

Monday, June 16, 2008, the Board met pursuant to recess. Notice of the meeting was duly posted (Ex. B1), and the agenda for the meeting is attached as Exhibit B2. The following were present:

Honorable Richard George, President (5<sup>th</sup> District)  
Charles Selmon, Vice President (3<sup>rd</sup> District)  
David L. McDonald (1<sup>st</sup> District)  
William Banks (2<sup>nd</sup> District)  
William Lauderdale (4<sup>th</sup> District)  
Martin Pace, Sheriff, and Deputy  
Dot McGee, Chancery Clerk, and Deputy

The President Richard George called the meeting to order at 9:00 a.m., and Supervisor David McDonald offered the invocation.

Jim Agent, Deputy Tax Assessor

Preliminary Order Approving the Amended  
Application of Simpson Dura-Vent Company  
For Exemption From Ad valorem Taxation Upon  
Additions To And Expansions of The Manufacturing  
Plant That Operates in Warren County, Mississippi  
Which Additions and Expansions Were Completed  
December 31, 2006

Mr. Agent presented the application of Simpson Dura-Vent Company for exemption from ad valorem taxation upon additions to and expansions of its manufacturing and processing plant located in Warren County, Mississippi, which additions and expansions were completed on December 31, 2006. Mr. A. J. "Buddy" Dees, attorney for Simpson Dura-Vent, presented additional information and answered questions. Following discussion of the matter, motion was made by Supervisor Charles Selmon, seconded by Supervisor William Banks and carried, to adopt an Order granting a total exemption on personal property in the amount of \$788,347.00 to Simpson Dura-Vent Company for two (2) years, being tax years 2008 and 2009, since taxes were paid on said additions for the year 2007. Supervisors Selmon, Banks and McDonald voted "Yea" and Supervisors Lauderdale and George voted "Nay." (Ex. B3).

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Which Additions and Expansions Were Completed  
December 31, 2007

Mr. Agent presented the application of Simpson Dura-Vent Company for exemption from ad valorem taxation upon additions to and expansions of its manufacturing and processing plant located in Warren County, Mississippi, which additions and expansions were completed on December 31, 2007. Following discussion of the matter, motion was made by Supervisor Charles Selmon, seconded by Supervisor William Banks and carried, to adopt an Order granting Simpson Dura-Vent Company an exemption on personal property

totaling \$2,324,417.00 for the tax years 2008 and 2009. Supervisors Selmon, Banks and McDonald voted "Yea" and Supervisors Lauderdale and George voted "Nay." (Ex. B4).

Resolution Granting Cappaert Manufactured Housing, Inc. Exemption From Ad Valorem Taxes for a Period of 10 Years as Authorized by Section 27-31-105, et seq., of The Mississippi Code of 1972, As Amended

Mr. Agent presented the application of Cappaert Manufactured Housing, Inc. for exemption from ad valorem taxes for a period of ten years, as authorized by Section 27-31-105, et seq. of the Mississippi Code of 1972, as amended. Mr. Brent Cappaert of Cappaert Manufactured Housing, Inc. was present to answer questions. Following discussion, motion was made by Supervisor William Lauderdale, seconded by Supervisor David McDonald and carried unanimously, to adopt a Resolution granting Cappaert Manufactured Housing, Inc. a tax exemption on personal property in the amount of \$91,485.00 for a period of ten (10) years, as authorized by Section 27-31-101, et seq., Mississippi Code of 1972, as amended. (Ex. B5).

The Board also considered Cappaert Manufactured Housing, Inc.'s application for exemption on raw materials/work in progress in the amount of \$1,753,308.00. Supervisor Charles Selmon made a motion to take the matter under advisement pending the creation of a policy relative to the matter. Motion dies for lack of second. Supervisor William Lauderdale then made a motion, seconded by Supervisor David McDonald and carried, to deny the application of Cappaert Manufactured Housing, Inc. for an exemption on raw materials. Supervisors Lauderdale, McDonald, Banks and George voted "Yea" and Supervisor Selmon voted "Nay."

Resolution Granting Cappaert Manufactured Housing, Inc. Exemption From Ad Valorem Taxes for a Period of 9 Years as Authorized by Section 27-31-105, et seq., of The Mississippi Code of 1972, As Amended

Mr. Agent presented the application of Cappaert Manufactured Housing, Inc. for exemption from ad valorem taxes for a period of ten years, as authorized by Section 27-31-105, et seq. of the Mississippi Code of 1972, as amended. Following discussion, motion was made by Supervisor David McDonald, seconded by Supervisor William Banks and carried unanimously, to adopt a Resolution granting Cappaert Manufactured Housing, Inc. a tax exemption in the amount of \$227,207.00 on personal property for a period of nine (9) years, as authorized by Section 27-31-101, et seq., Mississippi Code of 1972, as amended. (Ex. B6).

Preliminary Order Granting Cooper Lighting, Inc., an Exemption from Ad valorem Taxation Upon Additions To and Expansions of Its Manufacturing Plant Located in Vicksburg, Warren County, Mississippi, Which Additions and Expansions Were Completed Prior to December 31, 2007

Mr. Agent presented the application of Cooper Lighting, Inc. for an exemption from ad valorem taxation upon additions to and expansions of its manufacturing plant located in Vicksburg, Warren County, Mississippi, which additions and expansions were completed prior to December 31, 2007. Mr. Landman Teller, Jr., attorney for Cooper Lighting, Inc., was present to answer questions. Following discussion, motion was made by Supervisor William Lauderdale, seconded by Supervisor William Banks and carried unanimously, to adopt an Order granting Cooper Lighting, Inc., an exemption in the amount of \$1,777,872.00 on personal property for a period of ten (10) years, commencing with the tax year 2008. (Ex. B7).

Order Approving Application of Falco Chemical, Inc. for Exemption from Ad valorem Taxation Upon Its Manufacturing Plant Located in Vicksburg, Warren County, Mississippi

Mr. Agent presented the application of Falco Chemical, Inc. for exemption from ad valorem taxation upon its manufacturing plant located in Vicksburg, Warren County, Mississippi. Mr. William Shappley, attorney for Falco, and Brian Lambiotte were present to answer questions. Following discussion, motion was made by Supervisor David McDonald, seconded by Supervisor William Lauderdale and carried unanimously, to adopt an Order approving an exemption in the amount of \$272,118.00 on personal property for a period of ten (10) years from and after December 31, 2007, commencing with the tax year 2008. (Ex. B8).

Order Approving Application of Polyvulc USA, Inc. for Exemption from Ad valorem Taxation Upon Its Manufacturing Plant Located in Vicksburg, Warren County, Mississippi

Mr. Agent presented the application of Polyvulc USA, Inc. for exemption from ad valorem taxation upon its manufacturing plant located in Vicksburg, Warren County, Mississippi. Mr. William Shappley, attorney for Polyvulc USA, Inc., and Brian Lambiotte were present to answer questions. Following discussion, motion was made by Supervisor William Banks, seconded by Supervisor Charles Selmon and carried unanimously, to adopt an Order approving an exemption in the amount of \$245,431.80 on personal property for a period of ten (10) years from and after December 31, 2007, commencing with the tax year 2008. (Ex. B9).

Armstrong World Industries, Inc.  
Free Port Warehouse Application Denied

Mr. Agent presented the application of Armstrong World Industries, Inc. for exemption from ad valorem taxes for five (5) years as authorized by Section 27-31-51, et. seq., Mississippi Code of 1972 as amended, for personal property transferred to a licensed "Freeport Warehouse" for storage in transit to a final destination outside the State of Mississippi. Following discussion, motion was made by William Lauderdale, seconded by Supervisor David McDonald and carried, to deny the request. Supervisors Lauderdale, McDonald, Banks and George voted "Yea" and Supervisor Selmon voted "Nay."

Calsonickansei North America, Inc.  
Tax Exemption Rescinded

Mr. Agent stated that the Calsonic plant closed in March 2007, and pursuant to the provisions of Section 27-31-111, Miss. Code of 1972, as amended, the unexpired tax exemptions totaling \$4,025,000.00 are void on real estate PPINs 27907 and 27908 and personal property PPINs 4673, 4301, 4527 and 4406. Motion was made by Supervisor William Lauderdale, seconded by Supervisor Charles Selmon and carried unanimously, to accept the Deputy Tax Assessor's list for information. (Ex. B10).

Reduction of Assessment to the  
2007 Real Property Assessment Roll

Motion was made by Supervisor William Banks, seconded by Supervisor David McDonald and carried unanimously, to accept the recommendation of the Deputy Tax Assessor to approve reduction of assessment to the 2007 Real Property Assessment Roll in the amount of \$158,601.00, as set out in Exhibit B11.

Increase of Assessment to the  
2007 Real Property Assessment Roll

Motion was made by Supervisor William Lauderdale, seconded by Supervisor David McDonald and carried unanimously, to accept the recommendation of the Deputy Tax Assessor to approve increase of assessment to the 2007 Real Property Assessment Roll in the amount of \$5,390.00, as set out in Exhibit B12.

Reduction of Assessment to the  
2007 Personal Property Assessment Roll

Motion was made by Supervisor David McDonald, seconded by Supervisor William Banks and carried unanimously, to accept the recommendation of the Deputy Tax Assessor to approve increase of assessment to the 2007 Personal Property Assessment Roll in the amount of \$13,348.00, as set out in Exhibit B13.

John McKee, County Engineer

Order to Transfer Additional State Aid  
Funds to Complete Project No. SAP-75(15)M

Motion was made by Supervisor David McDonald, seconded by Supervisor William Banks and carried unanimously, to approve and authorize the President to sign an Order authorizing the transfer of \$10,000.00 from Warren County's State Aid Fund to the Project Fund and earmarked for Project No. SAP-175(15)M. (Ex. B14).

Order to Transfer Additional State Aid  
Funds to Complete Project No. SAP(16)M

Motion was made by Supervisor William Banks, seconded by Supervisor David McDonald and carried unanimously, to approve and authorize the President to sign an Order authorizing the transfer of \$10,000.00 from Warren County's State Aid Fund to the Project Fund and earmarked for Project No. SAP(16)M. (Ex. B15).

Kelly Worthy, Fire Coordinator

Reappointment of Commissioners for  
Volunteer Fire Protection Districts

On behalf of the four (4) fire protection districts, Mr. Worthy recommended reappointment of the following commissioners:

<u>District</u>	<u>Commissioner</u>
Bovina Fire Protection District	Henry Bordelon
Culkin Fire Protection District	Bill Field, Sr.
Eagle Lake Fire Protection Dist.	Winford Earl Wallace
Fisher Ferry Fire Protection Dist.	Bart Schreiner

Motion was made by Supervisor William Lauderdale, seconded by Supervisor William Banks and carried unanimously, to approve the recommendation of Mr. Worthy to reappoint the aforesaid commissioners to serve five (5) year terms.

Appointment to Board of the  
Central Mississippi EMS District

Motion was made by Supervisor William Banks, seconded by Supervisor Charles Selmon and carried unanimously, to approve the request of Mr. Worthy to appoint Deputy Chief Rose Shaifer to the Board of the Central Mississippi EMS District to replace Mr. Michael David who is no longer the EMS Training Officer.

Tonga Vinson, Purchasing Agent

Award of motor Grader  
Bid #04212008

Ms. Vinson stated that at the June 2, 2008 meeting, two bids were received for the purchase of one (1) new model grader with buyback provisions. Ms. Vinson further stated that after review and discussion with the Road Manager, she recommends that the award be made to Puckett

Machinery, the lowest and best bid received, and that the bid of Scott Equipment be rejected as a high bid. Puckett's purchase price is \$191,971.00, with the 48-month buyback of \$122,000.00, the net cost of the grader will be \$69,971.00 and the 60-month buyback of \$105,000.00, the net cost of the grader will be \$86,971.00. Motion was made by Supervisor William Banks, seconded by Supervisor David McDonald and carried unanimously, to approve Ms. Vinson's recommendation. (Ex. B16).

Award of LP-Wheel Loader  
Bid# 04222008 and Authorization  
to Enter LP Contract

On June 2, 2008, two bids were received for the lease-purchase of one (1) new model wheel loader, with buyback provisions. After review and discussion with the Road Manager, Ms. Vinson stated that she recommends that the award be made to Scott Equipment, the lowest and best bidder, and that the bid of Puckett Machinery be rejected as high bid. Scott Equipment's purchase price is \$188,892.00, with the 48-month buyback of \$117,113.00, the net cost of the loader will be \$71,779.00, and with the 60-month buyback of \$107,668.00 the net cost of the loader will be \$81,224.00. Ms. Vinson further stated that both bidders offered lease-purchase financing through BancorpSouth at rates of 3.24% for 48 months and 3.29% for 60 months, and she obtained additional LP financing quotes from Trustmark at 3.89% and Hancock Bank at 3.12% for 48-months term. Ms. Vinson recommended that the Board approve LP financing with Hancock Bank for a 48-month term, at 3.12%, monthly payments of \$1,903.39 and a balloon payment of \$117,113.00. Motion was made by Supervisor William Banks, seconded by Supervisor David McDonald and carried unanimously, to accept the Purchasing Clerk's recommendation to award the bid to Scott Equipment, to reject the bid of Puckett Machinery, and to approve LP financing with Hancock Bank and authorize the Board President to sign all necessary documents. (Ex. B17).

Authorization for RFP  
For In-car RMS Computers

Ms. Vinson presented a request from Jeff Riggs, Undersheriff, for authorization for the purchasing department to be authorized to draft and solicit a RFP for in-car RMS computers. Motion was made by Supervisor William Banks, seconded by Supervisor William Lauderdale and carried unanimously, to approve the aforesaid request.

John Smith, County Administrator

Approve Request of VWCC for  
\$10,000.00 Allocation for  
4<sup>th</sup> of July Celebration

Motion was made by Supervisor William Banks, seconded by Supervisor William Lauderdale and carried unanimously, to authorize a check in the amount of \$10,000.00 to the Vicksburg - Warren Chamber of Commerce for the Independence Day event scheduled for July 4, 2008.

Authorize Travel for Supervisors  
To Attend Congressional Black  
Caucus Political Education and  
Leadership Institute

Motion was made by Supervisor William Banks, seconded by Supervisor David McDonald and carried unanimously, to authorize travel for any supervisors to attend the Congressional Black Caucus Political Education and Leadership Institute to be held in Tunica on August 14 - August 17, 2008, and to authorize the issuance of checks for registration fees, which are due by July 11, 2008.

Approve Check to Vicksburg-  
Warren Humane Society

Motion was made by Supervisor William Banks, seconded by Supervisor David McDonald and carried unanimously, to approve a check in the amount of \$82,144.78 to the Vicksburg Warren Humane Society to pay for construction of the outside kennel addition.

Vicksburg-Tallulah Regional Airport  
Grant Agreement for Construction of  
Parallel Taxiway

Mr. Smith advised the Board reference a Grant Agreement for FAA funds for the construction of parallel taxiway at Vicksburg-Tallulah Regional Airport. Motion was made by Supervisor David McDonald, seconded by Supervisor William Banks and carried unanimously, to approve the Grant Agreement and authorize the Board President to sign the agreement.

Approve Cancellation of Warrant

Motion was made by Supervisor William Lauderdale, seconded by Supervisor William Banks and carried unanimously, to approve cancellation of Warrant No. 42174, dated 05/06/2008, payable to Deep South Spring & Blade, Inc.

Dot McGee, Chancery Clerk

Vicksburg Bridge Commission  
Claims Docket Approved

Motion was made by Supervisor William Banks, seconded by Supervisor William Lauderdale and carried unanimously, to approve the Vicksburg Bridge Commission Claim Docket for the month of May 2008.

Acceptance of Minutes for  
Vicksburg Bridge Commission and  
E-911 Commission

Motion was made by Supervisor William Banks, seconded by Supervisor Charles Selmon and carried unanimously, to accept for information the minutes of the Vicksburg Bridge Commission for May 14, 2008.

Motion was made by Supervisor William Lauderdale, seconded by Supervisor William Banks and carried unanimously, to accept for information the minutes of the E-911 Commission for April 30, 2008.

Authorize President to Sign Active  
Inmate Reimbursement Voucher

Motion was made by Supervisor William Banks, seconded by Supervisor David McDonald and carried unanimously, to authorize the President to sign the Active Inmate Reimbursement Voucher for the month of March 2008 in the amount of \$9,668.63.

Homestead Disallowances

Ms. McGee presented a list of homestead disallowances and requested that the Board approve same. Motion was made by Supervisor William Lauderdale, seconded by Supervisor William Banks and carried unanimously, to approve the homestead tax loss allowances in Exhibit B18.

Ms. McGee also presented an additional list of disallowances and requested that the Board object to these. Motion was made by Supervisor William Banks, seconded by Supervisor William Lauderdale and carried unanimously, to object to the disallowances contained in Exhibit B19.

Approve Lease Agreement Between  
Warren County Port Commission and  
Ergon Industrial and Marine Supply, Inc.

Motion was made by Supervisor William Banks, seconded by Supervisor David McDonald and carried unanimously, to approve and authorize the President to sign the Lease between Warren County, Mississippi, acting by and through the Warren County Port Commission and Ergon Industrial and Marine Supply, Inc. The Lease has been approved by the Port Commission and has been reviewed by the Board Attorney.

Paul Winfield, Board Attorney

FY08 Justice Assistance Grant (JAG)  
Program

Resolution to Enter Into Interlocal  
Agreement With the Mayor and Aldermen  
of the City of Vicksburg for Application  
and Administration of 2008 JAG Grant Funds

Motion was made by Supervisor William Lauderdale, seconded by Supervisor Charles Selmon and carried unanimously, to adopt a Resolution to enter into Interlocal Agreement with the Mayor and Aldermen of the City of Vicksburg for application and administration of 2008 JAG Grant funds. The grant will be for \$18,968.00, which will be divided equally between Warren county and the City of Vicksburg. The grant will be administered by the City of Vicksburg and the funds will be used to purchase interoperable communications equipment. (Ex. B20)



Resolution Authorizing the Preparation  
And Submittal of an Application to  
Receive FY08 Justice Assistance Grant  
(JAG) Program Funds

Motion was made by Supervisor William Banks, seconded by Supervisor Charles Selmon and carried unanimously, to adopt a Resolution authorizing the preparation and submittal of an application to receive FY08 Justice Assistance Grant (JAG) Program funds. (Ex. B21)

Resolution Approving Interlocal Agreement  
For NRoute Public Transportation Commission

Motion was made by Supervisor William Banks, seconded by Supervisor Charles Selmon and carried unanimously, to adopt a Resolution approving an Interlocal Agreement between Warren County and the City of Vicksburg for NRoute Public Transportation Commission. (Ex. B22).

Resolution of the Board of Supervisors of  
Warren County, Mississippi Approving and  
Adopting an Interlocal Cooperation Agreement  
and a Tax Pledge Agreement Between the  
County and the City of Vicksburg, Mississippi  
in Connection With the Issuance by the City,  
on Behalf of Itself and the County, of Tax  
Increment Limited Obligation Bonds in the  
Principal Amount of \$1,000,000, to be Issued  
in Two (2) or More Series to Defray the Costs  
of Improvements Set Forth in the City and County  
TIF Plans (Cypress Centre Marketplace Project).

This matter came on for consideration by the Warren County Board of Supervisors to adopt an a Resolution approving an Interlocal Cooperation Agreement and a Tax Pledge Agreement between the County and the City of Vicksburg, Mississippi in connection with the issuance by the City on behalf of itself and the County of Tax Increment Limited Obligation Bonds in the principal amount of \$1,000,000, to be issued in two (2) or more series to defray the costs of improvements set forth in the City and County TIF Plans for Cypress Centre Marketplace Project. Following discussion of the matter, motion was made by Supervisor David McDonald, seconded by Supervisor William Lauderdale and carried unanimously, to adopt the said Resolution. (Ex. B23).

Bid Opening for LSBP-75(6) Adams Street Bridge Replacement

The hour of 10:00 a.m. having passed, Mr. George stated that the Warren County Board of Supervisors would accept bids for Project LSBP-75(6) for the Adams Street bridge replacement. Mr. Cary Webb, State Aid Engineer, was present. Proof of Publication of notice to contractors is attached as Exhibit B24. The following bids were received:

<u>Bidder</u>	<u>Amount of Bid</u>
Fordice Construction	\$412,518.20
Pace Brothers Enterprises	\$355,520.56
Key, LLC	\$414,434.10
Dozer, LLC	\$386,729.50

Motion was made by Supervisor William Lauderdale, seconded by Supervisor Charles Selmon and carried unanimously, to take these bids under advisement.

#### Executive Session

Motion was made by Supervisor William Lauderdale, seconded by Supervisor Charles Selmon and carried unanimously, to consider going into Executive Session to discuss litigation concerning Kings Point Ferry and Warren Issaquena Land Company.

Motion was made by Supervisor William Lauderdale, seconded by Supervisor David McDonald and carried unanimously, to go into Executive Session to consider the aforesaid matters.

Motion was made by Supervisor David McDonald, seconded by Supervisor Charles Selmon and carried unanimously, to come out of Executive Session.

#### Kings Point Ferry Litigation

By way of explanation, Mr. George stated that the apparent conflict with those who want to cross the Kings Point Ferry at extended hours, is that the normal time for the extended hours to begin has passed. For a good while, the County was affected by the level of the Mississippi River; that has taken care of itself. An integral part of the situation is the Ferry itself and the pilots. The county has three (3) certified pilots to operate the Ferry, and they must be on duty and all three of them available for a 15 ½ hour operation. One of the pilots has become physically unable to perform his duties, for medical reasons. The county has no control over this. The situation, however, is not considered to be long term, but a temporary situation. It has placed the county in the position of having only two (2) certified pilots to operate the Ferry. That is the only reason that the Ferry is still operating at 12 hours. When the third pilot's recovery is complete, the County will honor the extended 15 ½ hours of operation. It is the county's responsibility to honor the extended hours, and it is the Board's intention to do so, when it is physically possible to do so.

Mr. Winfield stated that a Proposal Letter has been sent to the individuals of Kings Point Island concerning the time adjustment and he requested that it be accepted for information. Motion was made by Supervisor William Banks, seconded by Supervisor Charles Selmon and carried unanimously, to accept the letter for information.

Motion was made by Supervisor William Banks, seconded by Supervisor Charles Selmon and carried unanimously, to include Mr. George's statement in reference to Kings Point Ferry in the minutes.

No action was taken on the Warren Issaquena Land Company matter.

Award of Contract for Project LSBP-75(6) Adams Street  
Bridge Replacement

Motion was made by Supervisor William Banks, seconded by Supervisor David McDonald and carried unanimously, to adopt an Order awarding the contract for Project LSBP-75(6) to Pace Brothers Enterprises, the lowest and best bidder, and reject the bids of Fordice Construction, Key, LLC, Dozer, LLC, as high bids, and authorize the Board President to sign all necessary documents. (Ex. B25).

Adjournment

Motion was made by Supervisor David McDonald, seconded by Supervisor William Lauderdale and carried unanimously, to adjourn until Monday, July 7, 2008, at 9:00 a.m.

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Richard George, President