ 8.00 per hour
Mayatt, Rush	Road Unit	\$ 8.00 per hour

SO ORDERED, this May 5, 2008.

A motion by Supervisor Joe Norwood, seconded by Supervisor Wayman Newell, to approve the request for a sprayer in the amount of \$1, 936.25, to use in combating the spread of coogin grass, was passed unanimously.

SO ORDERED, this May 5, 2008.

A motion by Supervisor Hank Florey, seconded by Supervisor Wayman Newell, to approve the request for Clarence Butler to attend the Fire Chief/Fire Fighters Conference May 29-31, 2008 in Vicksburg, MS. Cost will be \$75.00 for registration, lodging \$132.00, and per diem \$62.00, was passed unanimously.

SO ORDERED, this May 5, 2008.

A motion by Supervisor Wayman Newell, seconded by Supervisor Hank Florey, to approve reimbursement of Fire Act Grant to Vimville Fire Dept. The grant was in the amount of \$64,200. The 5% reimbursement will be \$3,212. The motion was passed unanimously.

SO ORDERED, this May 5, 2008.

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

- 1) Effective April 24, 2008, Loreal Matrese Rutley was hired as Detention

Officer. Her starting rate of pay will be \$8.00 per hour.

- 2) Effective April 24, 2008, David Wetter was hired as Detention Officer.
His starting rate of pay will be \$8.00 per hour.

A motion by Supervisor Hank Florey, seconded by Supervisor Wayman Newell, to approve the request to purchase a utility trailer for \$1.00 from Dufour Battery, to transport the vehicle presented to the Sheriff's Department through the Rhino Loan Program, from Meridian Yamaha, was passed unanimously.

SO ORDERED, this May 5, 2008.

A motion by Supervisor Hank Florey, seconded by Supervisor Wayman Newell, to approve the application from Slay Steel for Tax Exemption on \$375,230 of improvements, with the exemption beginning January 1, 2008 for ten (10) years), was passed unanimously.

SO ORDERED, this May 5, 2008.

A motion by Supervisor Hank Florey, seconded by Supervisor Wayman Newell, to approve the request to approve the lease rent agreement reached between the Meridian School Board and the Boy's and Girl's Club of Meridian in the amount of \$8,535.25, was passed unanimously.

SO ORDERED, this May 5, 2008.

The Board of Supervisors, immediately thereafter, with no business intervening, considered the necessity for an executive session to discuss personnel matters, and a motion

by Supervisor Joe Norwood, seconded by Supervisor Wayman Newell, was passed by the following vote: Supervisor Hank Florey voted aye; Supervisor Wayman Newell 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 BOARD ATTORNEY, RICK BARRY.

SO ORDERED, this May 5, 2008.

A motion by Supervisor Hank Florey, seconded by Supervisor Wayman Newell, to go out of executive session, was passed unanimously.

SO ORDERED, this May 5, 2008.

The Board then went back into open meeting. Attorney Rick Barry announced that the Board went into Executive Session to discuss personnel matters. No action was taken at this time.

A motion by Supervisor Wayman Newell, seconded by Supervisor Hank Florey, for the Board of Supervisors to recess until Monday, May 19, 2008 at 3:00 P.M., was passed unanimously.

SO ORDERED, this May 5, 2008

Ray Boswell, President