

TUESDAY, JULY 6, 2010

BE IT REMEMBERED that the Lauderdale County Board of Supervisors resumed its regular July meeting at 9:00 a.m., Tuesday, July 6, 2010, at the Raymond P. Davis County Annex Building in Meridian, Mississippi, with the following members present: Mr. Wayman Newell, President of the Board and Supervisor of District Two, Mr. Hank Florey, Supervisor of District One, 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. Joe McCraney, County Administrator, Mr. Neal Carson, County Engineer/Road Manager, and Mr. Rick Barry, Board Attorney.

Sheriff Billy Sollie called the July 2010 meeting of the Board of Supervisors to order.

Prayer was offered by Pastor David Caves of Toomsba Baptist 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 Craig Hitt, to approve the "Agenda" for even date, with amendments as follows, was passed unanimously.

BOARD MEETING AGENDA
LAUDERDALE COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
TUESDAY, JULY 6, 2010 – 9:00 A.M.

1. July 2010 meeting called to order by Sheriff Billy Sollie.
2. Prayer given by Pastor Davis Caves with Toomsba Baptist Church.
3. Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America.
4. Approval of Agenda for even date.
5. Need approval to ratify actions at Special Meeting on July 1, 2010.
6. Approval of minutes dated June 7, June 10, and June 21, 2010.
7. PROCLAMATION: Proclaiming July as "Minority Mental Health Awareness".
8. Sheriff Billy Sollie
9. Jimmy Slay, Tax Assessor
 - A) Real/Personal Property Rolls
10. Staff Reports:
11. Other matters for general good and welfare.
12. Actions from Supervisors.
13. Recess until Friday, July 9, 2010 at 9:00 A.M.

AMENDMENTS:

BOARD ATTORNEY

Delete Item 3 on Legal Agenda

Add 3a. & 3b. Consideration of easement with EMEPA for Handy Hardware

(See pages _____ through _____ of these minutes.)

SO ORDERED, this July 6, 2010.

A motion by Supervisor Craig Hitt, seconded by Supervisor Hank Florey, to ratify actions that were taken at the Special Meeting on July 1, 2010, was passed unanimously.

SO ORDERED, this July 6, 2010.

A motion by Supervisor Hank Florey, seconded by Supervisor Wayman Newell, to approve minutes dated June 7, June 10, and June 21, 2010, was passed unanimously.

SO ORDERED, this July 6, 2010.

A motion by Supervisor Craig Hitt, seconded by Supervisor Joe Norwood, to proclaim and to enter into the minutes July 2010 as "Minority Mental Health Awareness Month", was passed unanimously.

SO ORDERED, this July 6, 2010.

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

- 1) Effective June 22, 2010, Ruby Harris Davison has resigned as Detention Officer.
- 2) Effective June 25, 2010, Aaron Napp has resigned as Detention Officer.

Upon recommendation by Sheriff Billy Sollie, a motion by Supervisor Hank Florey, seconded by Supervisor Craig Hitt, to approve Board President's signature on application for COPS/TECH Grant in the amount of \$42,689.00, which will be used to purchase software and hardware for the Drug Task Force; there is no match as the grant is 100% funded by the State. The motion was passed unanimously.

SO ORDERED, this July 6, 2010.

Supervisor Craig Hitt presented proclamation previously approved, "Minority Mental Health Awareness Month", to Pace Cooke Emmons of Weems Community Mental Health Center.

Mr. Jimmy Slay, Lauderdale County Tax Assessor, presented the 2010 Real and Personal Tax Property Rolls to the Board of Supervisors in order to begin the Equalization process.

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 Craig Hitt, to approve the claims docket for the month of July, 2010; and to authorize the Chancery Clerk to issue warrants therefore, was passed unanimously.

(See pages _____ through _____ of these minutes.)

SO ORDERED, this July 6, 2010.

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

- A) Erick Thompkins, Deputy Justice Court Clerk
- B) Shanekia Rush, Deputy Justice Court Clerk
- C) Keith McCary, Special Deputy

SO ORDERED, this July 6, 2010.

A motion by Supervisor Craig Hitt, seconded by Supervisor Hank Florey, to approve the request of the East Central Mississippi Trauma Care Region to install a repeater device at the Courthouse Annex, was passed unanimously.

SO ORDERED, this July 6, 2010.

A motion by Supervisor Hank Florey, seconded by Supervisor Ray Boswell, to approve the request for Election Commissioners to attend the 2010 Mississippi Secretary of State's Office "Election Operations for GEMS Training" on July 14, 2010 at the Mississippi Secretary of State's office in Jackson, MS. Jeff Tate and Tim Chesney will attend. They will travel in a County vehicle. The motion was passed unanimously.

SO ORDERED, this July 6, 2010.

A motion by Supervisor Craig Hitt, seconded by Supervisor Hank Florey, to table the request of Darlene Jones, Justice Court Clerk, to hire Ashley Arrington as Deputy Clerk beginning July 19, 2010 at \$9.27 per hour to fill a vacant position. The Board would like to discuss this in the Justice Court Clerk's budget meeting. The motion was passed unanimously.

SO ORDERED, this July 6, 2010.

A motion by Supervisor Craig Hitt, seconded by Supervisor Hank Florey, to approve the request of Allen Dover, VFD, for four (4) Volunteer Firefighters to attend training at the National Fire Academy in September. Cost of tuition is \$71.00 each (total of \$284.00 and is in the budget), was passed unanimously.

SO ORDERED, this July 6, 2010.

A motion by Supervisor Hank Florey, seconded by Supervisor Ray Boswell, to approve ORDER ADOPTING MOTOR VEHICLE SCHEDULE FOR 2010-2011 FISCAL YEAR FOR LAUDERDALE COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI, with a hearing date scheduled for July 19, 2010 at 5:30 p.m., was passed unanimously.

SO ORDERED, this July 6, 2010.

A motion by Supervisor Ray Boswell, seconded by Supervisor Hank Florey, to adopt ORDER OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS IN THE MATTER OF REAL AND PERSONAL ASSESSMENT ROLLS OF LAUDERDALE COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI, which were filed by the Tax Assessor as of this date; and to meet on Monday, July 19, 2010 at 3:00 p.m., to equalize the rolls, was passed unanimously.

SO ORDERED, this July 6, 2010.

Once the rolls are equalized they will be turned over to Chancery Clerk Carolyn Mooney. Those interested in looking at the assessed value on their property will be able to do so then. Any objections must be filed with the Chancery Clerk prior to August 2, 2010, at 1:00 P.M.

A motion by Supervisor Craig Hitt, seconded by Supervisor Hank Florey, to approve a RIGHT-OF-WAY EASEMENT TO EAST MISSISSIPPI POWER ASSOCIATION GRANTING THEM EASEMENT TO CROSS CERTAIN LANDS FOR THE BENEFIT OF HANDY HARDWARE, was passed unanimously.

SO ORDERED, this July 6, 2010.

A motion by Supervisor Hank Florey, seconded by Supervisor Craig Hitt, to **recess as the Lauderdale County Board of Supervisors and to convene as the Trustees of the East Mississippi Economic District**, was passed unanimously.

SO ORDERED, this July 6, 2010.

A motion by Trustee Craig Hitt, seconded by Trustee Hank Florey, to approve a RIGHT-OF-WAY EASEMENT TO EAST MISSISSIPPI POWER ASSOCIATION GRANTING THEM EASEMENT TO CROSS CERTAIN LANDS FOR THE BENEFIT OF HANDY HARDWARE, was passed unanimously.

SO ORDERED, this July 6, 2010.

A motion by Trustee Hank Florey, seconded by Trustee Craig Hitt, to **recess as the Trustees of the East Mississippi Economic District and reconvene as the Lauderdale County Board of Supervisors**, was passed unanimously.

SO ORDERED, this July 6, 2010.

Upon recommendation of Board Attorney Rick Barry, a motion by Supervisor Hank Florey, seconded by Supervisor Craig Hitt, to approve the request to employ Mr. Alex Smith of Appraisers Associated, to appraise the property (25 acres to be swapped) at Dunn's Falls with the cost to be shared equally by Pat Harrison Waterway District, but at a maximum payment by the Board of \$500.00, was passed on a vote of four (4) to zero (0). Supervisor Hank Florey voted aye; Supervisor Craig Hitt voted aye; Supervisor Joe Norwood voted aye; And Supervisor Ray Boswell voted aye. Supervisor Wayman Newell abstained from voting.

SO ORDERED, this July 6, 2010.

A motion by Supervisor Craig Hitt, seconded by Supervisor Hank Florey, to approve application of FEMA grant to build a shelter for evacuees in Lauderdale County (with 5% of match to be shared by the City of Meridian – with land and improvements equaling in-kind match of approximately \$150,000.00), not to exceed \$3.2 million, was passed on 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 July 6, 2010.

The Board of Supervisors, immediately thereafter, with no business intervening, considered the necessity for an executive session for discussion of anticipated litigation, and a motion by Supervisor Hank Florey, seconded by Supervisor Craig Hitt, 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, COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR JOE MCCRANEY AND BOARD ATTORNEY. RICK BARRY.

SO ORDERED, this July 6, 2010.

Mr. Brian Wilson of The Meridian Star stated his opposition to the executive session at this time.

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

SO ORDERED, this July 6, 2010.

The Board went back into open meeting. Mr. Rick Barry, Board Attorney, announced that the Board went into executive session to discuss anticipated litigation. No action was taken at this time.

A motion by Supervisor Ray Boswell, seconded by Supervisor Hank Florey, to advertise for bids on a State Aid Project on the Alamucha Whynot Road and Bridge Project in Lauderdale County, which is subject to final approval by State Aid, was passed unanimously.

SO ORDERED, this July 6, 2010.

A motion by Supervisor Craig Hitt, seconded by Supervisor Hank Florey, to recess until Monday, July 19, 2010, at 3:00 p.m., for Equalization of Real and Personal Property Tax Rolls, was passed unanimously.

SO ORDERED, this July 6, 2010.


Wayman Newell, President