



Pearl River County Board of Supervisors

Meeting Minutes

July 7, 2025 at 9:00 AM

Welcome & Call to Order

The Board of Supervisors met at 9:00 AM on July 7, 2025, 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 June 18, 2025.

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

2) Claims Docket:

A. Consider approving Claims Docket for July 7, 2025.

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

3) Public Presentations:

- A. Stone Bridge HOA- Tom Courtney - Rescheduling for a later date.

4) Sheriff:

- A. Motion to approve the following personnel matters:
Accept the resignation of Camryn Davis as full-time Correctional Sergeant effective June 26, 2025.
Remove Kameron Dearmas as part-time Correctional Officer effective July 7, 2025.
Hire Dustin Holmes as a full-time Correctional Officer effective July 7, 2025.
Hire Dillon Ladner as a full-time Correctional Officer effective July 7, 2025.
Hire William Stevens as a full-time Correctional Officer effective July 7, 2025.
Move Randall Simpson from Correctional Officer to Correctional Sergeant effective July 3, 2025.

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. Motion to accept the following Agreed Order Forfeiting Weapon from Circuit Court Judge Prentiss Harrell.
Slade, Randi LaGail, PRC SO Case # SO22-018679, Cause # 55:24-CR-000251-PH, One (1) Mossberg 12-gauge shotgun bearing Serial # L052524
Please add it to the Sheriff's Inventory.

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 accept the following Agreed Forfeiture from Circuit Court Judge Prentiss Harrell.
Carr, Quentin Uriel
PRC SO Case # SO24-000596 Cause # 55:24-CV-00011-PH
One (1) Draco AK-47 style pistol 7.62 caliber with magazine, Serial # ROA23PMD-42836
One (1) FN 9mm pistol and magazine, Model 509, Serial # GKS0188008
Please add it to the Sheriff's inventory.

The following items need to be returned to Carr.

\$1,325.00 in U.S. Currency

One (1) 2009 Nissan Maxima Gray in color

VIN 1N4AA51E29C804990

Please issue a check made payable to Quentin Uriel Carr as instructed by the Order.

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

- D. Motion to acknowledge the proof of publication and the receipt of bids for the complete body scanner at the Pearl River County Jail and award to the lowest and best bid of Tek84 and authorize purchase order to be issued.

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 termination of Sara Janes effective June 17, 2025.

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) Chancery Clerk:

- A. Motion to accept the Department of Revenue's Disallowed Homestead Chargebacks and the Department of Revenue's Approved Objections to Homestead Chargebacks for 2025 (February Letters).

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 acknowledge Hannah Dykes personnel status changing from full-time to part-time effective June 1, 2025.

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

7) Circuit Clerk:

- A. Motion to acknowledge the Official Bond and Oath of David Rimkus, Deputy Circuit Clerk, for the term commencing on July 14, 2025 and ending on July 14, 2026.

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. Motion to acknowledge the resignation of David Rimkus as Deputy Circuit Clerk effective July 3, 2025.

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 acknowledge Order Setting Salary/Compensation for Court Reporter (Rhonda B. Wetzel) dated June 23, 2025.

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

8) County Administrator:

- A. Motion to approve the payment of \$2,758.65 to the Capital One Spark Business Card for the payment due July 20, 2025. All receipts for transactions are attached.

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 ratify check to Hancock Whitney Bank for the Mississippi Development Bank Special Obligation Bond in the amount of \$925,485.94.

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 acknowledge the proof of publication for the 2023 Audit.

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 authorize the Board President to sign the Contract with Clymer Contracting, LLC for

the construction of the Pearl River County Tech Park Buildings A' & B'.

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 approve memo sent to departments for 2025-2026 Budget Request.

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

9) County Engineer:

A. Motion to approve payment of contractor application for payment No. 1 associated with the Bill Watson Ballpark 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

B. Motion to approve payment to the contractor for pay app no. 2 for the Industrial Park Grade Drain and Base 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

10) Emergency Services:

A. Motion to approve partial payment to Cowboy Industries Inc. for materials and labor to replace the roof at Steephollow Fire Station 44 in the amount of \$30,000.00.

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

11) Inventory/Safety:

A. Motion to remove the following inventory items:

Asset #4677 Dell PC Rack
Asset #4678 Dell PC Rack

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

12) Planning & Development:

- A. Motion to approve the hiring of Ashley McLaurin effective July 21, 2025, for a position within the Pearl River County Planning and Building Department.

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 adopt the Self-Contracting Affidavit as a required permit condition for all owner-acted construction projects in unincorporated Pearl River County, effective immediately.

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

13) Tax Assessor/Collector:

- A. Motion to accept quotes and allow the purchase of 12 computers and 3-500 GB SSD for updated computers required by the MS Department of Revenue.

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 reductions of personal and 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 accept the Assessor's Affidavit to the Land Roll 2025 tax year.

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 Assessor's Recapitulation 2025 tax year.

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 accept Assessed Valuation of Motor Vehicles and Mobile Homes 2025 tax year.

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 Assessor's Affidavit to the Personal Property Roll 2025 tax year.

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

14) Consent Agenda Items:

- A. Motion to authorize the Election Commissioners' pay increase from \$165.00 to \$200.00 for election day, as approved by Senate Bill 2657.

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 approve the Fifteenth Circuit Court District, Court Reporters, AOC Staff Attorney and Court Administrator increase in base salary with an effective date of the court orders and authorize the President to sign necessary paperwork.

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) Grants Administration:

- A. Motion to apply and accept the Keep America Beautiful Cigarette Litter Prevention & Recycling Grant in the amount of \$10,000.00.

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. Motion to apply for the Visit MS Tourism Grant FY26.

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

16) Travel:

- A. Motion to approve Susie Cavanaugh travel and meals to Justice For All Youth Symposium August 6-8th, 2025, Imperial Palace resort, Biloxi, Mississippi.

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 approve the training and reimbursement of costs for food and lodging for John Seal to attend the Child Abduction Response and Investigation Class on July 21 - 22, 2025, in Foley, AL. Seal will travel in his County assigned unit.

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

17) Road Department:

- A. Motion to approve the Poplarville School District Bus Turnaround additions for the 2025-2026 school year.

50 Dupont Hart Chapel Rd. Poplarville, MS	160 E T Poole Rd. Poplarville, MS	123 Ellis Hart Rd. Poplarville, MS
95 Ellis Hart Rd. Poplarville, MS	323 Monroe Breland Rd. Poplarville, MS	2474 Hwy 53 Poplarville, MS

118 Quail St. Poplarville, MS	170 Gilbert Lake Rd. Poplarville, MS	50 Don Ladner Rd. Poplarville, MS
679 Stanford Lake Rd. Poplarville, MS	43 Randall Rd. Poplarville, MS	26 Egg Farm Rd. Poplarville, MS
93 Wayne Ladner Rd. Poplarville, MS		

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. Motion to approve the following personnel changes:

1. Accept the resignation, effective 7/15/25, of Steven Byrd as full-time mechanic.
2. Accept the resignation, effective 7/2/25, of William Dearman as full-time tractor driver.
3. Accept the resignation of Clames Wilson Jr as full-time laborer. His last day to work was 6/19/25.
4. Accept the resignation of Justin Prejean as full-time mechanic. His last day to work will be 7/3/2025.
5. Accept the application of James Porter as a full-time mechanic with an estimated start date of 7/17/25.
6. Accept the application of Barry Duncan as a full-time tractor driver. Estimated start date will be 7/10/2025.
7. Accept the application of Michael Hale Jr. as full-time operator (paving crew). Start date will be 7/10/25

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 approve and accept the application to hire Johnny Owen as a full-time truck/tractor driver effectively 7/17/25.

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

18) Economic Development:

A. Motion to acknowledge Mississippi Power Company Propels Grant Presentation for the Pearl River County Industrial Park.

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 Reappoint Ms. Suzan Wilson as Trustee for the Pearl River County Economic Development District, Representing District Five.

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 accept the submitted proposals for the Poplarville-Pearl River County Airport Advancement Plan and award the lowest and best proposal to SMPDD.

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 execute the attached resolution setting a public hearing in connection with proposed Tax Increment Financing Plan for the Price's Creek Investments Project and approving the publication of a legal notice in The Picayune Item in connection with said plan.

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 execute the attached resolution setting a public hearing in connection with the proposed Tax Increment Financing Plan for the Exit 10 Project and approving the publication of a legal notice in The Picayune Item in connection with said plan.

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

- F. Motion to execute the attached resolution setting a public hearing in connection with proposed Tax Increment Financing Plan for the Highland Parkway and Frontage Road Project and approving the publication of a legal notice in The Picayune Item in connection with said plan.

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

- G. Motion to approve and commit matching funds for the Pearl River County grant applications for the Speculative Building Project and the Multipurpose and Enhanced Emergency Operations Center Phase 1 projects to the Gulf Coast Restoration Fund for the 2026 Legislative Session and allow the President to execute and 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

19) Amendments to the Agenda:

- A. Motion to authorize the Board of Supervisors to sign the Resolution honoring the historic personal achievements and lifetime public service legacy of Jackie R. Hurd.

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

20) Executive Session:

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

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 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 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 close session to determine the need for an executive session.

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

21) Recess:

- A. Motion to recess for lunch at 12:00 p.m. until 1:30 p.m.

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

22) Return From Lunch:

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

23) 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 23, 2025, at the Board of Supervisors meeting room at 109 W Pearl St in Poplarville, MS.

RESULT: APPROVED

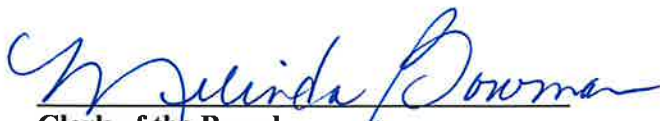
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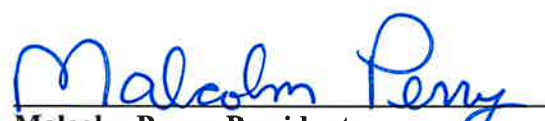
SECONDER: District 5 Supervisor Lott

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

VOTING NAYE: None

The Minutes of the July 7, 2025 meeting have been read and approved.


Clerk of the Board


Malcolm Perry, President