

DESOTO COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

BOARD MEETING MINUTES

JESSIE L. MEDLIN, PRESIDENT, PRESIDING

May 3, 1999

A. CALL TO ORDER

The May 3, 1999, meeting of the DeSoto County Board of Supervisors was called to order by Supervisor Jessie L. Medlin of DeSoto County.

Sheriff James Albert Riley of DeSoto County 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, Absent
John Caldwell-----District 4, Absent
Tommy Lewis-----District 5
W. E. "Sluggo" Davis-----Chancery Clerk
David Armstrong-----County Administrator
James Albert Riley-----Sheriff of DeSoto County
William Austin-----Board Attorney

B. INVOCATION

The invocation was presented by Supervisor Eugene Thach.

C. APPROVAL OF APRIL MINUTES

The official minutes of the Board of Supervisors were read for the month of April, 1999, pursuant to Section 19-3-27 of the Mississippi Code of 1972, annotated. Supervisor Eugene Thach made the motion and Supervisor Tommy Lewis seconded the motion to accept the minutes of the Board of Supervisor's for April, 1999 subject to revisions presented by Supervisor Eugene Thach. The **motion passed** by a vote as follows:

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

D. OLD BUSINESS _____

1. Appointment - Horn Lake Library Board - District

This issue was held over until May 5th, 1999. ****See Exhibit D.1****

ITEM D.1, CONTINUED,

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2. Old Cub Lake Road

This issue was held over until May 5th, 1999. ****See Exhibit D.2****

3. Personnel Manual

County Administrator, David Armstrong notified the Board of Supervisors, Mr. Hunter Twiford will appear before the Board to present an estimated cost of preparing the hand copy of the employee handbook and making final revisions to the personnel manual as determined by County Administrator David Armstrong.

This issue was held over until May 5th, 1999, pending the appearance of Mr. Hunter Twiford in connection with Personnel Manual. ****See Exhibit D.3****

4. Insurance - DeSoto County Soil & Water Employee

County Administrator, David Armstrong reminded the Board of Supervisors they asked him to look into the request by the Soil and Water District to provide insurance to Alice Renfrew as provided by MS HB1329. David Armstrong said the legislation does not become effective until July 1, 1999 and asked the item be held over until May 5th, 1999. ****See Exhibit D.4****

5. Dr. Rob Meacham - Jail Expenses

Dr. Rob Meacham presented a Second Quarterly Update on the Jail Medical Expenditures for 1999 to the Board of Supervisors.

Dr. Meacham stated the jail did incur an expense of \$ 153,000.00 for inmate David Fisher, however, the MDOC has reimbursed the county for these expenses. Dr. Meacham said all medical expenses for inmate David Fisher have been paid with the exception of approximately \$ 40,000.00 which is due and payable to Baptist Hospital for the use of their facility. Dr. Meacham reminded the Board of Supervisors, this expense will also be reimbursed by MDOC.

Dr. Meacham said the total budget for medical expenditures was \$ 480,000.00, with \$ 343,000.00 already expended, this places the budget at 72% expended. Dr. Meacham said with the reimbursements from MDOC, and the cities, the medical expenditures for the jail is actually running 29% below budget.

Supervisor Tommy Lewis asked when the county will receive reimbursement for medical care of the MDOC prisoner. Vanessa replied, the county has already received reimbursement for the medical care of David Fisher for the amount billed.

The Board of Supervisors instructed the Board Attorney, William Austin to research the option of Dr. Meacham ordering the supplies along with his drug order for the jail.

Supervisor Tommy Lewis made the motion, and Supervisor Eugene Thach seconded the motion to accept the Second Quarter Update on the Jail Medical Expenditures for 1999 into the minutes. The **motion passed** by a vote as follows:

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

_____ ****See Exhibit D.5****

ITEM D.6, CONTINUED,

_____ **6. Team DeSoto**

_____ **J. L. M.**

This issue was held over until May 5th, 1999. ****See Exhibit D.6****

E. NEW BUSINESS

1. Approval of Contract - A-1 Fire Protection Service - County Offices

At the recommendation of the County Administrator, David Armstrong, Supervisor Eugene Thach made the motion, and Supervisor Tommy Lewis seconded the motion to renew the A-1 Fire Protection Service for portable fire extinguishers at 21 locations in the county at an annual rate of \$ 525.00 and a semi-annual check and service of automatic fire suppression system in the kitchen at the DeSoto county Jail at an annual rate of \$ 120.00, commencing April 30th, 1999, and terminating April 30th, 2001. The **motion passed** by a vote as follows:

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

****See Exhibit E.1.****

2. Jail Inspection

In accordance with Section 19-5-1 of the Mississippi Code Annotated of 1972, which states that a least annually, and as often as it may think proper, the Board of Supervisors, or a competent person authorized by the Board of Supervisors, shall examine into the state and condition of the jail, in regard to its safety, sufficiency and accommodation of the prisoners, and from time to time take such legal measures as may best tend to secure the prisoners against escape, sickness and infection, and have the jail cleansed.

Having completed such inspection, Supervisor Eugene Thach made the motion, and Supervisor Tommy Lewis seconded the motion to acknowledge the inspection of the DeSoto County jail by the Board of Supervisors as outlined in Section 19-5-1 of the Mississippi Code Annotated.

The **motion passed** by a vote as follows:

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

3. Dale Thompson, Comptroller

a. Claims Docket

Stephanie Hanks and Peggy Darnell of the Accounting Department of DeSoto County presented the claims docket and late bills to the Board of Supervisors for approval. The claims docket included various county bills including the following:

ITEM E.3.a. (1), CONTINUED,

(1) Johnson Bailey Henderson McNeel Architects - Civic Center

Bills in connection with Johnson Bailey Henderson McNeel Architects for the Civic Center were presented by copy to each supervisor. Stephanie Hanks said this invoice has not been approved by the Convention and Visitors Bureau.

This item was held over. ****See Exhibit E.3.a.(1)****

(2) Hill Brothers Construction - Civic Center

Bills in connection with the Civic Center were presented by copy to each supervisor. ****See Exhibit E.3.a.(2)****

(3) Nelson Plumbing - Civic Center

Bills in connection with the Civic Center were presented by copy to each supervisor. ****See Exhibit E.3.a.(3)****

(4) Camco Construction - Civic Center

Bills in connection with the Civic Center were presented by copy to each supervisor. ****See Exhibit E.3.a.(4)****

(5) Carothers Construction - Civic Center

Bills in connection with the Civic Center were presented by copy to each supervisor. ****See Exhibit E.3.a.(5)****

(6) Panola Construction - Administration Building

Bills in connection with the Administration Building were presented by copy to each supervisor. ****See Exhibit E.3.a.(6)****

In addition the following items were discussed on the claims docket.

1) Supervisor Eugene Thach asked if it was legal for the county to purchase dinners for volunteers who worked for Operations & Maintenance for the Hazardous Waste. Vanessa said Jim Bearden did ask the State Auditor, Kelly McGee about the purchase and was advised it was legal.

Supervisor Jessie Medlin made the motion, and Supervisor Tommy Lewis seconded the motion to approve the claims docket for claim #4272-#4647; to hold over the Johnson Bailey Henderson McNeel Architects payment until further notice, and to hold reimbursement of BBQ dinner for volunteers pending the approval of the Board Attorney, William Austin. The **motion passed** by a vote as follows:

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

****See Exhibit E.3.a.(1).(2).(3).(4).(5).(6)****

ITEM E.4, CONTINUED,

4. Dale Thompson - Budget Amendments

a. Tax Assessor & Information System

In accordance with the provisions set forth in Section 19-11-11 of the Mississippi Code, the Board of Supervisors did discuss an amendment to the budget for the Fiscal year beginning October 1, 1998, and ending September 30, 1999. At the recommendation of the Comptroller, Dale Thompson, Supervisor Jessie Medlin made the motion, and Supervisor Tommy Lewis seconded the motion to approve the budget amendment for the Tax Assessor and Information System under the provisions of Mississippi Code of 1972, Annotated, Section 19-11-19 as follows:

Increase	001-103-479	travel out of state (tax assessor)	\$ 1,344.00
Increase	001-103-587	registration for tax assessor	\$ 625.00
Lower	001-901-999	general fund	\$ 1,969.00
Increase	001-152-479	travel out of state (information sys)	\$ 1,288.00
Lower	001-901-999	general fund	\$ 1,288.00

The **motion passed** by a vote as follows:

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

****See Exhibit E.4.a****

b. Information System

In accordance with the provisions set forth in Section 19-11-11 of the Mississippi Code, the Board of Supervisors did discuss an amendment to the budget for the Fiscal year beginning October 1, 1998, and ending September 30, 1999. At the recommendation of the Comptroller, Dale Thompson, Supervisor Eugene Thach made the motion, and Supervisor Tommy Lewis seconded the motion to approve the budget amendment for Information Systems under the provisions of Mississippi Code of 1972, Annotated, Section 19-11-19 as follows:

Increase	001-152-476	meals and lodging	\$ 269.40
Increase	001-152-671	gasoline	\$ 29.00
Lower	001-901-999	general fund	\$ 298.40

The **motion passed** by a vote as follows:

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

****See Exhibit E.4.b.****

ITEM E.4.c, CONTINUED,

c. Election Commission

In accordance with the provisions set forth in Section 19-11-11 of the Mississippi Code, the Board of Supervisors did discuss an amendment to the budget for the Fiscal year beginning

October 1, 1998, and ending September 30, 1999. At the recommendation of the Comptroller, Dale Thompson, Supervisor Eugene Thach made the motion, and Supervisor Tommy Lewis seconded the motion to approve the budget amendment for Election Commission under the provisions of Mississippi Code of 1972, Annotated, Section 19-11-19 as follows:

Increase	001-180-476	meals and lodging	\$ 514.80
Lower	001-901-999	general fund	\$ 514.80

The **motion passed** by a vote as follows:

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

****See Exhibit E.4.c.****

d. Sheriff's Department

In accordance with the provisions set forth in Section 19-11-11 of the Mississippi Code, the Board of Supervisors did discuss an amendment to the budget for the Fiscal year beginning October 1, 1998, and ending September 30, 1999. At the recommendation of the Comptroller, Dale Thompson, Supervisor Eugene Thach made the motion, and Supervisor Tommy Lewis seconded the motion to approve the budget amendment for the Sheriff's Department under the provisions of Mississippi Code of 1972, Annotated, Section 19-11-19 as follows:

Lower	001-225-542	vehicle repair	\$ 196.00
Lower	001-225-681	repair parts	\$ 29.00
Lower	001-225-935	other equipment	\$ 56.00
Lower	001-202-671	gasoline	\$ 3,500.00
Lower	001-202-552	med service	\$ 300.00
Lower	001-202-681	repair parts	\$ 225.00
Lower	001-220-655	other maintenance	\$ 50.00
Increase	001-225-717	rescue supply	\$ 281.00
Increase	001-225-682	equipment repair	\$ 225.00
Increase	001-223-553	med service	\$ 300.00
Increase	001-220-476	meals and lodging	\$ 500.00
Increase	001-220-479	travel out of state	\$ 1,000.00
Increase	001-220-568	transporting	\$ 2,000.00
Increase	001-220-544	service contract	\$ 50.00

ITEM E.4.d, CONTINUED,

The **motion passed** by a vote as follows:

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

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

****See Exhibit E.4.d.****

e. Victim's Assistant Coordinator

In accordance with the provisions set forth in Section 19-11-11 of the Mississippi Code, the Board of Supervisors did discuss an amendment to the budget for the Fiscal year beginning October 1, 1998, and ending September 30, 1999. At the recommendation of the Comptroller, Dale Thompson, Supervisor Jessie Medlin made the motion, and Supervisor Tommy Lewis seconded the motion to approve the budget amendment for the Victim's Assistant Coordinator under the provisions of Mississippi Code of 1972, Annotated, Section 19-11-19 as follows:

Lower	001-171-934	furniture and fixtures	\$ 500.00
Increase	001-171-523	contract printing	\$ 500.00

The **motion passed** by a vote as follows:

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

****See Exhibit E.4.e****

f. Tax Assessor

In accordance with the provisions set forth in Section 19-11-11 of the Mississippi Code, the Board of Supervisors did discuss an amendment to the budget for the Fiscal year beginning October 1, 1998, and ending September 30, 1999. At the recommendation of the Comptroller, Dale Thompson, Supervisor Eugene Thach made the motion, and Supervisor Jessie Medlin seconded the motion to approve the budget amendment for the Tax Assessor under the provisions of Mississippi Code of 1972, Annotated, Section 19-11-19 as follows:

Lower	001-103-469	unemployment	\$ 2,000.00
Lower	001-103-521	legal advertising	\$ 100.00
Lower	001-103-543	repair of office furniture	\$ 175.00
Increase	001-103-476	meals and lodging	\$ 2,000.00
Increase	001-103-502	phone	\$ 100.00
Increase	001-103-502	phone	\$ 175.00

ITEM E.4.f, CONTINUED,

The **motion passed** by a vote as follows:

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

Tommy Lewis-----Yes

****See Exhibit F.4.f****

g. EMS

In accordance with the provisions set forth in Section 19-11-11 of the Mississippi Code, the Board of Supervisors did discuss an amendment to the budget for the Fiscal year beginning October 1, 1998, and ending September 30, 1999. At the recommendation of the Comptroller, Dale Thompson, Supervisor Eugene Thach made the motion, and Supervisor Jessie Medlin seconded the motion to approve the budget amendment for EMS under the provisions of Mississippi Code of 1972, Annotated, Section 19-11-19 as follows:

Lower	001-240-480	Walls,Eudora,Lewisburg	\$ 3,000.00
Increase	001-240-587	training	\$ 3,000.00

The **motion passed** by a vote as follows:

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

****See Exhibit E.4.g.****

5. Investment of Surplus Funds

Stephanie Hanks and Peggy Darnell presented an Investment of Surplus Funds for approval by the Board of Supervisors. Supervisor Tommy Lewis asked if the banks have adequate securities pledged for these investments. This issue was held over until May 5th, 1999.

****See Exhibit E.5.****

6. Road Report & Work Schedule - Kenny Gunn

Kenny Gunn presented the Road Report and Work Schedule to the Board of Supervisors for approval.

Supervisor Eugene Thach made the motion and Supervisor Tommy Lewis seconded the motion to accept the Road Report for April, 1999 and Work Schedule for May, 1999, pursuant to Section 65-17-7 of the Mississippi Code of 1972, annotated. The **motion passed** by a vote as follows:

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

****See Exhibit E.6.****

ITEM E.7, CONTINUED,

7. Chancery Court - Allowances

Allowances for the Chancery Court Clerk were presented to the Board of Supervisors for the April, 1999, term in the amount of \$ 2,546.66. Supervisor Tommy Lewis made the motion and Supervisor Eugene Thach seconded the motion to approve the Chancery Clerk Allowances pursuant to Section 25-7-9 of the Mississippi Code of 1972, Annotated. The **motion passed** by a vote as follows:

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

****SEE EXHIBIT E.7.****

8. Circuit Clerk -Allowances

Allowances were presented on behalf of the Circuit Court Clerk Jeanette Martin, an Order of Allowances to the Board of Supervisors for the Circuit Court for the March, 1998, term, in the amount of \$ 2,410.00, County Court for the month of September, 1999, term of Circuit Clerk in the amount of \$ 1,200.00; month of October, 1998, term of Circuit Clerk in the amount of \$ 2,280.00; month of November, 1998, term of Circuit Clerk in the amount of \$ 840.00; \$ 1,076.00 for Youth Court for the month of March, 1999; and \$ 500.00 for fees allowed by 001-102-141, and \$ 3,184.00 for the March, 1999 term of County Court. Supervisor Eugene Thach made the motion and Supervisor Tommy Lewis seconded the motion to approve these payments, pursuant to Sections 25-7-13, and Section 25-7-13 of the Mississippi code of 1972, Annotated. The motion passed by vote as follows:

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

****See Exhibit E.8.****

9. Bailiff Pay

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, of Mississippi Code of 1973, Annotated, Supervisor Tommy Lewis made the motion and Supervisor Eugene Thach seconded the motion to pay Tommy Carr the amount of \$ 200.00 for the month of April, 1999; to pay Jerry Easley the amount of \$ 400.00 for the month of April, 1999, for their service as bailiff for DeSoto County Justice Court. The **motion passed** by a vote as follows:

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

****See Exhibit E.9.****

ITEM E.10, CONTINUED,

10. Justice Court Report

Justice Court Clerk Linda Aldridge presented the Justice Court Report to the Board of Supervisors for the month of April. Supervisor Tommy Lewis made the motion and Supervisor Eugene Thach seconded the motion to accept the Justice Court Report as presented by Linda Aldridge, for the month of April, 1999, pursuant to Section 9-11-19 of the Mississippi Code of 1972, Annotated. The **motion passed** by vote as follows:

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

****See Exhibit E.10.****

11. Publication of Board Proceeding

Supervisor Tommy Lewis made the motion and Supervisor Eugene Thach 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 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-----Yes
 James D. Pearson-----Absent
 John Caldwell-----Absent
 Tommy Lewis----- Yes

12.Approval of 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 3, 1999 to June 7, 1999, 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. Supervisor Eugene Thach made the motion to authorize travel for all officials and employees of DeSoto County for the period of May 3, 1999 to June 7,1999. Supervisor Tommy Lewis seconded the motion. The **motion passed** by a vote as follows:

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

ITEM E.13, CONTINUED,

13. Request for Assistance

a. DeSoto Central School Property

The Board of Supervisors were presented with a request from the Board of Education to construct a road at the DeSoto Central School Property. The Board of Supervisors instructed the Road Manager, Kenny Gunn to get with Robert Earl Phillips and report back the time and money necessary to complete this request. This issue was held over until May 5th, 1999.

****See Exhibit E.13.a****

b. Schoolbus Turnarounds

The DeSoto County Board of Supervisors received a letter dated April 8th, 1999, from the DeSoto County Superintendent Jerry Baird requesting the county to maintain the properties which are used as school bus turnarounds. The properties are as follows:

Debra Carroll	1920 Old Pigeon Roost	Byhalia, Ms.	Bus#80
Tammy Kearns	5758 Cherokee	Walls, Ms	Bus#62
Sheba Crabb 13235 Holly Springs Road		Byhalia, Ms	Bus#97

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, Supervisor Tommy Lewis made the motion to build, maintain, and improve the properties listed in the Superintendent’s letter dated April 8th, 1999, and to direct the County Road Manager to carry out this order of this Board forthwith. Supervisor Eugene Thach seconded the motion. The **motion passed** by a vote as follows:

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

****See Exhibit E.13.b****

14. Ice Storm Restitution - T. H. Walker

Civil Defense Director, T. H. Walker presented a repayment request of Federal Funds in the amount of \$ 22,221.00. Mr. Walker said the county received this overpayment due to a administrative error of time compensated. Mr. Walker said the county will be receiving a share cost from the state in the amount of \$ 26,238.00 when the repayment of Federal Funds is made.

At the recommendation of Civil Defense Director, T. H. Walker, Supervisor Tommy Lewis made the motion, and Supervisor Eugene Thach seconded the motion to approve the repayment request of Federal Funds in the amount of \$ 22,221.00 in connection with the county’s disaster claim, and instructed the clerk to write the check and authorized the Civil Defense Director to request repayment from the State for the Ice Storm money.

ITEM E.14, CONTINUED,

The **motion passed** by a vote as follows:

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

****See Exhibit E.14****

15. Approval of Maintenance Contract for Four (4) Trucks Ordered on State Contract Central Maintenance

Vanessa presented the maintenance contract for four (4) trucks ordered on the State Contract for Central Maintenance. The Road Manager, Kenny Gunn said this extended warranty is for thirty-six (36) months or 75,000 miles. Vanessa Lynchard said the Board of Supervisors had originally approved the money for these contracts, but did not approve the contract themselves.

At the recommendation of the Road Manager, Kenny Gunn, Supervisor Eugene Thach made the motion, and Supervisor Jessie Medlin seconded the motion to approve the maintenance contract for four (4) trucks ordered on State Contract for Central Maintenance. The **motion passed** by a vote as follows:

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

****See Exhibit E.15****

16. Appointment - DeSoto County Convention & Visitors Bureau Commission

This issue was held over until May 5th, 1999. ****See Exhibit E.16****

17. Appointment - Circuit Clerk

Supervisor Tommy Lewis made the motion, and Supervisor Eugene Thach seconded the motion to appoint Jeanette Martin as Interim Circuit Clerk effective July 1st, 1999 through December 31st, 1999, receiving only insurance benefits as compensation for this Interim position. The **motion passed** by a vote as follows:

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

****See Exhibit E.17****

ITEM E.18, CONTINUED,

18. Declaring Bubba Douglas a pauper

Supervisor Jessie Medlin made the motion, and Supervisor Tommy Lewis seconded the motion in declaring Bubba Douglas a pauper in accordance with Section 43-31-29 of the Mississippi Code, which states the board of supervisors shall also relieve, support or employ paupers found or being in the county, though not entitled to a settlement therein, and, in case of their decease, shall decently bury them; and all expenses shall be chargeable to and recoverable from the county in which such pauper had a settlement; and the board shall decently bury all strangers dying the county. The **motion passed** by a vote as follows:

Jessie Medlin-----Yes

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

****See Exhibit E.18****

19. Senate Bill 2479

County Administrator, David Armstrong presented Senate Bill 2479 increasing salaries of the Circuit and Chancery Judges \$ 6,000.00, effective July 1, 1999. Because the salaries are tied to the County Court Judge, the bill is being presented to the Board of Supervisors.

Supervisor Eugene Thach made the motion, and Supervisor Tommy Lewis seconded the motion to accept the Senate Bill 2479, effective July 1, 1999 and to approve a budget amendment to increase the salary of County Court Judge to 90% of the Chancery and Circuit Judge approved salary increase by said legislation of \$ 94,700.00. Therefore, making the County Court Judge salary increase at \$ 85,230.00. The **motion passed** by a vote as follows:

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

****See Exhibit E.19****

20. Declare Election Commission Booths as a Sole Source

Supervisor Eugene Thach made the motion, and Supervisor Tommy Lewis seconded the motion to approve ES&S Election Systems & Software as a Sole Source for the Model 3P Votomatic Voting Booths with the Board Attorney's approval. The **motion passed** by a vote as follows:

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

****See Exhibit E.20****

ITEM E.21, CONTINUED,

21. Declare Med Tech Medical Services - Maintenance Contract as a Sole Source

Supervisor Eugene Thach made the motion, and Supervisor Tommy Lewis seconded the motion to hold this issue was held over until May 5th, 1999. ****See Exhibit E.21****

**22. Request to Advertise County Resources - Hernando High School -
Future Problem Solving Team**

The County Administrator, David Armstrong presented a request from Alice Quimby, Coach of the Senior Division of Problem Solvers at Hernando High School, to the Board of Supervisors for Hernando High School's senior division Future Problem Solving team to attend the Future Problem Solving International Conference in Ann Harbor, Michigan, June

11th - 14th, 1999. Ms. Quimby has requested any donations or contributions to help with expenses of this trip. Supervisor Tommy Lewis made the motion, and Supervisor Eugene Thach seconded the motion to advertise DeSoto County Resources by contributing \$ 250.00 to Hernando High School's Future Problem Solving Team. In accordance with Section 17-3-3, of the Mississippi Code of 1972, the Board of Supervisors did make a determination that the above request would advertise the resources and possibilities of DeSoto County and thereby advance the moral, financial and other interests of DeSoto County. The Board of Supervisors noted that a banner must be placed at the site, advertising the resources of DeSoto County. The **motion passed** by a vote as follows:

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

****See Exhibit E.22****

23. Waggoner Engineer Update

David Armstrong reported to the Board of Supervisors that he has asked Joe Waggoner to prepare a status report for the Board of Supervisors at each meeting. Mr. Waggoner has done so. David Armstrong said according to Joe Waggoner, the WRDA did not include DeSoto County. They will be here May 17th, 1999, to discuss the program. Supervisor Tommy Lewis said it may be possible for DeSoto County to be added at a later date.

Supervisor Tommy Lewis made the motion, and Supervisor Eugene Thach seconded the motion, to approve travel for Carl Ray Fur; Joe Waggoner, and one (1) representative from the Board of Supervisors to Washington, D.C., in connection with the Wastewater/GIS study. The **motion passed** by a vote as follows:

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

****See Exhibit E.23****

ITEM E.24, CONTINUED,

24. Y2K Update

The County Administrator, David Armstrong presented a Y2K Update from Larry Wood, Director of the IS Department. Mr. Armstrong said the IS Department has tested twenty-six (26) computers of which six (6) are not compliant for Y2K.

Supervisor Tommy Lewis asked if a target date has been set. Supervisor Tommy Lewis asked if the schools could possibly use the non compliant computers as teaching tools.

Supervisor Jessie Medlin asked when the non compliant computers would need to be replaced. Vanessa replied with in the next Budget year.

No motions were made nor votes taken on this issue. ****See Exhibit E.24****

25. Proclamation of Recognition - “May Is Older American Month”

Supervisor Eugene Thach made the motion, and Supervisor Tommy Lewis seconded the motion, to issue a proclamation of recognition as “May Is Older American Month” in observance of Older American Month, Thursday, May 6th, 1999. The **motion passed** by a vote as follows:

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

****See Exhibit E.25****

26. Inventory Disposition - Bonnie Gatlin

Supervisor Eugene Thach made the motion, and Supervisor Tommy Lewis seconded the motion, to hold this issue over until Wednesday, May 5th, 1999. The **motion passed** by a vote as follows:

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

****See Exhibit E.26****

F. EXECUTIVE SESSION

The “Executive Session” portion of this meeting is presented under the portion of minutes called “Executive Session.

ITEM G, CONTINUED,

G. OTHER ISSUES

1. State Aid #LSBP17B(2)

The County Engineer, Daniel Murphy requested approval for final acceptance in connection with State Aid #LSBP17B(2) by the Board of Supervisors. Mr. Murphy said this state aid project has been inspected.

At the recommendation of the County Engineer, Daniel Murphy, Supervisor Tommy Lewis made the motion, and Supervisor Eugene Thach seconded the motion to approve final acceptance of State Aid Project #LSBP17B(2). The **motion passed** by a vote as follows:

Jessie Medlin-----Yes
Eugene C. Thach-----Yes

James D. Pearson-----Absent
John Caldwell-----Absent
Tommy Lewis----- Yes

2. Flood Study

The County Engineer, Daniel Murphy notified the Board of Supervisors the flood study on Church Road East has been completed and submitted to the Federal Emergency Management Association, as he is waiting a reply in connection with the flood study.

3. Sullivan Road off Highway 301 South

The Road Manager, Kenny Gunn notified the Board of Supervisors after the hill is sloped down on Sullivan Road off Highway 301 South, this section of road will require paving after the corp completes their project. Mr. Gunn said he would estimate between \$ 8,000.00 and \$ 9,000.00 to pave this section of road.

Mr. Gunn requested this section of road be added to the existing contract with Lehman Roberts. Supervisor Tommy Lewis asked if the contract can be amended to include this section of road. Board Attorney, William Austin said yes.

At the recommendation of the Road Manager, Kenny Gunn, Supervisor Eugene Thach made the motion, and Supervisor Tommy Lewis seconded the motion to approve adding Highway 301 South near Sullivan Road to the current overlay contract. The **motion passed** by a vote as follows:

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

4. Red Banks Road

Supervisor Jessie Medlin asked Road Manager Kenny Gunn to look at the lower part of Red Banks Road. Kenny Gunn suggested waiting until the overlay was done in the area. Supervisor Jessie Medlin agreed.

ITEM G.5, CONTINUED,

5. Getwell Road

Supervisor Tommy Lewis said engineering for Getwell Road is on the Road Report, but was about the knoll by the store on Getwell. Kenny Gunn said Central Maintenance is doing that before the road is paved.

6. Tchulahoma Road

Supervisor Eugene Thach asked Road Manager Kenny Gunn about burning the brush on Tchulahoma. Kenny Gunn said the City of Southaven asked them not to do that, because the County does not have a blower.

7. Brights Road

Supervisor Tommy Lewis told the Road Manager Kenny Gunn there is a spot on Brights

Road that need to be filled.

8. Petition to adjust - approval of Homestead Exemptions

Supervisor Tommy Lewis made the motion and Supervisor Eugene Thach seconded the motion to approve the petition to adjust homestead exemption supplemental roll as presented by the Chancery Clerk. The **motion passed** by a vote as follows:

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

****See Exhibit G.8****

9. Resignation - Board of Supervisor Member

Supervisor Jessie Medlin presented a letter of resignation regarding Supervisor Jake Pearson of District 3, effective May 3rd, 1999.

Supervisor Eugene Thach made the motion, and Supervisor Tommy Lewis seconded the motion, to accept Supervisor Jake Pearson’s resignation, effective May 3rd, 1999. The **motion passed** by a vote as follows:

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

****See Exhibit G.9****

Supervisor Tommy Lewis made the motion and Supervisor Eugene Thach seconded the motion to recess until Wednesday, May 5, 1999 at 9:00 a.m. The **motion passed** by a vote as follows:

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

THIS the 3rd day of May, 1999, these minutes have been read and approved by the DeSoto County Board of Supervisors.

JESSIE L. MEDLIN, President
DeSoto County Board of Supervisors

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