

MONDAY, MARCH 16, 2015

Pursuant to recess the Lauderdale County Board of Supervisors resumed its regular March meeting at 5:00 p.m., Monday, March 16, 2015, at the Raymond P. Davis County Annex Building in Meridian, Mississippi, with the following members present: Mr. Kyle Rutledge, President of the Board and Supervisor of District Five, Mr. Hank Florey, Supervisor of District One, Mr. Wayman Newell, Supervisor of District Two, Mr. Josh Todd, Supervisor of District Three, And Mr. Joe Norwood, Supervisor of District Four.

Also present were Ms. Carolyn Mooney, Chancery Clerk and Clerk of the Board of Supervisors, Mr. David Engel, County Administrator, Mr. Greer Goldman, Road Manager, and Mr. Lee Thaggard, Board Attorney.

The recessed meeting was called to order by Board President Kyle Rutledge.

Prayer was offered by County Administrator David Engel.

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

A motion by Supervisor Joe Norwood, seconded by Supervisor Josh Todd, 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, 2015 – 5:00 P.M.

1. Meeting called to order by Board President Kyle Rutledge.
2. Prayer given by County Administrator David Engel.
3. Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America.
4. Approval of Agenda for even date.
5. Approval of minutes dated March 2, 2015.
6. PROCLAMATION: "R.E.A.D. Day"
7. Sheriff Billy Sollie (agenda attached).
8. Dede Mogollon, Executive Director Tourism (agenda attached).
9. James Rainey, Tax Assessor (agenda attached).
10. Greer Goldman, Road Manager (agenda attached).
11. Staff Reports: Carolyn Mooney, David Engel, and Lee Thaggard
12. Other matters for general good and welfare.
13. Actions from Supervisors.
14. Motion to adjourn until Monday, April 6, 2015 at 9:00 A.M.

(See pages _____ through _____ of these minutes.)

SO ORDERED, this March 16, 2015.

A motion by Supervisor Hank Florey, seconded by Supervisor Josh Todd, to approve minutes dated March 2, 2015, was passed unanimously.

SO ORDERED, this March 16, 2015.

A motion by Supervisor Kyle Rutledge, seconded by Supervisor Hank Florey, to approve Proclamation declaring the 17th of April 2015 as "R.E.A.D. Day" in Lauderdale County in order to bring awareness to the importance of literacy, was passed unanimously.

SO ORDERED, this March 16, 2015.

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

- 1) Effective February 12, 2015, Justin Mears has resigned as Detention Officer.
- 2) Effective February 23, 2015, Tannisha Allen has resigned as Detention Officer.
- 3) Effective March 2, 2015, Shawnkitta Curry has resigned as Detention Officer.
- 4) Effective March 6, 2015, Demetri Culpepper was terminated as Detention Officer.
- 5) Effective March 7, 2015, Alan Hunter Smith has resigned as Detention Officer.
- 6) Effective March 8, 2015, David Hampton has been hired as a Detention Officer. His starting rate of pay is \$10.51 per hour.
- 7) Effective March 8, 2015, Jonathan Leslie has been hired as a Detention Officer. His starting rate of pay is \$10.51 per hour.
- 8) Effective March 8, 2015, Johnny Shoemaker has been hired as a Detention Officer. His starting rate of pay is \$10.51 per hour.
- 9) Effective March 10, 2015, Amy Presley was hired as Civilian Tower Operator. Her starting rate of pay is \$8.73 per hour.
- 10) Effective March 19, 2015, James Blackwell has resigned as Detention Officer.

A motion by Supervisor Josh Todd, seconded by Supervisor Wayman Newell, to give Sheriff Billy Sollie authorization to apply for the Occupant Protection Grant 2015-2016, was passed unanimously.

SO ORDERED, this March 16, 2015.

A motion by Supervisor Wayman Newell, seconded by Supervisor Josh Todd, to give Sheriff Billy Sollie authorization to apply for the 2015-2016 DUI Grant, was passed unanimously.

SO ORDERED, this March 16, 2015.

A motion by Supervisor Josh Todd, seconded by Supervisor Wayman Newell, to approve the request for Sheriff Billy Sollie to attend the 2015 Summer Conference of the MS Sheriff's Association on June 1-5, 2015 in Bay St. Louis, MS. Lodging will be at the Hollywood Casino at the cost of \$316.00. The motion was passed unanimously.

SO ORDERED, this March 16, 2015.

A motion by Supervisor Josh Todd, seconded by Supervisor Joe Norwood, to ratify minutes approving Major Laurie Robinson who attended the Jail Administration Conference in Hernando, MS on March 3-9, 2015. Lodging and per diem are requested. The motion was passed unanimously.

SO ORDERED, this March 16, 2015.

A motion by Supervisor Josh Todd, seconded by Supervisor Hank Florey, to approve request by Sheriff Billy Sollie to advertise for proposals retro-fitting LED lights for the Detention Facility, was passed unanimously.

SO ORDERED, this March 16, 2015.

A motion by Supervisor Wayman Newell, seconded by Supervisor Hank Florey, to approve the following travel requests by Executive Director of Tourism Dede Mogollon, was passed unanimously.

- 1) For Steve Martin to attend MSAE Mid-Year Conference Planning Meeting March 19-20, 2015 in Tupelo, MS. Expenses include hotel for one (1) night, two (2) days per diem, and travel in a county vehicle. Travel is in the budget.
- 2) For Steve Martin to attend MSAE Board Meeting/Mid-Year Planning Meeting April 7-8, 2015 in Jackson, MS. Expenses include hotel for one (1) night, two (2) days per diem, and travel in a county vehicle. Travel is in the budget.

- 3) For Dede Mogollon and Steve Martin to attend MSAE Mid/Year Conference April 29-May 1, 2015 in Tupelo, MS. Expenses for Mogollon will include hotel for two (2) nights, three (3) days per diem, and travel in personal vehicle. Expenses for Martin (due to being on planning committee) will include hotel for three (3) nights, four (4) days per diem, and travel in a county vehicle. Travel is in the budget.
- 4) For Dede Mogollon and Steve Martin to attend the Meet in Meridian Sales Blitz May 13-14, 2015 in Jackson, MS. Expenses for each will include hotel for one (1) night, two (2) days per diem, and travel in a county vehicle. Travel is in the budget.
- 5) For Dede Mogollon to attend Mississippi Tourism Association Board Retreat May 17-19, 2015 in Clarksdale, MS. Expenses include hotel for two (2) nights, three (3) days per diem, and travel in a county vehicle. Travel is in the budget.

SO ORDERED, this March 16, 2015.

Upon recommendation of James Rainey, Lauderdale County Tax Assessor, a motion by Supervisor Wayman Newell, seconded by Supervisor Hank Florey, to adopt the attached petitions for reduction and/or change of assessment and notice 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, 2015.

A motion by Supervisor Hank Florey, seconded by Supervisor Josh Todd, to approve the following budget transfers to properly classify training classes, was passed unanimously.

- 1) \$5,000.00 from 096-153-481 to line 096-153-475
- 2) \$10,000.00 from 096-153-481 to line 096-153-476

SO ORDERED, this March 16, 2015.

Whitney Hodges, Deputy Tax Assessor, reminded Lauderdale County residents that the office will be open Saturday, March 28, 2015 from 8 to 12. This will be the last Saturday that the office will be open for this Homestead season. April 1st is the deadline to accept applications for Homestead Exemption.

A motion by Supervisor Wayman Newell, seconded by Supervisor Josh Todd, to approve the request for AT&T Job No. 57M00774N – Meehan Savoy Road and Paulding Road, was passed unanimously.

SO ORDERED, this March 16, 2015.

A motion by Supervisor Hank Florey, seconded by Supervisor Wayman Newell, to approve the request for AT&T Job No. 57M00871N – Van Zyverdan Road, was passed unanimously.

SO ORDERED, this March 16, 2015.

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 Josh Todd, to approve the second claims docket for the month of March 2015; and to authorize the Chancery Clerk to issue the warrants therefore, was passed unanimously.

(See pages _____ through _____ of these minutes.)

SO ORDERED, this March 16, 2015.

A motion by Supervisor Josh Todd, seconded by Supervisor Wayman Newell, to approve the following Oaths of Office, was passed unanimously.

- A) Joseph Hall – Detention Officer
- B) David Hampton – Detention Officer

SO ORDERED, this March 16, 2015.

A motion by Supervisor Josh Todd, seconded by Supervisor Hank Florey, to approve revisions to addressing and permitting procedures as attached, was passed unanimously.

(See pages _____ through _____ of these minutes.)

SO ORDERED, this March 16, 2015.

A motion by Supervisor Josh Todd, seconded by Supervisor Hank Florey, to approve the request to dispose of county records per request of Kay Maddox as attached, was passed unanimously.

(See pages _____ through _____ of these minutes.)

SO ORDERED, this March 16, 2015.

A motion by Supervisor Josh Todd, seconded by Supervisor Hank Florey, to approve the request to ratify February and March payments to Coroner Clayton Cobler as attached, was passed unanimously.

(See pages _____ through _____ of these minutes.)

SO ORDERED, this March 16, 2015.

A motion by Supervisor Hank Florey, seconded by Supervisor Josh Todd, to approve the following fund transfers (noted per 2015 budget), was passed unanimously.

- 1) \$282,600.00 from Fund 138 – Economic Industrial and Recreational to Fund 620
– Economic Development District
- 2) \$50,000.00 from Fund 137 – Tourism to Fund 129 – Agri-Center
- 3) \$50,000.00 from Fund 137 – Tourism to Fund 130 - MS Arts & Entertainment
Center

SO ORDERED, this March 16, 2015.

A motion by Supervisor Hank Florey, seconded by Supervisor Josh Todd, to approve the request to repay advance from Fund 294 – TIF I & S Crossroads for \$116,316.69 back to General Fund. Funds have been received from the Tax Collector. The motion was passed unanimously.

SO ORDERED, this March 16, 2015.

A motion by Supervisor Wayman Newell, seconded by Supervisor Josh Todd, to approve the request for Linda Posey, Carolyn Mooney, and David Engel to attend the MS Association of County Administrators and Comptrollers Spring Education Workshop April 15-16, 2015 in Jackson, MS. Travel includes registration fees and mileage (included in budget). The motion was passed unanimously.

SO ORDERED, this March 16, 2015.

A motion by Supervisor Josh Todd, seconded by Supervisor Wayman Newell, to approve the following travel requests, was passed unanimously.

- 1) For Kenneth Rowell, Amanda Spells, and Vennie Cooley to attend Terrorism Awareness for Public Safety Dispatcher Seminar (E-911) in Crystal Springs, MS March 30-31, 2015. This is a state reimbursable class. Costs include tuition, motel, and meals.
- 2) For Tristan Payne and Zachary Swindoll to attend APCO MS Conference (E-911) in Philadelphia, MS April 20-22, 2015. This is a state reimbursable class. Costs include tuition, motel, and meals.

SO ORDERED, this March 16, 2015.

A motion by Supervisor Josh Todd, seconded by Supervisor Joe Norwood, to approve the request to advertise for requests for proposal (RFP) for preparation of the Naval Air Station Meridian Joint Land Use Study (JLUS), was passed on a vote of four (4) to one (1). Supervisor Hank Florey voted aye; Supervisor Josh Todd voted aye; Supervisor Joe Norwood voted aye; Supervisor Kyle Rutledge voted aye; and Supervisor Wayman Newell voted nay.

SO ORDERED, this March 16, 2015.

A motion by Supervisor Hank Florey, seconded by Supervisor Josh Todd, to approve the request for pilot recycling program contract with ADSI for three (3) months, per the attached documents, was passed unanimously.

(See pages _____ through _____ of these minutes.)

SO ORDERED, this March 16, 2015.

A motion by Supervisor Hank Florey, seconded by Supervisor Wayman Newell, to approve the request to hire Steve Wright as Assistant Director at the Agri-Center. His yearly salary will be \$25,000.00. The motion was passed unanimously.

SO ORDERED, this March 16, 2015.

A motion by Supervisor Wayman Newell, seconded by Supervisor Hank Florey, to approve the recommendation of Traveler's Insurance for property and casualty at a cost of \$809,319.00 with a savings of \$33,537.00 from the previous year, was passed unanimously.

SO ORDERED, this March 16, 2015.

A motion by Supervisor Wayman Newell, seconded by Supervisor Hank Florey, to approve the recommendation of Benefits Management Group, Inc. for employee benefits with a 3% increase in cost to the County for all employees, was passed unanimously.

SO ORDERED, this March 16, 2015.

A motion by Supervisor Josh Todd, seconded by Supervisor Hank Florey, to approve RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE PRESIDENT AND CLERK OF THE BOARD TO ENTER INTO LEASE AGREEMENTS AND SUBLEASE AGREEMENTS WITH VARIOUS COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT CLUBS FOR BASEBALL FIELDS, was passed unanimously.

(See pages _____ through _____ of these minutes.)

SO ORDERED, this March 16, 2015.

A motion by Supervisor Wayman Newell, seconded by Supervisor Hank Florey, to approve the request authorizing and directing the County Engineer to prepare a legal description for the proposed precinct to result from the merger of Precinct 411 (Hamasa Temple) and Precinct 420 (New Hope Baptist Church in downtown Meridian) as requested by the Lauderdale County Election Commission, was passed unanimously.

SO ORDERED, this March 16, 2015.

A motion by Supervisor Wayman Newell, seconded by Supervisor Hank Florey, to approve the request authorizing and directing the County Engineer to prepare the necessary precinct and polling place maps reflecting the proposed merger of Precinct 411 (Hamasa Temple) and Precinct 420 (New Hope Baptist Church in downtown Meridian) with a polling place for the resulting precinct being the First Baptist Church of Meridian, and reflecting the proposed change of the polling place in Precinct 235 (Daleville) from the Daleville Volunteer Fire Station to the Daleville United Methodist Church located on Highway 39 North, all as requested by the Lauderdale County Election Commission, was passed unanimously.

SO ORDERED, this March 16, 2015.

Ms. Ruth Jones, volunteer coordinator for the National Women's History Project Honoring Women, came before the Board to discuss matters for general good and welfare.

A motion by Supervisor Josh Todd was made to determine the need to go into an Executive Session. A second and a vote on such motion being unnecessary, all persons left the meeting except for the Board, its counsel Lee Thaggard and the County Administrator.

SO ORDERED, this March 16, 2015.

A motion by Supervisor Hank Florey, seconded by Supervisor Josh Todd, to go into Executive Session to discuss contract negotiations relative to the Project Site Lease relative to the Handy Hardware site and a personnel matter relative to the Road Manager. The motion was passed unanimously. Attorney Lee Thaggard then announced to the public that the Board had decided to enter Executive Session to discuss contract negotiations relative to the Project Site Lease relative to Handy Hardware site and a personnel matter relative to the Road Manager.

SO ORDERED, this March 16, 2015.

Following completion of the discussion of matters appropriate for the Executive Session, a motion by Supervisor Joe Norwood, seconded by Supervisor Josh Todd, to exit the Executive Session, was passed unanimously.

SO ORDERED, this March 16, 2015.

The Board then went back into open meeting. Board Attorney Lee Thaggard then announced the Board discussed contract negotiations relative to the Project Site Lease relative to Handy Hardware site and a personnel matter relative to the Road Manager. Board Attorney Lee Thaggard also announced that no action was taken during the Executive Session.

A motion by Supervisor Joe Norwood, seconded by Supervisor Hank Florey, to amend the Agenda to recess as the Board of Supervisors and convene as the Board of Trustees of the Lauderdale County Economic Development District and then to consider an acceptance of a notice of assignment and assumption of a lease agreement between One Meridian, LLC and BHR Properties II, LLC, was passed unanimously.

SO ORDERED, this March 16, 2015.

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

SO ORDERED, this March 16, 2015.

A motion by Trustee Hank Florey, seconded by Trustee Wayman Newell, to approve acceptance of the Notice of Assignment and Assumption of the Lease Agreement between One Meridian, LLC and BHR Properties II, LLC subject to the satisfaction of the conditions precedent set forth in Section 27 of the Lease Agreement by and between the East Mississippi Development Corporation and NDS, LLC, and subject to the execution of the Assignment and Assumption of the Lease Agreement between One Meridian, LLC and BHR Properties II, LLC, was passed unanimously.

SO ORDERED, this March 16, 2015.

A motion by Trustee Joe Norwood, seconded by Trustee Josh Todd, to recess as the Board of Trustees of the Lauderdale County Economic Development District and reconvene as the Lauderdale County Board of Supervisors, was passed unanimously.

SO ORDERED, this March 16, 2015.

A motion by Supervisor Joe Norwood, seconded by Supervisor Josh Todd, to approve the request for a \$1,000.00 donation to Multi-County Community Service Organization's "Dancing Like the Stars", was passed unanimously.

SO ORDERED, this March 16, 2015.

A motion by Supervisor Joe Norwood, seconded by Supervisor Josh Todd, to adjourn until Monday, April 6, 2015 at 9:00 a.m., was passed unanimously.

SO ORDERED, this March 16, 2015.



Kyle Rutledge, President