

Monday, June 15, 2020, the Board met pursuant to recess. Notice of the meeting was duly posted, as evidenced by Exhibit 1, and the agenda for the meeting is attached as Exhibit 2. The following were present:

Honorable Jeff Holland, President (4th District)
Shawn Jackson, Vice President (3rd District)
Edward Herring (1st District)
William Banks (2nd District)
Kelle Barfield (5th District)
Donna F. Hardy, Chancery Clerk
Beverly Johnson, Deputy Chancery Clerk
Loretta Brantley, County Administrator
Blake Teller, Board Attorney

The President called the meeting to order at 9:00 a.m. and Supervisor Herring offered the invocation and led the pledge of allegiance.

2020 Recipient of the MAS-MC County Employee Scholarship

The Board presented a scholarship from the Mississippi Association of Supervisors for the 2020 MAS - Minority Caucus County Employee Scholarship in the amount of \$1,000.00 to Tyrique Willis, a graduate of Warren Central High School.

Jamie Cain, Road Manager

Approval of Personnel Matters

Mr. Cain recommended that Jeffrey Shelby be added to the Road Department payroll as a laborer at \$8.00 per hour, effective June 15, 2020, as he has completed his probationary period with Staffing Solutions. Motion was made by Supervisor Jackson, seconded by Supervisor Barfield and carried unanimously, to accept the recommendation of the Road Manager.

Mr. Cain recommended that the salary of James Carpenter be increased from \$9.25 to \$9.50 per hour, effective June 9, 2020. Motion was made by Supervisor Barfield, seconded by Supervisor Jackson and carried unanimously, to accept the recommendation of the Road Manager.

Mr. Cain recommended that Randy Elmore be terminated as of June 15, 2020, due to multiple Group II and Group III offenses. Motion was made by Supervisor Barfield, seconded by Supervisor Herring and carried unanimously, to accept the recommendation of the Road Manager.

Keith O'Keefe, County Engineer

Approval of Subdivision Variance Request
Biedenharn Family - Blue Lake Subdivision, Part 2

Mr. O'Keefe presented a request from the Biedenharn family for variance from Warren County's Subdivision Ordinance for Blue Lake Subdivision, Part 2 in order to sell larger lots. Motion was made by Supervisor Barfield, seconded by Supervisor Herring and carried unanimously, to approve the subdivision variance.

Approval of Subdivision Variance Request
Big Black River Holdings, LLC

Mr. O'Keefe presented a request from Ken Harmon, representing Big Black River Holdings, LLC for a variance request from Warren County's Subdivision Ordinance to sell PPIN 28182, 28655, 8240 and 8251 to Swamp Donkey II, LLC for agricultural purposes and each will have access to Highway 61 South. Motion was made by Supervisor Jackson, seconded by Supervisor Barfield and carried unanimously, to approve the subdivision variance request.

Tonga Vinson, Purchasing Agent

Requisition Authority List

Ms. Vinson asked the Board to approve a requisition signature authority list. Motion was made by Supervisor Banks, seconded by Supervisor Herring and carried unanimously, to approve the list. A copy of the list is attached hereto as Exhibit 3 and incorporated herein by reference.

Lease Purchase Agreement - Trustmark Bank
2020 John Deere 670GP Motor Grader

Ms. Vinson asked the Board to authorize the President to sign a lease agreement with Trustmark Bank for the purchase of a 2020 John Deere 670GP Motor Grader for the Warren County Road Department. Motion was made by Supervisor Banks, seconded by Supervisor Barfield and carried unanimously, to approve and authorize the Board President to sign the lease documents.

Ben Lockett, Tax Assessor

Approval of Reduction of Assessment
2019 Real Property Assessment Roll

Mr. Lockett presented a petition for reduction of assessment on the 2019 Real Property Assessment Roll for a total reduction of \$2,778.00 for PPIN 1030.

Motion was made by Supervisor Banks, seconded by Supervisor Barfield and carried unanimously, to adopt the Order approving the reduction of assessment on the 2019 Real Property Assessment Roll and authorize the President to sign. A copy of the Order is attached hereto as Exhibit 4 and incorporated herein by reference.

Reject Applications for Freeport Warehouse Exemptions

Mr. Luckett presented eleven (11) applications for Freeport warehouse exemptions for the following businesses:

- Vicksburg Forest Products - PPIN 2616
- Ergon Asphalt & Emulsions - PPIN 3816 & 6404
- MS TanTec Leather PPIN - 5825
- Gavilon Grain LLC - PPIN 5756
- Gavilon Fertilizer - PPIN 2581
- Cooper Lighting - PPIN 2585
- Keppel Letourneau - PPIN 2587
- Citgo Petroleum - PPIN 2632
- Winfield Solutions, LLC - PPIN 6479
- UPL NA, Inc. - PPIN 6946
- Laclede Chain - PPIN 5832

Motion was made by Supervisor Barfield, seconded by Supervisor Jackson and carried unanimously, to reject all eleven (11) applications for Freeport warehouse exemptions.

Dexter Jones, Inventory Control Clerk

Consignor Statement for Martin & Martin

Mr. Jones asked the Board to authorize the President to sign a consignor statement from Martin & Martin Auctioneers. Motion was made by Supervisor Banks, seconded by Supervisor Barfield and carried unanimously, to authorize the Board President to sign.

Approval of Surplus Property
Sheriff's Department

Mr. Jones presented a request from the Warren County Sheriff's Department to declare a 2014 Ford Taurus, VIN 1FAHP2MK9EG118140, as surplus due to a total loss from an accident and release the vehicle to the insurance company. Motion was made by Supervisor Banks, seconded by Supervisor Herring and carried unanimously, to approve declaring the vehicle as surplus and release to the insurance company.

Blake Teller, Board Attorney

Order Designating Alternative Court Site
Warren County Circuit Court

Mr. Teller presented an order to the Board for approval to designate the Vicksburg City Auditorium as a courtroom/courthouse on the dates of June 15, 2020 and July 29, 2020 to abide by social distancing guidelines when bringing in a jury pool. Motion was made by Supervisor Banks, seconded by Supervisor Jackson and carried unanimously, to approve designating the Vicksburg City Auditorium as a courtroom/courthouse. A copy of the order is attached hereto as Exhibit 5 and incorporated herein by reference.

Loretta Brantley, County Administrator

Approval for Reimbursement of
Expenses for Drug Court

Ms. Brantley presented a request from Honorable James Chaney, Jr. of Ninth District Circuit Court for reimbursement in the amount of \$12,230.72 for Drug Court expenses for May 2020. Motion was made by Supervisor Banks, seconded by Supervisor Barfield and carried unanimously, to approve the reimbursement.

Mississippi Association of Supervisors
Minority Caucus - Annual Educational Conference

Ms. Brantley asked the Board to authorize Supervisor Banks and Supervisor Jackson to attend the MAS-MC Annual Educational Conference to be held on August 19-21, 2020 in Jackson, Mississippi. Motion was made by Supervisor Barfield, seconded by Supervisor Herring and carried unanimously.

Recommendation to Appoint Road Manager
James Cain

Ms. Brantley recommended that the Board appoint James Cain as the Interim Road Manager, effective immediately, due to the untimely death of Larry Flowers, with an annual salary increase of \$10,000.00. Motion was made by Supervisor Banks, seconded by Supervisor Barfield and carried unanimously.

Approval of Advertising

Ms. Brantley asked the Board to approve an advertisement in the amount of \$635.00 for the July edition of the Delta Business Journal for the Annual Vicksburg/Warren County Business Profile for 2020. Motion was made by Supervisor Banks, seconded by Supervisor Jackson and carried unanimously, to approve the ad.

Donna F. Hardy, Chancery Clerk

Approval of Vicksburg
Bridge Commission Claims Docket

Ms. Hardy presented the Vicksburg Bridge Commission Claims Docket for May 2020 for approval. Motion was made by Supervisor Banks, seconded by Supervisor Barfield and carried unanimously, to approve the Vicksburg Bridge Commission Claims Docket for May 2020.

Acceptance of Vicksburg Bridge
Commission Minutes

Ms. Hardy presented the Vicksburg Bridge Commission minutes for May 13, 2020 for information. Motion was made by Supervisor Banks, seconded by Supervisor Herring and carried unanimously, to accept the minutes for information.

Affidavit for Pauper's Burial Expenses

Ms. Hardy presented an Affidavit for Pauper's Burial expenses for approval. Ms. Hardy stated that the information on the deceased, Charles W. Perrin, had been verified and that the deceased had no property or funds and no family members who have funds to pay burial expenses. Motion was made by Supervisor Banks, seconded by Supervisor Jackson and carried unanimously, to declare Charles W. Perrin, deceased, a pauper.

Motion was made by Supervisor Jackson, seconded by Supervisor Barfield and carried unanimously, to pay Jefferson Funeral Home the sum of \$500.00 for burial expenses of Charles W. Perrin, in accordance with Section 43-31-31, Mississippi Code of 1972, as amended.

Accept Applications for Ad Valorem Tax Exemption
Mississippi TanTec Leather, Inc.
2015, 2016, 2017 and 2018

Ms. Hardy presented the applications of MS TanTec Leather, Inc. for ad valorem tax exemptions for improvements completed in 2015, 2016, 2017 and 2018. Motion was made by Supervisor Jackson, seconded by Supervisor Barfield and carried unanimously, to accept the applications of MS TanTec Leather, Inc. for improvements completed in the years 2015, 2016, 2017 and 2018.

Accept Application for Ad Valorem Tax Exemption
Mississippi TanTec Leather, Inc.
2019

Ms. Hardy presented an application for ad valorem tax exemption on behalf of MS TanTec Leather, Inc. for improvements completed in 2019. Motion was made by Supervisor Jackson, seconded by Supervisor Barfield and carried unanimously, to accept the application for information.

Approve Preliminary Resolution Granting
Exemption from Ad Valorem Taxes
Tyson Farms, Inc. - Ceres Division

Ms. Hardy asked the Board to approve the Preliminary Resolution Granting Exemption from Ad Valorem Taxation on behalf of Tyson Farms, Inc. - Ceres Division, PPIN 4135, for a five (5) year period. Motion was made by Supervisor Banks, seconded by Supervisor Jackson and carried unanimously, to approve the preliminary resolution.

Ms. Hardy asked the Board to approve the Preliminary Resolution Granting Exemption from Ad Valorem Taxation on behalf of Tyson Farms, Inc. - Ceres Division, PPIN 6321, for a five (5) year period. Motion was made by Supervisor Banks, seconded by Supervisor Barfield and carried unanimously, to approve the preliminary resolution.

Approve Preliminary Resolution Granting
Exemption from Ad Valorem Taxes
Vicksburg Forest Products, LLC

Ms. Hardy asked the Board to approve the Preliminary Resolution Granting Exemption from Ad Valorem Taxation on behalf of Vicksburg Forest Products, LLC for a five (5) year period. Motion was made by Supervisor Jackson, seconded by Supervisor Barfield and carried unanimously, to approve the preliminary resolution.

Approve Preliminary Resolution Granting
Exemption from Ad Valorem Taxes
Ergon Refining, Inc.

Ms. Hardy asked the Board to approve the Preliminary Resolution Granting Exemption from Ad Valorem Taxation on behalf of Ergon Refining, Inc. for a five (5) year period. Motion was made by Supervisor Banks, seconded by Supervisor Herring and carried unanimously, to approve the preliminary resolution.

Approve Preliminary Resolution Granting
Exemption from Ad Valorem Taxes
Cooper Lighting, LLC

Ms. Hardy asked the Board to approve the Preliminary Resolution Granting Exemption from Ad Valorem Taxation on behalf of Cooper Lighting, LLC for a five (5) year period. Motion was made by Supervisor Banks, seconded by Supervisor Barfield and carried unanimously, to approve the preliminary resolution.

Approve Preliminary Resolution Granting
Exemption from Ad Valorem Taxes
International Paper Company

Ms. Hardy asked the Board to approve the Preliminary Resolution Granting Exemption from Ad Valorem Taxation on behalf of International Paper Company for a five (5) year period. Motion was made by Supervisor Banks, seconded by Supervisor Herring and carried unanimously, to approve the preliminary resolution.

Approve Qualifying Packets for
Election Commissioners

Ms. Hardy asked the Board to approve the qualification packet of the candidate for Election Commissioner for District 1. Motion was made by Supervisor Banks, seconded by Supervisor Herring and carried unanimously.

Ms. Hardy asked the Board to approve the qualification packet of the candidate for Election Commissioner for District 2. Motion was made by Supervisor Herring, seconded by Supervisor Jackson and carried unanimously.

Ms. Hardy asked the Board to approve the qualification packet of the candidate for Election Commissioner for District 3. Motion was made by Supervisor Barfield, seconded by Supervisor Banks and carried unanimously.

Ms. Hardy asked the Board to approve the qualification packet of the candidate for Election Commissioner for District 4. Motion was made by Supervisor Jackson, seconded by Supervisor Barfield and carried unanimously.

Ms. Hardy asked the Board to approve the qualification packet of the candidate for Election Commissioner for District 5. Motion was made by Supervisor Herring, seconded by Supervisor Barfield and carried unanimously.

Acknowledgement of Fourth of July Holiday

Ms. Hardy presented the notice received from the Secretary of State that acknowledges the designation of Friday, July 3, 2020 as a legal holiday to observe Independence Day. Motion was made by Supervisor Herring, seconded by Supervisor Banks and carried unanimously, to accept the notice for information.

Executive Session

Motion was made by Supervisor Barfield, seconded by Supervisor Jackson and carried unanimously, to consider entering executive session to discuss a personnel matter in the Road Department.

Motion was made by Supervisor Barfield, seconded by Supervisor Herring and carried unanimously, to enter executive session to discuss a personnel matter in the Road Department. Those who may remain are the County Administrator, Chancery Clerk, Deputy Chancery Clerk and Board Attorney.

Motion was made by Supervisor Jackson, seconded by Supervisor Barfield and carried unanimously, to exit executive session.

No action taken.

Adjourn

Motion was made by Supervisor Herring, seconded by Supervisor Barfield and carried unanimously, to adjourn until 9:00 a.m., Monday, July 6, 2020.


President

Ex. 1

**BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
WARREN COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI**

NOTICE OF MEETING

Notice is given that the Warren County Board of Supervisors' regular June 2020 Term has been recessed to:

Monday, June 15, 2020 at 9:00 a.m.,
In the Board of Supervisors' Meeting Room
3rd Floor, Warren County Courthouse
Vicksburg, Mississippi

At which time the Board will transact any and all business which comes before the Board for discussion at that time.

Ex. 2

WARREN COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
AGENDA

Monday, June 15, 2020

9:00 A.M. Present scholarship certificate from MAS-MC to Warren Central High School graduate Tyrique Willis

Jamie Cain, Assistant Road Manager

- Approve adding Jeffrey Shelby to the Road Department payroll
- Approve adjusting salary of James Carpenter from \$9.25 to \$9.50

Keith O'Keefe, County Engineer

- Approval of Preliminary Plat for Blue Lake Subdivision, Part 2 and a variance from the Warren County Subdivision Ordinance
- Approval of division and sale of PPIN 28182, 28655, 8240 and 8251 for Big Black River Holdings, LLC and a variance from the Warren County Subdivision Ordinance

Tonga Vinson, Purchasing Agent

- Approve Requisition Signature Authority list
- Approve lease purchase agreement with Trustmark Bank – Motor Grader #1

Ben Lockett, Tax Assessor

- Approve reduction of 2019 Real Property Assessment for PPIN 1030
- Approve/reject Freeport Warehouse exemptions:
 - Vicksburg Forest Products PPIN 2616
 - Ergon Asphalt & Emulsions PPIN 3816 & 6404
 - MS TanTec Leather PPIN 5825
 - Gavilon Grain LLC PPIN 5756
 - Gavilon Fertilizer PPIN 2581
 - Cooper Lighting PPIN 2585
 - Keppel Letourneau PPIN 2587
 - Citgo Petroleum PPIN 2632
 - Winfield Solutions, LLC PPIN 6479
 - UPL NA, Inc. PPIN 6946
 - Laclede Chain PPIN 5832

Dexter Jones, Inventory Control Clerk

- Authorize Board President to sign consignor statement for Martin & Martin

- Approve declaring vehicle as surplus for the Warren County Sheriff's Department and release to insurance company

Blake Teller, Board Attorney

- Approve and authorize Board President to sign order authorizing court proceedings in the City Auditorium to provide ample space for social distancing during the jury selection process

Loretta Brantley, County Administrator

- Approve reimbursement to Drug Court for May 2020 expenses
- Approval for District 2 Supervisor Williams Banks and District 3 Supervisor Shawn Jackson to attend MAS-MC Annual Educational Conference, August 19-21, 2020 in Jackson, MS
- Accept recommendation to appoint James Cain as County Road Manager, effective immediately
- Approval to purchase ½ page advertisement in the Delta Business Journal

Donna F. Hardy, Chancery Clerk

- Approve Vicksburg Bridge Commission claims docket for the month of May 2020
- Accept Vicksburg Bridge Commission minutes for May 13, 2020
- Approve Pauper's Burial
- Accept/Reject the Application for Ad Valorem Tax Exemption on behalf of MS TanTec Leather, Inc. for improvements completed in 2015, 2016, 2017 and 2018
- Accept for information the Application for Ad Valorem Tax Exemption on behalf of MS TanTec Leather, Inc. for improvements completed in 2019
- Approve the Preliminary Resolution Granting Exemption from Ad Valorem Taxation on behalf of Tyson Farms, Inc. - Ceres Division (PPIN 4135 - 5 Years)
(PPIN 6321 - 5 Years)
- Approve the Preliminary Resolution Granting Exemption from Ad Valorem Taxation on behalf of Vicksburg Forest Products, LLC
- Approve the Preliminary Resolution Granting Exemption from Ad Valorem Taxation on behalf of Ergon Refining, Inc.
- Approve the Preliminary Resolution Granting Exemption from Ad Valorem Taxation on behalf of Cooper Lighting, LLC
- Approve the Preliminary Resolution Granting Exemption from Ad Valorem Taxation on behalf of International Paper Company

- Approve the qualification packets of the candidates for Election Commissioner
 - District 1
 - District 2
 - District 3
 - District 4
 - District 5
- Acknowledge the designation of Friday, July 3, 2020 as a legal holiday to observe Independence Day

Ex. 3

<u>Dept #</u>	<u>Dept Name</u>	<u>Person Designated to Sign Requisitions</u>	<u>Designated By</u>	
100	Board of Supervisors	Loretta Brantley/Supervisors	Board	X
101	Chancery Clerk	Faye Willis or Beverly Johnson	Donna Hardy	X
102	Circuit Clerk	Dana Kenney	Jan Daigre	X
103	Tax Assessor	Liz Fuller/Amber Marshall	Ben Luckett	X
104	Tax Collector	Amanda Battle or Shelly Greer	Toni Jones	X
122	Purchasing	Loretta Brantley	Board	X
125	GIS	Ken Coleman	Board	X
151	Building and Grounds	Michael Henley	Board	X
152	IT	Ken Coleman	Board	X
154	Veteran Assistance	Loretta Brantley	Board	X
155	Permit	Tracey Porter	Jghn Effer	X
159	Judge Chaney	LeeAnn Stuart	Judge Chaney	X
160	Judge Barnes	Cynthia Hunter	Judge Barnes	X
161	Judge Terrett	Melanie Sanders	Judge Terrett	X
162	Judge Southerland	Sherry Barnett	Judge Southerland	X
163	Youth Court	Rachel Hardy	Judge Southerland	X
164	YC Support Grant	Kathy Holden	Judge Southerland	X
165	Lunacy	Dana Lewis	Stacey Waites	X
166	Justice Court	Carla Fields	Board	X
167	Coroner	Loretta Brantley	Board	X
168	District Attorney	Chasity Wright/Liem Walker	Ricky Smith	X
172	Drug Court	Sharonda Taylor	Judge Chaney	X
200	Sheriff	Billy Heggins/Randy Lewis/Jamie Acuff	Martin Pace	X
220	Jail	Billy Heggins/Randy Lewis/Jamie Acuff	Martin Pace	X
221	Juvenile Detention	Kathy Holden	Judge Southerland	X
230	E911	Shane Garrard/Bobby Rufus	911 Commission	X
251-259	Fire and Fire Depts	Jerry Briggs	Board	X
260	EMA	Tracey Porter	John Effer	X
262	Constables	Loretta Brantley	Board	X
450	Dept Human Services	Jennifer Jones/Jacqueline Conner	Jennifer Jones, DIR	X
300	Road Dept	Jamie Cain or Earl Carson	Larry Flowers	X

330	Port Commission	Pablo Diaz or Commission Chair	Port Commission
340	Garbage and Waste	Loretta Brantley	Board
412	Mosquito Control	Loretta Brantley	Board
450	Dept Human Services	Jennifer Jones/Jennifer Sweet	Jennifer Jones, DIR
458	Child Protection Services	Andrea Shelton or Tiffany Unger	Tiffany Unger, DIR
500	Library	Katrina Stokes/David Scott	Library Board
510	Parks and Recreation	Brice McClendon/Calvin Wren/Roger Meeks	Parks and Rec Comm
631	Extension Service	Sandy Havard	Sandy Havard
640	Bird Game and Fish	Loretta Brantley	Board

SUBJ	APPROVED	
Date	10/15/2020	Yes
1st	<i>[Signature]</i>	✓
2nd	<i>[Signature]</i>	✓
3rd	<i>[Signature]</i>	✓
4th	<i>[Signature]</i>	✓
5th	<i>[Signature]</i>	✓

Ex. 4

Form 60-605 (Rev. 6/99)
Formerly 71-026

Please Submit in Duplicate

FILL IN ALL BLANKS

PETITION FOR REDUCTION OF ASSESSMENT

Property of Jason B Redditt School Dist. _____ Road Dist. 0900
STATE OF MISSISSIPPI
COUNTY OF Warren
Now comes Ben Luckett and applies for a reduction in the assessments
(Tax Assessor-Affiant-Taxpayer)
against the petitioners on the REAL Assessment Roll for the year 2019.
(Real or Personal)
PER ATTACHED FORM 60-606 TOTAL: _____

AFFIDAVIT FOR CHANGE

STATE OF MISSISSIPPI
COUNTY OF Warren

Page	Line	Parcel	Land	Improvements	Total Value	Change
		PPIN 1030	1725	438	2163	2778

Owner Jason B Redditt Reason for change MH undeclared in 2012

Application is hereby made by, or on behalf of, the taxpayer named for change or reduction of assessment, and the parties signed below swear to and certify that all facts stated are true.

AFFIANT _____ TAXPAYER _____
Witness my signature this 15th day of _____, 20____.
TAX ASSESSOR [Signature]

ORDER OF BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

STATE OF MISSISSIPPI
COUNTY OF _____

ORDER

It appearing to the Board of Supervisors from evidence, both oral and documentary, offered in support of said application that the assessment should be changed or reduced;

IT IS, THEREFORE, ORDERED by the Board of Supervisors of _____ County, Mississippi, that a total reduction of the assessment on said roll of \$ _____ and said changes being for the year _____;

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED, that the Clerk of this Board certify two copies of this order to the State Tax Commission. The Clerk of this Board is hereby authorized and directed to change the Original Assessment Roll in his office, and the Tax Collector of this County is hereby authorized and directed to change the copy in his possession to conform with the provisions of this order, and the Tax Collector be given the proper credit therefor, including district taxes, and Homestead Exemption, if any, be adjusted.

ORDERED AND ADJUDGED this the 15th day of June, 2020.

[Signature]
(President of Board of Supervisors)

CLERK'S CERTIFICATE

I, Donna F. Hardy, Clerk of the Board of Supervisors of Warren County, State of Mississippi, do hereby certify that the foregoing is a true and correct transcript of an order of said Board of Supervisors, passed on the day 15th of June, 2020 as the same appears on Page _____ of Book 58 of said Board, now on file in the office of said Clerk in the city of Vicksburg in said County.

Witness my hand and official seal, this the 15th day of June, 2020.

Donna F. Hardy Beverly Johnson, AC
Clerk of the Board of Supervisors of said County



Ex. 5

**WARREN COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
ORDER DESIGNATING ALTERNATIVE COURT SITE**

RE: CRIMINAL TRIAL TERM, JUNE, 2020

ORDER

Due to the COVID-19 pandemic, there have been several emergency orders entered by the Mississippi Supreme Court to assist Courts in continuing to hold necessary hearings. On or about March 15, 2020, via the Mississippi Supreme Court's Emergency Administrative Order - 2, the Courts were instructed to not pull jury pools prior to May 18, 2020. This was later extended to June 15, 2020, via a subsequent emergency order.

The Mississippi Supreme Court's Emergency Administrative Order -11, dated May 7, 2020, authorizes trial courts to resume in-person court hearings and jury trials beginning June 15, 2020. When having said hearings and/or trials, the Order further instructed the Courts to review the Center for Disease Control safety guidelines, implement necessary safety precautions and extended authority to boards of supervisors and acting judges the ability to designate an alternative location as a courtroom for jury trials, if necessary.

The Senior Judge of the Warren County Circuit Court has a criminal trial term beginning June 15, 2020 through July 2, 2020. After discussing the issues with the layout of the courthouse and the inability to abide by social distancing guidelines when bringing in a jury pool, it was determined that using an alternative location for jury selection is necessary for the public health and safety of the citizens of Warren County when selecting juries at this time.

On June 10, 2020, the Hon. M. James Chaney, Jr. entered an Order designating the Vicksburg City Auditorium as a courtroom/courthouse on the dates of June 15, 2020 and July 29, 2020 for jury selection.

IT IS, THEREFORE, RESOLVED and ORDERED, upon motion of Supervisor Banks, seconded by Supervisor Jackson, and approved by vote of the Board, that pursuant to Mississippi Code Annotated § 19-3-43(1972), the Board of Supervisors acknowledge and concur that the Vicksburg City Auditorium shall be designated as the Warren County Circuit Court Courtroom for jury selection on the dates of June 15, 2020 and June 29, 2020.

SO ORDERED this 15th day of June, 2020.

WARREN COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

Jeffery P. Holland
By: Dr. Jeffery P. Holland, President

Attest:

Dona F. Hardy
Warren County Chancery Clerk

