WASHINGTON COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

MINUTES OF NOVEMBER 21, 2022

BOARD MEETING

Monday, November 21, 2022 at 9:00 A.M., the Board of Supervisors of Washington County, Mississippi, meet pursuant to recess, there being the following members present, Carl McGee, Lee Gordon, Mala Brooks, and Jerry Redmond. Supervisor Tommy Benson was absent. The meeting was called to order by President Carl McGee. The opening prayer was by Supervisor Carl McGee. All present said the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag, and the meeting was officially opened by the Deputy Sheriff.

IN RE: ORDER TO CONSIDER AND ACCEPT THE AGENDA WITH ADDITIONS FOR NOVEMBER 21, 2022 MEETING OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS MOTION BY SUPERVISOR GORDON, SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR REDMOND, THE VOTE: AYEMCGEE, GORDON, REDMOND, ABSENT-BROOKS, BENSON ADDITIONS: SAMUEL ODLE, APPOINTMENTS FOR DELTA HEALTH SYSTEM BOARD OF TRUSTEES (1)

IN RE: ORDER APPROVING THE MINUTES NOVEMBER 7, 2022 MEETING OF THE WASHINGTON COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS AND DIRECTING THE PRESIDENT AND CLERK TO SIGN SAME MOTION BY SUPERVISOR GORDON, SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR REDMOND, THE VOTE: AYE-MCGEE, GORDON, REDMOND, ABSENT-BROOKS, BENSON (2)

SAMUEL ODLE, HEALTH CARE CONSULTANT OF BOSE PUBLIC POLICY PRESENTED THE BOARD AN UPDATE ON DELTA HEALTH SYSTEM. THEY ARE CONTINUING TO EVALUATE THE PHYSICIANS NETWORK AND WAITING ON FUNDING FROM MEMA AND FEMA

SUPERVISOR MALA BROOKS IS NOW PRESENT

SHEILA COLLINS

IN RE: ORDER ALLOWING THE SERVING OF ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES AT THE HOLLANDALE MULTIPLEX BUILDING DECEMBER 30, 2022 BY SHEILA COLLINS FOR AN APPRECIATIONS EVENT FROM 8:00 P.M. TO 12:00 A.M. MOTION BY SUPERVISOR BROOKS, SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR REDMOND, THE VOTE: AYE-MCGEE, BROOKS, REDMOND, NAY-GORDON, ABSENT-BENSON (3)

BE IT KNOWN: DR. JACQUELINE MCCOY APPEARED BEFORE THE BOARD AND PRESENTED A LETTER REQUESTING RECONSIDERATION AS TO WHETHER THE CHAMBERS MIDDLE SCHOOL CAN BE TRANSFERRED TO A NON-PROFIT ORGANIZATION. THE BOARD ATTORNEY WILL REVIEW THE LETTER

SUPERVISOR LEE GORDON

IN RE: ORDER APPOINTING MACK MOSOW TO THE DELTA HEALTH SYSTEM BOARD OF TRUSTEES FROM SUPERVISOR DISTRICT ONE MOTION BY SUPERVISOR GORDON, SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR BROOKS, THE VOTE: AYE-MCGEE, GORDON, BROOKS, REDMOND, ABSENT-BENSON (4)

IN RE: ORDER REAPPOINTING HOWARD SANDERS TO THE DELTA HEALTH SYSTEM BOARD OF TRUSTEES FROM SUPERVISORY DISTRICT FIVE MOTION BY SUPERVISOR REDMOND, SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR BROOKS, THE VOTE: AYE-MCGEE, GORDON, BROOKS, REDMOND, ABSENT-BENSON (5)

ARTHUR PERRY, WASHINGTON COUNTY ROAD MANAGER

IN RE: ORDER ACCEPTING THE LOWEST QUOTE FOR WELDING MACHINE FROM AIR GAS IN THE AMOUNT OF \$5,902.00 MOTION BY SUPERVISOR GORDON, SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR BROOKS, THE VOTE: AYE-MCGEE, GORDON, BROOKS, REDMOND, ABSENT-BENSON (6)

IN RE: ORDER ACCEPTING THE LOWEST QUOTE OF MID-SOUTH MACHINERY, INC., TO REPAIR THE SWEEPER USED FOR STRIPING THE ROADS MOTION BY SUPERVISOR GORDON, SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR BROOKS, THE VOTE: AYE-MCGEE, GORDON, BROOKS, REDMOND, ABSENT-BENSON (7)

BE IT KNOWN: THE REQUEST FROM THE TOWN OF METCALFE FOR ASSISTANCE WAS CLARIFIED TO STATE "THE TOWN OF METCALFE WILL SUPPLY THE MATERIALS AND THE COUNTY WILL PROVIDE THE MANPOWER

BE IT KNOWN: TAX ASSESSOR, MARK SEARD PRESENTED TWO PETITIONS FOR REDUCTION OF ASSESSMENT FOR CABLE ONE d/b/a SPARKLIGHT FOR CONSIDERATION. THE ATTORNEY WILL REVIEW FOR NEXT BOARD MEETING

BE IT KNOWN: TAX COLLECTOR, PATRICIA LEE APPEARED BEFORE THE BOARD WITH CONCERNS REGARDING THE FINDS ASSESSED TO PROPERTY OWNERS. THE BOARD IS STILL REVIEWING HOW THE PROPERTY OWNERS ARE BEING ASSESSED

CHELESA CARTER, COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR PRESENTED HER BI-WEEKLY REPORT

IN RE: ORDER ALLOWING CLAIMS <u>228282</u> THROUGH <u>228421</u> IN THE AMOUNT OF \$510,287.99 MOTION BY SUPERVISOR GORDON, SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR REDMOND, THE VOTE: AYE- GORDON, MCGEE, REDMOND, ABSENT-BENSON, BROOKS (8)

IN RE: ORDER ALLOWING TRAVEL FOR COUNTY OFFICIALS TO ATTEND THE JANUARY 24-26, 2023 MID-WINTER LEGISLATIVE CONFERENCE IN FLOWOOD, MS, ESTIMATED COST OF \$4,000.00 AND APPROVING USE OF THE COUNTY CREDIT CARD MOTION BY SUPERVISOR GORDON, SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR REDMOND, THE VOTE: AYE-MCGEE, GORDON, REDMOND, ABSENT-BENSON, BROOKS (9)

IN RE: ORDER APPROVING PAYMENT IN THE AMOUNT OF \$21,937.67 TO BOSE PUBLIC AFFAIRS GROUP FOR SERVICES AND TRAVEL RENDERED FOR THE MONTH OF OCTOBER 2022 FOR DELTA HEALTH SYSTEM MOTION BY SUPERVISOR

GORDON, SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR REDMOND, THE VOTE: AYE-MCGEE, GORDON, REDMOND, ABSENT-BENSON, BROOKS, (10)

IN RE: ORDER AUTHORIZING PAYMENT OF REQUEST FROM MS STATE UNIVERSITY EXTENSION SERVICE IN THE AMOUNT OF \$6,851.97 FOR REIMBURSEMENT FOR EMPLOYEE SALARY AND FRINGE BENEFITS FOR THE MONTH ENDED OCTOBER 31, 2022 MOTION BY SUPERVISOR GORDON, SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR REDMOND, THE VOTE: AYE-MCGEE, GORDON, REDMOND, ABSENT-BENSON, BROOKS (11)

IN RE: ORDER APPROVING PAYMENT OF SEVEN (7) INVOICES IN THE AMOUNT OF \$5,760.00 TO LAMAR COMPANIES FOR POSTERS, BULLETINS AND BILLBOARD DESIGNS PURCHASED THROUGH THE DELTA HEALTH LITERACY GRANT MOTION BY SUPERVISOR GORDON, SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR REDMOND, THE VOTE: AYEMCGEE, GORDON, REDMOND, ABSENT-BENSON, BROOKS (12)

IN RE: ORDER APPROVING PAYMENT OF INVOICES IN THE AMOUNT OF \$504.00 TO WBAD, \$495.00 TO WESY, \$2,020.00 TO IMAGICOMM GREENWOOD FOR RADIO AND TELEVISION ADVERTISING SPOTS FOR THE DELTA THRIVE PROJECT PURCHASED THROUGH THE DELTA HEALTH LITERACY GRANT MOTION BY SUPERVISOR GORDON, SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR REDMOND, THE VOTE: AYE-MCGEE, GORDON, REDMOND, ABSENT-BENSON, BROOKS (13)

IN RE: ORDER APPROVING PAYMENT OF TWO (2) INVOICES IN THE AMOUNT OF \$642.00 AND 385.20 TO DRAKE'S BBQ FOR PLATE LUNCHES PURCHASED THROUGH THE DELTA HEALTH LITERACY GRANT MOTION BY SUPERVISOR GORDON, SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR REDMOND, THE VOTE: AYE-MCGEE, GORDON, REDMOND, ABSENT-BENSON, BROOKS (14)

IN RE: ORDER APPROVING PAYMENT IN THE AMOUNT OF \$1,095.00 TO SHAMOON ADVERTISING AND MARKETING FOR SEVEN (7) PANTONE MATCHED TABLE THROWS PURCHASED THROUGH THE DELTA HEALTH LITERACY GRANT MOTION BY SUPERVISOR GORDON, SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR REDMOND, THE VOTE: AYEMCGEE, GORDON, REDMOND, ABSENT-BENSON, BROOKS (15)

IN RE: ORDER APPROVING PAYMENT IN THE AMOUNT OF \$1,000.00 TO VESSELS OF MERCY CHURCH FOR SITE HOST FEE FOR DELTA THRIVE PROJECT EVENT PURCHASED THROUGH THE DELTA HEALTH LITERACY GRANT MOTION BY SUPERVISOR GORDON, SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR REDMOND, THE VOTE: AYEMCGEE, GORDON, REDMOND, ABSENT-BENSON, BROOKS (16)

SUPERVISOR MALA BROOKS IS NOW PRESENT

IN RE: ORDER APPROVING PAYMENT IN THE AMOUNT OF \$799.00 TO BELZONI BANNER PRINTING COMPANY, INC., FOR FULL PAGE AD IN ADVERTISING BOOKLET FOR DELTA THRIVE PROJECT PURCHASED THROUGH THE DELTA HEALTH

LITERACY GRANT MOTION BY SUPERVISOR GORDON, SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR REDMOND, THE VOTE: AYE-MCGEE, GORDON, BROOKS, REDMOND, ABSENT-BENSON (17)

IN RE: ORDER APPROVING PAYMENT TO AMAZING EDUCATIONAL SERVICES IN THE AMOUNT OF \$7,500.00 FOR PROVIDING EDUCATIONAL SERVICES AND SUPPORT OCTOBER 19-NOVEMBER 10, 2022 TO THE DELTA THRIVE PROJECT TO BE PAID THROUGH THE DELTA LITERACY GRANT MOTION BY SUPERVISOR GORDON, SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR REDMOND, THE VOTE: AYE-MCGEE, GORDON, BROOKS, REDMOND, ABSENT-BENSON (18)

IN RE: ORDER APPROVING PAYMENT OF INVOICE FROM DELTA HEALTH SYSTEM IN THE AMOUNT OF \$76,254.90 FOR STAFF TIME REIMBURSEMENT FOR SALARY EXPENSES INCURRED FROM AUGUST 22, 2022 THROUGH OCTOBER 30, 2022 TO BE PAID THROUGH THE DELTA LITERACY GRANT MOTION BY SUPERVISOR GORDON, SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR REDMOND, THE VOTE: AYE-MCGEE, GORDON, BROOKS, REDMOND, ABSENT-BENSON (19)

IN RE: ORDER AUTHORIZING SUBMISSION OF REQUISITIONS IN THE AMOUNT OF \$569,791.64 TO THE PEOPLES BANK FOR THE WASHINGTON COUNTY REGIONAL CORRECTIONAL FACILITY MOTION BY SUPERVISOR REDMOND, SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR GORDON, THE VOTE: AYE-MCGEE, GORDON, BROOKS, REDMOND, ABSENT-BENSON (20)

IN RE: ORDER ACCEPTING THE LETTER FROM SIDNEY COBB, LIBRARY DIRECTOR AND APPOINTING LAMARR WINN TO THE WASHINGTON COUNTY LIBRARY STYSTEM BOARD DUE TO THE RESIGNATION OF CAROLYN OGLESBY MOTION BY SUPERVISOR GORDON, SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR REDMOND, THE VOTE: AYEMCGEE, GORDON, BROOKS, REDMOND, ABSENT-BENSON (21)

MARILYN HANSELL, CLERK OF THE BOARD PRESENTED HER BI-WEEKLY REPORT

IN RE: ORDER APPROVING THE MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING BY AND AMONG THE MISSISSIPPI RIVER MARATHON, INC., THE CITY OF GREENVILLE, THE WASHINGTON COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS AND MILTON M. GASTON, SR., IN HIS OFFICIAL CAPACITY AS SHERIFF OF WASHINGTON COUNTY, MS AND AUTHORIZING THE PRESIDENT AND CLERK OF THE BOARD TO SIGN SAME MOTION BY SUPERVISOR REDMOND, SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR GORDON, THE VOTE: AYEMCGEE, GORDON, BROOKS, REDMOND, ABSENT-BENSON (22)

BILLY BARBER, CHIEF DEPUTY, WASHINGTON COUNTY SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT PRESENTED THE OCTOBER THROUGH NOVEMBER 15, 2022 MEAL LOG FOR THE WASHINGTON COUNTY REGIONAL CORRECTIONAL FACILITY

BE IT KNOWN: CAROLYN HAYES APPEARED BEFORE THE BOARD TO THANK THEM FOR THE ASSISTANCE WITH MENTAL HEALTH

IN RE: ORDER APPROVING A ONE YEAR EXTENSION OF THE LEASE AGREEMENT BETWEEN MARS AND WASHINGTON COUNTY MOTION BY SUPERVISOR GORDON, SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR BROOKS, THE VOTE: AYE-MCGEE, BROOKS, REDMOND, GORDON, ABSENT-BENSON (23)

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

IN RE: ORDER TO GO INTO EXECUTIVE SESSION TO DISCUSS A PERSONNEL MATTER MOTION BY SUPERVISOR GORDON, SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR REDMOND, THE VOTE: AYE-MCGEE, BROOKS, REDMOND, GORDON, ABSENT-BENSON (25)

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

IN RE: ORDER ACCEPTING SETTLEMENTS IN THE AMOUNT OF \$380,381.89 FOR THE MONTH OF OCTOBER 2022 FROM TAX COLLECTOR, PATRICIA LEE MOTION BY SUPERVISOR BROOKS, SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR REDMOND, *THE VOTE: AYE-MCGEE, GORDON, BROOKS, REDMOND, ABSENT-BENSON* (27)

IN RE: ORDER ACCEPTING LETTER FROM THE OFFICE OF THE STATE AUDITOR STATING THE COUNTY'S 2020 AUDIT HAS BEEN RECEIVED AND APPROVED MOTION BY SUPERVISOR GORDON, SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR BROOKS, THE VOTE: AYEMCGEE, GORDON, BROOKS, REDMOND, ABSENT-BENSON (28)

IN RE: ORDER ACCEPTING COUNTY OFFICIALS REPORTS. MOTION BY SUPERVISOR GORDON, SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR REDMOND, THE VOTE: AYEMCGEE, GORDON, BROOKS, REDMOND, ABSENT-BENSON (29)

IN RE: ORDER AUTHORIZING COPYING CERTAIN DOCUMENTS INTO THE MINUTES OF THE WASHINGTON COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS. MOTION BY SUPERVISOR GORDON SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR REDMOND, *THE VOTE: AYE-MCGEE*, *GORDON*, *BROOKS*, *REDMOND*, *ABSENT-BENSON* (30)

IN RE: ORDER TO RECESS MEETING UNTIL NOVEMBER 21, 2022 AT 6:00 P.M. MOTION BY SUPERVISOR REDMOND, SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR GORDON, *THE VOTE: AYE-MCGEE, GORDON, BROOKS, REDMOND, ABSENT-BENSON* (31)

BE IT KNOWN: THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS MET AT 6:00 P.M. WITH THE WASHINGTON COUNTY WATER ASSOCIATIONS AND SMALL COMMUNITIES TO DISCUSS AMERICAN RESCUE ACT FUNDING. PRESENT WERE PRESIENT CARL MCGEE, VICE PRESIDENT LEE GORDON, SUPERVISOR MALA BROOKS, ANDREW SMITH, CHRIS SHELTON OF THE MS RURAL WATER ASSOCIATION, HARRY WONG OF THE MS STATE DEPARTMENT OF

HEALTH, GOLDEN ACRES, BLACK BAYOU, GLEN ALLAN, WINTERVILLE ENGINEER METTLEWOOD. INTRODUCTIONS WERE MADE BY ANDREW SMITH ARPA CONSULTANT.

IN RE: ORDER TO ADJOURN MEETING UNTIL DECEMBER 5, 2022 MOTION BY SUPERVISOR GORDON, SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR BROOKS, THE VOTE: AYE-MCGEE, GORDON, BROOKS, REDMOND, ABSENT-BENSON, REDMOND (32)

CARL MCGEE, PRESIDENT

ATTEST:

MARILYN HANSELL, CLERK