



Pearl River County Board of Supervisors

Meeting Minutes

March 20, 2024 at 9:00 AM

Welcome & Call to Order

The Board of Supervisors met at 9:00 AM on March 20, 2024, in the Supervisors Board Room, in the Pearl River County Courthouse Complex in the City of Poplarville, Mississippi, with the following members of said Board and officers of said County present to wit:

President, Malcolm Perry, member from District Two - (Present);
Vice President, Donald Hart, member from District One - (Present);
Cruz Russell, member from District Three - (Present);
Jason Spence, member from District Four - (Present);
Bryce Lott, member from District Five - (Present);
County Administrator, Adrain Lumpkin, Jr.;
Board Attorney, Joe Montgomery;
Chancery Clerk, Melinda Bowman;
Sheriff, David Allison.

1) Special Recognition to Ruth Preston for 17 years of service to Pearl River County:

2) Clyde Dease-Lower Pearl River Valley Foundation & Poplarville Athletics Association :

3) Chris Bryan, T-Mobile Government Account Executive-10:00 a.m.:

A. Presentation of initiatives and resources to help develop and strengthen the community with the resources and programs available to the county.

4) Board Minutes:

A. Consider approving Board Minutes - March 4, 2024.

RESULT: APPROVED

MOVER: District 3 Supervisor Russell

SECONDER: District 5 Supervisor Lott

VOTING AYE: Donald Hart, Malcolm Perry, Cruz Russell, Jason Spence, Bryce Lott

VOTING NAYE: None

- B. Consider approving Board Minutes - March 5, 2024.

RESULT: **APPROVED**
MOVER: District 3 Supervisor Russell
SECONDER: District 5 Supervisor Lott
VOTING AYE: Donald Hart, Malcolm Perry, Cruz Russell, Jason Spence, Bryce Lott
VOTING NAYE: None

5) Claims Docket:

- A. Consider approving the Claims Docket for March 20, 2024.

RESULT: **APPROVED**
MOVER: District 5 Supervisor Lott
SECONDER: District 1 Supervisor Hart
VOTING AYE: Donald Hart, Malcolm Perry, Cruz Russell, Jason Spence, Bryce Lott
VOTING NAYE: None

6) Sheriff:

- A. Motion to approve the following personnel changes.
Remove Amber McCardle as full-time Correctional Officer due to no contact after being hired effective March 7, 2024.
Accept the resignation of Taylor Keaton as full-time Correctional Officer effective March 12, 2024.
Move Jason Edmonds from Captain of Security to Patrol Deputy effective March 20, 2024.
Move Wade Ladner from Transport to Captain of Security effective March 20, 2024.
Hire John Horn as full-time Correctional Officer effective March 20, 2024.
Hire Bradley Shaw as full-time Transport Officer effective March 20, 2024.
Hire Kayla Martin as part-time Correctional Officer effective March 20, 2024.
Hire Bradford Lee as Circuit Court Bailiff effective March 20, 2024.

RESULT: **APPROVED**
MOVER: District 4 Supervisor Spence
SECONDER: District 5 Supervisor Lott
VOTING AYE: Donald Hart, Malcolm Perry, Cruz Russell, Jason Spence, Bryce Lott
VOTING NAYE: None

7) The Gulf Coast Center of Nonviolence:

- A. Motion to approve the County Administrator and Sheriff to sign and enter into a MOU with The Gulf Coast Center of Nonviolence, the Domestic Abuse Family Shelter, Inc., (DAFS) and the governing authorities of George, Greene, Marion, Pearl River, Perry and Stone Counties in Mississippi, to fund the Support for Rural Survivors Project.

RESULT: **APPROVED**
MOVER: District 4 Supervisor Spence
SECONDER: District 1 Supervisor Hart
VOTING AYE: Donald Hart, Malcolm Perry, Cruz Russell, Jason Spence, Bryce Lott
VOTING NAYE: None

8) County Engineer:

- A. Motion to Authorize the Board President to sign the Preliminary Engineering Services Contract for the Local Roads Safety Improvements Project, HSIP-0055-00(043) LPA/109557-701000.

RESULT: APPROVED

MOVER: District 4 Supervisor Spence

SECONDER: District 5 Supervisor Lott

VOTING AYE: Donald Hart, Malcolm Perry, Cruz Russell, Jason Spence, Bryce Lott

VOTING NAYE: None

9) Circuit Clerk:

- A. Motion to approve the hiring of Danielle Hickman as a Deputy Circuit Clerk, effective March 21, 2024.

RESULT: APPROVED

MOVER: District 3 Supervisor Russell

SECONDER: District 1 Supervisor Hart

VOTING AYE: Donald Hart, Malcolm Perry, Cruz Russell, Jason Spence, Bryce Lott

VOTING NAYE: None

10) Coroner:

- A. Motion to request the Board of Supervisors' approval in declaring Mrs. Hamann as a pauper.

RESULT: APPROVED

MOVER: District 4 Supervisor Spence

SECONDER: District 5 Supervisor Lott

VOTING AYE: Donald Hart, Malcolm Perry, Cruz Russell, Jason Spence, Bryce Lott

VOTING NAYE: None

11) County Court:

- A. Motion to Acknowledge the Judicial Oath of Office for Lisa Beech McGloflin, County Court Judge.

RESULT: APPROVED

MOVER: District 3 Supervisor Russell

SECONDER: District 1 Supervisor Hart

VOTING AYE: Donald Hart, Malcolm Perry, Cruz Russell, Jason Spence, Bryce Lott

VOTING NAYE: None

- B. Motion to Acknowledge Order of Appointment of Youth Court Guardian Ad Litem (Tara Kellar) dated March 11, 2024.

RESULT: APPROVED

MOVER: District 3 Supervisor Russell

SECONDER: District 1 Supervisor Hart

VOTING AYE: Donald Hart, Malcolm Perry, Cruz Russell, Jason Spence, Bryce Lott
VOTING NAYE: None

- C. Motion to Acknowledge Order of Appointment of Youth Court Designee (Susan Cavanaugh) dated March 11, 2024.

RESULT: **APPROVED**
MOVER: District 3 Supervisor Russell
SECONDER: District 1 Supervisor Hart
VOTING AYE: Donald Hart, Malcolm Perry, Cruz Russell, Jason Spence, Bryce Lott
VOTING NAYE: None

- D. Motion to Acknowledge MS Supreme Court Order dated March 6, 2024 (Appointment of Special Judge William E. Andrews, III as County Court Judge will expire at 11:59 p.m. March 10, 2024).

RESULT: **APPROVED**
MOVER: District 3 Supervisor Russell
SECONDER: District 1 Supervisor Hart
VOTING AYE: Donald Hart, Malcolm Perry, Cruz Russell, Jason Spence, Bryce Lott
VOTING NAYE: None

12) Planning & Development:

- A. Motion to Approve the subdivision of parcel number 4147260000000400 into 4 lots according to the large tract regulations on the private road of Guy Smith Rd.

RESULT: **APPROVED**
MOVER: District 4 Supervisor Spence
SECONDER: District 5 Supervisor Lott
VOTING AYE: Donald Hart, Malcolm Perry, Cruz Russell, Jason Spence, Bryce Lott
VOTING NAYE: None

- B. Motion to Approve the subdivision of parcel number 5175220000000400 phase one for Scott Gill into multiple lots according to the large tract regulations and creating private roads named Whitney Lane and Arleigh Lane.

RESULT: **NO ACTION TAKEN**

13) Chancery Clerk:

- A. Motion to Acknowledge the Certificate of the Department of Revenue has received and approved the 2023 Real and Personal Rolls.

RESULT: **APPROVED**
MOVER: District 3 Supervisor Russell
SECONDER: District 1 Supervisor Hart
VOTING AYE: Donald Hart, Malcolm Perry, Cruz Russell, Jason Spence, Bryce Lott
VOTING NAYE: None

14) Consent Agenda Items:

- A. Motion to Acknowledge the official bond and oath of Deputy Tax Collector, Taylor Archer beginning January 8th, 2024 through January 8th, 2025.

RESULT: **APPROVED**
MOVER: District 4 Supervisor Spence
SECONDER: District 1 Supervisor Hart
VOTING AYE: Donald Hart, Malcolm Perry, Cruz Russell, Jason Spence, Bryce Lott
VOTING NAYE: None

- B. Motion to spread upon the minutes Ray Bennet's Constable Annual Financial Report for the calendar year of 2023.

RESULT: **APPROVED**
MOVER: District 4 Supervisor Spence
SECONDER: District 1 Supervisor Hart
VOTING AYE: Donald Hart, Malcolm Perry, Cruz Russell, Jason Spence, Bryce Lott
VOTING NAYE: None

- C. Motion to Approve and Authorize the Board President to sign the insurance renewal policy with MASIT for Pearl River County for the period of April 1, 2024, to March 31, 2025. This policy with MASIT covers the County property as well as liability.

RESULT: **APPROVED**
MOVER: District 4 Supervisor Spence
SECONDER: District 1 Supervisor Hart
VOTING AYE: Donald Hart, Malcolm Perry, Cruz Russell, Jason Spence, Bryce Lott
VOTING NAYE: None

- D. Motion to Approve the following Picayune School District 16th Section leases and the cancelation of one.

1. Laura C. Williams & Jeremy C. Williams-Cancelation
2. Jeremy C. Williams & Peggy J. Hirschey Williams-Easement Lease
3. Alvin N. Carter-Residential Lease
4. Ida Goods-Residential Lease

RESULT: **APPROVED**
MOVER: District 4 Supervisor Spence
SECONDER: District 1 Supervisor Hart
VOTING AYE: Donald Hart, Malcolm Perry, Cruz Russell, Jason Spence, Bryce Lott
VOTING NAYE: None

- E. Motion to Ratify the check issued to Subway for the election poll workers for March 12, 2024.

RESULT: **APPROVED**
MOVER: District 4 Supervisor Spence
SECONDER: District 1 Supervisor Hart
VOTING AYE: Donald Hart, Malcolm Perry, Cruz Russell, Jason Spence, Bryce Lott

VOTING NAYE: None

- F. Motion to Accept the attached minutes of Nicholson Volunteer Fire Department and to begin administrative services for purchases according to the request submitted by the Nicholson Volunteer Fire Department Board.

RESULT: **APPROVED**

MOVER: District 4 Supervisor Spence

SECONDER: District 1 Supervisor Hart

VOTING AYE: Donald Hart, Malcolm Perry, Cruz Russell, Jason Spence, Bryce Lott

VOTING NAYE: None

15) Grants Administration:

- A. Motion to approve and have the Board President to sign the MS Wildlife, Fisheries, and Parks 2024 Recreational Trails Program (RTP) application.

RESULT: **APPROVED**

MOVER: District 4 Supervisor Spence

SECONDER: District 3 Supervisor Russell

VOTING AYE: Donald Hart, Malcolm Perry, Cruz Russell, Jason Spence, Bryce Lott

VOTING NAYE: None

- B. Motion to spread upon the minutes the December and January FY24 Occupant Protection Grant OP-2024-OP-15-51 monthly reports.

RESULT: **APPROVED**

MOVER: District 4 Supervisor Spence

SECONDER: District 3 Supervisor Russell

VOTING AYE: Donald Hart, Malcolm Perry, Cruz Russell, Jason Spence, Bryce Lott

VOTING NAYE: None

- C. Motion to spread upon the minutes the December and January FY24 Alcohol Countermeasures Grant (DUI) 154AL-2024-ST-15-51 monthly reports.

RESULT: **APPROVED**

MOVER: District 4 Supervisor Spence

SECONDER: District 3 Supervisor Russell

VOTING AYE: Donald Hart, Malcolm Perry, Cruz Russell, Jason Spence, Bryce Lott

VOTING NAYE: None

- D. Motion to approve the Sheriff's Department's request to apply for the Homeland Security Grant Program to be used for forensic evidence equipment and training to build a Crime Scene Unit and have the board sign all related documents.

RESULT: **APPROVED**

MOVER: District 4 Supervisor Spence

SECONDER: District 3 Supervisor Russell

VOTING AYE: Donald Hart, Malcolm Perry, Cruz Russell, Jason Spence, Bryce Lott

VOTING NAYE: None

- E. Motion to Approve and Authorize the Board President to sign the Letter of agreement from MS Tire Recycling, LLC.

RESULT: **APPROVED**
MOVER: District 4 Supervisor Spence
SECONDER: District 3 Supervisor Russell
VOTING AYE: Donald Hart, Malcolm Perry, Cruz Russell, Jason Spence, Bryce Lott
VOTING NAYE: None

16) Travel:

- A. Motion to approve the following training and travel:

1. Todd Douglas to Moorehead, MS on April 1-5 and April 8-12, 2024 for the MCA Constables Training.
2. Rhonda Johnson to Moorehead, MS on April 12, 2024, for the MCA Constables Training.

RESULT: **APPROVED**
MOVER: District 5 Supervisor Lott
SECONDER: District 1 Supervisor Hart
VOTING AYE: Donald Hart, Malcolm Perry, Cruz Russell, Jason Spence, Bryce Lott
VOTING NAYE: None

- B. Motion to approve Jerry Bounds travel request for MSU Insurance Day on April 2-3, 2024, hotel and meals to be reimbursed.

RESULT: **APPROVED**
MOVER: District 5 Supervisor Lott
SECONDER: District 1 Supervisor Hart
VOTING AYE: Donald Hart, Malcolm Perry, Cruz Russell, Jason Spence, Bryce Lott
VOTING NAYE: None

- C. Motion to approve County Officials to attend the NACo 2024 Annual Conference in Tampa, FL on July 12-15, 2024.

RESULT: **APPROVED**
MOVER: District 5 Supervisor Lott
SECONDER: District 1 Supervisor Hart
VOTING AYE: Donald Hart, Malcolm Perry, Cruz Russell, Jason Spence, Bryce Lott
VOTING NAYE: None

- D. Motion to approve Donald Hart to attend the 2024 Annual Educational Conference in Hattiesburg, MS on April 9-12, 2024.

RESULT: **APPROVED**
MOVER: District 5 Supervisor Lott
SECONDER: District 1 Supervisor Hart
VOTING AYE: Donald Hart, Malcolm Perry, Cruz Russell, Jason Spence, Bryce Lott
VOTING NAYE: None

- E. Motion to approve travel for the following individuals to attend the 2024 ECAM Certification Make-Up Training at the Mississippi Agriculture Museums Sparkman Auditorium, 1150 Lakeland Drive, Jackson, MS 39216, on Thursday, March 28, 2024:

1. Tommy Breland
2. Elena Shaw
3. Nance Fitzpatrick Stokes

RESULT: APPROVED

MOVER: District 5 Supervisor Lott

SECONDER: District 1 Supervisor Hart

VOTING AYE: Donald Hart, Malcolm Perry, Cruz Russell, Jason Spence, Bryce Lott

VOTING NAYE: None

- F. Motion to approve the County Administrator to attend the Spring Educational Workshop in Ridgeland on May 14th and 15th, 2024.

RESULT: APPROVED

MOVER: District 5 Supervisor Lott

SECONDER: District 1 Supervisor Hart

VOTING AYE: Donald Hart, Malcolm Perry, Cruz Russell, Jason Spence, Bryce Lott

VOTING NAYE: None

- G. Motion to Approve the request of travel for Christy Goss to attend the Community Development Institute (SDI) Year 2 class in Tuscaloosa, AL from June 9th - 14th, 2024. Christy has been awarded a Scholarship from the MS Economic Development Council for class registration costs.

RESULT: APPROVED

MOVER: District 5 Supervisor Lott

SECONDER: District 1 Supervisor Hart

VOTING AYE: Donald Hart, Malcolm Perry, Cruz Russell, Jason Spence, Bryce Lott

VOTING NAYE: None

- H. Motion to approve EMA Director to attend the District 9 meeting on March 28th, 2024 in Wiggins, MS.

RESULT: APPROVED

MOVER: District 5 Supervisor Lott

SECONDER: District 1 Supervisor Hart

VOTING AYE: Donald Hart, Malcolm Perry, Cruz Russell, Jason Spence, Bryce Lott

VOTING NAYE: None

- I. Motion to approve EMA Director to attend a meeting with the Mississippi Power Storm Center, for the upcoming Hurricane season, May 9th, 2024 in Gulfport, MS.

RESULT: APPROVED

MOVER: District 5 Supervisor Lott

SECONDER: District 1 Supervisor Hart

VOTING AYE: Donald Hart, Malcolm Perry, Cruz Russell, Jason Spence, Bryce Lott

VOTING NAYE: None

- J. Motion to approve EMA Director to attend the Partners in Preparedness Conference April 30th - May 3rd, 2024 in Biloxi, MS

RESULT: **APPROVED**
MOVER: District 5 Supervisor Lott
SECONDER: District 1 Supervisor Hart
VOTING AYE: Donald Hart, Malcolm Perry, Cruz Russell, Jason Spence, Bryce Lott
VOTING NAYE: None

17) Monthly Reports:

- A. Motion to spread upon the minutes Building Permit Report for February 2024. The Department of Planning and Development building division issued 152 permits for the period of February 1 - 29 2024. The 152 permits generated \$21,723.00 in revenue for the county.

RESULT: **APPROVED**
MOVER: District 4 Supervisor Spence
SECONDER: District 5 Supervisor Lott
VOTING AYE: Donald Hart, Malcolm Perry, Cruz Russell, Jason Spence, Bryce Lott
VOTING NAYE: None

- B. Motion to spread upon the minutes Summit's weekly invoices and meals served for February 2024 at the Lenoir Rowell Criminal Justice Center.

RESULT: **APPROVED**
MOVER: District 4 Supervisor Spence
SECONDER: District 5 Supervisor Lott
VOTING AYE: Donald Hart, Malcolm Perry, Cruz Russell, Jason Spence, Bryce Lott
VOTING NAYE: None

- C. Motion to spread upon the minutes the County Administrator's monthly report for February 2024 including receipts and disbursements.

RESULT: **APPROVED**
MOVER: District 4 Supervisor Spence
SECONDER: District 5 Supervisor Lott
VOTING AYE: Donald Hart, Malcolm Perry, Cruz Russell, Jason Spence, Bryce Lott
VOTING NAYE: None

- D. Motion to spread upon the minutes the February 2024 Fire Marshal Activity Report.

RESULT: **APPROVED**
MOVER: District 4 Supervisor Spence
SECONDER: District 5 Supervisor Lott
VOTING AYE: Donald Hart, Malcolm Perry, Cruz Russell, Jason Spence, Bryce Lott
VOTING NAYE: None

- E. Motion to spread upon the minutes the Justice Court Monthly Report for January and February 2024.

RESULT: **APPROVED**
MOVER: District 4 Supervisor Spence
SECONDER: District 5 Supervisor Lott

VOTING AYE: Donald Hart, Malcolm Perry, Cruz Russell, Jason Spence, Bryce Lott
VOTING NAYE: None

- F. Motion to spread upon the minutes the Building Inspections monthly report for February 2024.

RESULT: **APPROVED**
MOVER: District 4 Supervisor Spence
SECONDER: District 5 Supervisor Lott
VOTING AYE: Donald Hart, Malcolm Perry, Cruz Russell, Jason Spence, Bryce Lott
VOTING NAYE: None

- G. Motion to spread upon the minutes the Road Department monthly report for February 2024.

RESULT: **APPROVED**
MOVER: District 4 Supervisor Spence
SECONDER: District 5 Supervisor Lott
VOTING AYE: Donald Hart, Malcolm Perry, Cruz Russell, Jason Spence, Bryce Lott
VOTING NAYE: None

- H. Motion to spread upon the minutes the Animal/Litter Control monthly report for February 2024.

RESULT: **APPROVED**
MOVER: District 4 Supervisor Spence
SECONDER: District 5 Supervisor Lott
VOTING AYE: Donald Hart, Malcolm Perry, Cruz Russell, Jason Spence, Bryce Lott
VOTING NAYE: None

18) Road Department:

- A. Motion to approve the purchase of 2 metal culverts from the best and lowest bid. Bids are provided by Dial, Inc. for \$13,452.50 and G&O Supply for \$13,939.90. Each bid is for both culverts with delivery.
1--72"x45' for Charles Mitchell Road
1-- 48"x40' for John Amacker Road

RESULT: **APPROVED**
MOVER: District 3 Supervisor Russell
SECONDER: District 5 Supervisor Lott
VOTING AYE: Donald Hart, Malcolm Perry, Cruz Russell, Jason Spence, Bryce Lott
VOTING NAYE: None

19) Economic Development:

20) County Administrator:

- A. Discussion concerning the Sheriff's Department leasing vehicles with Enterprise Fleet Management.

RESULT: **NO ACTION TAKEN**

- B. Discuss proposed changes to the Pearl River County Subdivision Regulations.

RESULT: NO ACTION TAKEN

- C. Motion to adopt the 2018 Family of International Building Codes and authorize to be published.

RESULT: APPROVED

MOVER: District 4 Supervisor Spence

SECONDER: District 1 Supervisor Hart

VOTING AYE: Donald Hart, Malcolm Perry, Cruz Russell, Jason Spence, Bryce Lott

VOTING NAYE: None

21) Amendments to the Agenda:

- A. Motion to reschedule Zoning and County Wide garbage collection workshop from April 2nd, 2024 to April 8th, 2024.

RESULT: APPROVED

MOVER: District 4 Supervisor Spence

SECONDER: District 5 Supervisor Lott

VOTING AYE: Donald Hart, Malcolm Perry, Cruz Russell, Jason Spence, Bryce Lott

VOTING NAYE: None

- B. Motion to authorize the Board President to sign the Letter of Commitment for the Lower Pearl River and Mississippi Sound Water Quality Initiative with the University of Southern Mississippi.

RESULT: APPROVED

MOVER: District 4 Supervisor Spence

SECONDER: District 3 Supervisor Russell

VOTING AYE: Donald Hart, Malcolm Perry, Cruz Russell, Jason Spence, Bryce Lott

VOTING NAYE: None

22) Recess:

- A. Motion to recess for lunch at 12:45 p.m. until 2:00 p.m.

RESULT: APPROVED

MOVER: District 1 Supervisor Hart

SECONDER: District 5 Supervisor Lott

VOTING AYE: Donald Hart, Malcolm Perry, Cruz Russell, Jason Spence, Bryce Lott

VOTING NAYE: None

23) Return From Lunch:

- A. President called meeting back into order at 1:30 p.m.

24) Adjourn:

- A. Motion to direct County Administrator to post a notice next meeting within one hour after such meeting is called in a prominent place available for examination and inspection by the general public at the Board of Supervisors meeting room in the Pearl River County Courthouse Complex and make attached notice as part of minutes and adjourn for the term until the next scheduled meeting to be held at 9:00 a.m., April, 1, 2024, at the Board of Supervisors meeting room at 109 W Pearl St in Poplarville, MS.

RESULT: **APPROVED**

MOVER: District 1 Supervisor Hart

SECONDER: District 5 Supervisor Lott

VOTING AYE: Donald Hart, Malcolm Perry, Cruz Russell, Jason Spence, Bryce Lott

VOTING NAYE: None

The Minutes of the March 20, 2024 meeting have been read and approved.


Clerk of the Board


Malcolm Perry, President

