

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

REGULAR MEETING OF SEPTEMBER 30, 2004
Recessed from regular meeting conducted on September 24, 2004

BE IT REMEMBERED that the regular meeting of the Board of Supervisors of Madison County, Mississippi was duly convened, held and conducted on September 30, 2004, at the Madison County Chancery/Administrative Building in Canton, Mississippi, as follows, to-wit:

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

Present:

Supervisor Douglas L. Jones
Supervisor Andy Taggart
Supervisor Paul Griffin
Chancery Clerk Arthur Johnston

Absent:

Supervisor Tim Johnson
Supervisor Karl M. Banks
Sheriff Toby Trowbridge

Also in attendance:

County Administrator Donnie Caughman
County Comptroller Mark Houston
Johnny Brunini, Esq.
County Inventory Control Clerk Barry Parker
Board Secretary Cynthia Parker

The President announced that the members of the Board present constituted a quorum and declared the meeting duly convened. Supervisor Andy Taggart opened the meeting with a prayer and Board Secretary Cynthia Parker led the members and the audience in the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America.

In the Matter of Amending the Budget for the Current Fiscal Year

WHEREAS, County Comptroller Mark Houston appeared before the Board of Supervisors and presented a budget update together with certain budget amendments for FY 2004 and requested that the Board of Supervisors amend the current fiscal year budget and accept the amended budget as presented, and

WHEREAS, a printout reflecting amended budget receipts and amended budget expenditures may be found in the Miscellaneous Appendix to these Minutes,

WHEREAS, Mr. Taggart did point out that (1) the Board inherited a deficit budget that included the use of beginning cash balances, but that (2) the Board was ending the year with a year end budget which, with the addition of release funds from the reappraisal trust fund to the general fund, reflected a surplus and did not include the use of beginning cash balances, and

WHEREAS, Mr. Taggart did observe that the amended budget as presented by the Comptroller represented a significantly improved financial position for the county and thanked the county's professional leadership for the achievement of this objective,

Following discussion of this matter, Mr. Andy Taggart did offer and Mr. Paul Griffin did second a motion to amend the current fiscal year budget to include actual expenditures incurred as of September 30, 2003. 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 | Not Present and Not Voting |
| Supervisor Paul Griffin | Aye |

the matter carried by the unanimous vote of those present and the aforesaid budget as amended was and is hereby approved.

SO ORDERED this the 30th day of September, 2004.

In re: Acknowledgment of Receipt of FY 2004 Year End Physical Inventory Report

WHEREAS, County Inventory Control Clerk Barry Parker did appear before the Board and presented the county's year end physical inventory report pursuant to Miss. Code Ann. § 31-7-107, and

WHEREAS, a true and correct copy of said inventory report may be found in the Miscellaneous Appendix to these Minutes, and

WHEREAS, Mr. Parker requested that the Board direct Chancery Clerk Arthur Johnston to retain the original of said report as a permanent record of the county and forward a copy thereof to the Mississippi State Department of Audit as required by law,

Following discussion, Mr. Paul Griffin did offer and Mr. Andy Taggart did second a motion to acknowledge and accept the aforesaid inventory report and to direct the Chancery Clerk to retain the original as a permanent record of the county and forward submit a copy thereof to the Mississippi State Department of Audit as required by law. 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 | Not Present and Not Voting |
| Supervisor Paul Griffin | Aye |

the matter carried by the unanimous vote of those present and the aforesaid inventory report was and is hereby acknowledged and accepted and the Chancery Clerk was and is directed to retain the original as a permanent record of the county and forward a copy thereof to the Mississippi State Department of Audit as required by law.

SO ORDERED this the 30th day of September, 2004.

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 certain personnel and compensation matters,

Following discussion and pursuant to the terms of Miss. Code Ann. § 25-41-7, as amended, Mr. Andy Taggart did offer and Mr. Paul Griffin 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

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personnel and compensation matters with the following persons deemed necessary for board discussions, deliberations, and recording of such Executive Session, to-wit: members of the Board, Chancery Clerk Arthur Johnston, Johnny Brunini, Esq. 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 | Not Present and Not Voting |
| Supervisor Paul Griffin | Aye |

the matter carried by the unanimous vote of those present and the Board took up the matter of entering into Executive Session.

SO ORDERED this the 30th day of September, 2004.

In re: Entering into Executive Session

WHEREAS, a discussion of the nature of the matters requiring Executive Session was had and Supervisor Andy Taggart informed the Board that he wished to discuss certain personnel and compensation matters,

Following a discussion, Mr. Andy Taggart did offer and Mr. Paul Griffin did second a motion to enter into Executive Session to discuss personnel and compensation matters as provided by law. 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 | Not Present and Not Voting |
| Supervisor Paul Griffin | Aye |

the matter carried by the unanimous vote of those present and President Jones declared the Board of Supervisors to be in Executive Session for the consideration of such matters and the Chancery Clerk announced to the public the purpose for the Executive Session.

SO ORDERED this the 30th day of September, 2004.

Following a discussion, Mr. Paul Griffin did offer and Mr. Andy Taggart did second a motion to increase the salary of County Administrator Donnie Caughman to \$100,000 annually. 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 | Not Present and Not Voting |
| Supervisor Paul Griffin | Aye |

the matter carried by the unanimous vote of those present and the salary of County Administrator Donnie Caughman was and is hereby increased to \$100,000 annually.

SO ORDERED this the 30th day of September, 2004.

Thereafter, Mr. Andy Taggart did move and Mr. Paul Griffin did second a motion to come out of Executive Session and direct the Chancery Clerk to announce to the public the action taken therein. 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 | Not Present and Not Voting |
| Supervisor Paul Griffin | Aye |

President Jones then reopened the meeting and informed the public of the reason for the Executive Session and the foregoing action taken as the result thereof.

SO ORDERED this the 30th day of September, 2004.

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 Andy Taggart and approved by the unanimous vote of those present, the September, 2004 term of the Board of Supervisors was adjourned.

Douglas L. Jones, President
Madison County Board of Supervisors

Date signed: _____

ATTEST:

Arthur Johnston, Chancery Clerk

President's Initials: _____

Date Signed: _____