

MINUTES

March 3, 2025
Bay Springs, MS

Present were Eddie Helms, Sandy Stephens, Doug Rogers, Randy Corley, Jon R. Jones, William R. Ruffin, Sharon King, Jessica Lamar, Cindy Hendry, Sheriff Randy Johnson, Randy Plowden, Daniel Russum, Donald Brown, Ronnie and Ann Musgrove, Kevin Tally, Jimmie Moore, Kevin Wolfe, Tony Stewart, Haskins Montgomery, and Carol Evans

10:00 – Ann and Ronnie Musgrove

10:05 – Kim McKinnon Laurel Leader Call

11:30 – Rodney Sims

11:45 – Katrice Campbell (End of Meeting)

- 1.** Motion made by Sandy Stephens, seconded by Jon R. Jones, the board voted unanimously to acknowledge receipt of Jasper County Jail Meal Logs for February 2025.
- 2.** Motion made by Jon R. Jones, seconded by Doug Rogers, the board voted unanimously to approve claims as of March 3, 2025.
- 3.** Motion made by Eddie Helms, seconded by Randy Corley, the board voted unanimously to approve minutes for February 2025.
- 4.** Motion made by Doug Rogers, seconded by Sandy Stephens, the board voted unanimously to acknowledge receipt of land redemption collection report for January 2025 as provided by the Chancery Clerk, Sharon King.
- 5.** Motion made by Eddie Helms, seconded by Randy Corley, the board voted unanimously to acknowledge receipt of Annual Financial Report for Billy Rayner, Circuit Clerk, for Calendar year 2024.

- 6.** Motion made by Randy Corley, seconded by Jon R. Jones, the board voted unanimously to acknowledge receipt of Election Commissioners Certification of Training for 2025 for Samantha Parker and Vernell Lofton.
- 7.** Motion made by Jon R. Jones, seconded by Doug Rogers, the board voted unanimously to approve tax assessment changes (reductions and increases) for tax year 2024 per exhibits provided by Katrice Campbell, Tax Assessor.
- 8.** Motion made by Jon R. Jones, seconded by Sandy Stephens, the board voted unanimously to approve 16th section lease agreement with Kelce Gaddy for East Jasper School District.
- 9.** Motion made by Doug Rogers, seconded by Randy Corley, the board voted unanimously to approve re-advertising for bids to Stripe and add reflectors on Edmund King Road.
- 10.** Motion made by Doug Rogers, seconded by Randy Corley, the board voted unanimously to approve advertising county resources in the amount of \$500.00 with the Southern Cruisers Car Club during the annual Bay Fest Car Show.
- 11.** Motion made by Randy Corley, seconded by Jon R. Jones, the board voted unanimously to approve payment in the amount of \$16,870.69 made payable to MASIT for the following claims; \$4,506.50, Claim No. 19F39K215747, Raffell Franklin, \$9,962.79, Claim No. 22F39K545555, James Beech, \$2,284.40, Claim No. 22F39M087065, Justin Sellers, and \$117.00, Claim No. 22F39K864487, Sprintcom LLC.
- 12.** Motion made by Eddie Helms, seconded by Randy Corley, the board voted unanimously to approve payment in the amount of \$297,774.00 made payable to Chris Albritton Construction for Project no. JSCBS-103-24, County Wide Paving, to be paid out of SB2468 funds for Beat 1.
- 13.** Motion made by Eddie Helms, seconded by Randy Corley, the board voted unanimously to approve payment in the amount of \$22,699.71 made payable to Chas. N. Clark Associates for Project no. JSCBS-103-24, County Wide Paving, to be paid out of SB2468 funds for Beat 1.

- 14.** Motion made by Jon R. Jones, seconded by Sandy Stephens, the board voted unanimously to approve payment in the amount of \$238,199.83 made payable to MAGCO Construction for Project no. ERBR-31(01), SA31-0125 and 129, CR 8, to be paid out of ERBR funds.
- 15.** Motion made by Jon R. Jones, seconded by Sandy Stephens, the board voted unanimously to approve payment in the amount of \$94,244.66 made payable to Chas. N. Clark Associates for Project no. ERBR-31(01), SA31-0125 and 129, CR 8, to be paid out of ERBR funds.
- 16.** NO ACTION- Approve payment in the amount of \$60,217.14 made payable to Pinebelt Construction and Roofing, LLC for Project no. JSCBS-301-22, Beaver Meadow VFD, to be paid out of general county funds and reimbursed when CDBG funds are received
- 17.** Motion made by Sandy Stephens, seconded by Jon R. Jones, the board voted unanimously to approve payment in the amount of \$150.00 made payable to Quashaine Morgan for lawn maintenance at the Tioch building in Beat 2 each time maintenance is performed until further notice and to no longer pay Howard Lofton for the same.
- 18.** Motion made by Randy Corley, seconded by Sandy Stephens, the board voted unanimously to approve extension of Summit Foods contract for the Jasper County Jail for a period of one year, expiring in April 2026.
- 19.** Motion made by Randy Corley, seconded by Sandy Stephens, the board voted unanimously to approve renewal of MAS Insurance Trust in the amount of \$384,231.99 annually through March 31, 2026.
- 20.** Motion made by Doug Rogers, seconded by Jon R. Jones, the board voted unanimously to go into closed session to discuss whether or not there is a need to go into executive session.
- 21.** Motion made by Doug Rogers, seconded by Jon R. Jones, the board voted unanimously to go into executive session to discuss issues with a current contractor.

22. Motion made by Doug Rogers, seconded by Jon R. Jones, the board voted unanimously to close executive session with no action.
23. Motion made by Doug Rogers, seconded by Sandy Stephens, the board voted unanimously to approve travel expenses for Larry Dykes, Linda Graham, and Laura Parker to attend the ECAM certification training to be held in Jackson on March 12, 2025
24. Motion made by Jon R. Jones, seconded by Sandy Stephens, the board voted unanimously to approve Resolution to declare County Road 14 as a Memorial Road for George Stephenson, Johnny Jones, Willie Jones, Timothy Jones, and Adam Sims.
25. Motion made by Doug Rogers, seconded by Randy Corley, the board voted unanimously to recess to the next called meeting to be held on March 17, 2025 at 9:00 am in Bay Springs, MS.

****The Jasper County Board of Supervisors has been presented with a need for the creation of a new road off of CR 528-6 in Beat 1. President Doug Rogers nominated himself as well as Jon R. Jones to serve on a road committee, and all agreed. A petition will be provided to the committee and they will investigate to determine the feasibility of creation, if there is in fact a need, and whether or not there are enough free-holders to make the creation of a new road lawful.**

DISCUSSION:

- **Monies in Fund 029- American Rescue Plan Act- What to do with it? \$140,018.84 is Tribal money, \$72,375.00 is interest earned from ARPA--- Talk again about it at the next board meeting**
- **Beaver Meadow VFD- Claim against payment bond for Pinebelt Construction and Roofing- Trane**
- **Beaver Meadow VFD- Power from Southern Pine?**
- **Letter received from Tanya Morgan- Demand for written explanation of why trash service was cancelled – Ricky to send her a letter**