

**DESOTO COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS**

**BOARD MEETING MINUTES**

**TOMMY LEWIS, PRESIDENT 2001, PRESIDING**

**October 22, 2001**

**A. CALL TO ORDER**

The October 22, 2001, meeting of the DeSoto County Board of Supervisors was called to order by Supervisor Tommy Lewis, Board President.

Chief Deputy Charlie Brown of the DeSoto County Sheriff's Department 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:

Supervisor Jessie Medlin-----District 1  
Supervisor Eugene C. Thach-----District 2  
Supervisor Gerald Clifton-----District 3  
Supervisor John Caldwell-----District 4  
Supervisor Tommy Lewis-----District 5  
W. E. Sluggo Davis-----Chancery Clerk  
Chief Deputy Charlie Brown-----Sheriff's Dept.  
David Armstrong-----County Administrator  
Bobby Chamberlin -----Board Attorney

**B. INVOCATION**

County Administrator David Armstrong presented the invocation.

**C. OLD BUSINESS**

**1. Church Request for Culvert – Johnson Rd.**

Supervisor Tommy Lewis notified the Board of Supervisors that no action was necessary by the Board of Supervisors on this item.

**2. Planning Commission**

The Planning Commission brought several items before the Board of Supervisors as evidenced by the portion of the minutes submitted by the Planning Commission.

**\*\*See Exhibit C\*\***

**D. NEW BUSINESS**

**1. Tax Collector—Olive Branch Office**

Tax Collector Joey Treadway reported to the Board of Supervisors on the burglary originally brought to the Board's attention in March, 2001. Mr. Treadway said that the Olive Branch office was burglarized, and the insurance company has sent a settlement on the claim. Mr. Treadway said that a total of \$41,744.32 plus \$500 petty cash, plus the cost to replace the safe and glass in the office brought the total claim from the burglary to \$43,323.92. Mr. Treadway said that the Tax Collector's office was able to recover \$28,452.28 in replacement checks that were identified from the receipts on the day of the robbery. Insurance settled for the difference of \$14, 621.68. Mr. Treadway said that his office would continue to collect on the checks that were not replaced and upon making any collections, the checks would be turned over immediately to the insurance company.

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Mr. Treadway says the Tax Collector's office recorded those receipts as a shortage on the day of the robbery, and they will justify their records to this settlement by recording this as an overage in the amount of the insurance settlement. Mr. Treadway commended Rex Haynes and the Insurance Company for working with this office on this robbery. No motions were made, nor votes taken on this portion of the meeting.

**2. Approval to Correct Clerical Error on Tax Assessment—Charles R. Miller, Jr.**

At the recommendation of the Tax Assessor, Supervisor Eugene Thach made the motion and Supervisor Tommy Lewis seconded the motion to approve a refund to Charles Ray Miller, Jr. in the amount of \$392.73 to correct a Tax Assessment error for the 2000 Tax Year, as noted in Exhibit D.2. The motion passed by a unanimous vote. **\*\*See Exhibit D.2**

**3. Approval to Remove Civic Center Employees from Appointments**

County Administrator David Armstrong reminded the Board of Supervisors that the Auditor had mandated the Civic Center to become a separate entity. Therefore, there was no longer a need for a Purchasing, Receiving and Inventory Clerk from the Civic Center. Supervisor Gerald Clifton made the motion and Supervisor John Caldwell seconded the motion to rescind the Appointment of Stuart Taylor and Frank Cable as Purchasing Clerks; to remove the Appointments of Bill Forrester, Tim Alward, and Jana Collins as Receiving Clerks, and to remove the Appointment of Phillip Schoggen as Inventory Clerk. The motion passed by a unanimous vote. **\*\*See Exhibit D.3**

**4. Joyce Riales—Comptroller**

**a. Claims Docket**

Comptroller Joyce Riales and Stephanie Hanks of the Accounting Department presented the Supplemental Claims Docket to the Board of Supervisors. Supervisor John Caldwell said that he did not think the Board of Supervisors should reimburse employees for tips. The Board of Supervisors discussed their recent policy approval to pay tips up to \$6.00 per day.

Supervisor John Caldwell said the Engineering and Attorney fees should be broken down more on the Docket. Bobby Chamberlin reminded the Board of Supervisors that the Claim on the Docket for the Chamberlin Nowak Firm was part of their retainer, therefore there was no detail on this claim.

Supervisor Jessie Medlin made the motion and Supervisor John Caldwell seconded the motion to approve the Supplemental Claims Docket as presented by the Comptroller. The motion passed by a unanimous vote.

**b. 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, Joyce Riales, Supervisor Tommy Lewis made the motion and Supervisor Gerald Clifton seconded the motion to approve the investment of surplus funds to People's Bank & Trust for \$1,500,000 that was the highest bidder that placed its bid on time for funds as follows:

**ITEM D.4.b, CONTINUED,**

<u>Date of Investment</u>	<u>Bank</u>	<u>Amount</u>	<u>Maturity Date</u>	<u># of Days</u>	<u>Interest Rate</u>	<u>CD#</u>
10/4/2001	People's Bank and Trust	\$1,500,000	11/14/2002	41	2.4950%	92582506

**\*\*See Exhibit D.4.b**

**c. Finally Amended Budget**

The Comptroller Joyce Riales presented the finally Amended Budget to the Board of Supervisors. Supervisor Eugene Thach asked for a copy of the 2002 in the small form.

Supervisor Gerald Clifton made the motion and Supervisor Eugene Thach seconded the motion to accept the finally Amended Budget for Fiscal Year 2001 into the minutes. The motion passed by a unanimous vote. **\*\*\*See Exhibit D.4.c**

**5. Metro Narcotics—Transfer of Seized Funds to Forfeiture**

At the recommendation of the Comptroller, Joyce Riales, Supervisor Eugene Thach made the motion and Supervisor Jessie Medlin 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 request by the Comptroller for Cause Numbers as follows:

Case #	Defendant	Date Seized	County Receipt	Amount
DC- 0168-1-01	Sean M. Washington	10/30/01	12694	465.00
DC- 0149-1-01	Cornelius L. Cole	08/04/01	12523	100.00
DC- 0162-1-01	William K. Smith	08/23/01	12694	148.00

From 123-900-950 Metro Seized \$ 713.00  
 To 105-000-384 Metro Forfeitures \$ 713.00

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 Comptroller, the Sheriffs Department, and the Unit Commander of the Metro Narcotics Unit. The motion passed by a unanimous vote. **\*\*See Exhibit D.5\*\***

**6. Brentwood—Making Proof of Publication part of the minutes**

County Administrator David Armstrong presented a Proof of Publication in connection with the Brentwood Project. Supervisor Gerald Clifton made the motion and Supervisor John Caldwell seconded the motion to make the Public Hearing Notice in connection with the CBDG Grant for Hacks Cross Road part of the minutes. The motion passed by a unanimous vote. **\*\*See Exhibit D.6**

**7. Approval of Cellular Telephone Contracts**

**a. Family and Children's Services**

County Administrator David Armstrong presented a request from Family & Children's Services to be reimbursed 100% by the State. The plans requested for the service included 400 minutes with unlimited nights and weekends and unlimited long distance included. The telephones requested were the Nokia 3360's, which were not on the County's Plan. In addition, two other cell phones were requested with unlimited nights and weekends and nationwide long-distance for 400 minutes at \$39.99. These cell phones would be reimbursed at 75% through the State. Telephone number 827-2039 was requested by Family and Children Services to have a price plan change from 100 minutes to 400 minutes with unlimited nights and weekends and long distance at \$39.99 per month. After some discussion, Supervisor Eugene Thach made the motion and

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Supervisor Gerald Clifton seconded the motion to approve the four cellular telephone hook-ups, and the price plan change for 827-2039 as requested by Family and Children. The motion passed by a vote as follows:

Supervisor Jessie Medlin	NO
Supervisor Eugene Thach	YES
Supervisor Gerald Clifton	YES
Supervisor John Caldwell	YES
Supervisor Tommy Lewis	YES

**b. Justice Court Judges Contracts**

County Administrator David Armstrong presented a request for three cell phones for the Justice Court Judges who are requesting Nationwide Long Distance at \$49.99 a month. This also includes Caller ID, Voicemail and Call Waiting. After some discussion, Supervisor Tommy Lewis made the motion and Supervisor Gerald Clifton seconded the motion to approve the request, leaving it up to the Judges and the previously approved Family and Children's office to justify the need for long distance service to the County Administrator with approval of these option only subject to the approval of the County Administrator. The motion passed by a vote as follows:

Supervisor Jessie Medlin	NO
Supervisor Eugene Thach	YES
Supervisor Gerald Clifton	ABSENT
Supervisor John Caldwell	YES
Supervisor Tommy Lewis	YES

**8. Inventory Control Disposal**

**a. Planning Commission**

Supervisor John Caldwell made the motion and Supervisor Eugene Thach seconded the motion to approve the Inventory Control Disposition for the Planning Commission as presented in Exhibit D.8.a, and acknowledged that Kenny Evans has picked up the equipment and carried it to the rubbish pit. The motion passed by a unanimous vote.

**b. PBX Information**

Supervisor John Caldwell made the motion and Supervisor Eugene Thach seconded the motion to approve the Inventory Control Disposition for PBX as presented in Exhibit D.8.b, and to acknowledge that Kenny Evans has picked up the typewriter for disposal. The motion passed by a unanimous vote.

**\*\*See Exhibit D.8**

**9. 2001 Inventory Control Report**

County Administrator David Armstrong notified the Board of Supervisors that Inventory Control Clerk Bonnie Gatlin had submitted the Inventory to the State Auditor Bill Pope. Bonnie Gatlin said the Auditor will verify its accuracy for accounting purposes during the next Audit. Ms. Gatlin said that representative from the State Audit Department will be here within the next four months to verify the accuracy of the Audit. Ms. Gatlin said that GASB 34 was the topic of discussion at the MAGPA Convention. Ms. Gatlin said that training should be taking place during the next month.

Supervisor Jessie Medlin made the motion and Supervisor Eugene Thach seconded the motion to approve the Inventory Report as presented by the Inventory Control Clerk

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Bonnie Gatlin and approved making the report a part of the minutes. The motion passed

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by a unanimous vote. **\*\*See Exhibit D.9**

**10. Acceptance of Youth Court Victims Witness Grant**

Board Attorney Bobby Chamberlin recused himself from approving business connected with this Grant. At the recommendation of the County Administrator, Supervisor John Caldwell made the motion and Supervisor Jessie Medlin seconded the motion to accept the Victim's Witness Grant, Project # 9NW1173, in the amount of \$23,248.00. The motion passed by a unanimous vote. **\*\*See Exhibit D.10**

**11. Approval to Accept Metro Narcotics Grant**

County Administrator David Armstrong notified the Board of Supervisors that Metro Narcotics had applied for a Grant in the amount of \$236,260.00, but only \$158,939.00 was approved with a 25% match. Supervisor John Caldwell made the motion and Supervisor Tommy Lewis seconded the motion to accept the Metro Narcotics Grant for the County. The motion passed by a unanimous vote. **\*\*See Exhibit D.11**

**12. Interlocal Agreement with Horn Lake Creek Drainage District**

County Administrator David Armstrong reminded the Board of Supervisors of Horn Lake Creek drainage. Horn Lake Creek Drainage District Commissioner Roe Ross is coming before the Board to request using the County's annual bid for Horn Lake Creek to complete some small projects. Board Attorneys' Bobby Chamberlin and Tony Nowak have recommended an Interlocal Agreement be approved to handle this business. Supervisor John Caldwell made the motion and Supervisor Eugene Thach seconded the motion to approve the Interlocal Agreement as presented by the Horn Lake Creek Drainage District. The motion passed by a unanimous vote. **\*\*See Exhibit D.12**

Supervisor Jessie Medlin asked how this transaction would take place. Sluggo Davis said the County would purchase the equipment needed by the Drainage District and bill the Drainage District.

**13. Horn Lake Park and Recreation Department Request for Athletic Field Supplies**

Supervisor John Caldwell made the motion and Supervisor Jessie Medlin seconded the motion to send five loads of sand and five loads of dirt without rocks to the soccer and football field of the City of Horn Lake, and to send five loads of sand and five loads of "good" dirt without rocks to the Wooten Baseball Field, with costs of the sand and dirt coming from the District 4 Park Fund. The motion passed by a unanimous vote. **\*\*See Exhibit D.13**

**14. Making Secretary of State's Approval of Interlocal Agreements Part of the Minutes**

**a. Interlocal Agreement with Hernando, Olive Branch, The Village of Memphis & DeSoto County for preparation of Comprehensive Plan & Zoning Ordinances**

Supervisor Eugene Thach made the motion and Supervisor Gerald Clifton seconded the motion to make the Secretary of State's Approval of the Interlocal Agreement between the cities of Hernando, Olive Branch, The Village of Memphis & DeSoto County Mississippi for preparation of the comprehensive Plan & Zoning Ordinances part of the minutes. The motion passed by a unanimous vote. **\*\*See Exhibit D.14**

**b. Interlocal Agreement with DeSoto County, the City of Hernando, et al for Compliance with Phase II Storm Water Regulations**

Supervisor John Caldwell made the motion and Supervisor Jessie Medlin seconded **ITEM D.14.b, CONTINUED,**

the motion to make the Secretary of State's Approval of the Interlocal Agreement between DeSoto County and the City of Hernando, et al for compliance with Phase

II Storm Water Regulations part of the minutes. The motion passed by a unanimous vote. **\*\*See Exhibit D.14**

#### **15. Eudora Fire Dept.- Refund of Fees for Architectural Service**

County Administrator David Armstrong read a letter from Marvin Johnson thanking the Supervisors for the work his firm has received from the County. Mr. Johnson said he is returning his fee on the Eudora Ambulance Bay Project less out-of-pocket expenses paid with invoices attached, as a small donation to the County. Mr. Armstrong presented a check from Marvin Johnson in the amount of \$2,893.44. Supervisor Jessie Medlin made the motion and Supervisor Gerald Clifton seconded the motion to accept the check from Marvin Johnson into the County treasury. The motion passed by a unanimous vote. **\*\*See Exhibit D.15**

#### **16. Lease for Farm Service Agency**

County Administrator David Armstrong reminded the Board of Supervisors of their instructions for him to negotiate with the Farm Service Agency for an increase in rent. Mr. Armstrong said the County has been receiving \$2,523.75 in rent, and that amount was negotiated in the new Lease to \$2,999.56 per month. This amount has been approved by the US Dept. of Agriculture. Supervisor Jessie Medlin made the motion and Supervisor John Caldwell seconded the motion to accept the terms of the Lease Agreement, to authorize the Board President to sign the Lease and to make the Lease part of the minutes. The motion passed by a unanimous vote. **\*\*See Exhibit D.16**

#### **17. Library**

Jim Anderson, Director of the First Regional Library, came before the Board to discuss parking at the Library after the renovation is complete. Mr. Anderson said that the Library would lose six spaces in the renovation. Mr. Anderson said there are often times when all the spaces are full now, and the expansion will likely increase usage of the Library, therefore causing a parking shortage. Mr. Anderson said the Supervisors had previously asked him to look into expanding the parking at the Library. Mr. Anderson said the lot directly to the west of the Library is owned by Ginger Gartrell and her daughter. There are four rental houses on the property and a city street that is not well maintained, and that is used mainly for access to the property next to the Library. The dimensions of the property are 120 by 240 feet. Mr. Armstrong asked that the County have the property appraised. Mr. Anderson said he has talked to Mrs. Gartrell who said she would consider the possibility of sale of the property. However, she would need to know, as soon as possible about the sale, in order to notify her tenants. Supervisor Tommy Lewis made the motion and Supervisor Gerald Clifton seconded the motion to ask Mrs. Gartrell's permission to have the property appraised and for the County Administrator to hire an Appraiser for the property. The motion passed by a unanimous vote.

#### **18. Approval to Destroy Court Reporter Records**

County Administrator David Armstrong presented a request from Norma Newman, a Chancery Court Reporter for Judge Dennis Baker, to destroy records according to MS Code 9-5-171, which states that the Chancery Clerk of each of the counties of the State of MS, with the approval of the Board of Supervisors of such County, after an inventory has been made and checked by the Board in an Order spread on its minutes, listing the reference, is authorized to destroy shorthand books, notes, transcripts, tapes, or other records of Court Reporters, after six years, without the necessity of inventory, if the Board of Supervisors of the County in which the Court wherein such records were reported is located, enters an order spread on its minutes, authorizing the destruction of

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all such records pertaining to any matters reported prior to that six year period. Therefore, Supervisor John Caldwell made the motion and Supervisor Jessie Medlin seconded the motion to approve that records up to and including the 31<sup>st</sup> day of

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December, 1994 be destroyed. The motion passed by a unanimous vote. **\*\*See Exhibit D.18**

**19. Bond Statement**

County Administrator David Armstrong presented a letter from Butler, Snow, O'Mara, Stevens and Canada, who have served as Bond Council for DeSoto County for several years. The letter stated the County's responsibility to file a Disclosure Statement for Bonds before March 29, 2002. The letter again offered the services of Butler, Snow, O'Mara, Stevens and Canada to prepare the statement at a fee not to exceed \$1,000.00. Supervisor John Caldwell made the motion and Supervisor Jessie Medlin seconded the motion to authorize Butler, Snow, O'Mara, Stevens and Canada to prepare the DeSoto County Bond Disclosure Statement at a fee not to exceed \$1,000.00, with the report being filed on or before March 29, 2002. The motion passed by a unanimous vote.

**\*\*See Exhibit D.19**

**20. Appointment – Port Commission**

Supervisor Gerald Clifton made the motion and Supervisor Jessie Medlin seconded the motion to reappoint Floyd Robertson at the Post Two Representative to the County Port Commission. Supervisor Clifton requested to hold over the appointment to District 3 until November 5. The motion passed by a unanimous vote.

**Floyd Robertson  
P.O. Box 15  
Lake Cormorant, MS 38641  
Phone: 781-1277**

**\*\*See Exhibit D.20**

**21. Pager for County Court**

County Administrator David Armstrong said that County Court Judge Barbee had requested a Contract for a pager. He explained the pager would be used when Judge Barbee was out of town, and it would be used by whomever he left in charge. The service contract with Teletouch would be at a cost of \$10.32 per month. Supervisor Eugene Thach made the motion and Supervisor Jessie Medlin seconded the motion to deny the request for a beeper for the County Court Judge. The motion passed by a vote as follows:

Supervisor Jessie Medlin	NO
Supervisor Eugene Thach	NO
Supervisor Gerald Clifton	YES
Supervisor John Caldwell	NO
Supervisor Tommy Lewis	YES

**\*\*See Exhibit D.21**

**22. Jail Renovation**

County Administrator David Armstrong presented Change Order #1 to the Board of Supervisors for the addition and renovation of the DeSoto County Jail to the Contract with Pryor & Frazier Construction. Mr. Armstrong indicated that the Change Order would include the following changes:

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Add (6) days for Inclement Weather  
Deduction for furnishing and installing Storm Drainage System of  
\$1,252.00  
Relocation of existing sanitary sewer clean-out from parking lot to new

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cooler building  
Extension of existing sanitary clean-out from parking lot to new concrete ramp for an additional \$456.00  
Change in the finish on walk-in freezer/cooler panels to deduct \$650.00  
Deletion of door frame and hardware for an opening at a deduction of \$1,367.00  
Deletion of fire dampers between floors in duct chases for a deduction of \$1,983.00  
Change in the glass type in the exterior window "D" in the Dispatch office for an additional \$700.00.

This change order results in a total deduction to the contract of \$4,096.00. The new contract sum, including this change order, will be \$4,175,904.00. The contract time will be increased by (6) days. Supervisor Eugene Thach made the motion and Supervisor Jessie Medlin seconded the motion to approve Change Order #1 for the DeSoto County Jail Addition/Renovation. The motion passed by a unanimous vote. **\*\*See Exhibit D.22**

### **23. Chancery Clerk**

#### **a. Homestead Services**

County Administrator David Armstrong presented an Invoice from W.E. "Sluggo" Davis, Chancery Court Clerk, for his work with the Homestead Rolls as authorized in MS Code, Section 27-33-37 (m), for a total of \$3,313.25. Supervisor John Caldwell made the motion and Supervisor Gerald Clifton seconded the motion to approve and authorize payment to the Chancery Clerk for his work with the Homestead Rolls as outlined above at a cost of \$3,313.25. The motion passed by a unanimous vote. **\*\*See Exhibit D.23.a**

#### **b. Chancery Clerk Allowances**

County Administrator David Armstrong presented two orders of Allowances for the Chancery Clerk's office to the Board of Supervisors. The first order was for the October 2001 term in the amount of \$1,526.66. The second order was for the October 2001 term in the amount of \$870.00. Supervisor John Caldwell made the motion and Supervisor Jessie Medlin seconded the motion to approve these payments, pursuant to Section 25-7-9 of the Mississippi Code of 1972, Annotated. The motion passed by a unanimous vote. **\*\*See Exhibit D.23.b**

### **24. Quotes for Workers Compensation Insurance**

Supervisor John Caldwell made the motion and Supervisor Gerald Clifton seconded the motion to approve seeking quotes for next year's Workers Compensation Insurance. The motion passed by a unanimous vote.

### **25. House of Grace**

County Administrator David Armstrong presented a letter from the Board of Directors of the House of Grace requesting the balance of their budgeted allocation. The County budgeted \$15,000.00 for the House of Grace and released \$5,000.00 of the funding earlier in the year. The House of Grace is now requesting the additional \$10,000. Supervisor Eugene Thach made the motion and Supervisor Tommy Lewis seconded the motion to approve payment of the balance of the budget allocation to the House of

#### **ITEM D.25, CONTINUED,**

Grace. The motion passed by a unanimous vote. **\*\*See Exhibit D.25**

### **26. Computer and CD ROM Subscriptions for Law Library**

County Administrator David Armstrong presented a request from the Law Library to

subscribe to publications on CD-ROM. Mr. Armstrong said this change should result in savings from the print cost of \$3,474.20 per year. In addition, Mr. Armstrong presented a request to purchase a printer at a cost of \$185.61 and two computers at a total cost of \$2,320.00. Supervisor John Caldwell asked if the money was in the Budget for these purchases and subscriptions—David Armstrong said yes. Supervisor John Caldwell made the motion and Supervisor Jessie Medlin seconded the motion to approve the subscription as outlined in the proposal from Westlaw and to purchase two computers and a printer for the Law Library. The motion passed by a unanimous vote. **\*\*See Exhibit D.26**

**27. Church & Getwell Road Resolution**

County Administrator David Armstrong said the Chamberlin Nowak Law Firm has suggested the Board of Supervisors enter a Resolution in the Board minutes stating that an agreement was reached with the City of Southaven to construct turn lanes at the Intersection of Church & Getwell Road, and that the County agreed to pay the sum of \$30,000.00 from funds set aside for the Airways Project in Southaven for this work. The Board of Supervisors said that a complete turn lane was not constructed at this Intersection. Supervisor Eugene Thach said that he does not believe that the City of Southaven will bill the County for the work that was done as there is no left turn at the Intersection. Supervisor Jessie Medlin said the Intersection does not look extremely safe. The Supervisors discussed that the turn lanes could be taken care of in the Church Road improvements that the County is making. County Administrator David Armstrong suggested waiting to approve the Resolution until we get a bill from the City of Southaven confirming that the work at the intersection is complete. No motions were made nor votes taken on this portion of the meeting. **\*\*See Exhibit D.27**

**28. Legislative Wish List**

The Board of Supervisors discussed the Legislative Wish List. After discussion, Supervisor Tommy Lewis made the motion, and Supervisor Jessie Medlin seconded the motion to approve the Legislative Wish List as is. The motion passed by a vote as follows:

Supervisor Jessie Medlin	YES
Supervisor Eugene Thach	NO
Supervisor Gerald Clifton	YES
Supervisor John Caldwell	YES
Supervisor Tommy Lewis	YES

County Administrator David Armstrong notified the Board of Supervisors that the GIS Pilot Project should be taken off the list as he has been assured this item has already been handled by the Legislature. Supervisor Eugene Thach made the motion and Supervisor seconded the motion to reconsider the previous motion approving the Legislative Wish List as presented. The motion passed by a unanimous vote. Supervisor John Caldwell said the Legislative Wish List may need to address the wording of the Local and Private Legislation for the Civic Center. The Board decided the Local and Private could be handled on an individual basis rather than on the Wish List. Supervisor John Caldwell made the motion, and Supervisor Gerald Clifton seconded the motion, to approve the Wish List as is, deleting the GIS issue, adding Hwy 304 back to the Wish List specifically, plus adding an item that would increase the funding of MDOT to allow funding of certain DeSoto County projects that would be listed in the Wish List. The motion passed by a vote as follows:

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Supervisor Jessie Medlin	NO
Supervisor Eugene Thach	NO
Supervisor Gerald Clifton	YES
Supervisor John Caldwell	YES
Supervisor Tommy Lewis	YES

**\*\*See Exhibit D.28**

**29. Approval to Contract to Complete Codification**

Supervisor John Caldwell said that Vanessa Lynchard does not have the time it takes to complete the research necessary to finish the codification project. Supervisor Caldwell suggested asking Board Attorney Bill Austin to work on this issue. Supervisor John Caldwell made the motion and Supervisor Gerald Clifton seconded the motion, to hire Bill Austin to finish the codification project. The motion passed by a vote as follows:

Supervisor Jessie Medlin	NO
Supervisor Eugene Thach	NO
Supervisor Gerald Clifton	YES
Supervisor John Caldwell	YES
Supervisor Tommy Lewis	YES

**30. Loan Agreement with DC Regional Utility Authority**

Supervisor Eugene Thach made the motion and Supervisor Gerald Clifton seconded the motion to approve the Loan Agreement with the DeSoto County Regional Utility Authority as outlined in Exhibit D.30, and to make the agreement part of the minutes. The motion passed by a unanimous vote. **\*\*See Exhibit D.30\*\***

**31. County Engineer – Agreement Approving State Aid Bridge Inspection Project And Final Acceptance of STP-1969(2)B**

The County Engineer, Daniel Murphy, requested the Board of Supervisors approve an agreement connected to the State Aid Bridge Inspection Report. Supervisor Jessie Medlin made the motion, and Supervisor John Caldwell seconded the motion, to approve the agreement for the State Aid Bridge Inspection Project, and to authorize moving Federal funds of \$739.00 and State Aid Funds of \$3,696.00 for completion of this project and authorize the Board President to sign for final acceptance of STP-1969(2)B. The motion passed by a unanimous vote. County Administrator David Armstrong said the County should not be responsible for any of the funding necessary for this project.

**E. EXECUTIVE SESSION**

The executive session portions of these minutes are recorded under the portion of the minutes called "Executive Session".

**E. OTHER ISSUES**

**1. Tax Collector Credit Card Collections**

The Tax Collector Joey Treadway notified the Board of Supervisors that as of November 1<sup>st</sup>, his office will start accepting credit card transactions at the counter.

**2. Tax Collector Approval of Budget Amendment for Overtime**

County Administrator David Armstrong reminded the Board of Supervisors that an employee in the Tax Collector's office was forced to work overtime when the State Tax Commission withheld Homestead Exemptions funds for several months, thereby causing the Tax Collector's

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office to have to make duplicate settlements for months where the County was shorted.

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, 2001 and ending September 30, 2002.

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Supervisor Jessie Medlin made the motion and Supervisor Gerald Clifton seconded the motion to approve the Budget Amendment for the Tax Collector's office as follows:

<b>Fund #</b>	<b>Description</b>	<b>Budget</b>	<b>Amt.Increase</b>	<b>Decrease</b>	<b>Total</b>
001-104-429	Overtime		3,260		3,260
001-104-465	Retirement	52,218	318		52,536
001-104-466	FICA	42,425	250		42,675
001-901-999	Ending Cash Bal.	8,002,540		3,828	7,998,712
Totals		8,097,183	3,828	3,828	8,097,183

The motion passed by a unanimous vote. **\*\*See Exhibit F.2**

### **3. Church Road**

Supervisor Eugene Thach said he had talked to Mayor Sam Rikard, Mayor Greg Davis and Mayor Mike Thomas, and they are interested in helping with Church Road in their areas. No motions were made nor vote taken on this portion of the minutes.

### **4. County Engineer**

Supervisor John Caldwell made the motion and Supervisor Jessie Medlin seconded the motion to authorize the County Administrator to advertise for the position of County Engineer. The motion passed by a unanimous vote.

Supervisor Tommy Lewis made the motion and Supervisor Eugene Thach seconded the motion to recess until Thursday, October 25, 2001, at 9:00 a.m. The motion passed by a unanimous vote.

THIS the 22<sup>ND</sup>. day of October 2001, these minutes have been read and approved by the DeSoto County Board of Supervisors.

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Tommy Lewis, President  
DeSoto County Board of Supervisors