

**Minutes of  
Clay County Board of Supervisors  
Meeting Held Thursday, May 9, 2024, at 9:00 a.m.**

**BE IT REMEMBERED** a regular meeting of the Clay County Board of Supervisors was held at the Clay County Courthouse, West Point, Mississippi, on Thursday, May 9, 2024.

**PRESENT:**

R.B. Davis, Supervisor District 3, presiding  
Lynn D. Horton, Supervisor District 1  
Daryl Thomas, Supervisor District 2  
Melvin Raines, Supervisor District 4  
Joe Chandler, Supervisor District 5

Eddie Scott, Clay County Sheriff  
LaFrance H. Boyd, Clay County Chancery Clerk  
Angela Turner Ford, Board Attorney

County Residents

The following proceedings were had:

**CALL TO ORDER/INVOCATION**

The meeting was called to order by Sheriff Scott, with the welcome being given by Supervisor Horton. Supervisor Chandler provided the invocation.

The service of Selectman Jasper Pittman, Deceased, was acknowledged by the Board with various members making comment and offering condolences.

**ADOPTION OF AGENDA**

Supervisor Horton moved to adopt the agenda as prepared. The motion was seconded by Supervisor Raines.

(Exhibit "A" - Agenda).

**AMENDMENT OF AGENDA**

Supervisor Chandler moved to call for amendment of the agenda. The motion was seconded by Supervisor Horton.

**AMENDMENTS ANNOUNCED**

Sheriff Scott announced an amendment to be discussed as the meeting progressed.

## COMMUNITY COUNSELING SERVICES REPORT

Ms. Kay Simmons and Mr. John Jefferson appeared before the Board to provide information about services currently offered by Community Counseling Services and the Region Seven, which now consists of Choctaw, Clay, Lowndes, Noxubee, Oktibbeha, Webster and Winston Counties.

No action was taken.

(Exhibit "B").

## TRUCKWORX, INC.

Ms. Amanda Hanks of Truckwork, Inc. appeared before the Board to discuss Kenworth trucks, lease-purchase options and buy back packages offered by their company.

No action was taken.

## TRAVEL REQUEST - JUSTICE COURT JUDGES

Supervisor Horton moved to authorize and approve Justice Court Judges Thomas Hampton and Chris McBrayer to travel to Biloxi, Mississippi July 14 through July 18, 2024, to attend MJCJA Summer Conference. The motion was seconded by Supervisor Raines.

## TRAVEL REQUEST - CONSTABLES

Supervisor Horton moved to authorize and approve Constables Sherman Ivy and Albert Lee to travel to Gulfport, Mississippi, June 9 through June 13, 2024, to attend MCA Summer Conference. The motion was seconded by Supervisor Raines.

## CIRCUIT CLERK'S MONTHLY REPORT

Ms. Kim Brown Hood, Circuit Clerk, reported criminal collections in the amount of \$2,437.42 with \$1,016.00 of that amount being the amount collected for fines, and \$2,379.63 in civil collections. Supervisor Horton moved to accept the Monthly Report, with Supervisor Chandler seconding the motion.

## TRANSFER OF FIXED ASSETS

Supervisor Horton moved to table the transfer of Fixed Asset #BG530, 2012 Dodge Ram 3500, VIN#0618. The motion was seconded by Supervisor Chandler.

Supervisor Horton moved to authorize and approve Fixed Asset #D3-135, 2012 GMC Pickup, VIN#0225 be transferred from District Three (3) to Building Maintenance and Grounds with a selling price at the current book value (\$9,000.00). The motion was seconded by Supervisor

Raines.

(Exhibit "C").

#### SURPLUS PROPERTY DESIGNATION AND INVENTORY DELETIONS - DISTRICT FOUR (4)

Supervisor Raines moved to designate items as surplus property and to dispose of them by auction. The items listed are to be sold for scrap and deleted from County inventory. The motion was seconded by Supervisor Horton.

(Exhibit "D").

#### UPDATE ON HORNE GROUP PROJECTS

Ms. LaFrance Boyd, Chancery Clerk, provided an update of the Horne Group's progress on County projects. The Board was informed to expect additional information during the month of July.

There was no action taken.

#### BUDGET TRANSFER

Supervisor Raines moved to authorize and approve the Chancery Clerk to transfer \$200,000.00 from the General County Fund to the E911 Fund. The motion was seconded by Supervisor Horton.

(Exhibit "E").

#### MEDS PAYMENT FOR BENEFITS

Supervisor Horton moved to authorize and approve to pay MS Department of Employment Security \$2,400.00 for Unemployment Benefits. The motion was seconded by Supervisor Raines.

(Exhibit "F").

#### DESIGNATION OF SURPLUS PROPERTY AND ADVERTISE FOR BIDS

Supervisor Raines moved to authorize and approve to advertise to accept bids to sell Fixed Asset #D2073, Motor Vessel (towboat), property of District Two (2). The motion was seconded by Supervisor Chandler.

(Exhibit "G").

#### SLFRF COMPLIANCE REPORT

Supervisor Raines moved to authorize and spread upon the minutes the submission of SLFRF

Compliance Report for FY2023. The motion was seconded by Supervisor Horton.

(Exhibit "H").

#### DISPOSAL OF FIXED ASSET

Supervisor Horton moved to table disposal of Fixed Asset #D177, Asphalt Chip Spreader, equipment belonging to District (One) and District Four (4). The motion was seconded by Supervisor Raines.

#### RESOLUTION TO CLEAN PROPERTY PURSUANT TO SECTION 19-5-105

Supervisor Horton moved to authorize and approve Resolution to Enter Private Property to Clean Pursuant to Section 19-5-105 of Mississippi Code of 1972, as amended. The motion was seconded by Supervisor Raines.

(Exhibit "I").

#### BOARD ORDER DESIGNATING UNMARKED VEHICLES

Supervisor Horton moved to authorize and approve Board Order Authorizing Use of Unmarked Vehicles by the Clay County Sheriff's Office. The motion was seconded by Supervisor Raines.

(Exhibit "J").

#### RESOLUTION RECOGNIZING PRAIRIE OPPORTUNITY DAY

Supervisor Horton moved to approve and adopt Resolution of the Clay County Board of Supervisors Recognizing May 31, 2024, as Prairie Opportunity, Inc. Annual Community Action Day. The motion was seconded by Supervisor Raines.

(Exhibit "K").

#### PURCHASE OF HAND GUNS FOR SHERIFF'S OFFICE

Supervisor Horton moved to authorize and approve an expenditure in the amount of \$10,943.72 out of pocket expense to purchase weapons for the Sheriff's Office with the remainder of the purchase price to be covered by a Buy Back package. The motion was seconded by Supervisor Raines.

(Exhibit "L").

## DEPUTIES TO ASSIST WITH COTTRELL STREET FESTIVAL

Supervisor Horton moved Sheriff's Deputies be authorized to assist with law enforcement protection during the Cottrell Street Festival from 4:00 p.m. to 10:00 p.m. The motion was seconded by Supervisor Raines.

## USE OF NEW SHERIFF'S VEHICLES

Supervisor Horton moved that July 20, 2024, be the target date to transport two Sheriff's trucks and one Tahoe to auction, as new Sheriff's vehicles should be in use by May 20, 2024. The motion was seconded by Supervisor Raines.

## LIFE SAVING AWARD

Supervisor Horton moved for preparation of Resolution for Life Saving Award to be given to Chief Deputy Woodruff for outstanding service on May 23, 2024. The motion was seconded by Supervisor Raines.

## TRAVEL REQUEST - CIRCUIT CLERK

Supervisor Raines moved to authorize and approve Circuit Clerk, Ms. Kim Brown Hood, to travel to Biloxi, Mississippi, July 22 through July 25, 2024, to attend Annual Summer Conference. The motion was seconded by Supervisor Horton.

(Exhibit "M").

## CLOSED SESSION

Supervisor Raines moved the Board go into Closed Session to determine the need to go into Executive Session. The motion was seconded by Supervisor Horton.

## OPEN MEETING

Following a brief discussion, the Board decided to return to Open Meeting instead of going into Executive Session. The motion was made by Supervisor Horton and seconded by Supervisor Chandler.

## RESIGNATION

Supervisor Horton moved the Board accept written letter of resignation presented by Ms. Annie Hines-Good, County Veterans' Service Officer. The motion was seconded by Supervisor Chandler.

(Exhibit "M").

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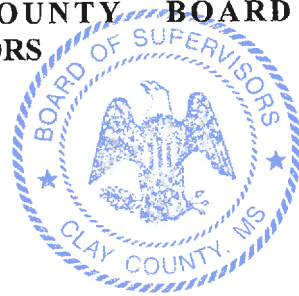
Supervisor Horton moved the Board stand in recess until Thursday, May 23, 2024, with the meeting to resume at 9:00 a.m. at the Clay County Courthouse. The motion was seconded by Supervisor Raines.

All motions were carried unanimously unless otherwise noted.

DATED this the 9 day of May, 2024.

*R.B. Davis*

**R.B. DAVIS, PRESIDENT  
CLAY COUNTY BOARD OF  
SUPERVISORS**



**ATTEST:**

*LaFrance H. Boyd*

**LAFRANCE H. BOYD, CHANCERY CLERK  
AND CLERK OF THE CLAY COUNTY  
BOARD OF SUPERVISORS**