

THURSDAY, JUNE 25, 2009

Pursuant to recess the Lauderdale County Board of Supervisors resumed its regular June meeting at 9:00 a.m., Thursday, June 25, 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, 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.

Absent was Mr. Joe Norwood, Supervisor of District Four.

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

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Prayer was offered by Supervisor Craig Hitt.

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

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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  
THURSDAY, JUNE 25, 2009 – 9:00 A.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. Consider motion to go into executive session to discuss legal actions pending and to discuss the transaction of business, discussion and negotiations regarding the location of a business or industry and purchase of real property, as well as personnel matters.
6. Adjourn until Tuesday, July 7, 2009 at 9:00 a.m.

AMENDMENTS:

BOARD ATTORNEY:

- 4a. Hearing of petition submitted by Mike Reed, Owner and General Manager of TV Stations WMDN and WGBC concerning tax assessment on personal property.

CLARENCE BUTLER, VFD COORDINATOR:

- 5a. Reimbursement of grant to Collinsville VFD

MIKE SUMRALL, COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR:

- 5b. Payroll and Justice Court Reimbursement

(See pages \_\_\_\_\_ through \_\_\_\_\_ of these minutes.)

SO ORDERED, this June 25, 2009.

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Mr. Mike Reed, owner of WGBC-TV and manager of WMDN-TV came before the Board of Supervisors to petition them under the Taxation and Finance Codes as outlined in Paragraph 12 of Section 27-35-143 which states: "When the property has been assessed for more than its' actual value; but in such cases the board shall require proof, under oath, of such

excessive assessment by two (2) or more competent witnesses who know of their own personal knowledge that the property is assessed for a higher sum than its' true value". At this time Mr. Clyde Walker and Mr. Ray Denton came forward as witnesses. The following attachments are considered as part of this hearing.

(See pages \_\_\_\_\_ through \_\_\_\_\_ of these minutes.)

Mr. Jimmy Slay, Tax Assessor, will need to get back to the Board to clarify certain issues and to make his recommendation to the Board at the next work session on Thursday, July 2, 2009. Resolution of the tax issues presented by Mr. Reed will be taken up at the next Board meeting on Tuesday, July 7, 2009.

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Upon recommendation of Mr. Clarence Butler, VFD Coordinator, to reimburse the Collinsville Volunteer Fire Department for the 5% match in the amount of \$3,319.00 (\$63,071.00 total grant) for the purchase of equipment. The grant is now complete. A motion by Supervisor Ray Boswell, seconded by Supervisor Wayman Newell, to reimburse the match was passed on a vote of three (3) to zero (0). Supervisor Hank Florey voted aye; Supervisor Wayman Newell voted aye; Mr. Ray Boswell voted aye; and Supervisor Craig Hitt, abstained from voting.

SO ORDERED, this June 25, 2009.

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A motion by Supervisor Craig Hitt, seconded by Supervisor Wayman Newell, to approve the request to allow employees to choose if they want to be paid for 24 hours (3 days) personal or comp time to make up for the adjustment to the new payroll work week, was passed on a vote of three (3) to one (1). Supervisor Hank Florey voted aye; Supervisor Wayman Newell voted aye; Supervisor Craig Hitt voted aye; and Supervisor Ray Boswell voted nay.

SO ORDERED, this June 25, 2009.

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A motion by Supervisor Ray Boswell, seconded by Supervisor Wayman Newell, to issue refunds per court order from the Justice Court, one is in the amount of \$344.00 and the other is for \$638.00, was passed unanimously.

SO ORDERED, this June 25, 2009.

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A motion by Supervisor Ray Boswell, seconded by Supervisor Wayman Newell, to allow Benji Hammond to cut the hay at Malone Ranch (area north of the road) for the remainder of the year; and to allow Ronnie Massey to cut hay at no charge on the section he previously bid on, as long as both areas are mowed and kept clean, was passed unanimously.

SO ORDERED, this June 25, 2009.

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A motion by Supervisor Wayman Newell, seconded by Supervisor Hank Florey, to open up the slider box area at Satellite A on Saturdays from 7:00 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. so that white goods can be disposed of properly, was passed unanimously.

SO ORDERED, this June 25, 2009.

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A motion by Supervisor Craig Hitt, seconded by Supervisor Ray Boswell, to keep enclosures for Satellites B, C & D open to the public permanently for disposal of white goods; and to have the Sheriff's Department monitor on a regular basis, was passed unanimously.

SO ORDERED, this June 25, 2009.

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The minutes shall reflect that Supervisor Joe Norwood joined the Board meeting at this time.

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The Board of Supervisors immediately thereafter, with no business intervening, considered the necessity for an executive session for discussion of legal actions pending and to discuss the transaction of business, discussions and negotiations regarding the location of a business or industry and purchase of real property, as well as personnel matters; and a motion by Supervisor Craig Hitt, seconded by Supervisor Wayman Newell, to go 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 SUPERVISORS HANK FLOREY, WAYMAN NEWELL, CRAIG HITT, JOE NORWOOD, RAY BOSWELL, AND RICK BARRY, BOARD ATTORNEY.

SO ORDERED, this June 25, 2009.

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A motion by Supervisor Craig Hitt, seconded by Supervisor Joe Norwood, to come out of executive session was passed unanimously.

SO ORDERED, this June 25, 2009.

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The Board went back into open meeting. Mr. Rick Barry, Board Attorney, announced that the Board went into executive session to discuss a personnel matter and discussions and negotiations regarding location of a business or industry with no action taken. But there was action taken as follows:

A motion by Supervisor Craig Hitt, seconded by Supervisor Wayman Newell, to declare and find the purpose for which the bonds were issued for the Loblolly Project (Taxable General Obligation Industrial Development Bonds, Series 2006B, issued in the principal amount of \$10,000,000) was no longer relevant and should be declared surplus pursuant to 27-105-367(3)(a) because due to circumstances beyond the control of the County, the industrial project intended is no longer possible as advised by company officials, will not come to fruition, and, the Clerk is directed to transfer the balance of the bond proceeds to the bond and interest sinking fund. In addition, the Board left open possible litigation dealing with this project that could be decided in the next few months. The motion was passed unanimously.

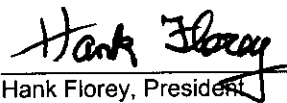
SO ORDERED, this June 25, 2009.

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A motion by Supervisor Wayman Newell, seconded by Supervisor Craig Hitt, to adjourn until Tuesday, July 2, 2009 at 9:00 a.m., was passed unanimously.

SO ORDERED, this June 25, 2009.

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Hank Florey, President