



Pearl River County Board of Supervisors

Meeting Minutes

July 22, 2026 at 9:00 AM

Welcome & Call to Order

The Board of Supervisors met at 9:00 AM on July 22, 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 from July 6, 2026.

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

2) Claims Docket:

A. Consider approving Claims Docket for July 22, 2026, with the additions for Donald Hart NACO hotel reimbursement and Ellis Dozer Service invoice for bridge on Bradley Road.

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. Richard Bouchard - Ayden's Law Appreciation of the Board

RESULT: NO ACTION TAKEN

- B. SMPDD Scholarship Presentation

RESULT: NO ACTION TAKEN

- C. Motion to acknowledge SMPDD Services Snapshot Report for Fiscal Year 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. Carey Welsch - GovDeals

RESULT: NO ACTION TAKEN

4) Sheriff:

- A. Motion to approve the following personnel changes:

Accept the resignation of Ariel Weller as full-time Patrol Deputy effective July 14, 2026.

Hire Nathaniel Floyd as full-time Patrol Deputy effective July 24, 2026.

Hire Jordan Temple as full-time Patrol Deputy effective August 17, 2026.

Hire Ashton Stapleton as full-time Correctional Officer effective July 22, 2026.

Accept the retirement of Major Julie Flowers effective July 31, 2026.

Accept the transfer of Rebecca Rasmusson as the Jail Administrator effective August 1, 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

5) Central Dispatch:

- A. Motion to accept the resignation of Taylor Johnson effective July 14, 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

- B. Motion to approve hiring Whitney Loughanne as full-time Dispatcher effective July 23, 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

6) Circuit Clerk:

- A. Motion to acknowledge the Official Bond and Oath of Christina Saucier, Deputy Circuit Clerk, for the term commencing on August 16, 2026 and ending on August 16, 2027.

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 the Report of the Grand Jury dated July 10, 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

- C. Motion to approve the hiring of Jaxon Dunaway as Deputy Circuit Clerk effective July 27, 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

7) County Administrator:

- A. Motion to execute the attached Order of the Board of Supervisors regarding 2026 Real and Personal Property Assessment Rolls Form 60-600 and advertise that said rolls are ready for inspection.

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 the scheduled transfer of funds for the year 2026. Transfers are for matching grant funds and additional support for various funds.

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 accept the following personnel changes:

Resignation of Bruce Boutwell from the Maintenance Department effective June 24, 2026.

Transfer of William Dossett from the Road Department to Maintenance Department effective July 13, 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

- D. Motion to accept and acknowledge all necessary paperwork from the Poplarville-Pearl River County Airport board on AIP Grant #3-28-0096-020-2025 and AIP Grant #3-28-0096-021-2025 and monitor all expenditure to be sure all funds are expended in accordance with all applicable laws.

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 accept and authorize the issuance of a purchase order to D & L Flooring & Design, LLC for the best and lowest quote of \$15,860.00 to provide and install the flooring at 504 Raine Street.

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. Discuss the prior tabled motion from July 6, 2026, on the License Plate Readers.

RESULT: NO ACTION TAKEN

8) County Engineer:

- A. Motion to approve Pay Application No. 5 and Final to John C. Lee Enterprises Limited, LLC in the amount of \$10,017.00 for the Soccer and Football Field Project at Bill Watson Ball Park.

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) E-911 Addressing:

- A. Motion to spread upon the minutes of Building Permits Report for June 2026. The Department of Planning & Development and Building Division issued 47 permits for the period of June 1-30, 2026. The 47 permits generated \$29,220.40 in revenue for the County.

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

10) Emergency Services:

- A. Motion to approve the purchase of a 2026 Polaris R26T6E99AF Side-By-Side UTV by District #12 (Southeast VFD) from Hattiesburg Cycles for lowest and best quote of \$21,463.92. The second quote was from Natchez Powersports for \$21,813.92.

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 the purchase of a 2007 Freightliner Class A Fire Engine from the North Forest Fire Department.

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

- C. Motion to approve the purchase of SCBA units from Emergency Equipment Professionals for the best and lowest quote in the amount of \$41,408.00.

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

11) Inventory/Safety:

- A. Motion to approve the removal of the broken security cameras from inventory. Asset numbers 3150 and 4378.

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

12) Justice Court:

- A. Motion to accept Justice Court Bond Turnover Check #1662 in the amount of \$7,600.00.

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) Planning & Development:

- A. Motion to approve the Heritage Hills Subdivision Preliminary Packet and authorize construction to begin.

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

14) Grants Administration:

- A. Motion to approve the Sheriff's Department's equipment purchase of \$32,329.88 using FY25 Operation Stone Garden funds, based on the lowest and best quote of the two attached. This equipment is 4 high-quality mobile solar-powered LPR cameras.

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 Sheriff's Department's equipment purchase of \$29,949.88 using FY25 Operation Stone Garden funds, based on the lowest and best quote of the two attached. This equipment is a set of 4 high-quality cameras for a mobile unit-mounted LPR camera system.

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) Travel:

- A. Motion to approve the following travel and reimbursement of expenses for Neil Dugas and Hunter Martin for the Advanced Narcotics Techniques Course on August 26–27, 2026, at the I.P. Casino and Resort in Biloxi, MS. The class is free and the Hotel cost is \$106.00.

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

16) Monthly Reports:

- A. Motion to spread upon the minutes the AAA Ambulance Service Report for May 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 spread upon the minutes the Justice Court Monthly Report for June.

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

- C. Motion to spread upon the minutes the Waste Management 2nd Quarter 2026 Host Fee in the amount of \$10,219.52.

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

- D. Motion to spread upon the minutes the inmate meals for the month of June 2026 served at the Lenoir Rowell Criminal Justice Center.

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

- E. Motion to spread upon the Minutes the Fire Marshal Activity 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

- F. Motion to spread upon the minutes the County Administrators' monthly reports for June 2026. All disbursements and receipts are attached.

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) Road Department:

- A. Motion to approve the parts and service to repair the ditching machine (Asset #5860) for the amount of \$10,297.58 from Puckett Machinery. Due to certified Caterpillar parts/service having to be used on the equipment, we can only get them through Puckett Machinery. Therefore, no other quote is provided.

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 accept the termination of Clifton Matthews as full-time operator. His last day to work was Thursday July 9th 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

- C. Motion to accept the application to hire Ricky Dale Creel as a dump truck driver. The effective date to start, July 23rd, 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 school bus turnarounds of the Picayune School District for the 2026–2027 school year.

122 A Parkside Dr. Picayune, MS	20 Aladdin Ln. Picayune, MS	26 Byrd Chapel Rd. Carriere, MS
28 Eldridge Patch Picayune, MS	5739 Hwy 43 N Carriere, MS	407 Inside Rd. Picayune, MS
54 Windy Acres Rd. Carriere, MS		

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 school bus turnarounds of the Poplarville School District for the 2026–2027 school year.

211 Mill Creek Rd. Poplarville, MS	89 Clayton Rose Dr Poplarville, MS	95 Ellis Hart Rd. Poplarville, MS
50 Dupont Harts Chapel Rd.	323 Monroe Breland Rd	123 Ellis Hart Rd.
58 Homestead Lane	34 C. J. Seal Rd.	428 H Burge Rd.
18 Colton Lane	173 Pin Oak Drive	88 Morrel Road
309 Lamar Smith Rd	170 Gilbert Lake Road	30 Oree Luther Lane
9203 Hwy 11 South	5 Buford Lane	94 Jimmy Reyer Rd
193 Pinecrest Drive	5 Zachary Lane	174 Pinewoods Rd
142 East Caney Ford Rd	23 Wild Turkey Lane	82 Otis Smith Rd Perkinson, MS
16 Three Ponds Drive		

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 acknowledge the proof of publication and to accept bids for new asphalt paver.

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 settle claim for damage to private property due to replacing drainage structures on Shot Mitchell Road. See attached claim and engineer report.

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

18) Economic Development:

- A. Motion to approve and execute the second amended and restated grant agreements with the Mississippi Development Authority for the Pearl River County Industrial Park (GCRF 23-54) and Pearl River County Technology Park (GCRF 23-62).

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 acknowledge the approved budget modification for GCRF 23-62 for the Pearl River County Technology 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 NAYE: None

- C. Motion to apply and commit matching funds for the Pearl River County Multipurpose and Enhanced Emergency Operations Center Phase 1 Project 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 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 apply and commit matching funds for the Poplarville/Pearl River County Airport Runway Extension Project 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 4 Supervisor Spence

SECONDER: District 5 Supervisor Lott

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

VOTING NAYE: None

19) Amendments to the Agenda:

- A. Motion to approve the Marshall Memory Garden cemetery.

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

20) Executive Session:

- A. Motion to close session at 11:40 a.m. to determine the need for an executive session.

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 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 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 1:00 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

21) Recess:

- A. Motion to recess for lunch at 1:00 p.m. until 2:00 p.m.

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

22) Return From Lunch:

- A. The President called the meeting back into order at 2:00 p.m.

23) 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., August 3, 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 5 Supervisor Lott

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

VOTING NAYE: None

The Minutes of the July 22, 2026 meeting have been read and approved.


Clerk of the Board


Malcolm Perry, President