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DESOTO COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

BOARD MEETING MINUTES

TOMMY LEWIS, PRESIDENT, PRESIDING

May 4, 1998

A. CALL TO ORDER

The May 4, 1998, meeting of the DeSoto County Board of Supervisors was called to order by Tommy Lewis, Board President.

James Albert Riley, the DeSoto County Sheriff was present and did open the DeSoto County Board of Supervisors meeting in a regular session to hear any and all business to come before the Board. The following were present:

Jessie Medlin-----District 1
Eugene C. Thach-----District 2
James D. Pearson-----District 3
John Caldwell-----District 4
Tommy Lewis-----District 5
W. E. ASluggo@ Davis-----Chancery Clerk
James Albert Riley-----Sheriff
Clovis Reed-----County Administrator
William H. Austin, Jr.-----Board Attorney

B. INVOCATION

The invocation was presented by Supervisor Eugene Thach.

C. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Supervisor Eugene Thach made the motion and Supervisor Tommy Lewis seconded the motion to hold this item over until Wednesday, May 6, 1998. The **motion passed** by unanimous vote.

D. LEGISLATIVE UPDATE

Senator Bill Hawks, Senator Bill Minor, Representative Valeria Roberson., Representative Wanda Jennings and Representative Tommy Woods appeared before the Board of Supervisors to update the Board on Legislative action during the recent Legislative Session. Supervisor Tommy Lewis welcomed the Legislators to the meeting.

Representative Wanda Jennings reported that the Interlocal Agreement passed for waterlines; the Rainy Day Fund died in the Senate and will be brought up again next session; the fund for employees was approved from municipalities but not for counties but she would bring that back up later; and the Legislature is still negotiating Legislation concerning education.

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Senator Bill Hawks explained that the Legislative Wish List given by the Board of Supervisors to the Legislators was divided among the Legislators for action. Senator Hawks suggested in the future having continuing dialog rather than waiting until December to receive the wishes of the Board of Supervisors. Senator Hawks further requested the Wish List by October this year and suggested the Board of Supervisors communicate issues with the Mississippi Association of Supervisors to rally support in other areas. Senator Hawks reported that the Civic Center Legislation passed out of the Senate and the Representatives of DeSoto County from the House went to bat for the issue; Senator Hawks said that the wording for highway 304 was an error and correction of this legislation was passed with agreement from all parties.

Senator Bill Minor said that the separate Circuit District did not pass; per diem to the Planning Commission passed up to \$120.00 per month. Representative Valeria Roberson reported that the radar did not get out of committee. Representative Roberson said this may go back to the Traffic Committee. Representative Roberson brought up the problems with gravel trucks speeding on county roads and the hazards created therefore creating even a greater need for legislation for radar by the Sheriff's Department. Representative Wanda Jennings suggested working with other counties on the radar issue. Representative Valeria Roberson said she would try again next year on this issue.

Representative Roberson said that engineering is being done now on Highway 305 improvements and they will begin right-of-way acquisition next year and construction in two years.

Representative Tommy Woods said the Gaming Redistribution could not become reality at this time but speculated the issue could become reality two to three years down the road.

Representative Valeria Roberson suggested getting together with surrounding Legislators to discuss issues and vote on issues.

Supervisor Eugene Thach asked about legislation concerning concession money. Representative Wanda Jennings said she will bring that issue up in May.

Representative Bill Minor reported that the drivers license station did not get funded as that fund was short of money to fund the Veterans Home so they would not bring up any other expenditures.

Senator Bill Hawks said the County Attorney's salary was discussed but the bill died in Committee. The Board and Legislators discussed alternative legislation on this issue.

Representative Tommy Woods said that the collection legislation passed.

Representative Valeria Roberson said that the DHS budget was funded and if the Medicaid worker was included then that issue passed.

Supervisor Jessie Medlin asked about road equipment rental. Senator Bill Hawks said that bill did not pass but they will try again next year.

Supervisor Eugene Thach asked about the Hog Farm Legislation Bill. Senator Bill Hawks suggested the county not do anything on this issue. Supervisor Eugene Thach asked if something specific needs to be put in the Planning Ordinance. Senator Hawks said it did not because DeSoto County already has zoning. Senator Hawks said that DEQ will address the issue. The County Administrator Clovis Reed said Jimmy Palmer of DEQ has communicated to him that counties with planning should not worry about this issue and was told that the bill is for counties who do not have zoning.

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Supervisor Tommy Lewis said that he has heard the ASCS office is moving to Tate County. Senator Bill Hawks said they do want to collate the AG agencies however this move has to be approved locally at the state level and at the national level. Senator Hawks suggested sending a resolution to this effect. Supervisor Jessie Medlin made the motion and Supervisor Eugene Thach seconded the motion to pass a resolution to keep the ASCS office in DeSoto County and send the resolution to the local board, the State Committee and the Federal Agency governing same. The motion passed by unanimous vote. The Board of Supervisors commended the Legislators for their work for DeSoto County during the recent legislation session. The County Administrator Clovis Reed thanked the Legislators for their responsiveness to his phone calls.

Supervisor John Caldwell suggested widening Highway 51 to alleviate traffic problems caused by the construction on Highway 55. Senator Bill Minor said that would be a hard thing to do because of lack of funding. **See Exhibit D**

E. DARRYL HOPPER – Character Education Seminar

Darryl Hopper appeared before the Board of Supervisors to notify the Board that a seminar will be held on May 20, 1998 designed to decrease workman's compensation claims. The price for the seminar is \$150.00 per business or governing agency with a \$10.00 charge for each manual, for each participant and a \$9.00 charge for breakfast and lunch. The seminar will be held in the DeSoto Room in the Baptist DeSoto Hospital. Mr. Hopper explained success of the seminar in other areas and listed businesses that have signed up to participate in the seminar.

Supervisor Eugene Thach made a motion and Supervisor John Caldwell seconded the motion to fund \$150.00 for participation in the seminar and have the County Administrator determine the participants from DeSoto County up to 10 people plus any of the Board of Supervisors who wish to attend. The **motion passed** by a unanimous vote. **See Exhibit E.**

F. TEXAS GAS - David Hasler

Glen Floyd of Texas Gas appeared before the Board of Supervisors in place of David Hasler who originally was scheduled to attend the meeting. Mr. Floyd said that the gas lines on Poplar Corner Road have to be updated therefore Texas Gas needs to cut the road to upgrade the lines to standard. Mr. Floyd explained that Texas Gas will take care of traffic problems and notifying the appropriate offices of the road closing.

The County Administrator Clovis Reed brought up the cost associated with the widening of Church Road. Glen Floyd responded that a survey will have to be taken on the road to determine the needs of the gas line at an estimated cost of \$10,000.

Supervisor John Caldwell asked how much the county will charge for cutting into Poplar Corner Road. The Board Attorney Bill Austin responded that the county is in jeopardy of a law suit from any accident that may occur during the closing of Poplar Corner Road. Mr. Austin reminded the Board of Supervisors of a law suit involving the County where the State was working on the road when an accident occurred and the lawsuit named the County as well.

Supervisor Tommy Lewis said that the Board of Supervisors want to come up with a spirit of cooperation for the work on Church Road and Poplar Corner Road. Glen Floyd responded that there is no profit built in for survey to Texas Gas. Mr. Floyd said that Poplar Corner Road is in need of upgrade due to regulations which say that if 46 houses are located within a width of 660 feet by 1 mile long area of the pipe line, the pipe line

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must meet certain standards.

Supervisor John Caldwell speculated that if Poplar Corner Road is being upgraded to meet standards, it sounds as though the County will be paying for the upgrade to the pipeline on Church Road.

Supervisor John Caldwell made the motion and Supervisor Eugene Thach seconded the motion to take the matter under advisement. The **motion passed** by unanimous vote.

G. MCINGVALE HOUSE

Dave Nicholson of Allen & Hoshall, and Bob Barber standing in for Mayor Ed Gale, who was sick, of the City of Hernando appeared before the Board of Supervisors to discuss the McIngvale House. Supervisor Tommy Lewis said that those present were here to discuss the cost of moving the McIngvale House.

Bob Barber explained that he is before the Board on behalf of Mayor Ed Gale who is sick, to discuss the possibility of moving the McIngvale House. Mr. Barber said that Mayor Gale is excited about the possibility of moving and saving the house.

Dave Nicholson of Allen & Hoshall said he has spoken with a house mover who says that a portion of the house may be moved. Dave Nicholson said that Allen & Hoshall can get a cost estimate for the move and put an addendum out on the bid. Mr. Nicholson speculated that by pre-bid they should have an estimate of the cost to move the house.

Supervisor Eugene Thach asked if the city is interested in buying the house. Bob Barber responded that there are some possibilities there. Mr. Barber said there are several enterprises that will be homeless in a few years that could be located in the house.

Supervisor Eugene Thach said the county should be careful not to obtain too much office space for their needs.

Supervisor Jessie Medlin said that he would like for the county to look into the possibility of moving the house.

Supervisor Jessie Medlin made the motion and Supervisor Tommy Lewis seconded the motion to allow Dave Nicholson to look into moving the McIngvale House and find out if the City of Hernando is interested in participating in the move, and to authorize an alternate in the bid from moving the house. The motion passed by vote as follows.

Jessie Medlin-----Yes
Eugene C. Thach-----Yes
James D. Pearson-----Yes
John Caldwell-----Absent
Tommy Lewis-----Yes

H. OLD BUSINESS

1. Bids Under Advisement – Collections

Jim Bearden Director of Operations and Maintenance appeared before the Board of Supervisor with Mitch Beard of Franklin Collection Service. Mr. Bearden recommended Franklin Collection Service to begin collecting past due fines for DeSoto County Justice Court and EMS. Mr. Bearden said he received good

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recommendations from other counties and businesses who Franklin represents. Mr.

Bearden told the Board of Supervisors that Franklin Collection Service is located in Tupelo, Mississippi with a representative in this area. Mr. Bearden pointed out that the rate of Franklin Collection Service was better than others who submitted bid or proposals for this service. Supervisor Jessie Medlin asked about the cities participation in the collection service. Vanessa Lynchard explained that Bobby Storey will meet with the cities tonight to present the proposal for collections to them and will find out if the cities want to participate at that time. Vanessa Lynchard explained that the collection business with Franklin Collection Service will likely take much more time than it has taken in the past to administrate but the county should see a much bigger return on their money. Vanessa Lynchard explained that a list will be presented to the Board of Supervisors each month similar to the way the Planning Commission presents any item for Board approval that are going to court.

Supervisor Eugene Thach made the motion and Supervisor Jessie Medlin seconded the motion to take the matter under advisement to find out if the cities plan to participate in the collections. The motion passed by unanimous vote. See Exhibit H.1

2. Bids Under Advisement – Janitorial Supplies

The County Administrator Clovis Reed notified the Board of Supervisors that bids have been obtained and thoroughly compared for Janitorial Supplies for DeSoto County offices. Mr. Reed told the Board that Best Chance turned out to be the lowest bidder and was therefore recommended to receive the Janitorial Supply business.

At the recommendation of the County Administrator's office, Supervisor Jessie Medlin made the motion and Supervisor John Caldwell seconded the motion to approve Best Chance Janitorial Supply Service to receive the bids for Janitorial supplies for DeSoto County offices. The **motion passed** by unanimous vote. See **Exhibit H.2.**

3. Dynamix Services Agreement, Service Agreement for Existing Equipment, and Financing for Existing Equipment with ICC at 6.07%

The County Administrator Clovis Reed notified the Board of Supervisors that approval is needed for a service agreement for the existing IBM equipment that was not traded in the recent bid for the AS400 upgrade. Vanessa Lynchard explained that the service agreement for these items is much more cost effective to handle with a maintenance agreement as recommended by Marsha Baughn the Director of Data Processing.

Supervisor John Caldwell made the motion and Supervisor Jake Pearson seconded the motion to approve the service agreement with Dynamix Services for \$59,149.00 financed through IBM Credit Corporation at a rate of 6.07% interest for a period of 5 years. The motion passed by unanimous vote. The service agreement for technical support for the installation of the AS400 upgrade was held over to discuss the issue with the Director of Data Processing.

Later in the meeting, Marsha Baughn joined the Board of Supervisors to discuss this service agreement. The Board of Supervisors directed Ms. Baughn to negotiate with IBM for these services.

Supervisor Jake Pearson made the motion and Supervisor Eugene Thach seconded the motion to take the matter under advisement. The **motion passed** by unanimous vote. See **Exhibit H.3**

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4. Appointment - MS Youth Summit

This item was held over.

I. NEW BUSINESS

1. Hernando Saddle Club

Supervisor Tommy Lewis said he has been requested to help with the lights at the Hernando Saddle Club. Supervisor Tommy Lewis made the motion and Supervisor Eugene Thach seconded the motion to appropriate \$4,000.00 from his park budget from the District 5 Park Budget to the Hernando Saddle Club for help with the lights around the arena. The **motion passed** by unanimous vote.

2. DALE THOMPSON, COMPTROLLER

a. Claims Docket Approval

Peggy Darnell of Accounting appeared before the Board of Supervisors on behalf of the Comptroller and presented the items on the Claims Docket.

In accordance with Section 19-13-31 and Section 19-11-23 of the Mississippi Code Annotated, Supervisor John Caldwell made the motion and Supervisor Eugene Thach seconded the motion to approve the claims docket as presented by Peggy Darnell of Accounting. The **motion passed** by unanimous vote.

b. Travel Approval for Constables to Attend Seminar (Gulfport)

The County Administrator Clovis Reed notified the Board of Supervisors that the Constables have requested approval to attend the Constable seminar in Gulfport in June and Mr. Reed has determined the Constables have money for this expenditure in their budget.

Supervisor Jessie Medlin made the motion and Supervisor Jake Pearson seconded the motion to approve travel for the Constables to attend the seminar in Gulfport in June as requested. The **motion passed** by a unanimous vote. **See Exhibit I.2.b**

c. Budget Transfer – Metro Narcotics

At the recommendation of the Comptroller, Supervisor Eugene Thach made the motion and Supervisor John Caldwell seconded the motion to authorize and instruct the Chancery Clerk of the Board of Supervisors, pursuant to Section 41-29-185 of the Mississippi Code of 1972, as amended, and pursuant to the attached Declaration of Forfeiture signed by Court Attorney Larry Vaughn on Defendant James Frazier, to transfer the following forfeited funds that were seized by Metro Narcotics:

From	623-900-950	\$1,048.00	Metro Seized
To	105-000-388	\$1,048.00	Metro Narcotic Forfeitures

Furthermore, this Board does approve, pursuant to Section 19-11-19 of the Mississippi Code of 1972, as amended, amending the Metro Narcotics operating budget as stated above. That this portion of the minutes shall be forwarded to the **Item I.2.c., Continued,**

Comptroller, the Sheriff=s Department, and the Unit Commander of the Metro Narcotics Unit. The **motion passed** by a unanimous vote. See Exhibit I.2.c

d. Budget Amendment – Sheriff’s Department

In accordance with the provisions set forth in Section 19-11-11 of the Mississippi Code for the Board of Supervisors did discuss an amendment to the budget for the Fiscal year beginning October 1, 1997, and ending September 30, 1998. At the recommendation of the Comptroller, Dale Thompson, Supervisor Eugene Thach made the motion and Supervisor John Caldwell seconded the motion to approve the budget amendment for the Sheriff’s Department as follows:

Decrease:

Other Equipment 001-202-935 \$7500

Increase:

NCIC Service 001-202-553 \$4000

Tires 001-202-680 \$3500

Also request insurance claim in the amount of \$7,565.00 to be credited to 001-202-553 (NCIC Service). The motion passed by unanimous vote. See Exhibit I.2.d

e. Investment of Surplus Funds

In accordance with Section 19-2-29 of the Mississippi Code, which states that whenever any county shall have on hand any bond and interest funds, any funds derived from the sale of bonds, special funds, or any other funds in excess of the sums which will be required to meet the current needs and demands of no more than seven (7) business days, the Board of Supervisors of such county shall invest such excess funds.

At the recommendation of the Comptroller, Dale Thompson, Supervisor Eugene Thach made the motion and Supervisor John Caldwell seconded the motion to approve the investment of surplus funds to the following:

Trustmark National Bank	\$700,000.00	5.266%
Deposit Guaranty Bank	\$1,540,000.00	5.299%
Trustmark National Bank	\$2,000,000.00	5.289%

The **motion passed** by a unanimous vote. See Exhibit I.2.e

3. Monthly Road Report and Work Schedule Approval

The Road Manager Kenny Gunn appeared before the Board of Supervisors and presented the monthly road report. Supervisor Eugene Thach made the motion and Supervisor Tommy Lewis seconded the motion to approve the Monthly Road Report as presented by the Road Manager. The **motion passed** by unanimous vote. See Exhibit I.3

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4. Justice Court Report Approval

The DeSoto County Justice Court Clerk, Linda Aldridge, did meet with the Board of Supervisors and presented the Justice Court Report for the month of

April, 1998, pursuant to Section 9-11-19 of the Mississippi Code of 1972, Annotated. Supervisor Eugene Thach made the motion and Supervisor John Caldwell seconded the motion to approve the Justice Court Report as presented

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by the Justice Court Clerk, Linda Aldridge. The **motion passed** by a unanimous vote.

See Exhibit I.4

5. Bailiff Pay Approval

Pursuant to Section 25-7-27, Section 1, paragraph (e) which allows for Constables working as Bailiffs to be paid as provided under Section 25-3-69, Mississippi Code of 1973, Annotated, Supervisor Jessie Medlin made the motion and Supervisor Jake Pearson seconded the motion to pay Tommy Carr the amount of \$200.00 for the month of April, 1998; to pay Joe Holmes the amount of \$200.00 for the month of April, 1998; to pay Jerry Easley the amount of \$200.00 for the month of April, 1998, for their service as bailiff for DeSoto County Justice Court. The **motion passed** by a vote as follows:

Jessie Medlin-----Yes
Eugene C. Thach-----Absent
James D. Pearson-----Yes
John Caldwell-----Absent
Tommy Lewis-----Yes

SEE EXHIBIT I.5

6. Travel Approval for Justice Court Judge Ken Adams

The County Administrator Clovis Reed said he has received a request from Justice Court Judge Ken Adams for travel expenses to the Justice Court Judges Seminar in Biloxi from August 3 through August 6, 1998. The County Administrator explained that the County will not be able to pay for a guest to attend with Judge Adams. Supervisor Jessie Medlin made the motion and Supervisor Jake Pearson seconded the motion to approve Justice Court Judge Ken Adams to travel to the Justice Court Judges seminar as requested for Judge Adams expenses only. The motion passed by vote as follows:

Jessie Medlin-----Yes
Eugene C. Thach-----Absent
James D. Pearson-----Yes
John Caldwell-----Absent
Tommy Lewis-----Yes

See Exhibit I.6

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7. Inventory Control Dispositions Approval

The Board of Supervisors were given a list of equipment owned by the county that is either unrepairable or not cost effective to repair. Supervisor Jessie

Medlin made the motion and Supervisor Jake Pearson seconded the motion to accept receipts from the Inventory Control Clerk pursuant to Section 31-7-107 of the Mississippi code to approve the Inventory Control Dispositions as presented by the County Administrator Clovis Reed. The motion passed by vote as follows:

Jessie Medlin-----Yes
Eugene C. Thach-----Absent
James D. Pearson-----Yes
John Caldwell-----Yes
Tommy Lewis-----Yes

See Exhibit I.7

8. Publication of Board Proceedings Approval

Supervisor Jake Pearson made the motion and Supervisor Jessie Medlin seconded the motion to approve the publication of Board Proceedings in connection with Section 19-3-33 of the Mississippi Code which states that the Board of Supervisors may have its proceedings published in some newspaper published in the county, and cause the same to be paid for out of the county treasury. The motion passed by a vote as follows:

Jessie Medlin-----Yes
Eugene C. Thach-----Absent
James D. Pearson-----Yes
John Caldwell-----Yes
Tommy Lewis-----Yes

9. Travel Approval

Supervisor Jessie Medlin made the motion and Supervisor Jake Pearson seconded the motion to approve travel In accordance with Section 25-3-41 Mississippi Code of 1972, as amended, any official or employee of DeSoto County, Mississippi, is hereby authorized to travel during the period of May 4, 1998, to June 1, 1998, as necessary and incur travel expenses in the performance of their official duties for DeSoto County. That all such travel is hereby authorized contingent on funds being available in the departmental budget of the individual traveling. The motion passed by vote as follows

Jessie Medlin-----Yes
Eugene C. Thach-----Absent
James D. Pearson-----Yes
John Caldwell-----Yes
Tommy Lewis-----Yes

10. Sheriff's Employee Report Approval

Supervisor Jake Pearson made the motion and Supervisor John Caldwell seconded the motion to approve the Sheriff's Employee Report as presented by Sheriff James Albert Riley for the months of October 1997 through April, 1998. The motion passed by vote as follows:

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Jessie Medlin-----Yes
Eugene C. Thach-----Absent
James D. Pearson-----Yes
John Caldwell-----Yes
Tommy Lewis-----Yes

See Exhibit I.10

11. Authorization for County Administrator to Open Bids for Boom Truck, Lube Truck, and Dump Truck

Supervisor John Caldwell made the motion and Supervisor Jake Pearson seconded the motion to authorize the County Administrator Clovis Reed to open bids for the above mentioned equipment. The motion passed by vote as follows:

Jessie Medlin-----Yes
Eugene C. Thach-----Absent
James D. Pearson-----Yes
John Caldwell-----Yes
Tommy Lewis-----Yes

12. Schoolbus Turnaround Approval

In accordance with Section 19-3-42, Mississippi Code of 1972 as amended, stating that the school bus turnarounds will be built, maintained and improved. The County Administrator Clovis Reed pointed out that the request for School Bus Turnaround work did not include the amount of gravel and other materials needed at the turnaround. Supervisor Tommy Lewis made the motion and Supervisor Jake Pearson seconded the motion to approve the School Bus Turnaround request and ask the Board of Education to put materials on the list in the future. The **motion passed** by unanimous vote. **See Exhibit I.12.**

13. MS Supervisor Magazine – Request to Advertise

The Board of Supervisors discussed advertisement in the Mississippi Supervisor’s Magazine. Supervisor Eugene Thach made the motion and Supervisor Jessie Medlin seconded the motion to advertise in the inside front cover of the Magazine. The motion passed by a vote as follows:

Jessie Medlin-----Yes
Eugene C. Thach-----Yes
James D. Pearson-----No
John Caldwell-----No
Tommy Lewis-----Yes

See Exhibit I.13

14. Mid-State Opportunity – Notice of Grant Award

The County Administrator Clovis Reed notified the Board of Supervisors that Mid-State Opportunities has received a grant award in the amount of \$35,200.00 to which the county has already budgeted the matching funds of \$8,000.00. **See Exhibit I.14**

Supervisor John Caldwell made the motion and Supervisor Eugene Thach seconded the motion to recess until 1:15 p.m. The motion passed by vote as follows:

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Jessie Medlin-----Yes
Eugene C. Thach-----Yes
James D. Pearson-----Yes

John Caldwell-----Yes
Tommy Lewis-----Absent

J. EXECUTIVE SESSION

The Executive Session of the minutes is included in the portion of minutes called "Executive Session".

K. OTHER ISSUES

1. Central Maintenance

- a. The Road Manager Kenny Gunn notified the Board of Supervisors that the truck that Central Maintenance uses to run parts with was wrecked and the insurance company has offered \$5,171.25 for the truck. The Road Manager notified the Board of Supervisors that the truck has 155,000 miles on it and may not be worth fixing. Mr. Gunn explained that the wreck was not the fault of the County's, therefore the other insurance company is making the offer for settlement. The Road Manager requested the Board's direction to replace or fix the truck. Supervisor John Caldwell suggested putting the money in the Central Maintenance budget and offered Central Maintenance the use of his truck to run parts. The Road Manager asked what to do with the insurance settlement. The Board of Supervisors suggested putting the money in his budget. Supervisor Eugene Thach said he would be glad to turn his truck back in to Central Maintenance and get mileage reimbursement rather than have the use of the truck. The Board of Supervisors asked the Board Attorney to check into this matter.

Supervisor Tommy Lewis made the motion and Supervisor John Caldwell seconded the motion to receive the check from the insurance company for the wrecked truck and delete the truck from Central Maintenance inventory contingent on Kenny Gunn getting the paperwork in to the Inventory Clerk and Accounting to do so. **The motion passed** by unanimous vote.

b. Gwen Road

The Road Manager Kenny Gunn notified the Board of Supervisors that the S curve on Gwen Road needs to be straightened out and the road was omitted from the 4 year road plan. Supervisor John Caldwell suggested the City of Hernando acquire the right-of-way and the county can do the work to fix the road. Bob Barber, Planner for the City of Hernando, said he will bring this item to his Board for approval.

c. White Goods Disposal Area.

The Road Manager Kenny Gunn notified the Board of Supervisors that the White Goods Disposal area is being used as a dump. The Road Manager said that Central Maintenance has cleaned the area up many times. The Board of Supervisors asked if the limb truck was being used to clean the area and requested that the limb truck run on Saturdays to keep up with

county's needs to pick up limbs. The Board of Supervisors discussed if a charge should be added to pickup large loads of limbs but made no motion in this area.

d. Van

The Road Manager Kenny Gunn reminded the Board of Supervisors that the van the mowing crew used burned last winter and the Board of Education is going to give Central Maintenance a bus to use in place of this. Supervisor Tommy Lewis asked the Road Manager to paint through the school lettering on the side of the bus.

2. Justice Court
 - a. Computer Needs

The Justice Court Clerk, Linda Aldridge notified the Board of Supervisors that the Sheriff needs some information from Justice Court that they would like to be able to get from their computer but this would require programming changes. The County Administrator Clovis Reed responded that the computer programmer is working on the new system upgrade and asked the Justice Court Clerk to allow the Data Processing Director time to work with a new system.

- b. Justice Court Sentence for Picking up Trash

Supervisor John Caldwell notified the Justice Court Clerk that picking up trash on the roadways is not an embarrassment as was reported in the local paper according to many of his constituents who do so on a regular basis. Supervisor Caldwell pointed out that this was written in the local newspaper and he has received many calls from constituents who pick up trash on the roadways regularly who do not agree with this conception. The Justice Court Clerk, Linda Aldridge reported that the Counseling Agency is overseeing this work. The County Administrator Clovis Reed asked if a contract has been entered into with this company. Linda Aldridge said that the individuals contract with the company.

Supervisor John Caldwell made the motion and Supervisor Eugene Thach seconded the motion to adjourn until Wednesday, May 6, 1998 at 9:00 a.m. The **motion passed** by a unanimous vote.

THIS the 4th day of May, 1998, these minutes have been read and approved by the DeSoto County Board of Supervisors.

TOMMY LEWIS, President
DeSoto County Board of Supervisors