

MONDAY, FEBRUARY 6, 2017

BE IT REMEMBERED that the Lauderdale County Board of Supervisors began and held its regular February meeting at 9:00 a.m., February 6, 2017, at the Raymond P. Davis County Annex Building in Meridian, Mississippi, with the following members present: Mr. Josh Todd, President of the Board and Supervisor of District Three, Mr. Jonathan Wells, Supervisor of District One, Mr. Wayman Newell, Supervisor of District Two, Mr. Joe Norwood, Supervisor of District Four, and Mr. Kyle Rutledge, Supervisor of District Five.

Also present were Ms. Carolyn Mooney, Chancery Clerk and Clerk of the Board of Supervisors, Mr. Chris Lafferty, County Administrator, and Mr. Lee Thaggard, Board Attorney.

Sheriff Billy Sollie called the February 2017 meeting of the Board of Supervisors to order.

Prayer was offered by Supervisor Jonathan Wells.

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

A motion by Supervisor Kyle Rutledge, seconded by Supervisor Jonathan Wells, to approve the "Agenda", for even date, with amendments as follows, was passed unanimously.

BOARD MEETING AGENDA
LAUDERDALE COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
MONDAY, FEBRUARY 6, 2017 – 9:00 A.M.

1. Meeting called to order by Sheriff Billy Sollie.
2. Prayer given by Supervisor Jonathan Wells.

3. Pledge of Allegiance to Flag of the United States of America.
4. Approval of Agenda for even date.
5. Approval of minutes dated January 12, 2017, January 17, 2017, and February 2, 2017.
6. PROCLAMATION: "Crisis Intervention Team Awareness Month".
7. PROCLAMATION: "Spencer Hughes".
8. PROCLAMATION: "Lamar High School Raiders Football Team Class AAAA, Division 2 State Champions".
9. Sheriff Billy Sollie (agenda attached).
10. James Rainey, Tax Assessor (agenda attached).
11. Staff Reports: Carolyn Mooney, Chris Lafferty, and Lee Thaggard.
12. Other matters for general good and welfare.
13. Actions from Supervisors.
14. Motion to recess until Tuesday, February 21, 2017 at 9:00 a.m.

(See page(s) _____ of these minutes.)

SO ORDERED, this February 6, 2017.

A motion by Supervisor Kyle Rutledge, seconded by Supervisor Wayman Newell, to approve minutes dated January 12, 2017, January 17, 2017, and February 2, 2017, was passed unanimously.

(See page(s) _____ of these minutes.)

SO ORDERED, this February 6, 2017.

A motion by Supervisor Jonathan Wells, seconded by Supervisor Jonathan Wells, to approve Proclamation recognizing the Lamar High School Raiders Football Team as the Class AAAA, Division 2 State Champions for the year 2016, was passed unanimously.

(See page(s) _____ of these minutes.)

SO ORDERED, this February 6, 2017.

A motion by Supervisor Joe Norwood, seconded by Supervisor Jonathan Wells, to approve Proclamation recognizing the month of February 2017 as "Crisis Intervention Team Awareness Month" in Lauderdale County, was passed unanimously.

(See page(s) _____ of these minutes.)

SO ORDERED. This February 6, 2017.

A motion by Supervisor Kyle Rutledge, seconded by Supervisor Wayman Newell, to approve Resolution recognizing "Spencer Hughes" as the 2016 Nesmith Performance Street Stock Series National Champion; 2016 Street Stock Track Champion at Magnolia Motor Speedway in Columbus, MS; and 2016 Street Stock Track Champion at Whynot Motorsport Park in Whynot, MS, was passed unanimously.

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SO ORDERED, this February 6, 2017.

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

- 1) Effective January 10, 2017, Cedricka Jones has resigned as Central Control Operator.
- 2) Effective January 12, 2017, Angelia Howard has resigned as Detention Officer.
- 3) Effective January 23, 2017, Jawana Dear has resigned as Central Control Operator.
- 4) Effective January 26, 2017, Jordan Odom has resigned as Detention Officer.
- 5) Effective February 6, 2017, Zachary Joiner has resigned as Detention Officer.
- 6) Effective February 7, 2017, Dominick Groucher has resigned as Detention Officer.

A motion by Supervisor Wayman Newell, seconded by Supervisor Jonathan Wells to approve and include in the minutes the list of names of Deputy Justice Court Clerks for 2017, to be utilized in after-hours transactions, was passed unanimously.

(See page(s) _____ of these minutes.)

SO ORDERED, this February 6, 2017.

A motion by Supervisor Wayman Newell, seconded by Supervisor Kyle Rutledge, to approve the request for Lt. Joe White, Agents Joe Mercado and David Creel to attend the Desert Snow Criminal Interdiction Workshop in Pearl, MS February 21-23, 2017. Registration will be \$1,797.00. Lodging will be \$729.21. Per diem is requested in the amount of \$492.00. The total cost of this training will be paid for out of the budget. The motion was passed unanimously.

SO ORDERED, this February 6, 2017.

A motion by Supervisor Jonathan Wells, seconded by Supervisor Wayman Newell, to approve the request for Lt. Marissa Combs to attend Background Investigation in Slidell, LA February 9-10, 2017. Registration is \$340.00. Lodging will be \$227.74. Per diem is requested in the amount of \$123.00. The cost of this training will be paid for out of the budget. The motion was passed unanimously.

SO ORDERED, this February 6, 2017.

A motion by Supervisor Wayman Newell, seconded by Supervisor Kyle Rutledge, to approve the request for Kathy McDonald to attend Administrative Assistants Conference in Gulfport, MS March 31, 2017. Registration is \$233.13. Lodging will be \$103.00. Per diem is

requested in the amount of \$82.00 and mileage. The cost of this training will be paid for out of the budget. The motion was passed unanimously.

SO ORDERED, this February 6, 2017.

A motion by Supervisor Jonathan Wells, seconded by Supervisor Joe Norwood, to approve the request for Deputy Clifford Holloway to attend Field Training Officer I in Pearl, MS March 20-23, 2017. Registration is \$240.00. Cost of this training will be paid for out of the budget. The motion was passed unanimously.

SO ORDERED, this February 6, 2017.

A motion by Supervisor Wayman Newell, seconded by Supervisor Jonathan Wells, to approve the request for Deputy Clifford Holloway to attend Field Training Officer II in Pearl, MS April 17-20, 2017. Registration is \$240.00. The cost of this training will be paid for out of the budget. The motion was passed unanimously.

SO ORDERED, this February 6, 2017.

Sheriff Billy Sollie also submitted the following personnel/payroll changes for inclusion in the minutes: the Sheriff's appointment of Mike Myers as a Special Deputy.

SO ORDERED, this February 6, 2017.

A motion by Supervisor Kyle Rutledge, seconded by Supervisor Wayman Newell, to approve the following list of vehicles to be turned over the Inventory Committee to surplus, was passed unanimously.

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| 1) 2003 Ford Crown Victoria | 2FAFP71W73X164987 |
| 2) 2006 Chevy Tahoe | 1GNEC13Z56R131630 |
| 3) 2006 Ford Crown Victoria | 2FAFP71W26X117693 |
| 4) 2007 Dodge Charger | 2B3KA43HX7H708620 |
| 5) 2007 Dodge Charger | 2B3KA43H77H708624 |
| 6) 2009 Dodge Charger | 2B3KA43T19H637864 |

SO ORDERED, this February 6, 2017.

Upon recommendation of James Rainey, Lauderdale County Tax Assessor, a motion by Supervisor Wayman Newell, seconded by Kyle Rutledge, 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 page(s) _____ of these minutes.)

SO ORDERED, this February 6, 2017.

Tax Assessor James Rainey reminded the Board that his office will be opened Saturday, February 25, 2017 and April 1, 2017 from 8:00 a.m. until 12:00 p.m. to accommodate homeowners that want to apply for Homestead Exemption.

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.

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A motion by Supervisor Kyle Rutledge, seconded by Supervisor Joe Norwood, to approve the first claims docket for the month of February, 2017; and to authorize the Chancery Clerk to issue warrants therefore, was passed unanimously.

(See page(s) _____ of these minutes.)

SO ORDERED, this February 6, 2017.

A motion by Kyle Rutledge, seconded by Supervisor Joe Norwood, to approve the following Oaths of Office, was passed unanimously.

- A) Barbara Rawson Jones – LCSB District 1
- B) Kelvin B. Jackson – LCSB District 2
- C) Dusty Culpepper – LCSB District 4
- D) Nike Myers – Special Deputy
- E) Michelle Robinson – Detention Officer
- F) Marco Antonio Gonzalez – Deputy Sheriff
- G) Shelby Parker – Deputy Justice Court Clerk
- H) Jodi Dowdy – Deputy Justice Court Clerk

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SO ORDERED, this February 6, 2017.

A motion by Supervisor Wayman Newell, seconded by Supervisor Jonathan Wells, to VOID the following Tax Sale, was passed unanimously.

2015 YEAR TAXES---SALE #3203

PPIN #5871-2 PARCEL #071023189000001700

ASSESSED TO: RUFFIN WHITNEY N

SOLD TO: STATE OF MISSISSIPPI

REASON: ERRONEOUS SALE

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SO ORDERED, this February 6, 2017.

A motion by Supervisor Wayman Newell, seconded by Supervisor Kyle Rutledge, to VOID and REFUND the following Tax Sale, was passed unanimously.

2013 YEAR TAXES---SALE #2525

PPIN #8814 PARCEL #07516000000000601

ASSESSED TO: MCMULLAN, WILLIAM J

SOLD TO: JU JU LLC \$155.31 + \$4.69 = \$160.00
OVER-BID

REASON: 16TH SECTION LEASE EXPIRED

(See page(s) _____ of these minutes.)

SO ORDERED, this February 6, 2017.

A motion by Supervisor Wayman Newell, seconded by Supervisor Joe Norwood, to VOID and REFUND the following Tax Sales, and place PPIN #17877 for 2014 and 2015 tax years back into the Tax Collector's Office for collection, was passed unanimously.

2014 YEAR TAXES---SALE #672

PPIN #17877 PARCEL #084172350501100200

ASSESSED TO: COCHRAN SHERRILL

SOLD TO: WOODMARK INVESTMENTS LLC \$725.35 + \$57.65 = \$810.00
OVER-BID

REASON: MAPPING ERROR

2015 YEAR TAXES-----SALE #701

PPIN #17877 PARCEL #084172350501100200

ASSESSED TO: COCHRAN SHERRILL

SOLD TO: COOK RAY \$752.35 + \$97.65 = \$850.00
OVER-BID

REASON: MAPPING ERROR

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SO ORDERED, this February 6, 2017.

A motion by Supervisor Joe Norwood, seconded by Supervisor Wayman Newell, to amend the County Administrator's Agenda to include approval for advertising for County beaver trapping services, was passed unanimously.

SO ORDERED, this February 6, 2017.

A motion by Supervisor Joe Norwood, seconded by Supervisor Kyle Rutledge, to approve the request to advertise for County beaver trapping services, was passed unanimously.

SO ORDERED, this February 6, 2017.

A motion by Supervisor Kyle Rutledge, seconded by Supervisor Jonathan Wells, to ratify and approve the Proclamation of Existence of a Local Emergency and Resolution Requesting Governor to Proclaim a State of Emergency from January 21, 2017 tornado, *nunc pro tunc*, was passed unanimously.

(See page(s) _____ of these minutes.)

SO ORDERED, this February 6, 2017.

A motion by Supervisor Joe Norwood, seconded by Supervisor Kyle Rutledge, to ratify and approve advance to Fund 073 Emergency Watershed Grant \$10,000.00 from the

General Fund. Advance will be paid back at the end of the grant after reimbursements from the grantor and other matching funds are received. The motion was passed unanimously.

SO ORDERED, this February 6, 2017.

A motion by Supervisor Joe Norwood, seconded by Supervisor Kyle Rutledge, to approve budget amendment to realign the Road Department budget for rental of skid loaders and mini excavators, was passed unanimously.

SO ORDERED, this February 6, 2017.

A motion by Supervisor Jonathan Wells, seconded by Supervisor Wayman Newell, to approve request to transfer \$17,300.43 from the General Fund 001 to Fund 034 DUI Grant, was passed unanimously.

SO ORDERED, this February 6, 2017.

A motion by Supervisor Jonathan Wells, seconded by Supervisor Joe Norwood, to approve the request to repay advance from General Fund 001 to Fund 294-TIF I & S Crossroads for \$126,207.81. Funds have been received from Tax Collector. The motion was passed unanimously.

SO ORDERED, this February 6, 2017.

A motion by Supervisor Kyle Rutledge, seconded by Supervisor Joe Norwood, to approve the request to purchase a court reporter writer as budgeted for the Circuit Court from Stenograph, LLC. Sole Source letter is attached. The motion was passed unanimously.

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SO ORDERED, this February 6, 2017.

A motion by Supervisor Jonathan Wells, seconded by Supervisor Kyle Rutledge, to approve and accept the lowest and best quote of Norman Roofing in the amount of \$35,000.00 for the Metro Ambulance roofing project. Another quote was received from Cross Roofing, Inc. in the amount of \$45,000.00. The motion was passed unanimously.

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SO ORDERED, this February 6, 2017.

A motion by Supervisor Wayman Newell, seconded by Supervisor Kyle Rutledge, to approve the request from Weems Community Mental Health Center to surplus the following vehicle, was passed unanimously.

1) 2003 GMC Savana 1GJHG39U131128695

SO ORDERED, this February 6, 2017.

A motion by Supervisor Jonathan Wells, seconded by Supervisor Wayman Newell, to ratify and approve travel for Debbie Massey, Mary Blanks, and Al Moore who attended the "Teamwork" training January 18, 2017 in Madison, MS. Reimbursement for mileage is requested. Funds are in the budget of Fund 027 Youth Court Support Program. The motion was passed unanimously.

SO ORDERED, this February 6, 2017.

A motion by Supervisor Kyle Rutledge seconded by Supervisor Wayman Newell, to approve the request for Doris Spidle to attend the MACA Conference July 16-20, 2017 and October 6-10, 2017 in Biloxi, MS. Travel will include lodging and mileage. Funds are in the budget. The motion was passed unanimously.

SO ORDERED, this February 6, 2017.

A motion by Supervisor Joe Norwood, seconded by Supervisor Kyle Rutledge, to approve the request for Christen Shepherd to attend the Administrative Assistants Conference March 31, 2017 in Gulfport, MS. Travel will include registration, hotel, per diem and mileage. The motion was passed unanimously.

SO ORDERED, this February 6, 2017.

A motion by Supervisor Kyle Rutledge, seconded by Supervisor Wayman Newell, to approve new Road Manager description, was passed unanimously.

(See page(s) _____ of these minutes.)

SO ORDERED, this February 6, 2017.

A motion by Supervisor Wayman Newell, seconded by Supervisor Kyle Rutledge, to accept DeShannon Davis's resignation letter from the Lauderdale County Agri-Center Advisory Board, was passed unanimously.

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SO ORDERED, this February 6, 2017.

A motion by Supervisor Jonathan Wells, seconded by Supervisor Wayman Newell, to approve the appointment of Tripp Ward to fill the vacant position on the Lauderdale County Agri-Center Advisory Board, was passed unanimously.

SO ORDERED, this February 6, 2017.

A motion by Supervisor Kyle Rutledge, seconded by Supervisor Jonathan Wells, to approve the request to advertise for bids to seal and stripe MCC Workforce Project, was passed unanimously.

SO ORDERED, this February 6, 2017.

A motion by Supervisor Joe Norwood, seconded by Supervisor Kyle Rutledge, to approve Order accepting the completion of contract for LSBP-38(30), was passed unanimously.

(See page(s) _____ of these minutes.)

SO ORDERED, this February 6, 2017.

A motion by Supervisor Wayman Newell, seconded by Supervisor Jonathan Wells, to include in the minutes the disposal of election records that were approved by the Lauderdale County Election Commission on January 8, 2013 and the Lauderdale County Board of Supervisors February 4, 2013 (attached). Records were disposed of in accordance with Series GSC1101-GSC11024 of the State of Mississippi Records Retention Schedules for Counties issued by the Department of Archives and History, Local Government Records Office as found in MS Code of 1972 Section 39-5-9. The motion was passed unanimously.

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SO ORDERED, this February 6, 2017.

A motion by Supervisor Wayman Newell, seconded by Supervisor Kyle Rutledge, to approve the request to surplus the following items for the 2017 Deanco Auction, was passed unanimously.

- 1) New Holland Bush Axe 2BBD01319
- 2) New Holland Bush Axe ACP265425TS125A
- 3) New Holland Bush Axe 27BD01904T6050

SO ORDERED, this February 6, 2017.

A motion by Supervisor Wayman Newell, seconded by Supervisor Kyle Rutledge, to approve the request to place equipment in the Spring 2017 Deanco Auction in Philadelphia, MS (see attached list), was passed unanimously.

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SO ORDERED, this February 6, 2017.

A motion by Supervisor Joe Norwood, seconded by Supervisor Jonathan Wells, to table request to advertise for bids for Malone Ranch hay cutting and pecan orchard until specifications are developed, was passed unanimously.

SO ORDERED, this February 6, 2017.

A motion by Supervisor Kyle Rutledge, seconded by Supervisor Wayman Newell, to approve Resolution finding that the road segment known as "Meehan-Savoy Road" was a public road but inadvertently omitted from the 2000 Lauderdale County Road Inventory, that Meehan-Savoy Road remains a public road and is hereby returned to the Lauderdale County Road

Inventory and that Lauderdale County's maintenance of Meehan-Savoy Road is hereby authorized to resume effective immediately, was passed unanimously.

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SO ORDERED, this February 6, 2017.

A motion by Supervisor Kyle Rutledge, seconded by Supervisor Wayman Newell, to set a public hearing March 6, 2017 at 9:30 a.m., to consider renaming "Meehan-Savoy Road" as "Old Savoy Road", was passed unanimously.

SO ORDERED, this February 6, 2017.

A motion by Supervisor Wayman Newell, seconded by Supervisor Kyle Rutledge, to approve ORDER AUTHORIZING THE ACCEPTANCE AND APPROVAL OF A WARRANTY DEED FROM JESSICA SKINNER FORMERLY KNOWN AS JESSICA R. ADKINS, was passed unanimously.

(See page(s) _____ of these minutes.)

SO ORDERED, this February 6, 2017.

A motion by Supervisor Wayman Newell, seconded by Supervisor Kyle Rutledge, to accept and approve an authorization for Lauderdale County to remove structures on right-of-ways on State Aid Roads executed by Meghan Fuller on February 3, 2017 and directing the Road Manager to remove the obstruction on the right-of-way at 8898 Lauderdale-Toomsuba Road in accordance with the authorization as soon as possible, was passed unanimously.

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SO ORDERED, this February 6, 2017.

A motion by Supervisor Kyle Rutledge, seconded by Supervisor Wayman Newell, to approve Resolution and Order Granting Tax Exemption from Ad Valorem Taxes for Sageville United Methodist Church, PPIN 52423, beginning January 1, 2017 and to continue for as long as said property is used in accordance with the applicable provisions of the laws of the State of Mississippi, was passed unanimously.

(See page(s) _____ of these minutes.)

SO ORDERED, this February 6, 2017.

A motion by Supervisor Joe Norwood 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 February 6, 2017.

A motion by Supervisor Kyle Rutledge, seconded by Supervisor Jonathan Wells, to go into Executive Session to discuss pending litigation regarding the Securities & Exchange Commission vs Lauderdale County, potential litigation relative to a right-of-way user, discussions and negotiations regarding the location of a business or industry in Lauderdale County, and the potential purchase or lease of real property. The motion was passed unanimously. Attorney Lee Thaggard then announced to the public that the Board had decided to enter Executive Session to discuss pending litigation regarding the Securities & Exchange Commission vs Lauderdale County, potential litigation relative to a right-of-way user, discussions and negotiations regarding the location of a business or industry in Lauderdale County, and the potential purchase or lease of real property.

SO ORDERED, this February 6, 2017.

Tom Williams of the Meridian Airport Authority and Bill Hannah of the East Mississippi Business Development Corporation joined the Board for a portion of the Executive Session and then departed. Following completion of the discussion of matters appropriate for the Executive Session, a motion by Supervisor Jonathan Wells, seconded by Supervisor Kyle Rutledge, to exit the Executive Session, was passed unanimously.

SO ORDERED, this February 6, 2017.

The Board went back into open meeting. Board Attorney Lee Thaggard then announced the Board discussed pending litigation regarding the Securities & Exchange Commission vs Lauderdale County, potential litigation relative to a right-of-way user, discussions and negotiations regarding the location of a business or industry in Lauderdale County, and the potential purchase or lease of real property. Board Attorney Lee Thaggard then announced that no action was taken during the Executive Session.

A motion by Supervisor Jonathan Wells, seconded by Supervisor Wayman Newell, to recess until Tuesday, February 21, 2017 at 9:00 a.m., was passed unanimously.

SO ORDERED, this February 6, 2017.



Josh Todd President