



Pearl River County Board of Supervisors

Meeting Minutes

July 6, 2026 at 9:00 AM

Welcome & Call to Order

The Board of Supervisors met at 9:00 AM on July 6, 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-Chief Deputy, Freddie Drennan.

1) Board Minutes:

A. Consider approving Board Minutes for June 24, 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

2) Claims Docket:

A. Consider approving Claims Docket for July 6, 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

3) Public Presentations:

- A. Katie Jarrell: Road and Culvert Conditions

RESULT: NO ACTION TAKEN

- B. Joe Head: Whipstock Hollow Road Petition

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

4) Sheriff:

- A. Motion to reject all current bids for License Plate Reader and approve advertising for new bids.

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 following personnel changes.

Move Gary Maiorana from full-time Patrol Deputy to full-time Transport Officer effective July 2, 2026.

Move Joseph Smith from Patrol Lieutenant to Criminal Investigator effective July 7, 2026.

Hire Ricardo Ramos as a full-time Patrol Deputy effective July 6, 2026.

Hire Johnaustin Edgar as a part-time Correctional Officer effective July 6, 2026.

Hire Rocky Spiers as a full-time Correctional Officer effective July 8, 2026.

Remove Lisa Wayne as part-time Correctional Officer effective June 1, 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

- C. Motion to approve the purchase of three 2026 Ford Explorers for patrol from Mac Haik Ford as the best and lowest quote with payment out of the Drug Forfeiture Fund.

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 approve the request to consider Mr. Anthony Gullung as a pauper.

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

6) County Administrator:

- A. Motion to approve memo sent to departments for 2026-2027 Budget Request.

RESULT: APPROVED

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. Motion to approve the payment of \$1661.28 to the Capital One Spark Business Card for the payment due July 20, 2026. All receipts for transactions are attached.

RESULT: APPROVED

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

7) Central Dispatch:

- A. Motion to approve 60-month subscription with Axon Enterprises, Inc to assist with operations at PRC E911 center and issue payment from the NG911 funds.

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

- B. Motion to authorize moving CivicEye to cloud-based service and approve the Board President to sign the hosting agreement and issue payment.

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

8) County Engineer:

- A. Motion to approve payment of contractor pay application no. 9 in the amount of \$1900.00 to Clymer Contracting, LLC in connection with the PRC Tech Park Spec Buildings.

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 accept bids to complete the single span bridge repair on Ben Byrd Road and award to Ellis Dozer Service, LLC for the best and lowest quote in the amount \$72,400.00.

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) E-911 Addressing:

- A. Motion to approve the request for a private road name Colbert Farm Ln.

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

10) Emergency Services:

- A. Motion to authorize the issuance of a purchase order in the amount of \$14,780.00 to MTECH Inc. as the lowest and best quote for a QTAC UTV firefighting skid unit for Fire District 12 (South East VFD) The following quotes are attached:

Mtech Inc. \$14,780.00 US Fire Apparatus \$18,985.00

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 NAYE: None

- B. Motion to authorize the issuance of a purchase order in the amount of \$18,142.92 to DANA Safety Supply Inc. as the lowest and best quote to update emergency and scene lighting for the North Pearl River County Fire/Rescue's rescue truck. The following quotes are attached:

DANA Safety Supply Inc. \$18,142.92 Sunbelt Fire \$28,893.63

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

11) Purchasing:

- A. Motion to acknowledge the proof of publication and accept bids for the Elections Storage Building project.

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) Tax Assessor/Collector:

- A. Motion to accept the Assessor's Affidavit to the Land Roll 2026 tax year.

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 Accept the Assessor's Recapitulation 2026 tax year.

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

- C. Motion to accept Assessed Valuation of Motor Vehicles and Mobile Homes 2026 tax year.

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

- D. Motion to accept Assessor's Affidavit to the Personal Property Roll 2026 tax year.

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

- E. Motion to approve the Letter of Authorization for DivCo to print the county privilege licenses.

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

13) Consent Agenda Items:

- A. Motion to acknowledge the renewal of the official bond and oath of Deputy Tax Collector, Lauren Couvillon, beginning July 8th, 2026 through July 8th, 2027.

RESULT: APPROVED
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. Motion to acknowledge the Audit Report of Pearl River County Library System from September 30, 2025.

RESULT: APPROVED
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

14) Grants Administration:

- A. Motion to apply for the Visit MS Tourism Development Grant FY27.

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

- B. Motion to authorize Board President to sign the release of claims for the SW1417 Solid Waste Grant.

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) Travel:

- A. Motion to approve travel request for Lindsay Ward to attend the Mississippi Aerospace and Defense Symposium in Flowood, Mississippi, September 2 – September 4, 2026.

RESULT: APPROVED

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. Motion to approve travel for Nance Fitzpatrick Stokes to attend the Mississippi Circuit Clerks Association Summer Conference at the Hollywood Casino, 711 Hollywood Boulevard, Bay St. Louis, MS 39520, on Thursday, July 9, 2026.

RESULT: APPROVED

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

16) Road Department:

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

- B. Motion to acknowledge pricing quote from Hunts Refining Company to purchase CRS-2, CRS-2P, and CSS-1 through December 31, 2026 at or below State Contract price.

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

17) Economic Development:

- A. Motion to reappoint Mr. Harold Littles as Trustee for District One and Mr. Adrain Lumpkin as Trustee for District Three for the Pearl River County Economic Development District.

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 apply and commit matching funds for the Pearl River County Industrial Park Speculative Building to the Gulf Coast Restoration Fund for the 2027 Legislative Session for the State of Mississippi and allow the President to execute and sign all related documents.

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 and approve the grant applications submitted to Mississippi Power Company for the 2026-2027 Propels Grant Program.

RESULT: APPROVED

MOVER: District 1 Supervisor Hart

SECONDER: District 5 Supervisor Lott

VOTING AYE: None

VOTING NAYE: None

- D. Motion to acknowledge and approve the grant applications submitted to Cooperative Energy's Cooperative Competes Grant Program.

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

18) Amendments to the Agenda:

- A. Motion to rescind the vote to approve Item A (Motion to reject all current bids for License Plate Reader and approve advertising for new bids) under the Sheriff's Department.

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 table Item A (Motion to reject all current bids for License Plate Reader and approve advertising for new bids) under the Sheriff's Department until further review by the Board attorney.

RESULT: APPROVED

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

19) Executive Session:

- A. Motion to close session at 11:10 a.m. to determine the need for an executive session.

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 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 4 Supervisor Spence

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

VOTING NAYE: None

- C. Motion to return to regular session at 12:25 p.m. with no action taken during executive session.

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

20) Recess:

RESULT: **APPROVED**

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

- 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 22, 2026, at the Board of Supervisors meeting room at 109 W Pearl St in Poplarville, MS.

RESULT: **APPROVED**

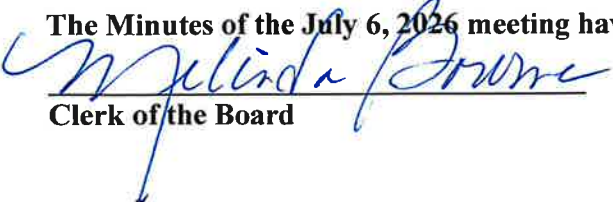
MOVER: District 5 Supervisor Lott

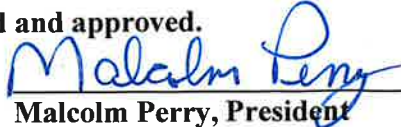
SECONDER: District 4 Supervisor Spence

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

VOTING NAYE: None

The Minutes of the July 6, 2026 meeting have been read and approved.


Clerk of the Board


Malcolm Perry, President

