

TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 17, 2009

Pursuant to recess the Lauderdale County Board of Supervisors resumed its regular February meeting at 5:00 p.m., Tuesday, February 17, 2009, at the Raymond P. Davis County Annex Building in Meridian, Mississippi, with the following members present: Mr. Hank Florey, President of the Board and Supervisor of District One, Mr. Wayman Newell, Supervisor of District Two, Mr. Craig Hitt, Supervisor of District Three, Mr. Joe Norwood, Supervisor of District Four, and Mr. Ray Boswell, Supervisor of District Five.

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. Lee Thaggard representative for Rick Barry, Board Attorney.

The Board meeting was called to order by President of the Board Hank Florey.

Prayer was offered by Supervisor Craig Hitt.

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 Ray Boswell, to approve the "Agenda" for even date, with amendments as follows, was passed unanimously.

BOARD MEETING AGENDA
LAUDERDALE COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 17, 2009 – 5:00 P.M.

1. Meeting called to order by Board President Hank Florey.
2. Prayer given by Supervisor Craig Hitt.
3. Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America.
4. Motion to approve Agenda for even date.
5. Motion to approve minutes dated February 2, 2009.
6. Resolution (s): None.
7. Jimmy Slay, Tax Assessor:
 - A) Petitions for reduction and/or change of assessment.
8. Staff Reports:
9. Other matters for general good and welfare.
10. Actions from Supervisors.
11. Executive session, if needed.
12. Motion to adjourn until Monday, March 2, 2009 at 9:00 A.M.

AMENDMENTS:

JEREMY CAMPBELL: Tourism update and award information added as Item 7B.

ECOM DIRECT INC.: Presentation added as Item 7C.

SHERIFF BILLY SOLLIE: Items added to his Agenda

(See pages _____ through _____ of these minutes.)

SO ORDERED, this February 17, 2009.

A motion by Supervisor Wayman Newell, seconded by Supervisor Ray Boswell, to approve the minutes dated February 2, 2009, was passed unanimously.

SO ORDERED, this February 17, 2009.

Upon the recommendation of Jimmy Slay, Lauderdale County Tax Assessor, a motion by Supervisor Ray Boswell, 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 as further described on attachments hereto, was passed unanimously.

(See pages _____ through _____ of these minutes.)

SO ORDERED, this February 17, 2009.

Jeremy Campbell, Marketing Director for Lauderdale County Tourism, shared with the Board the award presented to Lauderdale County by the Mississippi Tourism Association at the 2009 Governor's Conference on Tourism. Lauderdale County was awarded CVB of the Year with an Operating Budget of \$500,000 - \$700,000.

Mr. Emmanuel Michael, Mr. Stephen Graham, and Rev. Milton Johnson came before the Board to give a presentation for eCom Direct, Inc., a wireless network service for the residents of Lauderdale County.

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 Wayman Newell, seconded by Supervisor Ray Boswell, to include in the minutes certification from Sheriff Billy Sollie that 24,621 meals were served in the Lauderdale County Detention Facility during the month of December, 2008, and 24,163 in January, 2009; and authorize the Board President to sign the necessary paperwork.

SO ORDERED, this February 17, 2009.

A motion by Supervisor Joe Norwood, seconded by Supervisor Wayman Newell, to approve the following Oath of Office, was passed unanimously.

A) Charles Pickett, Deputy Sheriff

SO ORDERED, this February 17, 2009.

A motion by Supervisor Wayman Newell, seconded by Supervisor Ray Boswell, to approve the request to repay, per the following and attached document, the interfund loans to the 9.3 Million Bond Paving Fund (306), was passed unanimously.

General County (fund 001) repay the 9.3 Million Bond Paving Fund (fund 306)

\$1,800,000

County Road Fund (fund 150) repay the 9.3 Million Bond Paving Fund (fund 306)

\$800,000

County Bridge Fund (fund 160) repay the 9.3 Million Bond Paving Fund (fund 306)

\$300,000

(See page _____ of these minutes.)

SO ORDERED, this February 17, 2009.

A motion by Supervisor Craig Hitt, seconded by Supervisor Ray Boswell, to approve the request to purchase a heating unit for the Drug Task Force Office, with the stipulation that the County Administrator get three (3) to four (4) more quotes for the unit, not to exceed \$5,995.00, was passed unanimously.

SO ORDERED, this February 17, 2009.

Upon recommendation of David Sharp, LEMA Director, a motion by Supervisor Craig Hitt, seconded by Supervisor Joe Norwood, to approve the Emergency Management Agreement (EMAP) between, LEMA, State, and Lauderdale County; and authorize the Board President to sign the necessary documents, was passed unanimously.

SO ORDERED, this February 17, 2009.

A motion by Supervisor Wayman Newell, seconded by Supervisor Craig Hitt, to approve Change Order Number 2 for the DHS Building in the amount of \$5,765.70, to provide excavation to reroute 6" sanitary sewer to manhole at southeast corner of parking lot, was passed unanimously.

SO ORDERED, this February 17, 2009.

A motion by Supervisor Ray Boswell, seconded by Supervisor Joe Norwood, to purchase the surplus vans from Weems Mental Health Center for \$500 each, was passed unanimously.

SO ORDERED, this February 17, 2009.

Neal Carson, County Engineer/Road Manager submitted for inclusion in the minutes APPLICATION OF SOUTHERN HILLS NORTH HOMEOWNERS ASSOCIATION, INC. FOR A CERTIFICATE OF PUBLIC CONVENIENCE AND NECESSITY AUTHORIZING IT TO CONSTRUCT, OPERATE AND MAINTAIN A SEWER SYSTEM IN A SPECIFIED AREA IN LAUDERDALE County, MISSISSIPPI.

A motion by Supervisor Craig Hitt, seconded by Supervisor Joe Norwood, to approve the request by AT&T to place a buried fiber optic telecommunications cable along/across Center Hill Road in Lauderdale County (AT&T Job No. 87M00946N), was passed unanimously.

SO ORDERED, this February 17, 2009.

A motion by Supervisor Joe Norwood, seconded by Supervisor Wayman Newell, to approve the request to pay \$4,300.00 to The Westervelt Company, formerly known as Gulf States Paper Company, for easement on the Alamucha-Whynot Road; and \$1,000.00 to Bobby Barrett and his wife for easement on the Alamucha-Whynot Road, was passed unanimously.

SO ORDERED, this February 17, 2008.

Upon recommendation of Mr. Neal Carson, County Engineer/Road Manager, a motion by Supervisor Wayman Newell, seconded by Supervisor Ray Boswell, to hire Ricky Walker as Motor Grader Operator at \$11.00 per hour, was passed on a vote of four (4) to one (1). Supervisor Hank Florey voted aye; Supervisor Wayman Newell voted aye; Supervisor Joe Norwood voted aye; Supervisor Ray Boswell voted aye; and, Supervisor Craig Hitt voted nay.

SO ORDERED, this February 17, 2009.

A motion by Supervisor Wayman Newell, seconded by Supervisor Joe Norwood, to approve the request by Clarence Butler, VFD Coordinator, to purchase a cell phone for Dwayne Todd, Firetruck Mechanic, was passed unanimously.

SO ORDERED, this February 17, 2009.

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

- 1) Effective January 28, 2009, David Mike McCarra has resigned as Deputy Sheriff.
- 2) Effective January 29, 2009, Charles Pickett was hired as a Deputy Sheriff assigned to CID. His starting rate of pay is \$15.17 per hour.
- 3) Effective January 30, 2009, Terri Stewart is no longer employed by the Lauderdale County Sheriff's Department.
- 4) Effective February 11, 2009, Tommy Anderson has resigned as Deputy Sheriff.

A motion by Supervisor Wayman Newell, seconded by Supervisor Craig Hitt, to authorize Deputy Chris McFarland and Deputy Jesse Fairchild to attend Oklahoma Highway Patrol Law Enforcement Driver Training course March 1-6, 2009. Per diem is requested in the amount of \$504.00. The cost of this training will be paid for out of the budget. The motion was passed unanimously.

SO ORDERED, this February 17, 2009.

A motion by Supervisor Wayman Newell, seconded by Supervisor Craig Hitt, to authorize Major Rickey Presson to attend Tactical Marksmanship Training course in Meridian, MS on March 30 to April 9, 2009. The cost of this training will be paid for out of the budget. The motion was passed unanimously.

SO ORDERED, this February 17, 2009.

A motion by Supervisor Craig Hitt, seconded by Supervisor Joe Norwood, to authorize Tim Chesney (IT) and Byron DeHek to attend Sentinel Class, Cyber security: Incident Handling and Response in San Antonio, TX on March 9-13, 2009. Per diem is requested in the amount of \$492.00. Lodging will be at Embassy Suites and is requested in the amount of \$682.93. The cost of this training will be paid for out of the budget. The motion was passed unanimously.

SO ORDERED, this February 17, 2009.

A motion by Supervisor Craig Hitt, seconded by Supervisor Joe Norwood, to approve the request by Sheriff Billy Sollie to remove from inventory two (2) vehicles that were totaled and paid for by the insurance company, per the following, was passed unanimously.

2004 Crown Victoria VIN #2FAFP71W14X123739

2006 Crown Victoria VIN #2FAFP1WX6X117697

SO ORDERED, this February 17, 2009.

A motion by Supervisor Wayman Newell, seconded by Supervisor Craig Hitt, to authorize Steve Spears of the Drug Task Force to attend the Criminal Justice Information

System Conference in Dallas, TX March 4-5, 2009. Total cost will be \$593.50 and the County will be reimbursed by the FBI for this cost. The motion was passed unanimously.

SO ORDERED, this February 17, 2009.

A motion by Supervisor Craig Hitt, seconded by Supervisor Wayman Newell, to authorize the Sheriff's and the Board's signatures on monthly letter to be submitted to the Department of Public Safety in Jackson, MS for the DUI Grant, was passed unanimously.

SO ORDERED, this February 17, 2009.

A motion by Supervisor Craig Hitt, seconded by Supervisor Joe Norwood, to ask the Sheriff's department to help supplement clean-up crews on Highway 19, was passed by a three (3) to two (2) vote. Supervisor Hank Florey voted aye; Supervisor Craig Hitt voted aye; Supervisor Joe Norwood voted aye; Supervisor Wayman Newell voted nay; and, Supervisor Ray Boswell voted nay.

SO ORDERED, this February 17, 2009.

A motion by Supervisor Ray Boswell, seconded by Supervisor Wayman Newell, to approve Tax Refund for Merita Ellis, was passed unanimously.

SO ORDERED, this February 17, 2009.

A motion by Supervisor Ray Boswell, seconded by Supervisor Wayman Newell, to adopt ORDER AUTHORIZING THE ACCEPTANCE OF PETITION AND EASEMENT FOR PUBLIC ROAD FROM PROPERTY OWNERS, THE WESTERVELT COMPANY, FORMERLY

GULF STATES PAPER COMPANY (ALAMUCHA-WHYNOT ROAD); AND, BOBBY BARRETT AND HIS WIFE (ALAMUCHA-WHYNOT ROAD), was passed unanimously.

SO ORDERED, this February 17, 2009.

A motion by Supervisor Ray Boswell, seconded by Supervisor Wayman Newell, to adopt ORDER AUTHORIZING THE ACCEPTANCE OF PETITION AND EASEMENT FOR PUBLIC ROAD FROM PROPERTY OWNERS, LARRY B. GOODMAN, PROJECT NO. LSBP-38(15), MOSLEY LAKE ROAD; JO ELLEN TAYLOR, LARRY REYNOLDS AND BETTY REYNOLDS, PROJECT NO. LSBP-38(15), MOSLEY LAKE ROAD; AND E.C. STRANGE, PROJECT NO. LSBP-38(20), MAYATT ROAD, was passed unanimously.

SO ORDERED, this February 17, 2009.

Mr. Bill Marcy, Mr. Rob Leifried, Ms. Lucinda Johnson, Mr. Richard Lofton, and Mr. Raymond Huffmaster offered comments concerning various matters.

A motion by Supervisor Wayman Newell, seconded by Supervisor Ray Boswell, that the Lauderdale County Supervisors support Bill 2300 which will increase the Homestead Exemption allowance from \$75,000 to \$100,000, passed by a vote of three (3) to one (1). Supervisor Hank Florey voted aye; Supervisor Wayman Newell voted aye; Ray Boswell, voted aye; Supervisor Craig Hitt voted nay; and Supervisor Joe Norwood abstained from voting.

SO ORDERED, this February 17, 2009.

A motion by Supervisor Craig Hitt, seconded by Supervisor Wayman Newell, to accept recommendation from Jimmy Slay, Tax Assessor, to reduce assessment on PPIN 30525 owned by Mr. Mark Carter, was passed unanimously.

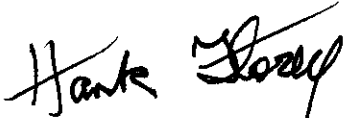
SO ORDERED, this February 17, 2009.

A motion by Supervisor Craig Hitt, seconded by Supervisor Joe Norwood, to adopt Robert's Rules of Order , was passed by a vote of three (3) to two (2). Supervisor Hank Florey voted aye; Supervisor Craig Hitt voted aye; Supervisor Joe Norwood voted aye; Supervisor Wayman Newell voted nay; and, Supervisor Ray Boswell voted nay.

SO ORDERED, this February 17, 2009.

A motion by Supervisor Joe Norwood, seconded by Supervisor Wayman Newell, to recess until Thursday, February 19, 2009, at 10:00 a.m., was passed unanimously.

SO ORDERED, this February 17, 2009.



Hank Florey, President