



Pearl River County Board of Supervisors

Meeting Minutes

November 19, 2025 at 9:00 AM

Welcome & Call to Order

The Board of Supervisors met at 9:00 AM on November 19, 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, Chief Randy Messa representing David Allison.

1) Board Minutes:

A. Consider approving Board Minutes for November 3, 2025.

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 November 19, 2025, with the addition of a check in the amount of \$6,066.42 to ROK Brothers, Inc. for a renewal subscription.

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) Sheriff:

- A. Motion to approve the following personnel matters:
Termination of Rony Polizzi as full-time Patrol Sergeant effective November 12, 2025.
Add K-9 Amos, a donated tracking bloodhound, to the Sheriff's inventory.

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

4) Circuit Clerk:

- A. Motion to authorize the purchase of food and drinks for workers on election night, including Election Commissioners, Circuit Clerk's Office, Resolution Board, Poll Managers, and other support staff.

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 acknowledge the Oath and Bond of Sandy Kane Smith for the office of Pearl River County Tax Collector/Assessor effective November 13, 2025, and set to expire January 1, 2028.

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

5) Coroner:

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

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) County Administrator:

- A. Motion to spread upon the minutes the proof of publication for the 2025 Amended Budget.

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 contract agreement with Jeff Martin Auctioneers.

RESULT: APPROVED

MOVER: District 1 Supervisor Hart

SECONDER: District 3 Supervisor Russell

VOTING AYE: None

VOTING NAYE: None

- C. Motion to approve the purchase of parcel #2158280000002301, authorize the Board President to sign all necessary documentation, and authorize issuance of funds.

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

- D. Motion to approve the purchase of parcel #2159300030101001, authorize the Board President to sign all necessary documentation, and authorize issuance of funds.

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) County Engineer:

- A. Motion to approve construction change order No.1 with Wilco Construction, LLC for the Pilot Channel Project.

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 approve construction change order No.1 with Clymer Construction on the Tech Park Building Project.

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 approve payment to the contractor, R & J Construction Inc., for construction pay application No. 6 PRC Industrial Park - Grade, Drain and Base project.

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 payment to the contractor, Holliday Construction LLC, for pay application No. 5 associated with the Hwy 26 Widening Project at the Poplarville 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

- E. Motion to approve Construction Change Order No. 2 for the Grade Drain and Base Project - Pearl River County Industrial Park Project.

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 authorize execution of time extension addendum for Ridge Road, STP-0055-00(040)LPA105201-701000, Pearl River County professional services contract to allow for completion of environmental sub-consultant work for an additional 6 months.

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

8) Planning & Development:

- A. Motion to accept the resignation of Ashley McLaurin: Effective Date: November 5, 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

9) Purchasing:

- A. Motion to authorize Sandy Kane Smith and Kelli Herrin to sign purchase requisitions for the Tax Assessor/Collector's Office and remove Gary Beech and Jo Lynn Houston as signors.

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) Tax Assessor/Collector:

- A. Motion to approve Reductions and Increase of Real and Personal Property.

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 Strike from tax sale.

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 acknowledge the renewal of the official bond and oath of Deputy Tax Collector, Sylvia Miller, for the term of January 2, 2024, through January 2, 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

- D. Motion to acknowledge the renewal of the official bond and oath of Deputy Tax Collector, Sylvia Miller, for the term of January 2, 2025, through January 2, 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

- E. Motion to approve the following part-time personnel hires effectively November 18, 2025:

Collectors - Brooke Anderson & Terri Kerri
Assessor - Terry Rhudy

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

- F. Motion to approve the request to remove Jo Lynn Houston from the payroll effectively November 14, 2025.

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

11) Consent Agenda Items:

- A. Motion to acknowledge the renewal of the official bond and oath of Receiving Clerk, Pam Bowers from December 8, 2025, through December 8, 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

- B. Motion to approve the appointment of Mrs. Irene Crawford by Malcolm Perry for the District 2 position on the Pearl River County Library Board for the term of October 2025 through September 2030.

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 poll worker checks in the amount of \$6,427.00 for the special election held on November 4th, 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

- D. Motion to approve the request from Pearl River County Nursing Home to use the Board of Supervisors' parking lot on Main Street as a staging area for their buses during the Poplarville Christmas Parade scheduled for Friday, December 12, 2025, at 5:00 P.M.

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

12) Grants Administration:

- A. Motion to acknowledge/spread upon the minutes the MS Office Highway Safety's Occupant Protection and Impaired Driving Grant Work for the month of October.

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 and sign the modified version of the Mississippi Office of Homeland Security Award. The Modification includes a change in the grant time period.

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 MS Office of Homeland Security's Operation Stone Garden Award to the Pearl River County Sheriff's Office for \$175,000 and sign all required documents.

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 accept quotes and authorize issuance of a purchase order upon approval for Network Switches, a Server, and laptops for the Homeland Cybersecurity Grant. This purchase will be reimbursed with funds awarded for the Homeland Cybersecurity Grant.

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

13) Monthly Reports:

- A. Motion to spread upon the minutes the AAA Ambulance Service Report for September 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 the Building Permits Report for October 2025. The Department of Planning & Development Building Division issued 236 permits for the period of October 1-31, 2025. The 236 permits generated \$34,045.00 in revenue for the County.

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 spread upon the Minutes the Fire Marshal Activity Report for October 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

- D. Motion to spread upon the minutes the Justice Court monthly report for October 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

- E. Motion to spread upon the minutes the Road Department Monthly Report for October 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

- F. Motion to spread upon the minutes the Building Inspections Monthly Report for October 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

- G. Motion to spread upon the minutes the Animal/Litter Control Monthly Report for October 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

- H. Motion to spread upon the minutes the County Administrator's monthly reports for October 2025 including receipts and disbursements.

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

- I. Motion to spread upon the minutes October 2025 inmate meals served at the Lenoir Rowell Criminal Justice center along with Summit's invoices.

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) Road Department:

- A. Motion to accept price quotes for asphalt products from HPS (Huey P. Stockstill, LLC), for the term of 1/1/26--7/31/26. Quote letter with prices is attached.

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 purchase of 2 aluminized 12 gauge steel 72" x 40' (81" x 59' arched) culverts from the best and lowest bid. The first bid is provided by Dial, Inc. for \$16,800.00, which includes delivery. The second bid is from G&O Supply for \$17,341.60, which does not include delivery.

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 accept the asphalt price quote from Warren Paving, Inc. Term period is 11/16/2025 to 12/15/2025. Bid quote is attached.

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

15) Economic Development:

- A. Motion to approve and execute the fourth reimbursement request for SDG-S-029 for the Pearl River County Industrial Park.

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 and execute the sixth reimbursement request for SDG-S-012 for the Pearl River County Industrial Park.

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

16) Amendments to the Agenda:

- A. Motion to authorize the closing of the Pearl River County Fairgrounds due to the recent outbreak of EHV-1 in the equine industry. The Board of Supervisors has suspended all activities and will close the facility until the next meeting on December 1, 2025.

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

17) Executive Session:

- A. Motion to close session at 10:00 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 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 return to regular session at 12:30 p.m. with no action taken during the 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

18) 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., December 1, 2025, at the Board of Supervisors meeting room at 109 W Pearl St in Poplarville, MS.

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

The Minutes of the November 19, 2025 meeting have been read and approved.


Clerk of the Board


Malcolm Perry, President

