



Pearl River County Board of Supervisors

Meeting Minutes

July 1, 2024 at 9:00 AM

Welcome & Call to Order

The Board of Supervisors met at 9:00 AM on July 1, 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) Board Minutes:

A. Consider approving the Board Minutes for June 26, 2024.

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

2) Claims Docket:

A. Consider approving the Claims Docket for July 1, 2024.

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

3) Sheriff:

- A. Motion to approve the following personnel changes:
Accept the resignation of Steve Easterling as Court Bailiff effective June 21, 2024.
Hire Kenneth Mitchell as Court Bailiff for Circuit Court effective July 1, 2024.
Move Austin Champagne from full-time to part-time Patrol Deputy effective July 26, 2024.
Move Connor Miller from full-time to part-time Patrol Deputy effective July 1, 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

- B. Motion to authorize a salary increase for Sheriff, David Allison, according to section 1(2) of Senate Bill No. 2311 of the 2024 MS Legislative session.

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, disburse and add to inventory the attached Final Default Judgment.
SO23-010039 - Herndon, Shirlean Lanett - one (1) 2012 Nissan Maxima VIN 1163

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

4) County Engineer:

- A. Motion to consider authorizing Execution of Final Acceptance Document for LSBP-55(38)
Charlie Daughdrill 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

5) Central Dispatch:

- A. Motion to approve the following hiring of personnel:
Ashlyn Lyle as a Dispatcher effective July 1, 2024.
Cameron Morris as a Dispatcher effective July 1, 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

6) Circuit Clerk:

- A. Motion to acknowledge Official Bond and Oath for David Rimkus, Deputy Circuit Clerk, for the term commencing on July 14, 2024, and ending on July 14, 2025.

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

7) Consent Agenda Items:

- A. Motion to approve the acknowledgment of the salary increases for the staff of the Tenth Chancery Court District and authorize the Board President to sign the acknowledgment of the county's contribution.

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 accept the lowest and best quote from RJYoung in the amount of \$8,283.35 for access control to the bathroom doors at the McNeill Walking Track.

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) Coroner:

- A. Motion to approve the hiring of Albert Lee as Deputy Coroner on an as-needed basis effectively July 1st, 2024. Mr. Lee has declined the monthly salary of \$300.00 and will only be paid the call-out fee.

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

9) County Administrator:

- A. Consider approving 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 except for the Road Maintenance Agreement.

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

10) Tax Assessor/Collector:

- A. Motion to acknowledge the Official Bond and Oath of Benjamin H. Lewis, Deputy Tax Assessor, for the term of April 7, 2024, through July 14, 2025.

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

- B. Motion to approve the following personnel beginning effectively on July 8, 2024.
April Meeks as full-time deputy appraiser.
Lauren Couvillon as full-time deputy collector.

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 void homestead chargebacks.

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

- D. Motion to approve strike from tax sales.

RESULT: **APPROVED**

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

E. Motion to approve reductions on real property.

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

F. Motion to accept the Assessor's Affidavit to the Land Roll 2024 tax year.

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

G. Motion to accept Assessor's Recapitulation 2024 tax year.

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

H. Motion to accept Assessed Valuation of Motor Vehicles and Mobile Homes 2024 tax year.

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

I. Motion to accept Assessor's Affidavit to the Personal Property Roll 2024 tax year.

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

11) Grants Administration:

A. Motion to apply for FY25 Mississippi Tourism Development Grant -- Pearl River County Fair and Rodeo and have documents signed.

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

- B. Motion to accept FY25 Mississippi Tourism Development Grant -- Pearl River County Fair and Rodeo and sign related documents.

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

12) Travel:

- A. Motion to approve the travel requested for the Election Commissioners to attend the ECAM Annual Summer Training for Election Commissioners at the Golden Moon Hotel, Philadelphia, MS on August 21-22, 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

- B. Motion to approve the travel and reimbursement of costs associated with the following:
Ashley Fleming & Randy Messa
2024 MS Sex Offender Registry Conference August 13-15, 2024
FREE Conference
Hotel Cost \$714.00 (mail by August 1, 2024, with tax-exempt letter)
Hampton Inn Conference Center
103 Ed Perry Blvd.
Oxford, MS 38655
Fleming and Messa will travel in a county-assigned unit.

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 travel and other costs associated with the following training.
Trae Wilson
Basic Law Enforcement Class
July 7 - September 20, 2024
Harrison County Law Enforcement Training Academy
Cost is \$4,000.00 (academy will send invoice after class starts)
Wilson will travel in his county assigned unit.

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

13) MSU Extension Building:

- A. Motion to approve the payment of \$43,535.73 to Samuel B. Day Construction, Inc. for pay application #11 for the MSU Extension Building Construction and Landry Lewis Germany Architects, P.A. Invoice CN 21-3880-007 in the amount \$439.26.

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 authorize the Board President to sign the Certificate of Substantial Completion of the Pearl River County MSU Extension Building project.

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

14) Road Department:

- A. Motion to accept the following personnel changes:
Resignation of Taylor Dupree, full-time operator, effective June 24, 2024.
Remove David Matthews as full-time tractor operator effective June 24, 2024, as he has declined employment.

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

15) Economic Development:

16) Amendments to the Agenda:

- A. Motion to authorize the Board Attorney to prepare a lawsuit to file against Pearl River Central Water Association for damages to Pearl River County roads.

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 reconsider the motion made on June 19, 2024, awarding the bid to Enterprise Fleet Management for Lease Vehicles to the Pearl River County Sheriff's Department.

(3. D. 6/19/2024 Motion to award the bid to Enterprise Fleet Management subject to approval of the County Administrator and Board Attorney and Authorize the County Administrator to sign the necessary paperwork.)

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

- C. Motion to vacate the award of the bid to Enterprise Fleet Management and reject all bids received after consulting with the Mississippi State Auditor's Office and the Office of DFA and upon recommendation of the County Administrator and the Board Attorney due to contract language inconsistent with Mississippi Purchasing Laws and laws governing disposal of surplus property.

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 accept the lowest and best quote from Mac Haik Ford and issue a purchase order for Twelve Ford Police Interceptors.

Mac Haik Ford \$51,867.00

Gray Daniels Ford \$52,667.00

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

- E. Motion to accept the lowest and best quote from Mac Haik Ford and issue a purchase order for Six F-150 pickup trucks.

Mac Haik Ford \$54,530.00

Gray Daniels Ford \$55,275.00

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 authorize the Board President to sign the financing paperwork on the Ford F750 Water-Tanker Truck for Pine Grove Volunteer Fire Department.

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

17) Executive Session:

- A. Motion to close session at 10:35 a.m. to determine the need for an executive session.

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 enter executive session to discuss matters covered under 25-41-7 of the Mississippi Code of 1972, items covered under Section 4(a) Transaction of business of personnel matters relating to the job performance, character, professional competence, or physical or mental health of a person holding a specific position; 4(b) Strategy sessions or negotiations with respect to prospective litigation, litigation or issuance of an appealable order when an open meeting would have a detrimental effect on the litigating position of the public body; 4(j) Transaction of business and discussions or negotiations regarding the location, relocation or expansion of a business or an industry.

RESULT: **NO ACTION TAKEN**

- C. Motion to return to regular session at 12:20 p.m. with no action taken during the executive session.

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

18) Recess:

- A. Motion to recess for lunch at 12:30 p.m. until 1:30 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

19) Return From Lunch:

- A. The President called the meeting back into regular session at 2:00 p.m.

20) Recess:

- A. Motion to direct County Administrator to post a notice of this recess 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 take a recess until the next scheduled meeting to be held at 9:00 a.m., July 22, 2024, at the Board of Supervisors meeting room at 109 W Pearl St in Poplarville, MS.

RESULT: APPROVED

MOVER: District 1 Supervisor Hart

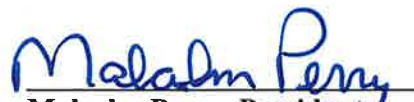
SECONDER: District 5 Supervisor Lott

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

VOTING NAYE: None

The Minutes of the July 1, 2024 meeting have been read and approved.


Clerk of the Board


Malcolm Perry, President

