

WASHINGTON COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

MINUTES OF MAY 18, 2023

BOARD MEETING

Thursday, May 18, 2023 at 9:00 A. M., the Board of Supervisors of Washington County, Mississippi, met pursuant to recess, there being all members present. The meeting was called to order by President Carl McGee. The opening prayer was by Supervisor Lee Gordon. Supervisors Mala Brooks and Jerry Redmond were absent. All present said the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag, and the meeting was officially opened by the Chief Deputy Sheriff.

(1) IN RE: ORDER TO CONSIDER AND ACCEPT AGENDA FOR MAY 18, 2023 WITH ADDITIONS MOTION BY SUPERVISOR GORDON, SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR BENSON, THE VOTE: AYE-MCGEE, BENSON, REDMOND, ABSENT-REDMOND, BROOKS
Added- Update on Greater Greenville in Executive Session, Assistance with the fireworks show

JEREMY SMITH, BUILDING AND GROUNDS DIRECTOR DISCUSSED THE HVAC UNITS AT THE WASHINGTON COUNTY CONVENTION CENTER AND THE JAIL. EXPRESSED THE DIFFICULTY OF GETTING VENDORS TO COME OUT.

JACQUELINE THOMPSON, ELECTION COMMISSION REGARDING A LETTER FROM THE SECRETARY OF STATE REDISTRICTING

(2) IN RE: ORDER AUTHORIZING THE WASHINGTON COUNTY ELECTION COMMISSION TO CONTRACT WITH PHAROS CONSULTING SERVICES TO COMPLETE THE SEMS REDISTRICTING, ALLOW ADDITIONAL TEN (10) DAYS FOR THE ELECTION COMMISSIONERS TO COMPLETE THE WORK AND AUTHORIZE THE PRESIDENT OF THE BOARD TO SIGN THE PHAROS CONSULTING SERVICES' SEMS REDISTRICTING SUPPORT AGREEMENT IN THE AMOUNT OF \$800.00 FOR WASHINGTON COUNTY
MOTION BY SUPERVISOR BENSON SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR GORDON, THE VOTE: AYE-MCGEE, BENSON, GORDON, ABSENT- REDMOND, BROOKS

SUPERVISOR CARL MCGEE REQUESTING APPROVAL OF \$8,625.00 TO ASSIST WITH THE FIREWORKS SHOW

(3) IN RE: ORDER APPROVING THE REQUEST FROM GREATER GREENVILLE FOR ASSISTANCE WITH THE COST OF THE FIREWORKS SHOW AND AUTHORIZE PAYMENT IN THE AMOUNT OF \$8,625.00 **MOTION BY SUPERVISOR GORDON, SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR BENSON, THE VOTE: AYE-MCGEE, BENSON, GORDON, ABSENT- BROOKS, REDMOND**

ANDREW SMITH, ARPA CONSULTANT

(4) IN RE: ORDER AUTHORIZING ANDREW SMITH, ARPA CONSULTANT, TO COMMUNICATE WITH INDIANOLA ELECTRIC TO OBTAIN A LIGHTING PLAN FOR STOKES KING ROAD FOR LIGHTING AND SAFETY IMPROVEMENTS, AS REQUESTED BY THE WASHINGTON COUNTY SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT *MOTION BY SUPERVISOR GORDON, SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR BENSON, THE VOTE: AYE-MCGEE, BENSON, GORDON, ABSENT- BROOKS, REDMOND*

(5) IN RE: ORDER AUTHORIZING ANDREW SMITH, ARPA CONSULTANT, TO PREPARE A REQUEST FOR QUOTES FOR THE OFFICE OF THE WASHINGTON COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR RELATED TO ENVIRONMENTAL ASSESSMENT NEEDS AT THE OLD HEALTH DEPARTMENT BUILDING IN HOLLANDALE TO INCLUDE, BUT NOT LIMITED TO ABESTOS, LEAD BASED PAINT, MOLD AND MILDEW-INCLUSIVE OF REMOVAL *MOTION BY SUPERVISOR BENSON, SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR GORDON, THE VOTE: AYE-MCGEE, BENSON, GORDON, ABSENT- BROOKS, REDMOND*

(6) IN RE: ORDER AUTHORIZING THE CLERK OF THE BOARD TO ADVERTISE NOTICE TO BIDDERS RELATED TO ENVIRONMENTAL ASSESSMENT NEEDS AT THE OLD HEALTH DEPARTMENT BUILDING IN HOLLANDALE TO INCLUDE, BUT NOT LIMITED TO ABESTOS, LEAD BASED PAINT, MOLD AND MILDEW-INCLUSIVE OF REMOVAL *MOTION BY SUPERVISOR GORDON, SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR BENSON, THE VOTE: AYE-MCGEE, BENSON, GORDON, ABSENT- BROOKS, REDMOND*

(7) IN RE: ORDER AUTHORIZING THE CLERK OF THE BOARD TO ADVERTISE NOTICE TO BIDDERS FOR COMMERCIAL KITCHEN IMPROVEMENTS AT THE WASHINGTON COUNTY MULTIPLEX BUILDING I HOLLANDALE TO INCLUDE EQUIPMENT, INSTALLATION AND MAINTENANCE *MOTION BY SUPERVISOR GORDON, SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR BENSON, THE VOTE: AYE-MCGEE, BENSON, GORDON, ABSENT- BROOKS, REDMOND*

(8) IN RE: ORDER AUTHORIZING MILLS AND MILLS ARCHITECTS TO PREPARE A PRELIMINARY PLANS AND COST ESTIMATES FOR THE REHABILITATION OF THE OLD HEALTH DEPARTMENT BUILDING IN HOLLANDALE *MOTION BY SUPERVISOR BENSON, SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR GORDON, THE VOTE: AYE-MCGEE, BENSON, GORDON, ABSENT- BROOKS, REDMOND*

SHERIFF MILTON GASTON REQUESTING AUTHORIZATION TO GET SOMEONE TO WORK ON AIR CONDITIONING UNIT IN PODS AT THE REGIONAL CORRECTIONAL FACILITY, NOT TO EXCEED \$5,000

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

(10) IN RE: ORDER TO GO INTO EXECUTIVE SESSION TO DISCUSS LITIGATION WITH GREATER GREENVILLE, CONTRACT NEGOTIATIONS FOR THE CHAMBERS MIDDLE SCHOOL GYM (JACKSON HEATING AND AIR, LLC) *MOTION BY SUPERVISOR GORDON, SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR BENSON, THE VOTE: AYE-MCGEE, BENSON, GORDON, ABSENT- BROOKS, REDMOND*

(11) IN RE: ORDER TO LEAVE EXECUTIVE SESSION, WITH NO ACTION TAKEN. MOTION BY SUPERVISOR GORDON, SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR BENSON, THE VOTE: AYE-MCGEE, BENSON, GORDON, ABSENT- BROOKS, REDMOND

(12) IN RE: ORDER ACCEPTING THE BOARD ATTORNEY'S RECOMMENDATIONS REGARDING GREATER GREENVILLE AND AUTHORIZE THE BOARD ATTORNEY TO NEGOTIATE WITH GREATER GREENVILLE ON THE TAXES DUE MOTION BY SUPERVISOR GORDON, SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR BENSON, THE VOTE: AYE-MCGEE, BENSON, GORDON, ABSENT- BROOKS, REDMOND

(13) IN RE: ORDER APPROVING THE HVAC CONTRACT WITH JACKSON HEATING & AIR, LLC IN THE AMOUNT OF \$52,000.00 FOR THE CHAMBERS MIDDLE SCHOOL GYM RENOVATIONS PROJECT AND AUTHORIZING THE PRESIDENT OF THE BOARD TO SIGN SAME MOTION BY SUPERVISOR GORDON, SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR BENSON, THE VOTE: AYE-MCGEE, BENSON, GORDON, ABSENT- BROOKS, REDMOND

(14) IN RE: ORDER APPROVING THE CONSTRUCTION CONTRACT WITH TIMBO'S CONSTRUCTION IN THE AMOUNT OF \$631,000.00 FOR THE CHAMBERS SCHOOL GYM RENOVATION PROJECT MOTION BY SUPERVISOR GORDON, SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR BENSON, THE VOTE: AYE- MCGEE, BENSON, GORDON, ABSENT- BROOKS, REDMOND

BARBARA ESTER-PARKER PRESENTED THE BOARD THE STATUE REGARDING ELECTION COMMISSION AND CIRCUIT CLERK CONDUCTING AN ELECTION

(15) IN RE: ORDER RECESSING MEETING UNTIL MAY 22, 2023 AT 9:00 A.M. MOTION BY SUPERVISOR GORDON, SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR BENSON, THE VOTE: AYE-MCGEE, BENSON, GORDON, ABSENT- BROOKS, REDMOND

CARL MCGEE, PRESIDENT

ATTEST:

MARILYN HANSELL, CLERK OF THE BOARD