



Pearl River County Board of Supervisors

Meeting Minutes

May 21, 2025 at 9:00 AM

Welcome & Call to Order

The Board of Supervisors met at 9:00 AM on May 21, 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 May 5, 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 May 21, 2025 with additions of a check to Pathways for Pearl River County in the amount of \$1000.00 and a check to Pam's Angels in the amount of \$1000.00.

RESULT:	APPROVED
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MOVER: District 1 Supervisor Hart
SECONDER: District 5 Supervisor Lott
VOTING AYE: Donald Hart, Malcolm Perry, Cruz Russell, Jason Spence, Bryce Lott
VOTING None
NAYE:

3) Public Presentations:

- A. Motion to acknowledge the 2025 Mississippi Association of Supervisors County Scholarship Program Recipient awarded to Elena Shaw.

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 None
NAYE:

4) Sheriff:

- A. Motion to approve the following personnel changes:
Accept the resignation of Aydeah Lanier as full-time Correctional Officer effective May 3, 2025.
Accept the resignation of Jeremy Beech as full-time Correctional Officer effective May 18, 2025.
Hire Daniel McBride as a full-time Correctional Officer effective May 22, 2025.
Hire Brittany Necaie as a full-time Transport Officer effective May 22, 2025.
Hire William James as a full-time Deputy effective May 22, 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 None
NAYE:

- B. Motion to declare parcel # 6179330000002600 as surplus property which was forfeited to Pearl River County Sheriff's Department and proceed to advertise for seal bids on the 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 None
NAYE:

5) Central Dispatch:

- A. Motion to approve the hiring of Monica Easterling as a full-time Dispatcher effective May 22, 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 None
NAYE:

6) Circuit Clerk:

- A. Motion to acknowledge the renewal of the official bond and oath for Deputy Circuit Clerk, Elena Shaw for the term of June 14, 2025 through June 14, 2026.

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 None
NAYE:

7) County Administrator:

- A. Motion to approve request from the Poplarville-Pearl River County Airport Board for bridge grant funding in the amount of \$174,944.04.

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 None
NAYE:

- B. Motion to authorize the President to sign a lease agreement with MS Wireless Commission for tower space at the Pearl River County Jail.

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 None
NAYE:

8) County Engineer:

- A. Motion to approve the payment of \$152,870.86 to Holliday Construction, LLC for pay application #2 for the Highway 26 Pavement Widening project.

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 None
NAYE:

- B. Motion to approve construction change order No.1 for the Highway 26 Widening Project.

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 None
NAYE:

- C. Motion to accept and award the lowest and best quote for dirt work at Mcneil Park to John C. Lee Enterprises Limited, LLC in the amount of \$26,350.00.

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 None
NAYE:

9) E-911 Addressing:

- A. Motion to approve private road name - Farmhouse Ln.

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 None
NAYE:

10) Consent Agenda Items:

- A. Motion to authorize the Board President to execute a Memorandum of Understanding with Pearl River Valley Opportunity, Inc. to renew the 2026 Low Income Housing Energy Assistance Program/Community Service Block Grant proposal.

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 None
NAYE:

- B. Motion to accept the lowest and best quote from Clint Parker to replace the Evaporator Coil in a 20-ton Lennox unit in the courtroom.

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 None

NAYE:

- C. Motion to approve the 2025-2028 Pearl River County Fair Committee Members as follows: Connie Darden, Betina Dodd, Jo-Ellen Kesler, Brandi Kirkland, Cindy Lee, Laurie Lombardino Jaufre, and Dawn Vosbein.

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 None

NAYE:

- D. Motion to authorize County resources to advertise in sponsorship of the Poplarville Rotary Club Blueberry Jubilee 5k Fun Run.

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 None

NAYE:

- E. Motion to accept the resignation of Benjie R. Wells from the Poplarville Separate Municipal School District Board of Trustees effective May 19, 2025.

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 None

NAYE:

11) Grants Administration:

- A. Motion for the Board to approve the purchase of a polygraph instrument through Lafayette Instrument, as the best option after review of two quotes and our agency's certifications. Pearl River County would incur additional costs associated with having to have all officers trained and decertified on new equipment.

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 None
NAYE:

12) Travel:

- A. Motion to approve travel and costs associated for Derek Turnage, Jeri McCorkle, Keim Davis, Albert H. Lee, and Janell Kahl to the Mississippi Coroner Medical Examiner Association Summer Conference June 24-27, 2025 in Gulfport, 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 None
NAYE:

- B. Motion to approve travel and costs associated for Alana Campo, Katrina Brown, and Reggie Hanberry to the ECAM Annual Summer Training June 24-25, 2025 in Philadelphia, 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 None
NAYE:

- C. Motion to approve the following travel and costs associated for Honorable Lisa Beech McGloflin:
NCJFCJ training on August 18-22, 2025 in Austin, TX
Judicial training on October 19-30, 2025 in Reno, NV

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 None
NAYE:

- D. Motion to approve Ivory Bickham and Angelle Powell travel and costs associated with the following training:
112 Hour Corrections Academy State Certification Training
Harrison County Law Enforcement Training Academy
August 4 - August 21, 2025
Cost \$500.00 per officer (\$1,000.00 total)
Bickham and Powell will travel in an assigned County unit.

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 None
NAYE:

13) Monthly Reports:

- A. Motion to spread upon the minutes Building Permits Report for April 2025. The Department of Planning & Development Division issued 242 permits for the period of April 1-30,2025. The 242 permits generated \$35,318.05 in revenue for the County.

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 None
NAYE:

- B. Motion to spread upon the minutes the Justice Court Monthly Report for April 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 None
NAYE:

- C. Motion to spread upon the minutes Inmate Meals Served at the Lenoir Rowell Criminal Justice Center for the month of April 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 None
NAYE:

- D. Motion to spread upon the minutes the Animal/Litter Control monthly report for April 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 None
NAYE:

- E. Motion to spread upon the minutes the Building Inspections monthly report for April 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 None

NAYE:

- F. Motion to spread upon the minutes the Road Department monthly report for April 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 None

NAYE:

- G. Motion to spread upon the minutes the AAA Ambulance Service Report for April 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 None

NAYE:

- H. Motion to spread upon the minutes the County Administrators' monthly reports for April 2025.
All disbursements and receipts reports are attached.

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 None

NAYE:

- I. Motion to spread upon the Minutes the Fire Marshal Activity Report for April 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 None

NAYE:

14) Road Department:

- A. Motion to approve hiring James David Burns Jr. as a full-time truck driver at the assigned rate of pay. The effective start date is to be May 22, 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 None
NAYE:

- B. Motion to approve updates to the road paving list and paving order of completion for 2025 and acknowledge the monthly paving report.

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 None
NAYE:

- C. Motion to approve hiring Destin Lane Davis as a full-time laborer at the assigned rate of pay effective May 28, 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 None
NAYE:

15) Economic Development:

- A. Motion to acknowledge that no bids were received on May 5, 2025 for the Airport Advancement Plan at the Poplarville/Pearl River County Airport and authorize to readvertise for bids.

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 None
NAYE:

- B. Motion to approve and authorize the President to execute the updated first request for cash for GCRF 23-62 for the Pearl River County Technology Park Project.

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 None
NAYE:

- C. Motion to approve and authorize the President to execute the second request for payment for SDG-S-029 for the Pearl River County Industrial Park.

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 None
NAYE:

16) Amendments to the Agenda:

- A. Motion to add Guillen Dr to the road index at a length of 297 feet, which was omitted in error.

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 None
NAYE:

- B. Motion to approve hiring a part-time student worker in the Veteran's Services office to assist with document scanning.

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 None
NAYE:

- C. Motion to approve the appointment of Danny Jo Slade to the Poplarville Separate Municipal School District Board of Trustees to serve the remainder of Benjie R. Wells term.

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 None
NAYE:

- D. Motion to approve the lowest and best quote for the purchase of a hard shell and drawer system for Command 41 on behalf of District 4-Steep Hollow Volunteer Fire Department in the amount of \$5650.00 from Topper World.

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 None
NAYE:

- E. Motion to approve the Picayune School District 16th Section commercial/residential lease for Kimberly Taylor.

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 None
NAYE:

- F. Motion to approve the Picayune School District 16th Section commercial lease for Crystal River, LLC.

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 None
NAYE:

17) Executive Session:

- A. Motion to close session at 10:55 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 None
NAYE:

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

- C. Motion to return to regular session 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 None
NAYE:

18) Recess:

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

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 None
NAYE:

19) Return from Lunch::

- A. The President called the meeting back into session at 1:30 p.m.

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 None
NAYE:

20) 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., June 2, 2025, at the Board of Supervisors meeting room at 109 W Pearl St in Poplarville, 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 None
NAYE:

The Minutes of the May 21, 2025 meeting have been read and approved.


Clerk of the Board


Malcolm Perry, President