

**MINUTES OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
OF MADISON COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI**

REGULAR MEETING OF May 4, 2026
Being the first day of the May term of the Board of Supervisors

BE IT REMEMBERED that the regular meeting of the Board of Supervisors of Madison County, Mississippi was duly convened, held and conducted on May 4, 2026 in the Board Room on the first floor of the Madison County Office Complex, 125 West North Street, Canton, Mississippi, as follows, to-wit:

The President of the Board, Gerald Steen presided and called the meeting to order. The following members were present that day:

Present:
Supervisor Casey Brannon
Supervisor Trey Baxter
Supervisor Karl Banks
Supervisor Gerald Steen
Supervisor Paul Griffin
Sheriff Randy Tucker

Absent:
Chancery Clerk Ronny Lott

Also Present:
County Administrator Greg Higginbotham
Board Attorney Mike Espy
Board Secretary/Chief Deputy Chancery Clerk Gena Permenter
Counsel and Deputy Chancery Clerk Andy Clark

The President of the Board announced that the members of the Board present constituted a quorum and declared the meeting duly convened. Gerald Steen opened the meeting with a prayer and Will Sligh led the members and the audience in the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America.

In re: Approval of Minutes from April 20, 2026

WHEREAS, Counsel and Deputy Chancery Clerk Andy Clark did present the Board with the Minutes of the previous meeting of the Board of Supervisors having been conducted on April 20, 2026,

Mr. Banks did offer and Mr. Griffin did second a motion to approve the minutes of April 20, 2026, as presented and authorize the Board President to execute same. The vote on the matter being as follows:

Supervisor Casey Brannon	Aye
Supervisor Trey Baxter	Aye
Supervisor Gerald Steen	Aye
Supervisor Karl Banks	Aye
Supervisor Paul Griffin	Aye

the matter carried unanimously and the minutes of April 20, 2026 were and are hereby approved.

SO ORDERED this the 4th day of May, 2026.

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**In re: Approval of Resolution - Madison County
Law Enforcement Appreciation Week**

At the request of Jan Collins, Executive Director of the Madison County Business League and Foundation, Mr. Banks did offer and Mr. Brannon did second a motion to approve a Resolution declaring the week of May 11, 2026 - May 15, 2026 as Madison County Law Enforcement Appreciation Week and authorize Board President to execute the same. The vote on the matter being as follows:

Supervisor Casey Brannon	Aye
Supervisor Trey Baxter	Aye
Supervisor Gerald Steen	Aye
Supervisor Karl Banks	Aye
Supervisor Paul Griffin	Aye

the matter carried unanimously and said Resolution was and is hereby approved and Board President was and is hereby authorized.

SO ORDERED this the 4th day of May, 2026.

In re: Approval of Consent Agenda Items

WHEREAS, the Board President did explain that any Supervisor could, in advance of the call of the question, request that any item be removed from the Consent Agenda, and

Mr. Banks did offer and Mr. Griffin did second a motion to take the following actions on the Consent Agenda:

3. **HR - Approve Personal Matters (Attached as Exhibit A)**
4. **B&G - Approve Use of Rogers Park – Patterson**
5. **CA - Permission to Advertise for Rogers Park Playground and Pavilion**
6. **CA - Acknowledge Maturity of TIF Refunding Bond 2015 (Galleria Parkway Project)**
7. **CA - Approval of County Offices Closing for Federal and State Holiday- May 25, 2026**
8. **ChClrk - Approve Payment for Special Master & Attorneys (Attached as Exhibit B)**
9. **ChClrk - Approve Applications for Notary Public Commission Renewals**
10. **ChClrk - Acknowledge Letter regarding Funds Returned to the County**
11. **ChCrt - Approve Chancery Court BIS Digital Service and Support Agreement Contract and Authorize Payment (Attached as Exhibit C)**
12. **COMP - Approve MegaSite Alliance Fire Protection District Per Diem and Authorize Payment**
13. **COMP - Approve Constable Report - April 2026**
14. **Fire Services - Approve Madison County Fire Services to apply for Exxon Mobil Grant Application**

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15. **IT - Approve Additional Avaya Phone System Licenses and Authorize Payment (Attached as Exhibit D)**
16. **RD - Approve April 2026 Closed Call Analysis**
17. **RD - Approve April 2026 Monthly Report**
18. **RD - Approve May 2026 Culvert Requests**
19. **RD - Approve May 2026 Service Call Schedule**
20. **SO - Approve Travel and Related Expenses for 2026 Mississippi Sheriffs Association Summer Conference / Sheriff Tucker / Biloxi, MS / June 1-5, 2026**
21. **SO - Approve Request for Payment to Magnet Forensics - Sheriff Department (Attached as Exhibit E)**
22. **TA - Approve 2025 Real Property Decreases**
23. **TA - Approve 2025 Amended Homesteads**

The vote on the matter being as follows:

Supervisor Casey Brannon	Aye
Supervisor Trey Baxter	Aye
Supervisor Gerald Steen	Aye
Supervisor Karl Banks	Aye
Supervisor Paul Griffin	Aye

the matter carried unanimously and each item was and is hereby approved, adopted, and authorized as described herein above.

SO ORDERED this the 4th day of May, 2026.

In re: Approval of Resolution in Honor of Memorial Day

At the request of Veterans Service Officer Mendal Kemp, Mr. Baxter did offer and Mr. Brannon did second a motion to approve a Resolution in Honor of Memorial Day on May 25, 2026 and authorize Board President to execute the same. The vote on the matter being as follows:

Supervisor Casey Brannon	Aye
Supervisor Trey Baxter	Aye
Supervisor Gerald Steen	Aye
Supervisor Karl Banks	Aye
Supervisor Paul Griffin	Aye

the matter carried unanimously and said resolution was and is hereby approved and Board President was and is hereby authorized.

SO ORDERED this the 4th day of May, 2026.

In re: Approval to Relocate Voting Precinct

At the request and recommendation of Election Commissioner Leroy Lacy, Mr. Griffin did offer

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and Mr. Banks did second a motion to relocate the voting precinct from the Camden Community Center to the Camden Fire Station. The vote on the matter being as follows:

Supervisor Casey Brannon	Aye
Supervisor Trey Baxter	Aye
Supervisor Gerald Steen	Aye
Supervisor Karl Banks	Aye
Supervisor Paul Griffin	Aye

the matter carried unanimously and said voting precinct was and is hereby relocated.

SO ORDERED this the 4th day of May, 2026.

***In re: Approval of Supplemental Agreement #1 -
Bozeman Road Improvements Project***

At the request of County Engineer Tim Bryan, Mr. Baxter did offer and Mr. Banks did second a motion to approve Supplemental Agreement #1 pending MDOT/FHWA approval with Hemphill Construction Company, Inc. related to the Bozeman Road Improvements Project, found in the Miscellaneous Appendix to these Minutes, and authorize Board President to execute the same. The vote on the matter being as follows:

Supervisor Casey Brannon	Aye
Supervisor Trey Baxter	Aye
Supervisor Gerald Steen	Aye
Supervisor Karl Banks	Aye
Supervisor Paul Griffin	Aye

the matter carried unanimously and said Supplemental Agreement #1 was and is hereby approved and Board President was and is hereby authorized.

SO ORDERED this the 4th day of May, 2026.

In re: Acceptance of Deed of Dedication

At the request of County Engineer Tim Bryan, Mr. Baxter did offer and Mr. Steen did second a motion to accept a Deed of Dedication for 1.575 acres of property on Green Acres Drive from current owners Claridge & Associates, Thomas Leon Sellers, and Allen Sparks, found in the Miscellaneous Appendix to these Minutes, to donate said property to Madison County for public right-of-way and authorize Board President to execute the same. The vote on the matter being as follows:

Supervisor Casey Brannon	Aye
Supervisor Trey Baxter	Aye
Supervisor Gerald Steen	Aye
Supervisor Karl Banks	Aye
Supervisor Paul Griffin	Aye

the matter carried unanimously and said deed of dedication was and is hereby accepted and Board President was and is hereby authorized.

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In re: Approval of Final Plat - Woodscape of Oakfield, Phase 6

At the request and recommendation of County Engineer Tim Bryan, Mr. Griffin did offer and Mr. Banks did second a motion to approve the final plat of Woodscape of Oakfield, Phase 6 consisting of 20.91 acres with 60 lots and acknowledge Letter of Credit for final wearing surface. The vote on the matter being as follows:

Supervisor Casey Brannon	Aye
Supervisor Trey Baxter	Aye
Supervisor Gerald Steen	Aye
Supervisor Karl Banks	Aye
Supervisor Paul Griffin	Aye

the matter carried unanimously and said final plat was and is hereby approved.

SO ORDERED this the 4th day of May, 2026.

In re: Authorization of Zoning Administrator and Zoning Attorney

Following discussion, Mr. Steen did offer and Mr. Banks did second a motion to authorize Zoning Administrator and Zoning Attorney to work together to revise and update the Madison County Zoning Ordinance. The vote on the matter being as follows:

Supervisor Casey Brannon	Aye
Supervisor Trey Baxter	Aye
Supervisor Gerald Steen	Aye
Supervisor Karl Banks	Aye
Supervisor Paul Griffin	Aye

the matter carried unanimously and Zoning Administrator and Zoning Attorney were and are hereby authorized.

SO ORDERED this the 4th day of May, 2026.

In re: Acknowledgment of Court Order

At the request and recommendation of Board Attorney Mike Espy, Mr. Griffin did offer and Mr. Banks did second a motion to **(1)** acknowledge the Order Setting Aside Tax Sale and Cancelling Tax Deed, attached as **Exhibit F**, and **(2)** authorize Chancery Clerk to void the tax sale of Parcel Number 082G-36A-014/00.00 and cancel the tax deed related thereto. The vote on the matter being as follows:

Supervisor Casey Brannon	Aye
Supervisor Trey Baxter	Aye
Supervisor Gerald Steen	Aye
Supervisor Karl Banks	Aye
Supervisor Paul Griffin	Aye

the matter carried unanimously and said Order was and is hereby acknowledged and Chancery Clerk was and is hereby authorized.

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In re: Approval of Memorandum Of Understanding

At the request and recommendation of Board Attorney Mike Espy, Mr. Griffin did offer and Mr. Banks did second a motion to approve the Memorandum of Understanding between Madison County Board of Supervisors, the North Madison County Economic Development Council, and the Metropolitan YMCA’s of Mississippi, attached as **Exhibit G**, and authorize Board President to execute the same. The vote on the matter being as follows:

Supervisor Casey Brannon	Aye
Supervisor Trey Baxter	Aye
Supervisor Gerald Steen	Aye
Supervisor Karl Banks	Aye
Supervisor Paul Griffin	Aye

the matter carried unanimously and said Memorandum of Understanding was and is hereby approved and Board President was and is hereby authorized.

SO ORDERED this the 4th day of May, 2026.

In re: Approval of Agreement for Services - NOVUM, LLC

At the request and recommendation of County Administrator Greg Higginbotham, Mr. Brannon did offer and Mr. Banks did second a motion to approve the Agreement for Services, attached as **Exhibit H**, between Madison County and NOVUM, LLC and authorize Board President to execute the same. The vote on the matter being as follows:

Supervisor Casey Brannon	Aye
Supervisor Trey Baxter	Aye
Supervisor Gerald Steen	Aye
Supervisor Karl Banks	Aye
Supervisor Paul Griffin	Aye

the matter carried unanimously and said agreement was and is hereby approved and Board President was and is hereby authorized.

SO ORDERED this the 4th day of May, 2026.

In re: Authorization to Terminate Contracts

At the request and recommendation of County Administrator Greg Higginbotham, Mr. Banks did offer and Mr. Griffin did second a motion to terminate the contracts with BMFW Group and Cavinaugh. The vote on the matter being as follows:

Supervisor Casey Brannon	Aye
Supervisor Trey Baxter	Aye
Supervisor Gerald Steen	Aye
Supervisor Karl Banks	Aye
Supervisor Paul Griffin	Aye

the matter carried unanimously and said contracts were and are hereby terminated.

SO ORDERED this the 4th day of May, 2026.

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In re: Approval of Budget Amendments & Interfund Cash Transfers

At the request and recommendation of Comptroller Na'Son White, Mr. Steen did offer and Mr. Banks did second a motion to approve the Madison County Budget Amendments & Interfund Cash Transfers, attached as **Exhibit I**. The vote on the matter being as follows:

Supervisor Casey Brannon	Aye
Supervisor Trey Baxter	Aye
Supervisor Gerald Steen	Aye
Supervisor Karl Banks	Aye
Supervisor Paul Griffin	Aye

the matter carried unanimously and said budget amendments and interfund cash transfers were and are hereby approved.

SO ORDERED this the 4th day of May, 2026.

In re: Approval of General Claims Docket

At the request and recommendation of Comptroller Na'Son White, assuring the Board of Supervisors that all claims had been properly documented and where necessary, purchase orders were obtained in advance as required by law, Mr. Banks did offer and Mr. Griffin did second a motion to approve the following:

(1) General Claims Docket

WHEREAS, the following is a summary of all claims and funds from which said claims are to be paid relative to the primary claims docket:

Fund	Claim Nos.	No. of Claims	Amount
001	2577 to 2713	137	693,994.89
012	91 to 97	7	46,883.19
014	2 to 2	1	11,539.72
015	64 to 68	5	314,712.41
030	27 to 27	1	2,924.85
095	10 to 10	1	54,028.56
097	67 to 70	4	11,500.23
103	15 to 15	1	1,538.46
105	38 to 41	4	258,302.32
113	5 to 6	2	3,338.88
115	110 to 116	7	8,904.06
116	6 to 6	1	38,136.82
117	6 to 6	1	660.70
118	6 to 6	1	1,240.79
119	7 to 7	1	2,968.00
120	6 to 6	1	3,593.17
121	6 to 6	1	298.32
122	5 to 5	1	3,026.69
125	21 to 22	2	8,766.15
137	10 to 10	1	24,311.25
150	390 to 419	30	152,582.48
151	24 to 24	1	1,119.72
185	66 to 66	1	1,800.00
186	49 to 49	1	61.69
187	28 to 28	1	132.33

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190	42 to 42	1	53.73
191	106 to 110	5	12,275.94
226	37 to 38	2	1,847,764.50
290	3 to 3	1	557.12
655	7 to 7	1	105,408.23
664	7 to 7	1	2,023.50
672	7 to 7	1	1,601.50
675	7 to 7	1	6,565.50
680	5 to 5	1	1,566.25
690	7 to 7	1	57,358.83
691	7 to 7	1	86,027.87
TOTAL ALL FUNDS		230	3,767,568.65

and further directed the Chancery Clerk to publish the Summary of Claims as required by law and approve the Claims Docket approving payment of said claims, found in the Miscellaneous Appendix to these Minutes. The vote on the matter being as follows:

Supervisor Casey Brannon	No
Supervisor Trey Baxter	No
Supervisor Gerald Steen	Aye
Supervisor Karl Banks	Aye
Supervisor Paul Griffin	Aye

the matter carried by a majority vote (3-2) of the Board and said General Claims Docket was and is hereby approved and the Chancery Clerk was and is instructed to issue pay warrants accordingly.

SO ORDERED this the 4th day of May, 2026.

In re: Approval of Payroll Dockets

At the request and recommendation of Comptroller Na'Son White, Mr. Banks did offer and Mr. Steen did second a motion to approve the following:

- (1) Payroll Docket 1 - April 22, 2026
- (2) Payroll Docket 2 - April 28, 2026

The vote on the matter being as follows:

Supervisor Casey Brannon	Aye
Supervisor Trey Baxter	Aye
Supervisor Gerald Steen	Aye
Supervisor Karl Banks	Aye
Supervisor Paul Griffin	Aye

the matter carried unanimously and said Payroll Dockets were and are hereby approved and the Chancery Clerk was and is instructed to issue pay warrants accordingly.

SO ORDERED this the 4th day of May, 2026.

In re: Acknowledgment of Inmate Meal Report

At the request of Sheriff Randy Tucker, Mr. Banks did offer and Mr. Steen did second a motion to acknowledge the inmate meal report for April 2026, found in the Miscellaneous Appendix to these Minutes. The vote on the matter being as follows:

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Supervisor Casey Brannon	Aye
Supervisor Trey Baxter	Aye
Supervisor Gerald Steen	Aye
Supervisor Karl Banks	Aye
Supervisor Paul Griffin	Aye

the matter carried unanimously and said report was and is hereby acknowledged.

SO ORDERED this the 4th day of May, 2026.

In re: Entering into “Closed Session” to Determine Whether or not the Board Should Declare an Executive Session

WHEREAS, the Board of Supervisors, after beginning the meeting in open session, determined that it was necessary to enter into closed session for a brief discussion to ascertain whether an Executive Session was needed as to discuss litigation, and

Following discussion and pursuant to the terms of Miss. Code Ann. § 25-41-7, as amended, Mr. Banks did offer and Mr. Steen did second a motion to make a closed determination upon the issue of whether or not to declare an Executive Session for the purpose of discussing litigation, with the following persons deemed necessary for Board discussions, deliberations, and recording of such Executive Session, to wit: members of the Board, Andy Clark on Behalf of Chancery Clerk Ronny Lott, Board Secretary/Chief Deputy Chancery Clerk Gena Permenter, County Administrator Greg Higginbotham, County Engineer Tim Bryan, Comptroller Na’Son White, Board Attorney Mike Espy, Zoning Administrator Scott Weeks, and Sheriff Randy Tucker. The vote on the matter being as follows:

Supervisor Casey Brannon	Aye
Supervisor Trey Baxter	Aye
Supervisor Gerald Steen	Aye
Supervisor Karl Banks	Aye
Supervisor Paul Griffin	Aye

the matter carried unanimously and the Board took up the matter of entering into Executive Session.

SO ORDERED this the 4th day of May, 2026.

In re: Entering into Executive Session

WHEREAS, the Board Attorney advised the Board that discussion of the proposed matters of business was properly the subject of executive session,

Following discussion, Mr. Steen did offer and Mr. Banks did second a motion to enter into Executive Session to discuss litigation. The vote on the matter being as follows:

Supervisor Casey Brannon	Aye
Supervisor Trey Baxter	Aye
Supervisor Gerald Steen	Aye
Supervisor Karl Banks	Aye
Supervisor Paul Griffin	Aye

the matter carried by the unanimous vote of those present and Board President declared the Board

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to be in Executive Session for the consideration of such matters and Andy Clark announced to the public the purpose for the Executive Session.

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During Executive Session, Mr. Banks did offer and Mr. Griffin did second a motion to ratify the November 2, 2020 decision of the prior Board of Supervisors to request an Agreed Order of Dismissal of Madison County as a defendant in the lawsuit JMAA vs. the State of Mississippi. The vote on the matter being as follows:

Supervisor Casey Brannon	Aye
Supervisor Trey Baxter	No
Supervisor Gerald Steen	No
Supervisor Karl Banks	Aye
Supervisor Paul Griffin	Aye

the matter carried by a majority vote (3-2) of the Board and said decision was and is hereby ratified.

SO ORDERED this the 4th day of May, 2026.

Thereafter, Mr. Banks did offer and Mr. Baxter did second a motion to adjourn the Executive Session and announce to the public the action taken therein. The vote on the matter being as follows:

Supervisor Casey Brannon	Aye
Supervisor Trey Baxter	Aye
Supervisor Gerald Steen	Aye
Supervisor Karl Banks	Aye
Supervisor Paul Griffin	Aye

the matter carried the unanimously and the Board President declared Executive Session adjourned and Andy Clark did announce the action taken during Executive Session.

SO ORDERED this the 4th day of May, 2026.

THERE BEING NO FURTHER BUSINESS to come before the Board of Supervisors of Madison County, Mississippi, upon motion duly made by Supervisor Baxter and seconded by Supervisor Banks and approved by the unanimous vote of those present, the May 4, 2026 meeting of the Board of Supervisors was adjourned until May 18, 2026 at 9:00 a.m.

Gerald Steen, President
Madison County Board of Supervisors

Date signed: _____

ATTEST:

Ronny Lott, Chancery Clerk

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