



**Agenda of the**  
**Forrest County Board of Supervisors**

**Date: Monday, May 5, 2025**

- **Call to Order**
- **Public Forum (5 minutes)**
  1. **Rory (Hattiesburg Futbol Club**
  2. **Paula Thrash – Animal Control request**
  3. **Eric Steele – Sponsorship request for Rowan, Class of 71 Scholarship**
- **Approve or Amend Agenda**

**Approve Consent Agenda Items: A-L**

**Motion: Stringer 2nd: Thompson    Vote: Yes**

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**A. Continue in effect the Board President's March 13, 2020, Proclamation of Existence of a Local Emergency in connection with COVID-19 Pandemic pursuant to Miss Code Section 33-15-17(d).**

**B. Monthly Department Reports- April 2025**

1. Chancery Court report, as submitted by Lance Reid, Chancery Clerk
2. Justice Court report, as submitted by Faye Moffett, Justice Court Clerk
3. Circuit Court report, as submitted by Gwen Wilks, Circuit Court Clerk
4. Election Commissioner's report, as submitted by James Harvison, Lucretia Jenkins, Johnice Dupree, Faye Noble, and Douglas "Butch" Benedict, Election Commissioners
5. Coroner's report, as submitted by Lisa Klem, Forrest County Coroner



### **C. Acknowledgements**

1. Acknowledge payment to Dish Network, Check No. 70098, in the total amount of \$443.45 for internet services for the Forrest County Jail.
2. Acknowledge payment to Delta Utilities (formerly Center Point), Check No. 70320 in the total amount of \$287.82; Brooklyn Family Clinic, \$39.95; New Brooklyn VFD, \$48.46; Carnes VFD, \$199.41.
3. Acknowledge payment from CCMSI OBO MS Association of Supervisors Insurance to Forrest County BOS in the amount of \$5,230.94 for FCSO.
4. Acknowledge and approve SpyGlass Snapshot Audit Agreement between Forrest County and The SpyGlass Group.
5. Acknowledge fully executed Modification and Addendum of Lease Agreement between Forrest County and the Drug Enforcement Administration regarding the first-floor property of S. 28<sup>th</sup> Avenue, Hattiesburg, Mississippi.
6. Ratify Letter of Support to improve Infrastructure and Site Development from Forrest County to Mike Ezell, United States House of Representatives.
7. Acknowledge payment in the amount of \$10.00, Check No. 01082306 for Application for Free Port Warehouse License for Resinall Corporation, located at 102 Dixie Pine Rd., Hattiesburg, MS.
8. Acknowledge and Ratify payment to Chancery Clerk fee account in the amount of \$106.00 (funds were deposited into General Fund in error).
9. Acknowledge payment to Hostway Services, Inc, Check No. 70335, in the total amount of \$733.08 for usage fees.
10. Acknowledge payment to MS Dept. of Revenue in the total amount of \$121.75, Check No. 70334 for tag renewals. Original payment sent in wrong amount due to new Magnolia Tags being issued.
11. Acknowledge Nancy Faye Noble as Department Head and Designee for authority to sign Requisition Reports for Elections.
12. Acknowledge and approve FY2024 Continuing Disclosure Engagement Letter from Butler Show; authorize Board President to execute.
13. Acknowledge Neil Harvison as Chairperson for Election Commissioners.
14. Acknowledge the closeout of the FY24-25 TRIAD Grant- Grant #25CA1181.

### **D. 16<sup>th</sup> Section**

1. Acknowledge 16<sup>th</sup> Section Lease between Hattiesburg Municipal School District and Kolby Willis, PPIN 21303 with an annual rent of \$220.00; Authorize Board President to execute.



**E. Tax Assessor**

1. Approve increased assessment for PPIN 2559 as submitted by Tax Assessor, Mary Ann Palmer.
2. Approve Cancellation of Tax Sale for 2022 for Gregory Hartman due to him applying for special over 65 Homestead Exemption. Authorize Chancery Clerk to cancel said sale and refund Purchaser.
3. Approve request that Amanda Barrentine be the Notary for the Tax Assessor's Office. Authorize payment to Secretary of State in the amount of \$25.00.
4. Approve Petition for Reduction of Assessment for PPINs 39526 and 39365, as submitted by Mary Ann Palmer, Tax Assessor.

**F. Tax Collector**

1. Approve Cancellation of PPINS 22515, 22495, 22496, 22498, 25252, 25261, and 25251 for the year 2022 taxes sold to tax purchasers and authorize Tax Collector to issue refund; No refund is due for PPIN 25251.
2. Approve Cancellation of PPIN 16256 for the years of 2022 and 2023 taxes sold to tax purchasers and authorize Tax Collector to issued refund and Void 2024 taxes.

**G. Travel**

1. Authorize Jacqueline Williams, Drug Court staff, to attend the Rise 25 National Association of Drug Court Professionals Conference, held at the Gaylord Palms Resort & Convention Center, 6000 W. Osceola Pkwy., Kissimmee, FL. Authorize payment in the amount of \$795 to All Rise for Justice. Hotel fee for 5 nights stay at Orlando World Center Marriott will be \$2,148.75. The total will be \$2,943.75.
2. Authorize travel for Supervisor(s) Gentry Mordica and Roderick Woullard, to attend the SMPDD Board of Directors meeting May 12-17, 2025, in Destin, Florida; authorize all travel related expenses allowed by law.



## **H. Sponsorships/Advertisements**

1. Consider the purchase of a sponsorship/advertisement to Rotary Club of Hattiesburg to advertise county resources as per Mississippi Code §17-3-1 and §17-3-3. \$500 (\$250 from Rec 3 and \$250 from Rec 5)
2. Consider the purchase of a sponsorship/advertisement to Carey Dinner Theatre, William Carey University to advertise county resources as per Mississippi Code §17-3-1 and §17-3-3; \$250 for a full page Add.
3. Consider the purchase of a sponsorship/advertisement to Petal high Men's School Soccer to advertise county resources as per Mississippi Code §17-3-1 and §17-3-3 from Rec 3 funds; \$200.
4. Consider the purchase of a sponsorship/advertisement to Hattiesburg Youth Soccer Association to advertise county resources as per Mississippi Code §17-3-1 and §17-3-3; \$2500.

## **I. Payables**

1. Approve payment to iTech Systems Group, Inc in the amount of \$1,866.00 to renew maintenance for the current backup appliance for the FCSO's server.
2. Approve and authorize Renewal Quotation (26274589) from ESRI, Inc. in the amount of \$10,585.00 for ARCGIS maintenance /subscription (includes advanced GIS software, redistricting software and community analysis option) for Corey Proctor, planner (total amount for last year was \$9,373.27).
3. Approve reimbursement to Zac Howell in the amount of \$106.99 for the annual subscription of Road Warrior App., which allows for optimized travel points for Mobile Home field audit. This amount was charged to Zac's personal credit card.

## **J. Capital Outlay Expenditures**

1. Approve Capital Outlay Expenditures:
  - a. **Central Alabama Training Solutions** Macedonia VFD to purchase a CET tank in the amount of \$7505.00 (includes \$850.00 freight). See attached.
  - b. **Central Alabama Training Solutions** Macedonia VFD to purchase turnout gear in the amount of \$21,597.00 (see attached).
  - c. **Best Buy Multi-Purpose Center** to purchase an Apple MacBook Air 15" laptop in an amount not to exceed \$1400.00.



- d. **Dell, Inc.** Sheriff's Office to purchase a desktop computer in the amount of \$1626.25.

### **K. Personnel Action**

#### **New hire:**

1. **William (Bill) Odom (Tax Assessor Office)**
  - Part-time without benefits
  - Effective Date: 4/15/2025
2. **Jeremy Pittman (Maintenance)**
  - Full-time with benefits
  - Effective Date: 5/16/2025
3. **Kayla Davis (Multi-Purpose Center)**
  - Full-time with benefits
  - Effective Date : 4/30/2025
4. **Sandra Hall (Tax Assessor Office)**
  - Full-time with benefits
  - Effective Date: 5-5-2025

### **L. Claims Docket**

1. Approve Claims Docket, as presented.

### **End Of Consent Agenda**



**M. Discussion Matters**

1. Approve Freeport Warehouse application for BPREX Closures, LLC.
2. Approve Freeport Warehouse application for Resinall.

**N. Additional Matters**

1. Acknowledge and Authorize installation of Floodlight at Dixie School Parking Lot.
2. Approve the lower quote from Chain Contractors in the amount of \$32,450.00 for replacing windows at the Carpenter Building.
3. Ratify Community Center deposit refunds for April, 2025.
4. Authority for Samantha Phillips to attend Managing Public Relations with Your Elected Officials. Webinar on Tuesday, May 13, 2025; authorize payment in the amount of \$249.00.
5. Approve Sponsorship for Hattiesburg Public Schools, \$2500.00 from Rec 4, for Teacher Appreciation Week. Supervisors Woullard/Stringer voted Yes.
6. Approve Sponsorship for Earl Travillion, \$500.00 from Rec 4, for Teacher Appreciation Week.
7. Authorize Local Government Request Form (And Checklist) to Amend the Local Solid Waste Management Plan; authorize Board President to execute and set Public Hearing date.
8. Authority for Road & Bridge Department to demolish AAA building and bill AAA for tipping fees.
9. Appoint Francis Griffin to Rawls Springs Utility District for the remainder of a five (5) year term set to expire April 12, 2030.
10. Reappoint Roman Galey to the Forrest County Industrial Park Commission, District 1 appointee, for a five (5) year term ending May 19, 2030.
11. Approve past due invoice to Veterinary Associates of Hattiesburg, Invoice No. 761580, in the amount of \$286.870 for FCSO.

**Recess until 10:00 am Monday, May 19, 2025**