

MONDAY, MARCH 6, 2017

BE IT REMEMBERED that the Lauderdale County Board of Supervisors began and held its regular March meeting at 9:00 a.m., Monday, March 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 March 2017 meeting of the Board of Supervisors to order.

Prayer was offered by Supervisor Joe Norwood.

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 Joe Norwood, to approve the "Agenda" for even date, with amendments as follows, was passed unanimously.

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

1. Meeting called to order by Sheriff Billy Sollie.
2. Prayer given by Supervisor Joe Norwood.
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 February 21, 2017 and March 2, 2017.
6. PROCLAMATION: "West Lauderdale High School Girls Soccer".
7. PUBLIC HEARING 9:30 A.M.: Proposal to Change the Name of a Segment of "Meehan Savoy Road" to "Old Savoy Road".
8. Sheriff Billy Sollie (agenda attached).
9. James Rainey, Tax Assessor (agenda attached).
10. Staff Reports: Carolyn Mooney, Chris Lafferty, and Lee Thaggard.
11. Other matters for general good and welfare.
12. Actions from Supervisors.
13. Motion to recess until Monday, March 20, 2017 at 9:00 a.m.

AMENDMENTS:

County Administrator's Agenda – Add approval of Russ Andreatchio for beaver control on county property.

Legal Agenda – Add Order Accepting and Approving Petition of an Easement for Public Road relative to Beaver Pond Road.

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

SO ORDERED, this March 6, 2017.

A motion by Supervisor Wayman Newell, seconded by Supervisor Kyle Rutledge, to approve minutes dated February 21, 2017 and March 2, 2017, was passed unanimously.

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

SO ORDERED, this March 6, 2017.

Supervisor Josh Todd read a proclamation recognizing the West Lauderdale High School Girls soccer team for winning back-to-back 4A State Championship Titles. Each player and their coaches were recognized at this time. A motion by Supervisor Josh Todd, seconded by Supervisor Wayman Newell, to approve this Proclamation, was passed unanimously.

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SO ORDERED, this March 6, 2017.

A motion by Supervisor Joe Norwood, seconded by Supervisor Jonathan Wells, to approve the request to transfer the following vehicle from the Sheriff's Department to the Building Maintenance Department, was passed unanimously.

1) 2003 Dodge Durango VIN #1D4HR38N63F536935

SO ORDERED, this March 6, 2017.

Upon recommendation of James Rainey, Lauderdale County Tax Assessor, a motion by Supervisor Wayman Newell, seconded by Supervisor 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 March 6, 2017.

Tax Assessor James Rainey reminded the Board that the deadline to file for Homestead Exemption will end as of April 1, 2017. His office will be open Saturday, April 1, 2017

from 8:00 a.m. to 12:00 noon so that residents of Lauderdale County will be able to apply for this privilege.

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(s) _____ of these minutes.)

SO ORDERED, this March 6, 2017.

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

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

SO ORDERED, this March 6, 2017.

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

- A) Vashonda Clark – Detention Officer
- B) Alyssa Johnson – Detention Officer
- C) Leah McKinney – Deputy Tax Assessor

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A motion by Supervisor Joe Norwood, seconded by Supervisor Wayman Newell, to VOID and REFUND the following parcel, and to place PPIN #5336-1 for 2014 Taxes back into the Tax Collector's Office for collection, was passed unanimously.

1) 2014 YEAR TAXES—SALE #1014

PPIN #5536-1 PARCEL #071014034000400200

ASSESSED TO: DUNCAN ANN BOUTWELL EST.

SOLD TO: TTLBL LLC \$1,936.54 + 213.36 = \$2,150.00
OVER-BID

REASON: ASSESSMENT ERROR

SO ORDERED, this March 6, 2017.

A motion by Supervisor Wayman Newell, seconded by Supervisor Kyle Rutledge, to hire Russ Andreacchio for beaver control on county property, was passed unanimously.

SO ORDERED, this March 6, 2017.

A motion by Supervisor Jonathan Wells, seconded by Supervisor Wayman Newell, to approve the request to transfer \$2,042.00 from Volunteer Fire Department Fund 106 to General Fund for half of the lease payments on the LEMA/VFD Copier as budgeted in FY17, was passed unanimously.

SO ORDERED, this March 6, 2017.

A motion by Supervisor Wayman Newell, seconded by Supervisor Kyle Rutledge, to approve budget amendment to hire public defenders as part-time employees, was passed on a vote of four (4) to zero (0). Supervisor Jonathan Wells voted aye; Supervisor Wayman Newell voted aye; Supervisor Josh Todd voted aye; Supervisor Kyle Rutledge voted aye; and Supervisor Joe Norwood abstained.

SO ORDERED, this March 6, 2017.

A motion by Supervisor Wayman Newell, seconded by Supervisor Kyle Rutledge, to approve AT& T Job No. 67M01631N – Old Highway 80, was passed unanimously.

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

SO ORDERED, this March 6, 2017.

A motion by Supervisor Wayman Newell, seconded by Supervisor Kyle Rutledge, to approve the request for Cathy Lummus to attend the 2017 AFMM Spring Conference May 16-18, 2017 in Natchez, MS. Travel will include registration, per diem, and hotel. Travel will be in a county vehicle. Funds are in the budget. The motion was passed unanimously.

SO ORDERED, this March 6, 2017.

A motion by Supervisor Joe Norwood, seconded by Supervisor Kyle Rutledge, to approve the request for Stacy Allen and Shonda Dykes to attend the Collector of Revenue School I May 15-19, 2017. Travel will include registration, per diem, and hotel. Travel will be in a county vehicle. Funds are in the budget. The motion was passed unanimously.

SO ORDERED, this March 6, 2017.

A motion by Supervisor Kyle Rutledge, seconded by Supervisor Wayman Newell, to approve hearing for April 3, 2017 at 9:30 a.m. to determine whether property located at 4282 Highway 19S, containing an old, dangerous well, is a nuisance property, was passed unanimously.

SO ORDERED, this March 6, 2017.

A motion by Supervisor Wayman Newell, seconded by Supervisor Kyle Rutledge, 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, AS FOLLOWS, was passed unanimously.

- A) The Whynot Community Development Club
- B) Suqualena Community Association
- C) Northeast Recreation Association, Inc.
- D) Long Creek Community Development Club
- E) Collinsville Community Development Club
- F) Center Hill Community Development Club
- G) Causeyville Community Development Club

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

SO ORDERED, this March 6, 2017.

A motion by Supervisor Wayman Newell, seconded by Supervisor Jonathan Wells, to accept and approve Order for Petition of Easement for Public Road Easement by George C. Clayton III, February 24, 2017, relative to Project No. LSBP 38(25) – Beaver Pond Road, was passed unanimously.

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

SO ORDERED, this March 6, 2017.

A motion by Supervisor Kyle Rutledge, seconded by Supervisor Wayman Newell, to open the Public Hearing for discussion of proposal to change the name of a segment of "Meehan Savoy Road" to "Old Savoy Road", was passed unanimously.

SO ORDERED, this March 6, 2017.

Board Attorney Lee Thaggard presented a packet with a copy of the Notice of Public Hearing which was placed in *The Meridian Star* February 24, 2017 and March 3, 2017, maps identifying the road and indicating the segment that is to be renamed, and letter from E-911 asking for help in alleviating confusion concerning the road.

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

There being no citizens to speak for or against the proposal to change the name of a segment of "Meehan Savoy Road" to "Old Savoy Road", to be effective as of May 1, 2017, a motion by Supervisor Kyle Rutledge, seconded by Supervisor Jonathan Wells, to close the Public Hearing, was passed unanimously.

SO ORDERED, this March 6, 2017.

A motion by Supervisor Kyle Rutledge, seconded by Supervisor Wayman Newell, to amend the legal agenda to consider ORDINANCE OF THE LAUDERDALE COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS CHANGING THE NAME OF MEEHAN SAVOY ROAD TO OLD SAVOY ROAD AND FOR RELATED PURPOSES, was passed unanimously.

SO ORDERED, this March 6, 2017.

A motion by Supervisor Kyle Rutledge, seconded by Supervisor Wayman Newell, to approve ORDINANCE OF THE LAUDERDALE COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS CHANGING THE NAME OF MEEHAN SAVOY ROAD TO OLD SAVOY ROAD AND FOR RELATED PURPOSES, was passed unanimously.

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SO ORDERED, this March 6, 2017.

A motion by Supervisor Jonathan Wells was made to determine the need to go into 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 6, 2017.

A motion by Supervisor Kyle Rutledge, seconded by Supervisor Jonathan Wells, to go into Executive Session to discuss personnel matters pertaining to public defenders. The motion was passed unanimously. Attorney Lee Thaggard then announced to the public that the Board had decided to enter Executive Session to discuss personnel matters pertaining to public defenders.

SO ORDERED, this March 6, 2017.

Following completion of the discussion of matters appropriate for the Executive Session, a motion by Supervisor Kyle Rutledge, seconded by Supervisor Jonathan Wells, to exit the Executive Session was passed unanimously.

SO ORDERED, this March 6, 2017.

The Board went back into open meeting. Board Attorney Lee Thaggard then announced the Board discussed personnel matters pertaining to public defenders. Board Attorney Lee Thaggard also announced that no action was taken at this time.

A motion by Supervisor Kyle Rutledge, seconded by Supervisor Jonathan Wells, to recess until 11:00 a.m. this date and reconvene in the 11th Floor Conference Room, at which time the Board will consider going into Executive Session to discuss the relative merits, fitness and qualifications of the applicants for Road Manager. The motion was passed unanimously.

SO ORDERED, this March 6, 2017.

11:00 A.M. MARCH 6, 2017

The Board reconvened in the 11th Floor Conference Room.

A motion by Supervisor Joe Norwood was made to determine the need to go into Executive Session. A second and a vote on such motion being unnecessary, all persons left the meeting except for the Board and the County Administrator.

SO ORDERED, this March 6, 2017.

A motion by Supervisor Wayman Newell, seconded by Supervisor Kyle Rutledge, to go into Executive Session to discuss the relative merits, fitness and qualifications of the various applicants for the position of Road Manager. The motion was passed unanimously. Chris Lafferty, County Administrator, then announced to the public that the Board had decided to enter Executive

Session to discuss the relative merits, fitness and qualifications of the various applicants for the position of Road Manager.

SO ORDERED, this March 6, 2017.

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 March 6, 2017.

The Board went back into open meeting. County Administrator Chris Lafferty then announced the Board discussed the relative merits, fitness and qualifications of the various applicants for the position of Road Manager. Chris Lafferty then announced that no action was taken during the Executive Session.

A motion by Supervisor Kyle Rutledge, seconded by Supervisor Wayman Newell, to recess until 1:45 p.m. this date, was passed unanimously.

SO ORDERED, this March 6, 2017.

1:45 P.M. MARCH 6, 2017.

The Board reconvened in the 11th Floor Conference Room.

A motion by Supervisor Jonathan Wells was made to determine the need to go into Executive Session. A second and a vote on such motion being unnecessary, all persons left the meeting except for the Board and the County Administrator.

SO ORDERED, this March 6, 2017.

A motion by Supervisor Josh Todd, seconded by Supervisor Kyle Rutledge, to go into Executive Session to discuss the relative merits, fitness and qualifications of the various applicants for the position of Road Manager. The motion was passed unanimously. Chris Lafferty, County Administrator, then announced to the public that the Board had decided to enter Executive Session to discuss the relative merits, fitness and qualifications of the various applicants for the position of Road Manager.

SO ORDERED, this March 6, 2017.

Following completion of the discussion of matters appropriate for the Executive Session, a motion by Supervisor Kyle Rutledge, seconded by Supervisor Wayman Newell, to exit the Executive Session, was passed unanimously.

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A motion by Supervisor Joe Norwood, seconded by Supervisor Wayman Newell, to recess until 9:00 a.m. Monday, March 20, 2017, was passed unanimously.

SO ORDERED, this March 6, 2017.



Josh Todd, President