### WASHINGTON COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

# **MINUTES OF JANUARY 3, 2022**

#### **BOARD MEETING**

BE IT REMEMBERED on the 3<sup>rd</sup> day of January 2022 at 9:00 A. M., and being the time designated by law for the regular meeting of the Board of Supervisors, the said board meeting was held as provided by Chapter, 3, Title 19 of Mississippi Code of 1972, Annotated. The Board met in their room at the Washington County Extension Building in Greenville, Mississippi, at the time designated for the purpose of transacting such business as might properly come before it; there being present the following:

Lee Gordon Member, First District, Vice President

Tommy Benson Member, Second District

Carl McGee Member, Third District, President

Mala Brooks Member, Fourth District
Jerry Redmond Member, Fifth District

Willie Griffin Board Attorney

Chelesa Carter County Administrator
Lorenzo Anderson County Engineer
Marilyn Hansell Chancery Clerk

Milton Gaston Sheriff

Billy Barber Deputy Sheriff

The meeting was called to order by Supervisor Carl McGee. The opening prayer was by Supervisor Lee Gordon. All present said the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag, and the meeting was officially opened by the Deputy Sheriff.

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IN RE: ORDER TO CONSIDER AND ACCEPT AGENDA WITH ADDITIONS FOR JANUARY 3, 2022. MOTION BY SUPERVISOR GORDON, SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR BENSON, THE VOTE: AYE- MCGEE, GORDON, BENSON, BROOKS, REDMOND. Added: Andrew Smith, Remove Item #14 (1)

IN RE: ORDER APPROVING MINUTES OF DECEMBER 20, 2021 MEETING OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS WITH CORRECTIONS AND DIRECTING THE PRESIDENT AND CLERK OF THE BOARD TO SIGN SAME MOTION BY SUPERVISOR GORDON, SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR BENSON, THE VOTE: AYE- MCGEE, GORDON, BENSON, REDMOND, NAY- BROOKS. (2)

# IN RE: ORDER REAPPOINTING ALL 2021 COUNTY OFFICIALS INCLUDING THE FOLLOWING:

Board Attorney-Willie Griffin County Administrator-Chelesa Carter
County Engineer-IMS/Lorenzo Anderson Assistant County Engineer-Jeron Collins
Planning Director-Roy Johnson Office Manager-Donna Creemen
Road Manager-Arthur Perry Assistant Road Manager-Mark Johnson

Interim Building and Grounds Director-Jeremy Smith Emergency Management Director- David Burford

Assistant Emergency Management Director-James Stewart

Justice Court Clerk-Eloise Brooks
County Patrol Officer-Laur R. Moore

County Veterans Service Officer-Terry Gales
Justice Court Public Defender-Tonya Franklin

MOTION BY SUPERVISOR BROOKS, SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR BENSON, THE VOTE:

AYE- BROOKS. BENSON, REDMOND, NAY- MCGEE, GORDON (3)

David Burford, Emergency Management Director presented the E911 Expenditures and request payment of dues

IN RE: ORDER APPROVING E911 EXPENDITURES FOR THE MONTH OF DECEMBER 2021 IN THE AMOUNT OF \$29,630.20 AS PRESENTED BY EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT DIRECTOR, DAVID BURFORD MOTION BY SUPERVISOR BENSON, SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR BROOKS, THE VOTE: AYE- MCGEE, GORDON, BENSON, BROOKS, REDMOND (4)

IN RE: ORDER APPROVING PAYMENT IN THE AMOUNT OF \$50.00 EACH FOR MISSISSIPPI 911 COORDINATOR ASSOCIATION, INC., 2022 MEMBERSHIP DUES FOR EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT DIRECTOR, DAVID BURFORD AND JAMES STEWART, ASSISTANT DIRECTOR MOTION BY SUPERVISOR BROOKS, SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR BENSON, THE VOTE: AYE- MCGEE, GORDON, BENSON, BROOKS, REDMOND (5)

IN RE: ORDER ACCEPTING THE 2021 EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT PERFORMANCE FUNDING GRANT CHECK IN THE AMOUNT OF \$19,831.53 FROM THE MS EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT AGENCY AND AUTHORIZING DAVID BURFORD, EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT DIRECTOR TO APPLY FOR THE FY 2022 PERFORMANCE GRANT MOTION BY SUPERVISOR BROOKS, SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR REDMOND, THE VOTE: AYE- MCGEE, GORDON, BENSON, BROOKS, REDMOND (6)

Lorenzo Anderson, County Engineer presented his monthly report and project updates

Arthur Perry, Road Manager presented his monthly report and discussed obtaining specs to sell two (2) motor graders

Eloise Brooks, Justice Court Clerk presented her monthly report and a travel request

IN RE: ORDER ALLOWING TRAVEL FOR ELOISE BROOKS AND VALERIE HADLEY OF THE WASHINGTON COUNTY JUSTICE COURT TO ATTEND THE MS JUSTICE COURT CLERKS MID-WINTER CONFERENCE FEBRUARY 15-18, 2022 IN TUNICA, MS AT ESTIMATED COST OF \$1,522.24 FOR BOTH MOTION BY SUPERVISOR BROOKS SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR BENSON, THE VOTE: AYE- MCGEE, GORDON, BENSON, BROOKS, REDMOND (7)

Terry Gales, Veterans Service Officer presented his monthly report

Laur R Moore presented her monthly report and a request for approval of resolution assessing property cleaning costs

IN RE: ORDER AUTHORIZING THE PRESIDENT OF THE BOARD TO SIGN RESOLUTION ASSESSING PROPERTY CLEANING COST TO PARCEL NO. 411220000 ASSESSED TO ALVIN O. & JANIS ADAMS AT L & W FISH FARM ROAD MOTION BY SUPERVISOR BROOKS, SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR REDMOND, THE VOTE: AYEMCGEE, GORDON, BENSON, BROOKS, REDMOND (8)

BE IT KNOWN-JIM MOZINGO APPEARED BEFORE THE BOARD REGARDING RESOLUTION AMENDING THE WASHINGTON COUNTY SOLID WASTE MANAGEMENT PLAN TO INCLUDE LAND APPLICATION SITE FOR BIOSOLIDS PRODUCED BY THE CITY OF GREENVILLE WASTEWATER TREATMENT FACILITY

IN RE: ORDER ADDING EXECUTIVE SESSION TO THE AGENDA TO DISCUSS CONTRACT NEGOTIATIONS MOTION BY SUPERVISOR GORDON, SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR BENSON, *THE VOTE: AYE- MCGEE, GORDON, BENSON, BROOKS, REDMOND* (9)

Chelesa Carter, County Administrator, presented her bi-weekly report

IN RE: ORDER ALLOWING CLAIMS <u>221541</u> THROUGH <u>221683</u> IN THE AMOUNT OF \$343,843.82 MOTION BY SUPERVISOR REDMOND, SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR BROOKS, THE VOTE: AYE- MCGEE, GORDON, BENSON, BROOKS, REDMOND (10)

**MONTHLY CLAIMS** 

IN RE: ORDER AUTHORIZING ISSUANCE OF WARRANTS TO COVER BI-WEEKLY PAYROLLS AND MONTHLY PAYROLLS FOR JANUARY 2022. MOTION BY SUPERVISOR REDMOND, SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR BROOKS, THE VOTE: AYE- MCGEE, GORDON, BENSON, BROOKS, REDMOND (11)

IN RE: ORDER AUTHORIZING ISSUANCE OF WARRANTS TO MISSISSIPPI PUBLIC ENTITY EMPLOYEE BENEFIT TRUST AND HIGHMARK LIFE INSURANCE FOR COUNTY'S SHARE OF INSURANCE IN JANUARY 2022. MOTION BY SUPERVISOR REDMOND, SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR BROOKS, THE VOTE: AYE- MCGEE, GORDON, BENSON, BROOKS, REDMOND (12)

IN RE: ORDER TRANSFERRING ONE-HALF OF HIGHWAY MAINTENANCE TAXES TO MUNICIPALITIES OF THE COUNTY IN JANUARY 2022. MOTION BY SUPERVISOR REDMOND, SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR BROOKS, THE VOTE: AYE- MCGEE, GORDON, BENSON, BROOKS, REDMOND (13)

IN RE: ORDER AUTHORIZING PAYMENT OF BONDS AND INTEREST DURING THE MONTH OF JANUARY 2022. MOTION BY SUPERVISOR REDMOND, SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR BROOKS, THE VOTE: AYE- MCGEE, GORDON, BENSON, BROOKS, REDMOND (14)

IN RE: ORDER AUTHORIZING THE CHANCERY CLERK TO ISSUE WARRANTS FOR RENTAL OF POST OFFICE BOXES, POSTAGE AND POSTAGE TAPE FOR POSTAGE MACHINES OF THE COUNTY AND SOCIAL SERVICES DEPARTMENT AND ANY OTHER ACTION FOR OPERATION OF POSTAL SERVICE FOR MONTH OF JANUARY 2022.

MOTION BY SUPERVISOR REDMOND, SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR BROOKS, THE VOTE: AYE- MCGEE, GORDON, BENSON, BROOKS, REDMOND (15)

IN RE: ORDER AUTHORIZING THE PURCHASE OF A 2021 FORD F-150 FROM CANNON MOTORS FOR ROY JOHNSON OF THE PLANNING DEPARTMENT ON STATE CONTRACT IN THE AMOUNT OF \$42,165.00 MOTION BY SUPERVISOR GORDON, SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR REDMOND, THE VOTE: AYE- MCGEE, GORDON, BENSON, BROOKS, REDMOND (16)

IN RE: ORDER AUTHORIZING THE CLOSING OF ALL COUNTY OFFICES MONDAY JANUARY 17 2022 IN OBSERVANCE OF DR. MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR. AND ROBERT E. LEE BIRTHDAYS MOTION BY SUPERVISOR GORDON, SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR REDMOND, THE VOTE: AYE- MCGEE, GORDON, BENSON, BROOKS, REDMOND (17)

IN RE: ORDER AUTHORIZING THE CLERK OF THE BOARD TO ADVERTISE NOTICE TO BIDDERS FOR COUNTY DEPOSITORIES FOR THE CALENDAR YEARS 2022 AND 2023, PUBLICATION OF BOARD PROCEEDINGS FOR THE CALENDAR YEARS 2022 AND 2023, TRANSPORTATION OF COMPOSED AND DECOMPOSED BODIES, AGRICULTURAL LEASE OF 199.50 ACRES OF SURPLUS LAND, AND A USED LATTICE-BOOM CRAWLER CRANE MOTION BY SUPERVISOR GORDON, SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR BROOKS, THE VOTE: AYE-BROOKS, BENSON, REDMOND, MCGEE, GORDON (18)

Marilyn Hansell, Chancery Clerk presented her bi-weekly report

## IN RE: ORDER APPROVING BONDS FOR THE FOLLOWING:

SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT- Davida Johnson Walker-Asst Receiving Clerk, Davida Johnson-Executive Secretary, Daphane Craig Gallion-Administrator/Controller-WCRCF, Marquita T. Dorris-Adm. Asst/Sheriff's Office, Deputy Sheriff- Billy G. Barber, Jesse Amos, III, Gary Lee Jones, Kevin Seaton, Meca Miles, Kelvin Fabain Stewart, Cedric Adams, Mark A. Johnson, Ozell Clay, Jr., Heather Rae Bishop, Amber Holmes, Michael Leon Davis, Willie James Moore, Jr., Cory Lonzell Weatherspoon, Tjuana Files, Willie Gregory Bee, III, Quincy Newson, Barbara Green, Jed Howard Jones, Jr., Jeffrey Parson, Jeffrey Nick, Julian Nicco Phillips, PJ Lamberson, Frank Brockman, Jr., Tommy Flanagan, Tradarius Arquise Brooks, Quincy Alan Armstrong, Howard Vontrell Woods, John Adam Auger, Juan Edward Overton, Charles Brandon Keith, Maria Rececca Benavides, Dominique A. Elzy, Donell Robinson, Jr., Shirley Mae Whitehead, Marcus Young, Jarrell Evans, Sr., Malcolm Alan Stewart; BUILDING & GROUNDS- Jeremy A. Smith, Antavius Rounds, Leroy Brown, Sherri Whitaker, Alfred Washington, JUSTICE COURT- Eloise H. Brooks, Anglyn Robinson, Sharon D. Talliaferro, Willie Ann Pilgram, Valerie L. Hadley, Sheila R. Williams, ENGINEER-Lorenzo Martez Anderson, YOUTH COURT/ DRUG COURT- VANESSA R. HUDSON, TIFFANY LATRICE JENKINS, TAMELA S. HARDY, PLANNING- ROY L. JOHNSON, JR., DONNA MARIE CREMEEN, TAX ASSESSOR- Alicia M. Hawkins, Monica Detrice Williams, William E. Pardon, Larrence Williams, Brittany McNair, Lidia Haley, TAX COLLECTOR- Fredrick G. Guidry, Kevia Flakes, Bennie McCain, Katrina M. Voss, Patricia Hays, Marketa D. Nash, Raven L. Brown, Raven Lashuan Brown, Jacqueline Denise Miles, Qadriyyah L. Hodges-Sanders, Monique Ford, Gloria J. Phillips, CHANCERY- CATHALEAN B. WEATHERSBY, ROAD DEPARTMENT- DON CANNON,

CIRCUIT CLERK- Cynthia L. Lakes, Willinna S. Hawkins, LaTonya Tucker, ADMINISTRATION- Chelesa Carter-County Administrator, Chelesa Carter-Purchase Clerk, Chelesa Carter-Deputy Chancery Clerk, Roderick Montgomery, Paula Louise Davison, Shikaria Nicole Davis-Deputy Chancery Clerk, Shikaria Nicole Davis-Payroll Admin MOTION BY SUPERVISOR GORDON, SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR BROOKS, THE VOTE: AYE- MCGEE, GORDON, BENSON, BROOKS, REDMOND (19)

IN RE: ORDER AUTHORIZING THE PRESIDENT OF THE BOARD TO SIGN MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING BETWEEN WASHINGTON COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI STATE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND DELTA HEALTH SYSTEM-DELTA THRIVE MOTION BY SUPERVISOR BENSON, SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR REDMOND, THE VOTE: AYE- MCGEE, BENSON, BROOKS, REDMOND, ABSENT- GORDON (20)

IN RE: ORDER AUTHORIZING COPYING CERTAIN DOCUMENTS INTO THE MINUTES OF THE WASHINGTON COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS MOTION BY SUPERVISOR BENSON, SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR REDMOND, THE VOTE: AYE- GORDON, MCGEE, BENSON, BROOKS, REDMOND (21)

IN RE: ORDER ACCEPTING COUNTY OFFICIALS REPORTS MOTION BY SUPERVISOR BENSON, SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR GORDON, THE VOTE: AYE- GORDON, MCGEE, BENSON, BROOKS, REDMOND (22)

Billy Barber, Chief Deputy

IN RE: ORDER APPROVING THE REQUEST FOR SALARY ADJUSTMENTS FOR DEPUTIES, DISPATCHERS AND CLERKS WITH THE WASHINGTON COUNTY SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT; ADJUSTMENTS OF \$4,500.00 FOR DEPUTIES AND \$2,500.00 FOR DISPATCHERS AND CLERKS, EFFECTIVE JANUARY 3, 2022 MOTION BY SUPERVISOR GORDON, SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR BENSON, THE VOTE: AYE-MCGEE, GORDON, BENSON, BROOKS, REDMOND (23)

IN RE: ORDER GOING INTO CLOSED DETERMINATION TO CONSIDER GOING INTO EXECUTIVE SESSION MOTION BY SUPERVISOR BROOKS, SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR GORDON, THE VOTE: AYE- MCGEE, GORDON, BENSON, BROOKS, REDMOND (24)

IN RE: ORDER TO GO INTO EXECUTIVE SESSION TO DISCUSS PERSONNEL AND J. D. MOORE MOTION BY SUPERVISOR GORDON, SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR BENSON, THE VOTE: AYE- MCGEE, GORDON, BENSON, BROOKS, REDMOND (25)

IN RE: ORDER TO LEAVE EXECUTIVE SESSION, WITH NO ACTION TAKEN MOTION BY SUPERVISOR BROOKS, SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR BENSON, THE VOTE: AYEMCGEE, GORDON, BENSON, BROOKS, REDMOND (26)

IN RE: ORDER ADDING THE BUILDING AND GROUNDS DEPARTMENT APPOINTMENT TO THE AGENDA MOTION BY SUPERVISOR BROOKS, SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR REDMOND, THE VOTE: AYE- MCGEE, GORDON, BENSON, BROOKS, REDMOND (27)

IN RE: ORDER APPOINTING JEREMY SMITH AS BUILDING AND GROUNDS/WARFIELD POINT PARK DIRECTOR, AT A YEARLY SALARY OF \$55,000.00 MOTION BY SUPERVISOR REDMOND, SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR BROOKS, THE VOTE: AYEMCGEE, GORDON, BENSON, BROOKS, REDMOND (28)

IN RE: ORDER AUTHORIZING THE APPOINTMENT OF JOEL WELLS AS ASSISTANT BUILDING AND GROUNDS/WARFIELD POINT PARK DIRECTOR, AT A YEARLY SALARY OF \$47,000.00 MOTION BY SUPERVISOR GORDON, SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR BROOKS, THE VOTE: AYE- MCGEE, GORDON, BENSON, BROOKS, REDMOND (29)

IN RE: ORDER APPROVING COVID 19 POLICY AS AMENDED AND AUTHORIZING THE PRESIDENT AND CLERK OF THE BOARD TO SIGN AMENDED POLICY MOTION BY SUPERVISOR BENSON, SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR BROOKS, THE VOTE: AYE- BENSON, BROOKS, REDMOND, NAY-MCGEE, GORDON (30)

IN RE: ORDER RECESSING MEETING UNTIL JANUARY 18, 2022 AT 9:00 A.M. MOTION BY SUPERVISOR GORDON, SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR BENSON, THE VOTE: AYE-GORDON, MCGEE, BENSON, BROOKS, REDMOND (31)

ATTEST: CARL MCGEE, PRESIDENT

MARILYN HANSELL, CLERK OF THE BOARD