

STATE OF MISSISSIPPI

COUNTY OF OKTIBBEHA

BE IT REMEMBERED THAT THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF OKTIBBEHA COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI, held a Regular Session in the Boardroom of the Courthouse in Oktibbeha County, Mississippi, on Monday, May 15, 2023, at 3:00 p.m.

Supervisors present: District No. 1, John Montgomery; District 2, Orlando Trainer; District No. 3, Marvell Howard; District No. 4, Bricklee Miller; and District 5, Joe Williams. Also present were Sharon Livingston, Chancery Clerk; Ms. Delois Farmer, Administrator; Ms. Deanna Collier, Comptroller; Shawn Word, Deputy; and Rob Roberson, Board Attorney. There being a quorum, President Orlando Trainer called the meeting to order and Member Howard opened with prayer.

*Citizens Comments:*

1. There came before the Board to acknowledge Peggy Rogers concerns, and on motion by Member Williams, seconded by Member Montgomery, the Board approved same.

2. There came before the Board June Esktridge, requesting help with the red dirt for the Cross of Christ at 124 Barron Road, and on motion by Member Miller, seconded by Member Williams, the Board acknowledged the request.

3. There came before the Board Evette Rice, requesting Hearst Road be pave and repaired due to dust issues and health issues of the residents thereon, and on motion by Member Howard, seconded by Member Montgomery, the Board acknowledged the request.

4. There came before the Board award of the recipient of the MAS County Employee Scholarship, and on motion by Member Howard, seconded by Member Montgomery the Board awarded Joshua S. Word, Recipient and acknowledged same.

5. There came before the Board Frank Nichols requesting use of the Lynn Lane Safe Room for a Juneteenth Community Health Fair, on June 17, 2023, and on motion by Member Williams, seconded by Member Howard, the Board approved same

6. There came before the Board introduction of Whitney Cox, as Administrator for Community Counseling, and on motion by Member Miller, seconded by Member Montgomery, the Board acknowledged same.

7. There came before the Board Brownfield updates from Phylis Benson, and on motion by Member Montgomery, seconded by Member Howard, the Board acknowledged same and will bring forward at the next Board Meeting.

8. There came before the Board Patrick Warner, with updates on the Jaws of Life and chargers for Sturgis Volunteer Fire Department, and on motion by Member Montgomery, seconded by Member Howard, the Board approved the purchase from Municipal Emergency Services, in the amount of \$73,680.00.

9. There came before the Board Patrick Warner, with a request to sell the tank located at behind Central Shop, for \$1,250.00, and on motion by Member Montgomery, seconded by Member Williams, the Board approved the same.

10. There came before Member Montgomery to Resend his previous Motion, to include accounting for the tank as surplus material and declare it surplus property, and on motion by Member Montgomery, seconded by Member Williams, the Board approved the same.

11. There came before the Board Victor Collins, with 3 bids for tree cutting/removal services, with American Arbor being the lowest and best bid, and upon recommendation of Road Manager Collins, the motion by Member Montgomery, seconded by Member Williams, was well taken and approved.

12. There came before the Board Road Manager Collin's with a request to cut and remove 3 trees between 647 and 801 Southgate, and no action was taken.

13. There came before the Board a culvert request for 876 Sykes Road, 1791 West Wade Road, 214 John Starr Road, 3287 Craig Springs Road, and Tanacrest Drive, and on motion by Member Montgomery, seconded by Member Williams, the Board approved same.

14. There came before the Board, a right-of-way request from Antonio Smith, for 794 John High Road, and on motion by Member Montgomery, seconded by Member Howard, the Board approved the same.

15. There came before the Board an adjustment on the drain project at 2981 16<sup>th</sup> Section Road, and on motion by Member Montgomery, seconded by Member Williams, the Board approved the same.

16. There came before the Board Chancery Clerk business, and there being none, no action was taken.

17. There came before the Board for consideration payroll changes, and on motion by Member Montgomery, seconded by Member Howard, the Board approved same. Member Miller and Williams voting Nay on #956.

18. There came before the Board a motion by Member Williams, seconded by Member Montgomery, to enter into Closed Session to determine the need for Executive Session, and the Board approved same.

19. There came before the Board for consideration adoption of Tanacrest Drive for E911 purposes, and on motion by Member Williams, seconded by Member Montgomery, the Board approved same.

20. There came before the Board for consideration approval to advertise in the Miss Hospitality Program Book, and on motion by Member Howard, seconded by Member Montgomery, the Board approved same.

21. There came before the Board a motion by Member Montgomery, seconded by Member Howard, to pave Morris Road, and the Board approved same.

22. There came before the Board Attorney Roberson request to attend a workshop in Jackson, Mississippi, and on motion by Member Montgomery, seconded by Member Howard, the Board approved travel for same.

23. There came before the Board Attorney Roberson request discuss and prepare a contract between the City of Starkville and Oktibbeha County for use of County property, and for the County to contribute \$25,000.00, to said project, and no action taken.

24. There came before the Board a motion by Member Montgomery, seconded by Member Howard, to move forward with the MSWCC to administer and plan the design phase of the Soil and Water Conservation Contract, and the Board approved moving forward.

25. There came before the Board a motion by Member Howard, seconded by Member Montgomery, to move forward and accept the recommendation of Mississippi Engineering, for the County Lake Dam, and the Board approved same.

26. There came before the Board a motion by Member Trainer, seconded by Member Montgomery, to enter into Closed Session to determine the need for Executive Session, and the Board approved same.

27. There came before the Board a motion by Member Howard, seconded by Member Montgomery, to exit Executive Session, and the Board approved same.

28. There being no further business the Board on motion by Member Montgomery, seconded by Member Howard, recessed until June 5, 2023, at 9:00 a.m.

This the 15th day of May, 2023.

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Orlando Trainer  
2023 Board President  
Oktoberbeha County Board of Supervisors

ATTEST:

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Sharon Livingston, Clerk