

**Minutes of
Clay County Board of Supervisors
MONDAY, July 28, 2025, AT 9:00 A.M.**

BE IT REMEMBERED a Regular Meeting of the Clay County Board of Supervisors was held at the Clay County Courthouse in West Point, Mississippi, on Monday, July 28, 2025.

PRESENT:

Lynn D. Horton, District 1, presiding
Daryl Thomas, Supervisor District 2
Joe Chandler, Supervisor District 5

Eddie Scott, Clay County Sheriff
LaFrance H. Boyd, Clay County Chancery Clerk
Angela Turner Ford, Board Attorney

The meeting was called to order by Sheriff Scott.

The Welcome was provided by Supervisor Horton.

The Prayer was given by Supervisor Chandler.

ADOPTION OF AGENDA:

Motion: Supervisor Chandler
Second: Supervisor Thomas

Motion carried as follows:

Supervisor Horton	AYE
Supervisor Thomas	AYE
Supervisor Davis	ABSENT
Supervisor Raines	ABSENT
Supervisor Chandler	AYE

AMENDMENT OF AGENDA:

Motion: Supervisor Chandler
Second: Supervisor Thomas

Motion carried as follows:

Supervisor Horton	AYE
Supervisor Thomas	AYE
Supervisor Davis	ABSENT
Supervisor Raines	ABSENT
Supervisor Chandler	AYE

Amendments were announced by Supervisor Chandler and Sheriff Scott.

Motion: Supervisor Chandler
Second: Supervisor Raines

Motion carried as follows:

Supervisor Horton	AYE
Supervisor Thomas	AYE
Supervisor Davis	AYE
Supervisor Raines	AYE
Supervisor Chandler	AYE

JONATHAN JOHNSEY, U.S. ARMY COPS OF ENGINEERS - APPEARED BEFORE THE BOARD - NO ACTION TAKEN

GARY TURNER, BLACK PRAIRIE BLUES MUSEUM - APPEARED BEFORE THE BOARD - NO ACTION TAKEN

PHYLLIS BENSON, GOLDEN TRIANGLE PLANNING & DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT - AUTHORIZE AND APPROVE THE ADMINISTRATION CONTRACT FOR THE ADA COURTHOUSE IMPROVEMENTS PROJECT UNDER THE COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT (CDBG)

Motion: Supervisor Chandler
Second: Supervisor Thomas

Motion carried as follows:

Supervisor Horton	AYE
Supervisor Thomas	AYE
Supervisor Davis	ABSENT
Supervisor Raines	ABSENT
Supervisor Chandler	AYE

AUTHORIZE AND APPROVE THE ADMINISTRATION CONTRACT FOR THE W. TVA ROAD PROJECT UNDER THE APPALACHIAN REGIONAL COMMISSION GRANT (ARC) (NEEL SCHAFFER TO COMPLETE PLANS AND SPECIFICATIONS)

Motion: Supervisor Chandler
Second: Supervisor Thomas

Motion carried as follows:

Supervisor Horton	AYE
Supervisor Thomas	AYE
Supervisor Davis	ABSENT
Supervisor Raines	ABSENT
Supervisor Chandler	AYE

DEMETRIA SYKES-COBB, JUSTICE COURT CLERK - AUTHORIZE AND APPROVE THE JUSTICE COURT CIVIL ASSESSMENT RATE INCREASE, EFFECTIVE SEPTEMBER 1, 2025 AS ALLOWED BY STATUTE

Motion: Supervisor Chandler
Second: Supervisor Thomas

Motion carried as follows:

Supervisor Horton	AYE
Supervisor Thomas	AYE
Supervisor Davis	ABSENT
Supervisor Raines	ABSENT

Supervisor Chandler

AYE

AUTHORIZE AND APPROVE THE JUSTICE COURT FINES RATE INCREASE - FINAL LIST TO BE PROVIDED

Motion: Supervisor Thomas
Second: Supervisor Chandler

Motion carried as follows:

Supervisor Horton	AYE
Supervisor Thomas	AYE
Supervisor Davis	ABSENT
Supervisor Raines	ABSENT
Supervisor Chandler	AYE

AUTHORIZE AND APPROVE SUBMISSION OF APPLICATION FOR GRANT FUNDS AVAILABLE TO LOCAL GOVERNMENTAL ENTITIES FOR STORAGE OF RECORDS AS PRESENTED BY CIRCUIT CLERK HOOD

Motion: Supervisor Thomas
Second: Supervisor Chandler

Motion carried as follows:

Supervisor Horton	AYE
Supervisor Thomas	AYE
Supervisor Davis	ABSENT
Supervisor Raines	ABSENT
Supervisor Chandler	AYE

AUTHORIZE TO SPREAD ON THE MINUTES A CIRCUIT COURT ORDER SETTING GLORIA N. CLARK, OFFICIAL COURT REPORTER'S SALARY IN THE AMOUNT OF \$76,800.00

Motion: Supervisor Chandler
Second: Supervisor Thomas

Motion carried as follows:

Supervisor Horton	AYE
Supervisor Thomas	AYE
Supervisor Davis	ABSENT
Supervisor Raines	ABSENT
Supervisor Chandler	AYE

AUTHORIZE AND APPROVE DEBT SERVICE PAYMENTS IN THE AMOUNT OF \$76,145.00 AND \$424,858.25 PAYABLE TO REGIONS BANK

Motion: Supervisor Chandler
Second: Supervisor Thomas

Motion carried as follows:

Supervisor Horton	AYE
Supervisor Thomas	AYE
Supervisor Davis	ABSENT
Supervisor Raines	ABSENT
Supervisor Chandler	AYE

AUTHORIZE AND APPROVE SHERMAN IVY, CONSTABLE, TO ATTEND THE MS CONSTABLES ASSOCIATION BOARD MEETING ON JULY 28, 2025 IN PEARL, MS

Motion: Supervisor Chandler
Second: Supervisor Thomas

Motion carried as follows:

Supervisor Horton	AYE
Supervisor Thomas	AYE
Supervisor Davis	ABSENT
Supervisor Raines	ABSENT
Supervisor Chandler	AYE

AUTHORIZE AND APPROVE TO PAY COOK & SON, LLC IN THE AMOUNT OF \$94,188.32 AND NEEL SCHAFFER ENGINEERS, INC. IN THE AMOUNT OF \$15,000.00 RELATED TO THE BARTON FERRY BRIDGE PROJECT – ERBR-SAP-13(39)

Motion: Supervisor Chandler
Second: Supervisor Thomas

Motion carried as follows:

Supervisor Horton	AYE
Supervisor Thomas	AYE
Supervisor Davis	ABSENT
Supervisor Raines	ABSENT
Supervisor Chandler	AYE

AUTHORIZE AND APPROVE TO PAY NEEL SCHAFFER ENGINEERS, INC. IN THE AMOUNT OF \$25,000.00 RELATED TO THE LAKE GROVE AND RANDLE ROAD PROJECT

Motion: Supervisor Chandler
Second: Supervisor Thomas

Motion carried as follows:

Supervisor Horton	AYE
Supervisor Thomas	AYE
Supervisor Davis	ABSENT
Supervisor Raines	ABSENT
Supervisor Chandler	AYE

AUTHORIZE AND APPROVE TO TRANSFER FUNDS FROM THE DEBT SERVICE CLEARING FUND TO EACH RESPECTIVE DISTRICT TOTALING \$418,383.28

Motion: Supervisor Chandler
Second: Supervisor Thomas

Motion carried as follows:

Supervisor Horton	AYE
Supervisor Thomas	AYE
Supervisor Davis	ABSENT
Supervisor Raines	ABSENT
Supervisor Chandler	AYE

Estimated Amounts to be Allocated According to District Road Miles

\$ 47,695.00	District 1
\$ 71,543.00	District 2
\$ 100,411.00	District 3
\$ 89,115.00	District 4
\$ 109,616.00	District 5

AUTHORIZE AND APPROVE TO REIMBURSE CAROLYN COOK IN THE AMOUNT OF \$110.00 FOR TIRE DAMAGE INCURRED ON BRAND-UNA ROAD IN DISTRICT 4

Motion: Supervisor Chandler
Second: Supervisor Thomas

Motion carried as follows:

Supervisor Horton	AYE
Supervisor Thomas	AYE
Supervisor Davis	ABSENT
Supervisor Raines	ABSENT
Supervisor Chandler	AYE

AUTHORIZE AND APPROVE TO DECLARE A 2004 GMC TRUCK, ASSET #D3093, AS SURPLUS PROPERTY AND THE NECESSARY DISPOSITION OF THE SAID SURPLUS PROPERTY

Motion: Supervisor Thomas
Second: Supervisor Chandler

Motion carried as follows:

Supervisor Horton	AYE
Supervisor Thomas	AYE
Supervisor Davis	ABSENT
Supervisor Raines	ABSENT
Supervisor Chandler	AYE

AUTHORIZE AND APPROVE TO PAY INVOICE OF SCALES LABORATORY IN THE AMOUNT OF \$8,250.00 FOR DNA EVIDENCE AND OTHER TESTING ADMINISTERED TO PROSECUTE CASES

Motion: Supervisor Thomas
Second: Supervisor Chandler

Motion carried as follows:

Supervisor Horton	AYE
Supervisor Thomas	AYE
Supervisor Davis	ABSENT
Supervisor Raines	ABSENT
Supervisor Chandler	AYE

QUOTES SUBMITTED TO PAVING OF PARKING LOT AT THE DHS OFFICE (MOTION TO TABLE TO ACQUIRE ADDITIONAL QUOTES)

Motion: Supervisor Thomas
Second: Supervisor Chandler

Motion carried as follows:

Supervisor Horton	AYE
Supervisor Thomas	AYE
Supervisor Davis	ABSENT
Supervisor Raines	ABSENT
Supervisor Chandler	AYE

Quotes Submitted

1. Silverleaf Construction - \$ 8,000.00
2. WKMG Concrete - \$ 18,919.00

AUTHORIZE AND APPROVE AGREEMENT SUBMITTED FOR PERSONNEL OF MBN AND USE OF EQUIPMENT

Motion: Supervisor Chandler
Second: Supervisor Thomas

Motion carried as follows:

Supervisor Horton	AYE
Supervisor Thomas	AYE
Supervisor Davis	ABSENT
Supervisor Raines	ABSENT
Supervisor Chandler	AYE

AUTHORIZE AND APPROVE TRAVEL REQUEST TO DENVER, COLORADO TO ATTEND AMERICAN CORRECTIONAL ASSOCIATION CONFERENCE (FRANK RANDLE, PATTY STANGE AND SHERIFF SCOTT TO TRAVEL; AUGUST 21 THROUGH AUGUST 26, 2025)

Motion: Supervisor Chandler
Second: Supervisor Thomas

Motion carried as follows:

Supervisor Horton	AYE
Supervisor Thomas	AYE
Supervisor Davis	ABSENT
Supervisor Raines	ABSENT
Supervisor Chandler	AYE

AUTHORIZE AND APPROVE TRAVEL REQUEST OF SUPERVISORS, BOARD ATTORNEY AND SHERIFF TO ATTEND RISK MANAGEMENT CONFERENCE AUGUST 12 THROUGH AUGUST 13, 2025 IN RIDGELAND, MISSISSIPPI

Motion: Supervisor Chandler
Second: Supervisor Thomas

Motion carried as follows:

Supervisor Horton	AYE
Supervisor Thomas	AYE
Supervisor Davis	ABSENT
Supervisor Raines	ABSENT
Supervisor Chandler	AYE

AUTHORIZE AND APPROVE DATA SYSTEMS SOFTWARE AGREEMENT FOR TAX OFFICE, FINANCIAL MATTERS, JUSTICE COURT SOFTWARE AND OFF-SITE BACKUP OF RS400 FOR THE AMOUNT OF \$3,353.00, AN ADDITIONAL \$200.00 PER MONTH

Motion: Supervisor Chandler
Second: Supervisor Thomas

Motion carried as follows:

Supervisor Horton	AYE
Supervisor Thomas	AYE
Supervisor Davis	ABSENT
Supervisor Raines	ABSENT
Supervisor Chandler	AYE

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Motion: Supervisor Chandler
Second: Supervisor Thomas

Motion carried as follows:

Supervisor Horton	AYE
Supervisor Thomas	AYE
Supervisor Davis	ABSENT
Supervisor Raines	ABSENT
Supervisor Chandler	AYE

RETURN TO OPEN MEETING

Motion: Supervisor Chandler
Second: Supervisor Thomas

Motion carried as follows:

Supervisor Horton	AYE
Supervisor Thomas	AYE
Supervisor Davis	ABSENT
Supervisor Raines	ABSENT
Supervisor Chandler	AYE

CLOSED SESSION TO DETERMINE THE NEED FOR EXECUTIVE SESSION

Motion: Supervisor Chandler
Second: Supervisor Thomas

Motion carried as follows:

Supervisor Horton	AYE
Supervisor Thomas	AYE
Supervisor Davis	ABSENT
Supervisor Raines	ABSENT
Supervisor Chandler	AYE

REQUEST TO GO INTO EXECUTIVE SESSION TO DISCUSS A PERSONNEL MATTER,
AS AUTHORIZED UNDER SECTION 25-41-7, OF THE MISSISSIPPI CODE OF 1972

Motion: Supervisor Chandler
Second: Supervisor Thomas

Motion carried as follows:

Supervisor Horton	AYE
Supervisor Thomas	AYE
Supervisor Davis	ABSENT
Supervisor Raines	ABSENT
Supervisor Chandler	AYE

RETURN TO OPEN MEETING

Motion: Supervisor Chandler
Second: Supervisor Thomas

Motion carried as follows:

Supervisor Horton	AYE
Supervisor Thomas	AYE
Supervisor Davis	ABSENT
Supervisor Raines	ABSENT
Supervisor Chandler	AYE

AUTHORITY TO RE-ADVERTISE FOR SUBMISSION OF BIDS FOR REPAIR TO ROOF
AT THE JAIL AS NO BIDS WERE SUBMITTED FOLLOWING INITIAL PUBLICATION

Motion: Supervisor Thomas
Second: Supervisor Chandler

Motion carried as follows:

Supervisor Horton	AYE
Supervisor Thomas	AYE
Supervisor Davis	ABSENT
Supervisor Raines	ABSENT
Supervisor Chandler	AYE

REVIEW OF PERSONNEL POLICIES FOR CONSISTENCY AND REVISION -
ASSESSMENT TO BE PERFORMED BY TREVA HODGE WITH RECOMMENDED
REVISIONS

Motion: Supervisor Thomas
Second: Supervisor Chandler

Motion carried as follows:

Supervisor Horton	AYE
Supervisor Thomas	AYE
Supervisor Davis	ABSENT
Supervisor Raines	ABSENT
Supervisor Chandler	AYE

ADJOURN UNTIL MONDAY, AUGUST 4, 2025 AT 9:00 A.M. AT THE CLAY COUNTY
COURTHOUSE

Motion: Supervisor Thomas
Second: Supervisor Chandler

Motion carried as follows:

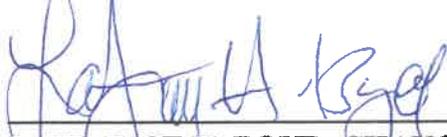
Supervisor Horton	AYE
Supervisor Thomas	AYE
Supervisor Davis	ABSENT
Supervisor Raines	ABSENT
Supervisor Chandler	AYE

Dated this the 28th day of July, 2025.



LYNN D. HORTON, PRESIDENT
CLAY COUNTY BOARD OF
SUPERVISORS

ATTEST:



**LAFRANCE H. BOYD, CHANCERY CLERK
AND CLERK OF THE CLAY COUNTY
BOARD OF SUPERVISORS**

