



Pearl River County Board of Supervisors

Meeting Minutes

August 3, 2026 at 9:00 AM

Welcome & Call to Order

The Board of Supervisors met at 9:00 AM on August 3, 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 22, 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

2) Claims Docket:

A. Consider approving Claims Docket for August 3, 2026, with the addition of SMPDD invoice no. 13695 in the amount of \$34,256.25.

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) Public Presentations:

A. Motion to acknowledge the following public presentations:

1. Olivia Jones — Recognition for Representation at Rodeo 250
2. Chinitta Tate—Discuss SBA Disaster Assistance for Pearl River County Businesses and Residents
3. Tyler Webber, Ben Neff, Amanda Baker, Zach Lee - LPR Concerns

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) Sheriff:

A. Motion to approve the following personnel changes.

Accept the resignation of Nicole Hinton as a full-time Correctional Officer effective July 7, 2026.

Move Emily Morgan from Commissary Clerk to Administrative Assistant, replacing Rebecca Rasmusson effective July 30, 2026.

Move Rainie Rivet from Records Clerk to Commissary Clerk, replacing Emily Morgan effective July 30, 2026.

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 issuance of check in the amount of \$12,865.00 to Jasper County Sheriff's Office in reference to Asset ID: 22-DEA-691227 Case No: KU-22-0048.

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 approve Amendment #8 between Pearl River County Sheriff's Office and Summit Food Service, LLC regarding inmate meals.

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 award the bid to Flock Safety as the lowest and best bid that meets all bid requirements and specifications for the License Plate Reader (LPR) Camera System for the Pearl River County Sheriff's Office as advertised from May 27 through June 3, 2026, notwithstanding that its bid was not the lowest submitted.

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 purchase of a 2026 T-350 LR Transit Passenger Van from Mac Haik Ford in the amount of \$56,500.00 as the best and lowest quote.

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

5) Circuit Clerk:

- A. Motion to acknowledge Order Appointing and Setting Salary for Official Court Reporter (Brianna Pounds) dated July 21, 2026, nunc pro tunc on May 15, 2026.

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 Appointment and Oath of Office of Jaxon Dunaway, Deputy Circuit Clerk, dated July 27, 2026, and Order Approving Appointment of Deputy Circuit Clerk dated July 28, 2026.

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 authorize the purchase of five (5) DS200 Scanners in the amount of \$27,502.40 to replace the five (5) machines damaged by water on or about June 18, 2026. ES&S is the sole source provider for this equipment.

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 \$1,051.12 to the Capital One Spark Business Card for the Statement due August 20, 2026. All receipts for transactions are attached.

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:

- B. Motion to authorize the Board President to execute all documentation for the Office of The State Auditor for provision of audit services to Pearl River County for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2025.

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:

- C. Motion to accept the quotes for the License Plate Reader (LPR) and issue a purchase order to Motorola Solutions for \$74,999.00 for the lowest and best quote.

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:

- D. Motion to authorize the Board President to sign Engagement Letters for Whitfield and Company, P.C. as they provided audit services to Pearl River County for the Carriere Fire District for fiscal years 2023, 2024, and 2025.

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

- E. Motion to accept the termination of William Dossett effective July 29, 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

- F. Motion to approve the hiring of Gavin Lee in the buildings and grounds department effective August 3, 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

7) County Engineer:

- A. Motion to approve the contractor's pay application (no. 10 - retainage) in the amount of \$57,590.55 to Clymer Contracting LLC, for the PRC Tech Park Spec. Bldg A and B.

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 Office of State Aid Project Program for SABP-55(02) Pipe Replacement and Erosion Repair (West Union Rd. and McNeil Henlyfield Rd.)

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 Contractor Pay Application No. 5 and the associated change order for Technology Park Phase 1, and authorize the issuance of a check in the amount of \$4,500.32 to John C. Lee Enterprises Limited, LLC.

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

8) Inventory/Safety Clerk:

- A. Motion to remove five (5) DS200 Scanners from inventory due to water damage on or about June 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

9) Planning & Development:

- A. Motion to authorize the Refund Request for Permit # 2026-0196 in the amount of \$172.50.

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

10) Tax Assessor/Collector:

- A. Motion to approve a duplicate warrant to replace check number 8369 in the amount of \$74.11 to Joan or Carl Enxing.

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 renewal of the official bond and oath of Deputy Tax Collector, Sarah Lee, for the term of August 24, 2026, through August 24, 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

- C. Motion to approve reduction of real 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

11) Consent Agenda Items:

- A. Motion to approve the following Picayune School District 16th Section leases and amendments:
Residential Lease - Tiffany Nicole Patrick
Commercial Lease — Blake's Appliances
Amendments Ida Goods & Donald Dedeaux

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

12) Travel:

- A. Motion to approve travel for Coroner Derek Turnage to attend the Alzheimer's Conference in Flowood, MS, during August 26–27, 2026 at the Sheraton Refuge Hotel & Conference Center.

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 authorize the travel of Adrain Lumpkin to attend the MASIT Risk Management Conference August 11–12, 2026, at the Sheraton Refuge Hotel & Conference Center in Flowood, 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

- C. Motion to approve Landon Wheat to attend the NFPA 1010 Firefighter 1 & 2 Bridge Certification class at the Hancock County Emergency Operations Center starting August 10, 2026. The class is no-cost to the county, and will occur at least two nights a week until the completion of the course. He will travel in his county assigned unit.

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 approve the travel and registration costs for: Sandy Kane Smith, Loretta Conerly, and Terri Kerry for CRII class on October 12-15, 2026, held at the Bost Conference Center in Starkville, 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

13) Road Department:

- A. Motion to acknowledge the renewal of the official bond and oath of Charlie Schielder, County Road Manager for the term of August 6, 2026, through August 6, 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 accept the resignation of Caleb Kinchen as full-time dump truck driver. His last day at work will be July 28th, 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 award the purchase of a P395 Paver from Puckett Caterpillar for the best and lowest quote in the amount of \$344,566.90 from bids received on July 22, 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 approve updates to the road paving list and paving order of completion and acknowledge the monthly paving report for July 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 award the purchase of an 18' Trim EX Limb Saw for boom mower from Parish Tractor for lowest and best quote of \$13,000.00. Second-best quote was Limb Buster at \$14,760.00

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

- F. Motion to accept the best and lowest financing quote of 4.57% for 60 months from Bank OZK to finance the P395 Paver.

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) Grant Administration:

- A. Motion to acknowledge the update of Grants and other billings for various departments from Katie Johnson and approve holding a Household Hazardous Waste Day on November 7, 2026, at the parking lot of the Pearl River County Health 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

15) Economic Development:

- A. Presentation of the completed Poplarville/Pearl River County Airport Advancement Plan from Southern Mississippi Planning and Development District.

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 and adopt the Airport Advancement Plan for the Poplarville/Pearl River County Airport.

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 the submission of the GCRF 2026-2027 request application.

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) 10:00 a.m. Public Hearing 2026 Tax Assessment Rolls:

A. Motion to open Public Hearing for Objections to the 2026 Tax Assessment Rolls.

1. Objection to tax assessment.
2. Request for relief from interest.

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 receipt of Tax Objections to the 2026 Tax Assessment Rolls.

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 close Public Hearing for Objections to the 2026 Tax Assessment Rolls.

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

17) Amendments to the Agenda:

A. Motion to accept the best and lowest financing quote of 4.95% for 60 months from Trustmark Banking to finance a 2007 Fire Engine at the North Pearl River County Volunteer Fire 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 authorize the purchase of 2 sets of Turnout Gear on MS State Contract #8200084634 and #8200084635.

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

18) Executive Session:

- A. Motion to close session at 11:08 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 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 return to regular session with no action taken during 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

19) Recess:

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

20) Return From Lunch:

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

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., August 19, 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 August 3, 2026 meeting have been read and approved.


Clerk of the Board


Malcolm Perry, President