



Pearl River County Board of Supervisors

Meeting Minutes

September 2, 2025 at 9:00 AM

Welcome & Call to Order

The Board of Supervisors met at 9:00 AM on September 2, 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 for August 20, 2025.

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

2) Claims Docket:

A. Consider approving the Claims Docket for September 2, 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

3) Public Presentations:

- A. Pastor Alan Hickman request to address the board concerning Tax Exemption status at the Resurrection Life Church in Poplarville.

RESULT: NO ACTION TAKEN

4) Sheriff:

- A. Motion to approve the following personnel matters.
Rescind the move of Morgan Rollins to Correctional Sergeant, she wishes to remain in Transport.
Move William Harry, III from part-time to full-time Correctional Officer effective August 28, 2025.
Move John Herring from Patrol Deputy to Patrol Corporal effective August 28, 2025.
Accept the resignation of Michael Landrum as full-time Patrol Corporal effective September 6, 2025.
Move Kacie Leonard from Patrol Deputy to Patrol Corporal effective August 28, 2025.
Move Connor Miller from part-time to full-time Patrol Corporal effective September 3, 2025.
Move Brock Peterson from Correctional Officer to Correctional Sergeant effective August 28, 2025.
Accept the resignation of Logan Walton as full-time Correctional Officer effective August 25, 2025.

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

5) Circuit Clerk:

- A. Motion to acknowledge the Official Bond and Oath of Sandra Cutrer, Deputy Circuit Clerk, for the term commencing on September 16, 2025 and ending on September 26, 2026.

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

6) Coroner:

- A. Motion to request the Board of Supervisors' approval in declaring Mr. Gerald Clement as a pauper.

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) County Administrator:

- A. Motion to acknowledge the Proof of Publication of Equalization of real and personal property for the year of 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 acknowledge fully executed FY 2025 AIRPORT INFRASTRUCTURE GRANT Agreement M13-SOG-3-28-0096-021-2025.

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 authorize the Board President to sign a letter of application for the State Victim Service Grant Program, and to further authorize County Administrator, Adrain Lumpkin, to act as the Signatory Official for any and all documents associated with Grant Project ID# 2025-RFA-306 HB19.

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 approve the Interlocal Agreement between MyGovernmentOnline and Pearl River County as presented, and authorize County Administrator, Adrain Lumpkin, to sign the agreement on behalf of Pearl River County.

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

- E. Motion to authorize the Board President to sign and approve the Delta Computer Software Support Agreements for maintenance, support, and web hosting for the upcoming fiscal year 10/1/2025.

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

- F. Motion to approve the scheduled transfer of funds for the year. Transfers are for matching grant funds and additional support for various funds.

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

- G. Motion to approve the payment of \$1,167.59 to the Capital One Spark Business Card for the payment due September 20, 2025. All receipts for transactions are attached.

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 Engineer:

- A. Motion to approve payment to the contractor, R & J Construction Inc., for construction pay application No. 4. PRC Industrial Park - Grade, Drain and Base.

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 payment to the contractor, John C. Lee Enterprises Limited, LLC., for construction pay app. No. 3 - Bill Watson Ball Field.

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

- C. Motion to authorize releasing the payment for pay request no. 4 in the amount of \$115,600.50 to J.L. McCool Contractors, INC. that was tabled and under advisement during the August 20, 2025, board meeting.

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

9) Tax Assessor/Collector:

- A. Motion to authorize the Board President to sign the Application for Certification of Pearl River County for fiscal year 2025-2026 for authority to expend the 1 mill.

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 removal of Caydence Bond from payroll effectively August 29, 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

- C. Motion to approve the use of FMLA for Kelli Herrin effective September 4, 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

10) Veterans:

- A. Motion to acknowledge the services of impact provided by Veteran Services in Pearl River County and the continued education and State Accreditation Officer Cindy Smith.

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) Consent Agenda Items:

- A. Motion to acknowledge the renewal of the official bond and oath of Assistant Purchase Clerk, Katie Johnson, for the term of September 25, 2025, through September 25, 2026.

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 Labor Day, observed on the first Monday in September, as all county offices were closed to recognize and honor the contributions of employees.

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

- C. Motion to approve the Picayune School District 16th Section commercial/residential lease for Elancy Investments, LLC.

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

- D. Motion to acknowledge Public Notice concerning the application of Green Paradise Ranch, LLC, located at 140 Sugar Creek Road, Carriere, Mississippi, for the issuance of a Water Pollution Control Permit to operate a wastewater disposal system with no discharge Permit Number MSU225003.

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 spread up on the minutes an Emergency Purchase Order 109466 issued to Mechanical Services for the amount of \$7,545.26 to repair the AC unit at the PRC Annex. Two quotes were received, and Mechanical Services provided the best and lowest quote for the repair.

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 request of Cindy Smith, Veteran Service Officer, to attend the fall training to be held on September 29th - October 3rd, 2025, at the Oxford, MS MSArng Armory.

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 request for the Pearl River County delegates wishing to attend the University of Southern Mississippi's True South Basic Economic Development Course, September 22-25, 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

13) Road Department:

- A. Motion to approve the purchase of a 54" x 40' aluminized steel culvert from the best and lowest bid. Bids are provided by Dial, Inc. for \$5,560.02 and G & O Supply for \$6,232.40. Each bid does include lift lugs & delivery. This project is a cross-drain replacement on Sones Chapel Rd.

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 approve the Lamar County School District bus turnaround at 241 Red Top Road, Lumberton, MS, for the 2025-2026 school year.

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 approve the purchase of a transmission and assembly kit for asset #5667, a 2018 Dodge Ram truck, from the best and lowest bid. Bids are provided by Pine Belt CDJR for \$8,770.00 and Lakeshore CDJR of Picayune for \$9,070.00.

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

- D. Motion to authorize Road Manager to pull a purchase order for bulk plastic culverts from Southern Pipe & Supply due to mile radius. G&O and Dial, Inc are much further away. This order is to be effective from 10/01/2025 to 09/30/2026.

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

- E. Motion to authorize the paving of a designated strip at the Middle School of Poplarville to improve the school drop-off area.

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

14) Economic Development:

- A. Motion to apply, Commit Matching Funds and Execute Letter of Support for the Pearl River County Walkiah Bluff Ecotourism and Redevelopment Project to the Mississippi Outdoor Stewardship Trust.

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) Amendments to the Agenda:

- A. Motion to approve the consolidation and combining of operating funds and rebate funds for Amackertown VFD, Derby-Whitesands VFD, Northeast VFD and Steep Hollow VFD and rename as North PRC VFD Fund and authorize opening a separate fundraising account.

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 and assign the name Irene Lane to the designated private 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

- C. Motion to authorize the Board President to sign the waiver letter from Jones Walker on behalf of the board.

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

16) Executive Session:

- A. Motion to close session at 10:10 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: 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

- C. Motion to return to regular session at 12:00 p.m. with no action taken during executive session.

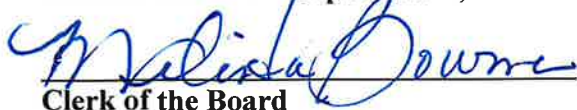
RESULT: APPROVED
MOVER: District 3 Supervisor Russell
SECONDER: District 5 Supervisor Lott
VOTING AYE: Donald Hart, Malcolm Perry, Cruz Russell, Jason Spence, Bryce Lott
VOTING NAYE: None

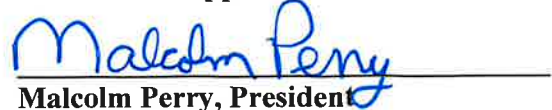
17) Recess:

- 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., September 15, 2025, 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 September 2, 2025 meeting have been read and approved.


Clerk of the Board


Malcolm Perry, President

