

THURSDAY, JULY 22, 2010

Pursuant to recess the Lauderdale County Board of Supervisors resumed its regular July meeting at 9:00 a.m., July 22, 2010, at the Raymond P. Davis County Annex Building in Meridian, Mississippi, with the following members present: Mr. Wayman Newell, Board President 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, and Mr. Rick Barry, Board Attorney.

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Board President Wayman Newell called the July, 2010 recessed meeting to order.

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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 Hank Florey, seconded by Supervisor Joe Norwood, to approve the "Agenda" for even date, with amendments as follows, was passed unanimously.

BOARD MEETING AGENDA  
LAUDERDALE COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS  
THURSDAY, JULY 22, 2010 – 9:00 A.M.

1. Meeting called to order by Board President Wayman Newell.

2. Prayer given by Supervisor Craig Hitt.
3. Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America.
4. Approval of Agenda for even date.
5. Need a motion to recess as the Board of Supervisors and convene as the Board of Trustees of the Economic Development District.
  - a. Need approval to accept bids received on Thursday, July 15, 2010 for Gas Line Extension at I 20/59 Industrial Park Site E.P. Project NO 09-602D and award contract to Taylor Construction of Laurel, MS in the amount of \$196,294 being the lowest and best bid and authorize Board President to sign all documents.
  - b. Need approval to accept bids received on Thursday, July 15, 2010 for Fencing E>P> Project No 09-602D and award contract to Southern Exteriors Fence Co, of Perkins, MS in the amount of \$57,476 being the lowest and best bid and authorize Board President to sign all documents.
  - c. Need motion to adjourn as the Board of Economic Development District and convene as the Board of Supervisors.
6. Rick Barry, Board Attorney
7. Other matters for general good and welfare.
8. Actions from Supervisors.
9. Motion to adjourn until Monday, August 2, 2010 at 9:00 a.m.

AMENDMENT

BOARD PRESIDENT

Add to Agenda 4a. – Mr. Vincent Haguewood to address Board.

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

SO ORDERED, this July 22, 2010.

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Mr. Vincent Haguewood came before the Board to speak to the Supervisors concerning a garbage issue. Board Attorney Rick Barry will look into the matter and see what can be done.

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A motion by Supervisor Hank Florey, seconded by Supervisor Joe Norwood, to recess as the Board of Supervisors and convene as the Board of Trustees of the Economic Development District, was passed unanimously.

SO ORDERED, this July 22, 2010.

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A motion by Trustee Hank Florey, seconded by Trustee Joe Norwood, to approve the request to accept bids received on Thursday, July 15, 2010 for Gas Line Extension at I 20/59 Industrial Park Site E.P. Project No. 09-602D and award contract to Taylor Construction of Laurel, MS in the amount of \$196,294.00 being the lowest and best bid; and to authorize the Board President to sign all documents. Trustee Hank Florey also added to his motion to accept and approve bids received on Thursday, July 22, 2010 for Fencing E.P. Project No. 09-602D, and award contract to Southern Exteriors Fence Co. of Perkins, MS in the amount of \$57,476.00 being the lowest and best bid; and to authorize the Board President to sign all documents. The motions were passed unanimously.

SO ORDERED, this July 22, 2010.

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A motion by Trustee Hank Florey, seconded by Trustee Joe Norwood, to adjourn as the Board of Economic Development District and reconvene as the Board of Supervisors, was passed unanimously.

SO ORDERED, this July 22, 2010.

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Mr. Robert Hogan and Mr. Charlie Trottman of Meridian Crossroads, LLC came before the Board of Supervisors concerning the Tax Appeal Issue for the 2009 Tax Assessments. They discussed the economic impact that the recession has had on retail sales for the past several years and asked that a compromise be reached in their tax situation.

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The Board of Supervisor immediately thereafter, with no business intervening, considered the necessity for an executive session for discussion of pending litigation of two (2) tax appeals, and a motion by Supervisor Hank Florey, seconded by Supervisor Craig Hitt, to go into executive session was passed on 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 BOARD ATTORNEY RICK BARRY.

SO ORDERED, this July 22, 2010.

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A motion by Supervisor Hank Florey, seconded by Supervisor Joe Norwood, to go out of the executive session, was passed unanimously.

SO ORDERED, this July 22, 2010.

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A motion by Supervisor Hank Florey, seconded by Supervisor Craig Hitt, to accept ORDER OF THE LAUDERDALE COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS; the Board having considered the testimony presented by Robert Hogan and Alex Smith on behalf of the Petitioner, Meridian Crossroads, LLC, as well as having considered information provided by Lauderdale County Tax Assessor and his appraiser, finds that the true value for the parcels,

per attached document, should be adjusted to reflect the change in true value for the tax year 2009. The motion was passed unanimously.

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

SO ORDERED, this July 22, 2010.

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A motion by Supervisor Craig Hitt, seconded by Supervisor Hank Florey, to settle the tax appeal of RHS Family Partnership Ltd, Etal and to set 2009 value at \$1,675,000; and to authorize the Board Attorney to enter order with Circuit Court dismissing said appeal, was passed unanimously.

SO ORDERED, this July 22, 2010.

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SO ORDERED, this July 22, 2010.

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Wayman Newell, President