

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

REGULAR MEETING OF SEPTEMBER 11, 2006  
Recessed from regular meeting conducted on September 5, 2006

BE IT REMEMBERED that the regular meeting of the Board of Supervisors of Madison County, Mississippi was duly convened, held and conducted on September 11, 2006, in the County Law Library located on the second floor of the Madison County Circuit Courthouse in Canton, Mississippi, as follows, to-wit:

The Vice President of the Board, Karl M. Banks, presided in the absence of President Tim Johnson and called the meeting to order. The following members were present that day:

Present:

Supervisor Douglas L. Jones  
Supervisor Andy Taggart  
Supervisor Paul Griffin  
Supervisor Karl M. Banks  
Tax Assessor Gerald R. Barber  
Sheriff Toby Trowbridge  
Chancery Clerk Arthur Johnston

Absent:

Supervisor Tim Johnson

Also in attendance:

County Administrator Donnie Caughman  
County Comptroller and Deputy Chancery Clerk Mark Houston  
County Engineer Rudy Warnock  
County Purchase Clerk Hardy Crunk  
County Zoning Administrator Brad Sellers  
County Fire Coordinator Mack Pigg  
Emergency Management, E911 and Homeland Security Director Butch Hammack  
Board Secretary and Deputy Chancery Clerk Cynthia Parker  
Board Attorney Edmund L. Brunini, Jr.

The Vice President announced that the members of the Board present constituted a quorum and declared the meeting duly convened. Chancery Clerk Arthur Johnston opened the meeting with a prayer and Supervisor Douglas L. Jones led the members and the audience in the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America.

***In re: Conducting a Hearing on the Budget for FY 2007  
for Madison County, Mississippi and the Adoption of Said Budget***

**and**

***In re: Conducting a Hearing on the Proposed Tax Levy for FY 2007  
for Madison County, Mississippi***

WHEREAS, the Board of Supervisors previously advertised its intent to conduct a public hearing on September 11, 2006 at 9:00 a.m. concerning the adoption of a budget and proposed tax levies for FY 2007; and

WHEREAS, said date and hour did arrive and the Board of Supervisors convened and opened the public hearing to consider the adoption of the budget and the setting of proposed tax levies for the upcoming 2006-2007 fiscal year (FY 2007); and

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WHEREAS, the Vice President, Mr. Karl M. Banks, declared open the public hearing on the matter of the adoption of said budget and levy, and

WHEREAS, the Board received comments and reviewed a proposed budget with County Administrator Donnie Caughman and also reviewed the proposed tax levies for adoption in connection with said budget, and

WHEREAS, no one appeared at said public hearing,

Following additional discussion of this matter, Mr. Douglas L. Jones did offer and Mr. Andy Taggart did second a motion to close the public hearing on said budget and levy and continue the matter of the consideration of the adoption of said budget and levy until 9:00 a.m. Thursday, September 14, 1006 in the Board's regular meeting place. The vote on the matter being as follows:

Supervisor Douglas L. Jones	Aye
Supervisor Tim Johnson	Not Present and Not Voting
Supervisor Andy Taggart	Aye
Supervisor Karl M. Banks	Aye
Supervisor Paul Griffin	Aye

the matter carried by the unanimous vote of those present and the public hearing was and is hereby closed and the matters of the consideration of the county budget for FY 2007 and the county tax levy for FY 2007 were and are hereby continued until 9:00 a.m. Thursday, September 14, 2006 in the Board's regular meeting place.

SO ORDERED this the 11<sup>th</sup> day of September, 2006.

***In re: Approval of Consent Agenda Items***

WHEREAS, Vice President Banks did announce that he and County Administrator Donnie Caughman had conferred in advance of the meeting and did recommend that Items (2) through (5) on the Agenda appeared to be routine, non-controversial matters on which all Supervisors were likely to agree, and could be taken up as Consent Items, and

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

WHEREAS, Mr. Banks requested that item (4) be removed from the Consent Agenda and taken up separately, and

WHEREAS, the following items were taken up as "Consent Items," to-wit:

**2. Authorization of Final Orders - Ad Valorem Taxation Exemptions**

The final orders of the Mississippi State Tax Commission as to each industrial exemption previously awarded and approved by this Board were and are hereby ratified and finally approved, and the Board President and Chancery Clerk were and are hereby authorized to execute any and all necessary documentation to effectuate the same, true and correct copies of which may be found in the Miscellaneous Appendix to these Minutes.

**3. Ratification of Engagement Letter - Wilson & Biggs, PLLC, Exit Audit/Madison County Human Resource Agency**

That certain engagement letter dated July 25, 2006, a true and correct copy of which is attached

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hereto as Exhibit A, spread hereupon and incorporated herein by reference was and is hereby ratified and approved, and the same is accepted as a contract with the county.

**5. Authorization to Purchase Vehicle - Sheriff's Department**

The purchase of one 2007 Crown Victoria for the Sheriff's Department at a price of \$19,904.00 was and is hereby approved in accordance with that certain memorandum of September 7, 2006 from County Purchase Clerk Hardy Crunk, a true and correct copy of which may be found in the Miscellaneous Appendix to these Minutes.

Thereafter, Mr. Douglas L. Jones did offer and Mr. Andy Taggart did second a motion to approve, adopt, and authorize each of the above and foregoing matters, the same being numbered Items (2), (3) and (5) herein above. The vote on the matter being as follows:

Supervisor Douglas L. Jones	Aye
Supervisor Tim Johnson	Not Present and Not Voting
Supervisor Andy Taggart	Aye
Supervisor Karl M. Banks	Aye
Supervisor Paul Griffin	Aye

the matter carried by the unanimous vote of those present, and each item was and is approved, adopted and authorized.

SO ORDERED this the 11<sup>th</sup> day of September, 2006.

***In re:* Authorization for Board Attorney to Prepare Request for Proposals for the Provision of Certain Human Services**

Following discussion, Mr. Douglas L. Jones did offer and Mr. Paul Griffin did second a motion to direct Board Attorney Edmund L. Brunini, Jr. to (1) consult with representatives of the Madison County Human Resource Agency as to the specific services provided by said entity and (2) prepare a request for proposals to render such services to the county. The vote on the matter being as follows:

Supervisor Douglas L. Jones	Aye
Supervisor Tim Johnson	Not Present and Not Voting
Supervisor Andy Taggart	Aye
Supervisor Karl M. Banks	Aye
Supervisor Paul Griffin	Aye

the matter carried by the unanimous vote of those present and the Board Attorney was and is hereby so authorized.

SO ORDERED this the 11<sup>th</sup> day of September, 2006.

***In re:* Approval of Extension on Foshee Borrow Pit Permit**

WHEREAS, County Zoning Administrator Brad Sellers did appear before the Board and requested permission to extend the permit on Foshee Borrow Pit,

Following discussion, Mr. Paul Griffin did offer and Mr. Andy Taggart did second a motion to authorize Mr. Sellers to extend said permit for operation of Foshee's Borrow Pit on Highway 22 until September 18, 2006. The vote on the matter being as follows:

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Supervisor Douglas L. Jones	Aye
Supervisor Tim Johnson	Not Present and Not Voting
Supervisor Andy Taggart	Aye
Supervisor Karl M. Banks	Aye
Supervisor Paul Griffin	Aye

the matter carried by the unanimous vote of those present and Mr. Sellers was and is hereby authorized to extend the time of said permit.

SO ORDERED this the 11<sup>th</sup> day of September, 2006.

***In re: Request for Attorney General’s Opinion  
Homestead Disallowance***

WHEREAS, Chancery Clerk Arthur Johnston did appear before the Board and requested the Board authorize the Board Attorney to submit a request for an Attorney General’s Opinion on a homestead disallowance matter,

Following discussion, Mr. Andy Taggart did offer and Mr. Paul Griffin did second a motion to authorize the Board Attorney to submit said request for an Attorney General’s Opinion, a true and correct copy of which may be found in the Miscellaneous Appendix to these Minutes. The vote on the matter being as follows:

Supervisor Douglas L. Jones	Aye
Supervisor Tim Johnson	Not Present and Not Voting
Supervisor Andy Taggart	Aye
Supervisor Karl M. Banks	Aye
Supervisor Paul Griffin	Aye

the matter carried by the unanimous vote of those present and the Board Attorney was and is hereby so authorized and directed.

SO ORDERED this the 11<sup>th</sup> day of September, 2006.

***In re: Certification of Candidates for Election Commission  
Special Election of November 7, 2006***

WHEREAS, during the period of new business, Chancery Clerk Arthur Johnston did direct the Board’s attention to Miss. Code Ann. § 23-15-213 and reported that in accordance with said code section, he had received petitions and registrar certificates pertaining to the candidacy of Ms. Kakey Chaney of 309 Colonial Drive, Madison, Mississippi, for the position of County Election Commissioner from District 2, and Ms. Pat Truesdale of 306 West Porter Street, Ridgeland, Mississippi, for the position of County Election Commissioner from District 3, and

WHEREAS, Mr. Johnston reported that Ms. Chaney and Ms. Truesdale were the only individuals who had submitted petitions for candidacy as to said positions in accordance with statute for the special election to fill said positions as previously decreed by this Board, and

WHEREAS, Mr. Johnston reported that the President of the Board, Tim Johnson, had reviewed and considered the same and had determined each to be sufficient, and

WHEREAS, Mr. Johnston verified that each respective candidate was indeed a resident of the supervisor’s district in which she sought election and was otherwise qualified as provided by law,

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Following discussion, Mr. Andy Taggart did offer and Mr. Paul Griffin did second a motion to (1) certify the qualifications of Ms. Kakey Chaney, District Two and Ms. Pat Truesdale, District Three as candidates for the position of Election Commissioner; (2) direct that said names appear on the ballot of the November, 2006 special election; and (3) direct the Chancery Clerk to communicate all of the foregoing unto the Election Commission. The vote on the matter being as follows:

Supervisor Douglas L. Jones	Aye
Supervisor Tim Johnson	Not Present and Not Voting
Supervisor Andy Taggart	Aye
Supervisor Karl M. Banks	Aye
Supervisor Paul Griffin	Aye

the matter carried by the unanimous vote of those present and said candidates were and are hereby certified as candidates for the Election Commission.

SO ORDERED this the 11<sup>th</sup> day of September, 2006.

***In re: Authorize Road Department to Erect a Berm***

WHEREAS, Sheriff Toby Trowbridge did appear before the Board and presented a request from the City of Canton and the Madison County Sheriff's Department requesting the county furnish dirt and equipment to construct a berm at the existing firing range,

Following discussion, Mr. Paul Griffin did offer and Mr. Douglas L. Jones did second a motion to instruct the Road Department to erect a berm at firing range as requested in a certain letter, a true and correct copy of which may be found in the Miscellaneous Appendix to these Minutes. The vote on the matter being as follows:

Supervisor Douglas L. Jones	Aye
Supervisor Tim Johnson	Not Present and Not Voting
Supervisor Andy Taggart	Aye
Supervisor Karl M. Banks	Aye
Supervisor Paul Griffin	Aye

the matter carried by the unanimous vote of those present and the Road Department was and is hereby directed.

SO ORDERED this the 11<sup>th</sup> day of September, 2006.

***In re: Approval of Auctioning of Certain Vehicles Seized by the Madison County Sheriff's Office***

WHEREAS, Sheriff Toby Trowbridge did appear before the Board and presented a list of vehicles seized by his department, such vehicles having been forfeited by law, and

WHEREAS, Sheriff Trowbridge requested that the Board authorize and direct that said vehicles be sold to the highest bidder at an auction to be held on October 5, 2006, and

WHEREAS, a listing of said vehicles according to VIN number is attached hereto as Exhibit B, spread hereupon and incorporated herein by reference,

Following discussion, Mr. Douglas L. Jones did offer and Mr. Paul Griffin did second a motion to authorize and direct that the vehicles listed on Exhibit B be declared forfeited and sold by the Sheriff at auction to the highest bidder. The vote on the matter being as follows:

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Supervisor Douglas L. Jones	Aye
Supervisor Tim Johnson	Not Present and Not Voting
Supervisor Andy Taggart	Aye
Supervisor Karl M. Banks	Aye
Supervisor Paul Griffin	Aye

the matter carried by the unanimous vote of those present and said vehicles were and are hereby declared forfeited and authorized to be sold at auction by the Sheriff.

SO ORDERED this the 11<sup>th</sup> day of September, 2006.

***In re: Request of Sheriff Toby Trowbridge to Declare Various Equipment and Vehicle as Junk Property***

WHEREAS, Sheriff Toby Trowbridge did appear before the Board and requested the Board declare the following items as surplus property due to being involved in a wreck and no longer needed for county purposes due to their disreputable state of repair,

<u>Description</u>	<u>Serial Number</u>	<u>                    </u>
K9 Heat Detector	KC1266	
Sony Investigation Camera	001066	
2005 Ford Crown Vic	2FAFP71W05X104603	

Following discussion, Mr. Andy Taggart did offer and Mr. Paul Griffin did second a motion to declare above listed items surplus property and no longer needed for county purposes and authorize County Inventory Control Clerk Barry Parker to delete the same from county inventory and dispose thereof by whatever means he deems necessary and appropriate. The vote on the matter being as follows:

Supervisor Douglas L. Jones	Aye
Supervisor Tim Johnson	Not Present and Not Voting
Supervisor Andy Taggart	Aye
Supervisor Karl M. Banks	Aye
Supervisor Paul Griffin	Aye

the matter carried by the unanimous vote of those present and said items were and are hereby declared surplus, found to be no longer needed for county purposes, and Mr. Parker was and is hereby authorized and directed to proceed accordingly.

SO ORDERED this the 11<sup>th</sup> day of September, 2006.

THERE BEING NO FURTHER BUSINESS to come before the Board of Supervisors of Madison County, Mississippi, upon motion duly made by Supervisor Paul Griffin and seconded by Supervisor Douglas L. Jones and approved by the unanimous vote of those present, the meeting of the Board of Supervisors was recessed until Monday, September 14, 2006 for the purpose of further consideration of the county's FY 2007 budget and adoption of the county's tax levies for FY 2007, and any other business which may properly come before the Board.

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Tim Johnson, President  
Madison County Board of Supervisors

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ATTEST:

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Arthur Johnston, Chancery Clerk

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July 25, 2006

Arthur Johnston, Chancery Clerk of  
Madison County  
P. O. Box 404  
Canton, MS 39046

We are pleased to confirm our understanding of the services we are to provide for Madison County in connection with the "exit audit" of the Madison County Human Resources Agency as requested by the Madison County Board of Supervisors.

The procedures we will perform will be as follows:

1. In order to determine whether the MCHRA has custody of any County assets or has incurred any liability that would encumber the County, we will review the following documents of the MCHRA:
  - a. Audited financial statements for the years ended September 30, 2005 and 2004;
  - b. The three most recently filed 990's;
  - c. A listing of fixed assets purchased from October 2005 to June 19, 2006;
  - d. Unpaid bank notes, unpaid payroll taxes and any other unpaid bills;
  - e. Fixed asset subsidiary as of September 30, 2005;
  - f. Current year financial statements as of June 30, 2006;
  - g. Coordinate with County officials as to which County assets, if any, are in the care of MCHRA and inspect those assets.
2. Any additional procedures we consider necessary to complete the "exit audit" based on our review of the items above.

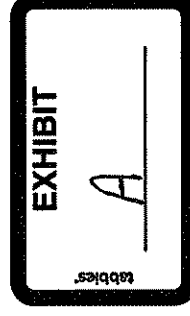
We will not conduct an examination, the objective of which would be the expression of an opinion, on the financial statements and supporting data of the Madison County Human Resources Agency. Were we to perform additional procedures, other matters might come to our attention that would have to be reported to you.

Very truly yours,

WILSON & BIGGS, PLLC



Mark Biggs, Partner





Arthur Johnston, Chancery Clerk Of Madison County

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Response:

~~This letter correctly sets forth the understanding of the Madison County Board of Supervisors.~~

  
Arthur Johnston, Chancery Clerk of Madison County

August 7, 2006  
Date



# From The Desk of Lt. Randall Tucker

**Date:** 09-06-2006  
**To:** Sheriff Trowbridge  
**From:** Lt. Randall Tucker  
**RE:** Cars to be auctioned

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Sheriff,

The following cars have been forfeited to the Madison County Sheriff's Dept. The titles have been applied for and received.. The next available auction date is 10-05-2006. I'm requesting authorization to send the cars to Mid-South auction to be sold according to law. Thank you in advance for your help with this matter.

1. 2000 Ford Taurus vin# 1fafp34p3yw228152
2. 1990 Buick Lesabre vin# 1g4hp54c1lh478154
3. 1990 Pontiac Boneville vin# 1g2hy54c0l1215491
4. 1991 Ford Probe vin# 1zvpt20exm5132393
5. 1992 Chrysler New Yorker vin# 1c3xv66r2nd852752
6. 1996 Cadillac Deville vin# 1g6kd52y6tu235175

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