

MINUTES

October 20, 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, Randy Plowden, Sheriff Randy Johnson, Hudson Jenkins, Donald Brown, Haskins Montgomery, Eric Jordan, and Austin Bynum

9:00 – Eric Jordan- Jasper General Budget for 2025-2026 Item #18

9:05 – Timothy Rowell 601-319-0810- No show

10:00 – Open bids Equipment for sale Beat 2-

NO BIDS WERE RECEIVED

10:30 – Austin Bynum- Affordable Employee Benefits

- 1.** Motion made by Jon R. Jones, seconded by Randy Corley, the board voted unanimously to approve claims as of October 20, 2025.
- 2.** Motion made by Eddie Helms, seconded by Doug Rogers, the board voted unanimously to approve payrolls for October 2025.
- 3.** Motion made by Eddie Helms, seconded by Randy Corley, the board voted unanimously to approve amended budget for FY 2024-2025.
- 4.** Motion made by Sandy Stephens, seconded by Jon R. Jones, the board voted unanimously to approve inventory changes per exhibit provided by Cindy Hendry, Inventory Control Clerk.
- 5.** Motion made by Doug Rogers, seconded by Randy Corley, the board voted unanimously to acknowledge receipt of distribution of cash report for Justice Court as of September 30, 2025 for the First and Second District of Jasper County.

- 6.** Motion made by Doug Rogers, seconded by Randy Corley, the board voted unanimously to acknowledge receipt of donation received from Leaf River Energy in the amount of \$5,000.00 for the Jasper County Emergency Management Department.
- 7.** Motion made by Randy Corley, seconded by Jon R. Jones, the board voted unanimously to acknowledge receipt of “Drug Dog” received from Global K9 Solutions for the Jasper County Sheriff’s Department.
- 8.** Motion made by Randy Corley, seconded by Sandy Stephens, the board voted unanimously to adopt Junior Firefighter Program By-Laws to allow full coverage VFIS insurance for the fire departments and to make this the official county template.
- 9.** Motion made by Doug Rogers, seconded by Randy Corley, the board voted unanimously to approve travel and expenses for Douglas Kelley to attend the Fire and Emergency Services Instructor class to be held at a later date in 2026 at Mississippi State and payment in the amount of \$250.00 for registration to be paid by Chancery credit card.
- 10.** Motion made by Jon R. Jones, seconded by Eddie Helms, the board voted unanimously to approve travel and expenses for Katrina Krider and Jessica Kelley to attend the Legal Concepts in 911 class in Brandon, MS to be held on November 13, 2025 and payment in the amount of \$150.00 each for registration.
- 11.** Motion made by Sandy Stephens, seconded by Jon R. Jones, the board voted unanimously to approve 16th section residential lease agreements with East Jasper School District and Keyauna Dixon and Cora Cooley, Willie G. Holder, and Gretta Jones Scott.
- 12.** Motion made by Doug Rogers, seconded by Randy Corley, the board voted unanimously to approve quote in the amount of \$4,990.00 received from HiComp for the IBM Maintenance agreement for the Delta software.
- 13.** Motion made by Doug Rogers, seconded by Eddie Helms, the board voted unanimously to approve quote received from B & E Communications, Inc. in the initial amount of \$73,255.00 and maintenance contract for years 2-5 in the amount of \$25,950.00 for security at the Jasper County Jail as lowest and best.

- 14.** Motion made by Sandy Stephens, seconded by Jon R. Jones, the board voted unanimously to approve contract received from Deanco Auctions to sell two (2) Rhino Batwing Cutters, asset nos. 302743 and 302744, and one (1) Box Blade, asset no. 302402 for Beat 2.
- 15.** Motion made by Doug Rogers, seconded by Randy Corley, the board voted unanimously to approve Waste Tire Grant application offered from the Mississippi Department of Environment Quality.
- 16.** Motion made by Jon R. Jones, seconded by Doug Rogers, the board voted unanimously to approve payment in the amount of \$3,950.00 plus any applicable expenses made payable to Comsouth for the purchase of two (2) Refurbished Motorola APX4000 Radios for Bay Springs Volunteer Fire Department to be paid out of HB603 funds.
- 17.** Motion made by Doug Rogers, seconded by Randy Corley, the board voted unanimously to approve payment in the amount of \$27.75 made payable to Kale Farms to reimburse the amount of overbid on voided tax sale, 2023-3, PPIN 15801.
- 18.** Motion made by Doug Rogers, seconded by Eddie Helms, the board voted unanimously to acknowledge receipt of the Jasper General Hospital Budget for Fiscal Year 2026.
- 19.** Motion made by Randy Corley, seconded by Jon R. Jones, the board voted unanimously to approve employment of Ken Jones as part-time deputy at a rate of \$18.40 per hour effective October 20, 2025 and Roy Lee Jordan as full-time school resource officer for Stringer High School at a rate of \$23.03 per hour effective October 27, 2025 for the Jasper County Sheriff's department, part-time employment of Andrew Lamar Craft as truck driver at a rate of \$16.50 per hour effective Monday October 27, 2025 for Beat 2 and termination of Laffette Shelby for Beat 5 as of Thursday, October 23, 2025.
- 20.** Motion made by Eddie Helms, seconded by Jon R. Jones, the board voted unanimously to approve a pay raise for Stanley Phillips and Ferlin Williams at a rate of \$2.00 per hour effective today, October 20, 2025 for Beat 1.

- 21.** Motion made by Sandy Stephens, seconded by Jon R. Jones, the board voted unanimously to approve going into closed session to discuss whether or not there is a need to go into executive session to discuss property in the industrial park.
- 22.** Motion made by Sandy Stephens, seconded by Doug Rogers, the board voted unanimously to go into executive session to discuss property in the industrial park.
- 23.** Motion made by Sandy Stephens, seconded by Doug Rogers, the board voted unanimously to close executive session with no action.
- 24.** Motion made by Doug Rogers, seconded Randy Corley, the board voted unanimously to adjourn.

DISCUSSION:

- **MS Veteran's Association will soon require notarized signature and proof of veteran's officer working at least 1000 hours per year- plan to attend the Mid-Winter conference in February**
- **Tax Assessor Certification status update**
- **Elisa Rayner- Timesheet signed by Doug Rogers due to Government Shutdown**
- **Do you want to continue to intercept MS State Income taxes for Solid Waste accounts?- Unsure at this time**