

MONDAY, MARCH 16, 2009

Pursuant to recess the Lauderdale County Board of Supervisors resumed its regular March meeting at 5:00p.m., Monday March 16, 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. Rick Barry, Board Attorney.

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

Prayer was offered by Reverend David Sellers of Toomsaba Baptist 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 Ray Boswell, to approve the "Agenda" for even date, with amendments as follows, was passed unanimously.

BOARD MEETING AGENDA
LAUDERDALE COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
MONDAY, MARCH 16, 2009 – 5:00 P.M.

1. Meeting called to order by Board President Hank Florey.
2. Prayer given by Reverend David Sellers of Toomsaba Baptist Church.
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 March 2, 2009.
6. Resolution (s): Motion to approve Lauderdale County's support of a partnership with the 2010 Census.
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, April 6, 2009 at 9:00 A.M.

AMENDMENTS:

BOARD ATTORNEY:

Delete Item No. 3 from Legal Agenda, Tax Exemptions.

BOARD PRESIDENT:

Change motion to adjourn to motion to recess until Monday, March 23, 2009 at 3:00 p.m.

(See pages _____ through _____ of these minutes.)

SO ORDERED, this March 16, 2009.

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

SO ORDERED, this March 16, 2009.

A motion by Supervisor Wayman Newell, seconded by Supervisor Ray Boswell, to adopt and include in the minutes Resolution Affirming Lauderdale County Board of Supervisors Support and Partnership with the 2010 Census, was passed unanimously.

SO ORDERED, this March 16, 2009.

A motion by Supervisor Wayman Newell, seconded by Supervisor Craig Hitt, to adopt and include in the minutes Resolution by the Lauderdale County Board of Supervisors, which recognizes the Army Community Covenant supporting those who serve in Lauderdale and surrounding counties, was passed unanimously.

SO ORDERED, this March 16, 2009.

Upon the recommendation of Jimmy Slay, Lauderdale County Tax Assessor, a motion by Supervisor Wayman Newell, seconded by Supervisor Ray Boswell, 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 March 16, 2009.

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 Ray Boswell, seconded by Supervisor Wayman Newell, to include in the minutes certification from Sheriff Billy Sollie that 22,038 meals were served in the Lauderdale County Detention Facility during the month of February, 2009 and authorize the Board President to sign the necessary paperwork, was passed unanimously.

SO ORDERED, this March 16, 2009.

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

A) Gene Wesley Peebles, Detention Officer

SO ORDERED, this March 16, 2009.

A motion by Supervisor Wayman Newell, seconded by Supervisor Hank Florey, to approve the request to pay statements in the amount of \$21,511.91 relating to the \$1,000,000 Bond Issue, as follows, was passed by a vote of three (3) to two (2). Supervisor Hank Florey voted aye; Supervisor Wayman Newell voted aye; Supervisor Ray Boswell voted aye; Supervisor Craig Hitt voted nay; and Supervisor Joe Norwood voted nay.

Government Consultants, Inc.	\$ 5,000.00
Butler/Snow	\$12,711.91
Trustmark National Bank (Acceptance fee & annual fee)	\$ 1,600.00
Trustmark National Bank (Acceptance fee & annual paying agents' fee)	\$ 1,700.00

State Bond Attorney Opinion

\$ 500.00

SO ORDERED, this March 16, 2009.

A motion by Supervisor Wayman Newell, seconded by Supervisor Ray Boswell, to approve the request to terminate agreement with Telecom Audit Group and authorize County Administrator to send letter to that effect, was passed unanimously.

SO ORDERED, this March 16, 2009.

A motion by Supervisor Craig Hitt, seconded by Supervisor Ray Boswell, to approve the request to submit an ad for the June 2009 issue of the Mississippi Association of Supervisors, full page four (4) color ad at \$650.00, was passed unanimously.

SO ORDERED, this March 16, 2009.

A motion by Supervisor Wayman Newell, seconded by Supervisor Ray Boswell, to approve the request to reimburse General County Fund \$33,007.12 in grant money to fund 001-450-911 from fund 305 – DHS Complex, was passed unanimously.

SO ORDERED, this March 16, 2009.

County Administrator Mike Sumrall submitted for inclusion in the minutes that Board members will be traveling to Jackson for Legislative Day at the Capitol Tuesday, March 31, 2009.

A motion by Supervisor Wayman Newell, seconded by Supervisor Ray Boswell, to approve the request for Jeremy Campbell, Marketing Director for Tourism, to travel to STS Marketing College in Delonghi, GA in July (trip is in the budget), was passed unanimously.

SO ORDERED, this March 16, 2009.

A motion by Supervisor Wayman Newell, seconded by Supervisor Ray Boswell, to approve the request for Suzy Johnson, Tourism Director, to travel to MTA Board Retreat in Oxford June 3-5, 2009 (trip is in budget), was passed unanimously.

SO ORDERED, this March 16, 2009.

A motion by Supervisor Ray Boswell, seconded by Supervisor Wayman Newell, to ratify purchase of postage in the amount of \$2,500 for the Justice Court, was passed unanimously.

SO ORDERED, this March 16, 2009.

A motion by Supervisor Ray Boswell, seconded by Supervisor Wayman Newell, to approve the request for the Tax Collector to purchase a new printer in the amount of \$589.00 (replacement); and to make a budget adjustment in order to purchase the printer, was passed unanimously.

SO ORDERED, this March 16, 2009.

A motion by Supervisor Wayman Newell, seconded by Supervisor Ray Boswell, to approve the request to hire a staff person in the Tax Collector's office at a rate between \$7.00 - \$10.00 per hour for the remainder of the year. Based on a \$10.00 salary the total would be:

Salary	\$10,400
FICA	800
Retirement	1,240
Insurance	<u>2,442</u>
Total	\$14,882

The motion was passed by a three (3) to one (1) vote. Supervisor Hank Florey voted aye; Supervisor Wayman Newell voted aye; Supervisor Ray Boswell voted aye; Supervisor Craig Hitt voted nay; and Supervisor Joe Norwood abstained.

SO ORDERED, this March 16, 2009.

A motion by Supervisor Joe Norwood, seconded by Supervisor Craig Hitt, to approve the request for grant funding for the tree planting program at Q.V. Sykes Park in the amount of \$20,000; \$5,000 in-kind County Match (labor), \$15,000 of the funds will be reimbursed through a grant, was passed unanimously.

SO ORDERED, this March 16, 2009.

A motion by Supervisor Ray Boswell, seconded by Supervisor Wayman Newell, to approve the request for the three (3) new Elections Commissioners to attend training in Jackson, with reimbursement of expenses, was passed unanimously.

SO ORDERED, this March 16, 2009.

A motion by Supervisor Wayman Newell, seconded by Supervisor Ray Boswell, to approve the request to pay one-half of the cost of a Historical Marker for Wechsler School, in the amount of \$1,700 - \$1,800; and to authorize the Chancery Clerk to issue the warrant therefore payable from the Lauderdale County General Fund, Advertising Resources Budget, the Board finding and declaring that such expenditure will bring into favorable notice and report the governmental, educational and other opportunities, possibilities and resources of the county in accordance with Section 17-3-1, Mississippi Code of 1972. The motion was passed by 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 March 16, 2009.

A motion by Supervisor Craig Hitt, seconded by Supervisor Hank Florey, to approve the request to sponsor Multi-State High School Rodeo Bucking Chute sponsor (an ad for \$350.00) payable to the Mississippi High School Rodeo Association; Attention Sherri Napp, 787 CR 372, Enterprise, Mississippi 39330; and to authorize the Chancery Clerk to issue the warrant therefore payable from the Lauderdale County General Fund, Advertising County Resources Budget, the Board finding and declaring that such expenditure will bring into favorable notice and report the governmental, educational and other opportunities, possibilities and resources of the county in accordance with Section 17-3-1, Mississippi Code of 1972. The motion was passed unanimously.

SO ORDERED, this March 16, 2009.

A motion by Supervisor Wayman Newell, seconded by Supervisor Ray Boswell, to table vote until the recessed meeting on March 23, 2009, on the request to approve the hiring of a part-time dorm worker (per request of Judge Coleman), James G. Edwards of 1801 Long

Creek Road, with an hourly rate of \$8.00 per hour, 30 hours per week. The position will be funded through a grant. The motion was passed unanimously.

SO ORDERED, this March 16, 2009.

A motion by Supervisor Wayman Newell, seconded by Supervisor Ray Boswell, to approve the request to advertise for hay cutting at the Industrial Park; after much discussion, Supervisor Wayman Newell, withdrew the motion.

A motion by Supervisor Wayman Newell, seconded by Supervisor Ray Boswell, to table the request to approve advertising for hay cutting at the Industrial Park until recessed meeting on Monday, March 23, 2009, was passed unanimously.

SO ORDERED, this March 16, 2009.

A motion by Supervisor Wayman Newell, seconded by Supervisor Ray Boswell, to approve quote of Pritchard Construction Company in the amount of \$15,540.00 for repair of the bridge at Fred Clayton Road, was passed unanimously.

SO ORDERED, this March 16, 2009.

A motion by Supervisor Wayman Newell, seconded by Supervisor Ray Boswell, to accept the low bid by J & M – Larry Ward, in the amount of \$21,608.00 to dismantle and reassemble the wood bridge on new pilings on Willie Chandler Road, was passed by a vote of three (3) to two (2). Supervisor Hank Florey voted aye; Supervisor Wayman Newell voted aye;

Supervisor Ray Boswell voted aye; Supervisor Craig Hitt voted nay; and Supervisor Joe Norwood voted nay.

SO ORDERED, this March 16, 2009.

Neal Carson, County Engineer/ Road Manager, submitted for inclusion in the minutes that a road crew will be working off of the right-of-way at 5706 Blind Brown Road to break down a beaver dam.

A motion by Supervisor Wayman Newell, seconded by Supervisor Ray Boswell, to approve the hire of Gary Miller (replacement) at Satellite A at a rate of \$9.12 per hour, was passed by 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 March 16, 2009.

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

- 1) Effective March 2, 2009, Monica Chesney was hired as a Central Control Operator. Her starting rate of pay is \$8.55 per hour.
- 2) Effective March 9, 2009, Gene Pete Peebles was hired as a Detention Officer. His starting rate of pay is \$9.05 per hour.

A motion by Supervisor Ray Boswell, seconded by Supervisor Wayman Newell, to set a hearing for April 20, 2009 at 5:30 p.m.; and to adopt RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF LAUDERDALE COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI, DETERMING THE NECESSITY FOR AND INVOKING THE AUTHORITY GRANTED TO MUNICIPALITIES BY THE LEGISLATURE WITH RESPECT TO TAX INCREMENT FINANCING AS SET FORTH IN CHAPTER 45 OF TITLE 21, MISSISSIPPI CODE OF 1972, AS AMENDED; DETERMINING THAT THE AMENDED AND RESTATED TAX INCREMENT FINANCING PLAN OF 2006, LAUDERDALE COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI (MERIDIAN CROSSROADS PROJECT) PROPOSES A PROJECT THAT IS A PROJECT ELIGIBLE FOR TAX INCREMENT FINANCING UNDER THE LAWS OF THE STATE; THAT A PUBLIC HEARING BE CONDUCTED IN CONNECTION WITH THE AMENDED AND RESTATED TAX INCREMENT FINANCING PLAN OF 2006, LAUDERDALE COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI (MERIDIAN CROSSROADS PROJECT); AND FOR RELATED PURPOSES, was passed unanimously.

SO ORDERED, this March 16, 2009.

A motion by Supervisor Craig Hitt, seconded by Supervisor Wayman Newell, to AUTHORIZE EXECUTION OF A CONTRACT FOR FIRE PROTECTION SERVICE BETWEEN LAUDERDALE COUNTY AND EACH OF THE COUNTY VOLUNTEER FIRE DEPARTMENTS AS LISTED BELOW, was passed unanimously.

Alamucha/Toomsba VFD – Station #1

Alamucha/Toomsba VFD – Station #2

Bailey VFD – Station #1

Bailey VFD – Station #2

Bailey VFD – Station #3

Center Ridge VFDC

Clarkdale VFD

Collinsville VFD

Lauderdale VFD

Long Creek VFD

Lost Gap VFD

Martin VFD

Meehan VFD

Northeast VFD

Russell VFD

Sam Dale VFD

Southeast District VFD – Station #1 at Vimville

Southeast District VFD – Station #2 at Causeyville

Southeast District VFD – Station #3 at Whynot

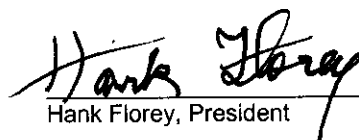
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SO ORDERED, this March 16, 2009.

Ms. Barbara A. Lee offered comments concerning disabled citizens purchasing car tags in Lauderdale County.

A motion by Supervisor Wayman Newell, seconded by Supervisor Craig Hitt, to recess until March 23, 2009, at 3:00 p.m., was passed unanimously.

SO ORDERED, this March 16, 2009.


Hank Florey, President