



Pearl River County Board of Supervisors

Meeting Minutes

March 2, 2026 at 9:00 AM

Welcome & Call to Order

The Board of Supervisors met at 9:00 AM on March 2, 2026, 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 February 18, 2026.

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 Claims Docket for March 2, 2026.

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

3) Public Presentations:

- A. Motion to acknowledge the updates from the Poplarville - Pearl River County Airport Board.

RESULT: NO ACTION TAKEN

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

- B. Round Rock Board of Directors

RESULT: NO ACTION TAKEN

- C. Ethan Coleman - Axios Group

4) Chancery Clerk:

- A. Motion to acknowledge the following personnel changes:

*Resignation of Kayleigh Portier as deputy clerk effective, February 20, 2026.

*Hire Angelle Hume as deputy clerk beginning February 27, 2026.

*Rehire Jessica A. McCormick as deputy clerk beginning March 9, 2026.

*Resignation of Mary Smith as deputy clerk effective March 13, 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 NAYE: None

5) Coroner:

- A. Motion to request the Board of Supervisors' approval in declaring Mrs. Shelia Floyd as a pauper case.

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) County Administrator:

- A. Motion to approve the payment of \$1,366.98 to the Capital One Spark Business Card for the payment due March 20, 2026. All receipts for transactions are attached.

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 and authorize the Board President to sign the insurance renewal policy with MASIT for Pearl River County for the period from April 1, 2026, to March 31, 2027. This policy with MASIT covers the County property as well as liability

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 and authorize signing of the contract extension agreement between Pearl River County and AAA Ambulance Service, and all rights and responsibilities thereunder, be and are hereby extended for an additional term of three (3) years such that the new expiration date shall be July 23, 2029.

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

7) County Engineer:

- A. Motion to adopt the resolution authorizing the RTP Grant Application for Salem Walking Trail Restroom.

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 payment to Clymer Contracting for pay application No. 6 in the amount of \$152,808.45 on the PRC Tech Park Spec. Buildings A & B.

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

8) E-911 Addressing:

- A. Motion to approve the transfer of Penny Fleming from the Tax Office to E911 / Building effective March 02, 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 NAYE: None

9) Sheriff:

- A. Motion to execute the attached Agreed Order of Forfeiture and Release regarding US Currency seized from Willie Tyrone Fair as follows.
Seized \$17,040.00
Forfeits \$8,520.00 to Pearl River County Sheriff's Office
Issue a check for \$8,520.00 and mail to the address below as agreed by the attached contract for attorney fees:
Matthew Sherman
Sullivan, Sullivan and Sherman, PLLC
424 Sawmill Road
Laurel, MS 39440

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 following personnel changes:
Hire Dartanyon Wilcox as a part-time Patrol Deputy effective March 2, 2026.
Hire Nicole Hinton as a full-time Correctional Officer effective March 2, 2026.
Hire Quincy Rogers as a full-time Correctional Officer effective March 2, 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

10) Tax Assessor/Collector:

- A. Motion to approve the settlement of the former Tax Collector's account.

RESULT: NO ACTION TAKEN

11) Consent Agenda Items:

- A. Motion to accept the resignation of Timothy Kotteman from the Public Defender Office effectively March 2, 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 NAYE: None

12) Grants Administration:

- A. Motion to acknowledge and spread upon the minutes the monthly reports for the work

completed by the Sheriff's Office under the MOHS Occupant Protection and Impaired Driving Grants in December 2025 and January 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

13) Travel:

- A. Motion to approve the following travel for Neil Dugas and Hunter Martin to attend the LA - Basic Narcotics Investigations Course on April 7 - 9, 2026, at Camp Villere National Guard Training Center in Slidell, LA. This is a free class and both will travel in a county-assigned unit.

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 following travel for Neil Dugas and Hunter Martin to attend the Contraband Parcel Interdiction and Controlled Deliveries Regional Counterdrug Training Academy in Meridian, MS, on April 27-28, 2026. This is a free class, lodging is provided. They will travel in a county assigned unit.

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 travel for County Officials attending the Greater Picayune Area Chamber of Commerce's Capitol Day on Tuesday, March 3, 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

- D. Motion to approve the request for the following individuals to attend the 2026 ECAM Certification Makeup Training Session at the Mississippi Farm Bureau, 6311 Ridgewood Road, Jackson, MS 39211, on Wednesday, March 25, 2026:

1. Katrina Brown
2. Jamie Garner
3. Tommy Breland
4. Reggie Hanberry
5. Alana Campo
6. Nance Fitzpatrick Stokes
7. Elena Shaw

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 approve the travel and registration expenses for: Sandy Kane Smith, Jess Lossett, Loretta Conerly, and Terri Kerry to attend the Collector of Revenue 1 training in Biloxi, MS on March 9–12, 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

- F. Motion to authorize the travel of Jason Lee and Al Tynes to Meridian, MS on March 4, 2026, for Public Safety Training.

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 approve updates to the road paving list and paving order of completion and acknowledge the monthly paving report for February 2026.

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

15) Economic Development:

- A. Motion to approve and execute the grant agreement with the Mississippi Development Authority for the Site Development Grant for the Pearl River County Technology 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 acknowledge and execute the final 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

- C. Motion to acknowledge and accept the transfer of ownership and title of the 2021 Dodge Durango from the Pearl River County Economic Development District, VIN: 1C4RDHAGBMC540643.

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) Executive Session:

- A. Motion to close session at 10:45 a.m. to determine the need for an executive session.

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

- C. Motion to return to regular session at 12:10 p.m. with no action taken during executive session.

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

17) Recess:

- A. Motion to recess for lunch at 12:10 p.m. until 1:45 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

18) Return From Lunch:

- A. The President called the meeting back into order at 1:45 p.m.

19) Executive Session:

- A. Motion to close session at 2:00 p.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 4:30 p.m. with no action taken during 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

20) Amendments to the Agenda:

- A. Motion to approve the hiring of John Klingenberg in the Emergency Management Department, effective March 2, 2026.

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

21) 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., March 18, 2026, 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 March 2, 2026 meeting have been read and approved.


Clerk of the Board


Malcolm Perry, President

