

**AGENDA**  
**Rankin County Board of Supervisors**  
**STEVE GAINES, PRESIDING**  
**Monday, December, 4, 2023 9:00 AM**

**I. Call to Order**

9:00 AM Meeting called to order on December 4, 2023 at Rankin Board Room, 211 East Government Street, Suite A, Brandon, MS.

| Attendee Name                        | Present                  | Absent                   | Late                     | Arrived |
|--------------------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|---------|
| Supervisor District 2 Daniel Cross   | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |         |
| President Steve Gaines               | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |         |
| Supervisor District 3 Brad Calhoun   | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |         |
| Supervisor District 1 Jared Morrison | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |         |
| Vice President Jay Bishop            | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |         |

**II. INVOCATION**

**III. PUBLIC COMMENTS**

**A.**

Resolution Commending and Congratulating Chancery Clerk, Larry Swales on 36 years of faithful and dedicated service to Rankin County

**B.** Mickey Watkins, McGriff Insurance

**C.** Tony Womack, 2049 Cleary Road (District 1)

**IV. OLD BUSINESS**

**A.**

Minutes Approval:

A. November 15, 2023

B. November 30, 2023

**V. CONSENT AGENDA**

**1. APPROVAL OF THE FOLLOWING:**

***Agreements***

**A.**

Request authority for the Board President to sign a letter of support for the MHP Speed, Impaired Driving and Occupant Protection Grants for the 2023 grant year through the Mississippi Office of Public Safety

**B.**

Request approval for the Sheriff's Department to enter into an agreement with Virtual Academy Solutions for training purposes which will allow officers to take online training courses at a cost of \$35.00/officer for two years, and \$45.00/officer for the third year. This cost is for one calendar year and has no limit of the hours of training. Authority for the Sheriff to execute documents

**2. AUTHORITY TO ISSUE CHECKS:*****Dues and Training Conferences*****A.**

Authority to pay registration fees in the amount of \$300.00 for Halee Lovorn to attend the Active Shooter and Workplace Violence training on December 18 - 19, 2023, in Flowood, MS and authority to issue check and pay any travel related expenses

**B.**

Authority to pay registration fees in the amount of \$1,145.00 for Stacey Overstreet and James Strickland to attend the Brainspotting training on February 16 - 18, 2023, and authority to issue check

**C.**

Authority to pay IAAO membership dues in the amount of \$240.00 each for Kristy Lewis and David Gunter, and authority to pay an additional \$170.00 for David Gunter's CMS Designation, and authority to issue check

**D.**

Authority for Wiltz Cutrer to attend Howard Technology Solutions' 2023 Winter Symposium on December 5, 2023, in Ellisville, MS and authority to pay any travel related expenses

**E.**

Authority to pay registration fees in the amount of \$500.00 each for Election Commissioners Andrew Sorrentino, Richard Bain, Tonya Rivers, and Kelly Wedgeworth to attend the ECAM 2024 Annual Certification Training and Convention on January 24 - 26, 2023, in Philadelphia, MS and authority to issue check and pay any travel related expenses

**F.**

Authority to pay registration fees in the amount of \$4,902.50 for Patrick Mullins, John Lewis, Justin Edwards, Heath Spears, and Dustin Smith to attend the Public Safety Agency Remote Pilot Course on December 11 - 14, 2023, in Pearl, MS and authority to issue check and pay any travel related expenses

***Other*****G.**

Authority to pay invoice to replace an electronic ankle bracelet charger for Youth Court in the amount of \$250.00 and authority to issue check

**H.**

Authority to issue check in the amount of \$47,586.40 for renewal of the Public Officials Liability Insurance with Risk Management Partners, Inc.

**3. AUTHORITY TO APPROVE THE FOLLOWING INVENTORY CHANGES:****A.**

Approval of the following Inventory Changes to remove items from the county inventory that are broken or duplicates and to surplus items (see attached list)

B.

Approval to Remove 1-Glock 17 9MM Semi Auto Pistol Serial #BGSX830, Inventory Asset #12909, from the Sheriff’s Department Inventory and Sell the Retiree’s Weapon to Retiring Officer Robert Randy Gray, Retiring December 31, 2023, in Compliance of MS Code Ann. §45-9-131

C.

Approval to Remove 1-Glock 17 9MM Semi Auto Pistol Serial #BGTV687, Inventory Asset #12994, from the Sheriff’s Department Inventory and Sell the Retiree’s Weapon to Retiring Officer James K. Sullivan, Retiring November 30, 2023, in Compliance of MS Code Ann. §45-9-131

4. AUTHORITY TO APPROVE THE FOLLOWING PERSONNEL RECOMMENDATIONS:

A.

**Authority to approve the following Personnel Recommendations:**  
**Sheriff’s Department:** Stephanie Austin (New Hire, Jailer) at Step 304; Alyssa Ball (Transfer from Communications to ADC) at Step 308; Monica Barron (Salary Correction) at Step 350; Levi Forrest (Salary Increase to Fit Base Pay) at Step 304; David Hicks (New Hire, Deputy Sheriff) at Step 348; Latoya Johnson (Salary Increase to Fit Base Pay) at Step 304; Duston Jones (New Hire, Dispatcher) at Step 328; Ryan McCarley (Salary Increase to Fit Base Pay) at Step 304; Richard Moore (Salary Increase to Fit Base Pay) at Step 345; Dustin Smith (Salary Increase to Fit Base Pay) at Step 345; Makenzi Taylor (Salary Increase to Fit Base Pay) at Step 345; Haley White (New Hire, Dispatcher) at Step 326; Deantwon Williams (New Hire, Jailer) at Step 304; **Road Department:** Andrew Payne (Additional Duties as County Patrol) at Step 432; **District Attorney’s Office:** Greta Mack Harris (Salary Supplement in the amount of \$6,000.00/yearly effective December 1, 2023, as Allowable by Statue for Assistant District Attorneys)

5. RECORD VARIOUS DOCUMENTS TO BE MADE A PERMANENT PART OF THE MINUTES

A. Various Documents

VI. BRIGETTE HERRING, PURCHASE CLERK

A.

- Term Bid Openings for the Unit System:
- a. 24-300-1 Bridge Installation and Bridge Components
  - b. 24-300-2 Asphalt
  - c. 24-300-3 Scrub Seal, Slurry Seal, Micro-Surfacing, Micro-Surfacing (Modified)
  - d. 24-300-4 Metal Culverts
  - e. 24-300-5 Polypropylene Culverts
  - f. 24-300-6 Crushed Aggregates
  - g. 24-300-7 Gravel
  - h. 24-300-8 Soil Stabilization
  - i. 24-300-9 Polyurethane Foam Application ND Curb & Gutter Removal and Replacement

B.

- Authority to Advertise Bids for Unit System Equipment:
- a. 1 or More Tandem Dump Trucks
  - b. 1 or More Sweeper Brooms
  - c. Pothole Patcher

**VII. MIKE HARRISON, ROAD MANAGER****A.**

Road Work Accomplished for November 2023 and Road Work Scheduled for December 2023

**B.**

Request for approval of Comcast Utility Permit No. JB0001567530 to construct an Underground Utility Cable along/across Melody Lane to be installed between Oakridge Road and Melody Lane (District 2)

**C.**

Request for approval of Comcast Utility Permit No. JB0001617279 to construct an Underground Utility Cable along/across Builders Square Drive to be installed between HWY 471 and Builders Square Drive (District 4)

**D.**

Request for approval of Comcast Utility Permit No. JB0001639168 to construct an Underground Utility Cable along/across McLin Lane to be installed between Monroe Drive and Sand Hill Road (District 4)

**E.**

Request for approval of CSpire Utility Permit No. "Stonebrook Addition of Florence" to construct a Fiber Optic Cable to be installed between White Road and Whites Cove (County Section Only) (District 1)

**F.**

Request for approval of Windstream Utility Permit No. WS770373909800227 to construct a Telecommunications Fiber Cable along/across W Mountain Creek Road to be installed between Andrews Road and W Mountain Creek Road (District 1)

**G.**

Request for approval of ACL Water Utility Permit No. 22063 to construct a Water Line along/across Old Pearson Road (Please See Attached for All County Roads Involved) (District 3)

**VIII. TIM PARKER, COUNTY CONSULTING ENGINEER****A.**

Freedom Ridge, Part 5 - Approval of Construction Drawings (District 4)

**IX. CRAIG SLAY, BOARD ATTORNEY****SET PUBLIC HEARINGS:****A.**

Set Public Hearing for December 15, 2023, at 9:00 a.m. for Dillon Walker Rezoning Request, Levi Cooper Road (District 3)

**B.**

Set Public Hearing for December 15, 2023, at 9:00 a.m. for M3 Land, LLC. Conditional Use Permit, Highway 25 (District 4)

**C.**

Set Public Hearing for December 15, 2023, at 9:00 a.m. for LaMiracle Collier Conditional Use Permit, King Collier Road (District 4)

**D.**

Set Public Hearing for December 15, 2023, at 9:00 a.m. for Sidney Coke Conditional Use Permit, Star Road (District 1)

**PUBLIC HEARINGS:**

**E.**

Public Hearing for Media Display/Trailhead Media Sign Variance Request, 1911 Highway 471 (District 2)

**OTHER:**

**F.**

Contingent upon failure to receive full payment of unpaid, escaped personal property taxes assessed to and owed by Symmetry Energy Solutions, LLC, an out of state business corporation, on or before December 6, 2023, authorization of Tax Collector to take all steps necessary to protect the interest of Rankin County pursuant to Miss. Code Ann. Section 27-41-101, et seq. Authority of Rankin County Sheriff to effect seizure of all assets owned or controlled by Symmetry Energy Solutions, LLC, wherever same may be found in the State of Mississippi. Authority of Tax Collector or Sheriff to conduct all proceedings necessary to carry out asset seizure and liquidation for purposes of recovery of ad valorem tax obligations owed by said entity or its customers

- G.** Discussion of and potential action on agreement between Rankin County and Region 8 for court ordered competency evaluation services

**X. KEITH HICKS, COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR**

**A.**

UT Neely Creek Ditch Flood Impacts Project (ARPA) - Approval of Pay Application No. 2 to Hemphill Construction Company, Inc. in the amount of \$1,101,721.59 and authority to issue check

**B.**

Approval of Fourth Amendment to Health Care Services Agreement between VitalCore Health Strategies, LLC and Rankin County for health care services to inmates as approved on September 30, 2019 and authority for Board President to sign documents

**C.**

Acknowledgment of Receipt of Notice of Recusal from two Pending Justice Court Cases Filed by Rankin County Interim Prosecutor, Trey Spillman. Authority of Justice Court Clerk to Request Appointment of Boty McDonald (City of Ridgeland Prosecutor) as Substitute Justice Court Judge for Justice Court Cases and Authority of County Administrator to Pay Boty McDonald for Services Contingent Upon Negotiation

**D.**

Authority to purchase four (4) used Ford Police Interceptor Utility vehicles, 2020 Vin#1FM5K8B0LGC51638 - Mileage 64,475, in the amount of \$29,700; 2021 Vin#1FM5K8AB4MGA07816 - Mileage 64,594; in the amount of \$32,000; 2021 Vin#1FM5K8AB3MGB46464 - Mileage 64,307; in the amount

of \$32,000; 2021 Vin#1FM5K8AB1MGB46480 - Mileage 64,025; in the amount of \$32,000; each from the Missouri State Highway Patrol pursuant to §31-7-13(m)(vi) Miss. Code Annotated (1972); Authority for Deputies Wayne Carter, Mark Faron, Heath Spears, Anthony DiMartino, and Zach Cotton of the Sheriff's Department to travel to Missouri to pick up the vehicles and pay any related travel expenses

**XI. ADDITIONAL BUSINESS TO BE DISCUSSED**

- A.** Brief introductory discussion of Tax Increment Financing Project called "Richland Uptown"

**XII. EXECUTIVE SESSION**

**XIII. RECESS UNTIL DECEMBER 15, 2023 AT 9:00 A.M.**