



Pearl River County Board of Supervisors

Meeting Minutes

August 5, 2024 at 9:00 AM

Welcome & Call to Order

The Board of Supervisors met at 9:00 AM on August 5, 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 Board Minutes for July 22, 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

2) Claims Docket:

A. Consider approving the Claims Docket for August 5, 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

3) Sheriff:

- A. Motion to approve the following personnel changes:
Remove Samantha Barrett as full-time Transport Officer, declined position on July 22, 2024.
Remove Nakiel Trotter as full-time Correctional Officer, refused phone calls effective July 22, 2024.
Accept the termination of Victoria Denney as full-time Correctional Officer effective July 24, 2024.
Hire Darrius Chaney as full-time Correctional Officer effective August 5, 2024.
Hire Heather James as full-time Transport Officer effective August 5, 2024.
Hire Tabitha Brewer as full-time Correctional Officer effective August 5, 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

4) County Engineer:

- A. Motion to acknowledge receipt of bids for SAP-55(27)M Oak Hill Rd.

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

- B. Motion to award project SAP-55(27)M Oak Hill Rd. to the best and lowest bidder HPS \$712,029.45 and authorize Board President to sign Board Order prepared by State Aid.

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

- C. Motion to request reimbursement of \$279,057.00 advance to OSARC necessary for the award of SAP-55(15)S and authorize the Board President to sign order.

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

- D. Motion to accept quotes for the adjustment of a 4" PVC force main conflicting with the HWY

26 Industrial Park entrance road.

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

- E. Motion to authorize the Board President to sign a Memorandum of Understanding with the City of Picayune City Council and the Pearl River County Utility Authority to memorialize an agreement to obligate the Municipality's and County's ARPA State and Local Fiscal Recovery Funds for those purposes set forth in the Subaward Agreement between the PRC Utility Authority and MDEQ.

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

5) Central Dispatch:

- A. Motion to approve the following:
Termination of Ashlyn Lyle (full time) effective July 15, 2024
Accept resignation of Rebecca Necaise (part time) effective July 17, 2024
Accept resignation of Alisa Howard (full time) effective July 30, 2024
Hire Alexandria Jordan (full time) effective August 5, 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

6) Circuit Clerk:

- A. Motion to acknowledge letter from Michele Beasley dated July 16, 2024 withdrawing her candidacy for Pearl River County Election Commissioner, District 5.

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

- B. Motion to Acknowledge Report of the Grand Jury dated July 12, 2024.

RESULT: APPROVED
MOVER: District 5 Supervisor Lott
SECONDER: District 3 Supervisor Russell

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

- C. Motion to Acknowledge Resolution of Poplarville Special Municipal Separate School District for Special Bond Election on September 10, 2024.

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

7) Tax Assessor/Collector:

- A. Motion to approve strike from tax sale.

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 Reduction of real 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

- C. Motion to approve personal property tax exemption for Summerford Pallet Company Inc. as allowed by MS Code Section 27-31-105.

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) Emergency Services:

- A. Motion to accept and authorize the Board President to sign a letter requesting funds for the Lower Pearl River Valley Foundation approved grant in the amount of \$95,652.80 for Project "Safe Volunteer 2A24" to purchase essential equipment to improve communication and safety for Southeast VFD.

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 NAFECO and authorize purchase of 4 sets of turnout gear for North Central VFD in the amount \$18,807.65.

NAFECO	\$18,807.65
Sunbelt Fire	\$19,252.00

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

9) E-911 Addressing:

- A. Motion to approve new Private Road Name - Gray Fox Rd.

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

10) Consent Agenda Items:

- A. Motion to approve the following Picayune School District 16th Section leases and cancelation.

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 approve the payment of \$1,777.84 to the Capital One Spark Business Card for the July and August Statements due August 20, 2024. All receipts for transactions are included.

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

11) Grants Administration:

- A. Motion to approve the Board President to sign MS Dept. of Environmental Quality Grant SW 1338 reimbursement request and closeout form and the reimbursement request for SW 1398.

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

12) Travel:

- A. Motion to approve travel for Christy Goss to attend the fourth quarter 402 Occupant Protection Grant (OP-2024-OP-15-51) task force meeting scheduled for Thursday, August 1, 2024, in the MOHS Conference Room Canton, 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

- B. Motion to approve travel for Cindy Smith to Biloxi, Ms. for CVSO luncheon pending date to be scheduled in the month of August.

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 Cindy Smith to attend the Mississippi Veterans Affairs training at Camp Shelby, MS on September 24 - 27, 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 request approval of travel for Kolby Davis to attend the Building Officials Association of Mississippi conference in Natchez, MS on December 4-6, 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

13) Road Department:

- A. Motion to approve the Poplarville School bus turnaround Master List for the 2024-2025 school year.

50 Dupont Harts Chapel Rd. Poplarville, MS	34 Bonner Rd. Poplarville, MS	36 Shannon Rawls Rd. Poplarville, MS
123 Ellis Hart Rd. Poplarville, MS	68 Moore Rd, Poplarville, MS	20 Jack Stanford Rd. Poplarville, MS

95 Ellis Hart Rd. Poplarville, MS	20 Moore Rd, Poplarville, MS	500 Gobbler Head Rd. Poplarville, MS
121 Ramsey Hall Rd. Poplarville, MS	398 Ott Stanford Rd. Poplarville, MS	88 Morel Rd. Poplarville, MS
105 Highpoint Rd. Carriere, MS	28 Corley Rd. Poplarville, MS	23 Wild Turkey Lane, Poplarville, MS
34 CJ Seal Rd. Poplarville, MS	86 Golden Pond Rd. Poplarville, MS	211 Mill Creek Rd. Poplarville, MS
5 Gone Fishing Rd. Poplarville, MS	28 Morgan Lee Rd. Poplarville, MS	1462 Restertown Rd. Poplarville, MS
2975 Hwy 53 Poplarville, MS	49 Chester Lee Rd. Poplarville, MS	1012 John Amacker Rd. Poplarville, MS
186 Three Ponds Rd. Poplarville, MS	118 Quail St. Poplarville, MS	195 Ben Sones Rd. Poplarville, MS
2474 Hwy 53 Poplarville, MS	6 Edward Seale Rd. Poplarville, MS	32 Lunker Lane Poplarville, MS
139 Poppa Toxie Lane, Poplarville, MS	93 Wayne Ladner Rd. Poplarville, MS	49 Woods Rd. Poplarville, MS
2910 Hwy 53 Poplarville, MS	217 Roy Burge Rd. Poplarville, MS	58 Homestead LN. Poplarville, MS
29 Boomerang Lane, Poplarville MS	173 Pin Oak Drive, Poplarville, MS	48 Seal White Rd. Poplarville, MS
48 Mills Rd. Poplarville, MS	309 Lamar Smith Rd. Poplarville, MS	80 Benton Seal Rd. Poplarville, MS
14 Patriots Way, Poplarville, MS	170 Gilbert Lake Rd. Poplarville, MS	52 Cherry Tree Ln. Perkinston, MS
104 S. Morgan St. Poplarville, MS	122 Willard Peterson Rd. Poplarville, MS	61 Bob Pittman Rd. Poplarville, MS
69 Ella Mae Daniels Rd. Poplarville, MS	168 Farmer Rd. Perkinston, MS	
54 Owl Hoot Rd. Perkinston, MS	82 Otis Smith Rd. Perkinston, 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

- B. Motion to accept the resignation of Michael Lowery, part-time tractor driver, effective July 18th, 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

14) 10:00 a.m. Public Hearing: 2024 Tax Assessment Rolls :

- A. Motion to open Public Hearing for Objections to the 2024 Tax Assessment Rolls.

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

- B. Motion to acknowledge receipt of Tax Objections to the 2024 Tax Assessment Rolls.

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 close Public Hearing for Objections to the 2024 Tax Assessment Rolls.

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

15) Public Presentations:

- A. Mike Fitzwilliam--Hilda Formby Hoffmann Memorial Board

RESULT: **NO ACTION TAKEN**

- B. Darryl Webb--Hardship for Power & Amendments Concerns

RESULT: **NO ACTION TAKEN**

16) Executive Session:

- A. Motion to close session at 10:05 a.m. to determine the need for an executive session.

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

- 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: **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

- C. Motion to return to regular session with no action taken during executive session.

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) Recess:

- A. Motion to recess for lunch at 12:00 p.m. until 1:15 p.m.

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

18) The President called the meeting back into regular session at 1:15 p.m.:

19) Amendments to the Agenda:

- A. Motion to spread upon the minutes the updated Steephollow fire grading district legal description for the expansion adopted on May 3, 2021.

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

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 9:30 a.m., August 12, 2024, at the Board of Supervisors meeting room at 109 W Pearl St in Poplarville, MS.

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

The Minutes of the August 5, 2024 meeting have been read and approved.


Clerk of the Board




Malcolm Perry, President

