

January 22, 2013

A regular meeting of the Bladen County Board of Commissioners was held at 6:30 p.m. on Tuesday, January 22, 2013 in the Commissioners Meeting Room of the Bladen County Courthouse.

The following members were present:

James G. "Jimmie" Smith, Chairman

Mark Gillespie, Vice Chairperson

Charles Ray Peterson

Delilah Blanks

Billy Ray Pait

Russell Priest

Daniel Dowless

Wayne Edge

G. Michael Cogdell

Attorneys: Leslie Johnson, Johnson Law Firm

Chairman Smith called the meeting to order. Reverend Larry Hayes, Good News Baptist Church, Bladenboro, NC provided the Invocation. County Manager Gregory J. Martin led the Pledge of Allegiance.

ITEM 1. Consent Items:

Upon a motion by Commissioner Peterson, seconded by Commissioner Gillespie, the Board approved the following Consent Items:

A. Agenda

B. Minutes of January 7, 2013

C. Budget Amendments as follows:

| Department and Account Number | Account Description | Increase | Decrease |
|-------------------------------|---------------------|----------|----------|
| Elections | | | |
| Expenditures | | | |
| 104300.325 | Postage | 2,000.00 | |
| Revenue | | | |
| 103190.050 | FBA | 2,000.00 | |

To help cover cost of postage for list maintenance.

| Department and Account Number | Account Description | Increase | Decrease |
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| Elections | | | |
| Expenditures | | | |
| 104300.352 | M/R Equipment | 31.00 | |
| 104300.341 | Printing | 400.00 | |
| 104300.610 | Contracted Services | 4,330.00 | |
| 104300.610.001 | Cont Services – Assistants | | 900.00 |
| 104300.121 | Longevity | | 64.00 |
| Revenues | | | |
| 103190.050 | FBA | 3,797.00 | |

To help cover cost of Contracted Services for the November 6, 2012 General Elections.

| Department and Account Number | Account Description | Increase | Decrease |
|-------------------------------|---------------------|-----------|----------|
| Health | | | |
| Expenditures | | | |
| 1059005955.610 | Contracted Services | 10,000.00 | |
| Revenue | | | |
| 103530.159 | F/S Project Connect | 10,000.00 | |

Additional funding received from State.

| Department and Account Number | Account Description | Increase | Decrease |
|-------------------------------|---------------------|----------|----------|
| Health | | | |
| Expenditures | | | |
| 1059005960.211.001 | Fire Prevention | 300.00 | |
| Revenue | | | |
| 103530.162 | F/S Safe Kids | 300.00 | |

Additional Grant received from State.

| Department and Account Number | Account Description | Increase | Decrease |
|-------------------------------|---------------------|-----------|----------|
| JCPC-Soloman Center | | | |
| Expenditures | | | |
| 106805.646 | JCPC-Soloman Center | 35,292.00 | |
| Revenue | | | |
| 103230.025 | JCPC-Soloman Center | 35,292.00 | |

JCPC Grant for the Soloman Center, Boys and Girls Home of Lake Waccamaw.

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| Department and Account Number DSS | Account Description | Increase | Decrease |
|--------------------------------------|----------------------|----------|----------|
| Expenditures | | | |
| 146100.689 | Energy Neighbor Fund | 49.64 | |
| Revenue | | | |
| 143531.031 | Energy Neighbor Fund | 49.64 | |

Funding Authorization #8.

- D. County Attorney Invoices
- E. Tax Refunds and Releases No. 12-12
- F. FY 2011 CDBG Program Project Ordinance
- G. A Resolution in Memory of Dr. Norfleet W. Midyette
- H. Schedule 6:00 pm as meeting time for Board Planning Session on February 11, 2013
- I. Compensation for the Consolidated Human Services Advisory Committee

ITEM 2. Matters of Interest to Commissioners:

Commissioner Peterson asked County Manager Greg Martin to meet with Consolidated Human Services Agency Director Wayne School regarding staffing of Animal Control personnel and provide a report at the next Board meeting.

- A. Chairman Smith presented the following Resolution in Memory of Dr. Norfleet W. Midyette to the Midyette family:



- B. The Board recognized the Bladen County 10U Boys Soccer Team for being the 2012 Statewide Athletic Commission (SWAC) 10U Boy's State Runner-Up. Team members included Garrett Melvin, Gabe Barber, Jake Evans, Jackson Bostic, Reid Potter, Will Hester, Jacob Priest, Jay McGill, and Juan Mejia. The team was coached by Joe Melvin, Barry Priest, and Mike Potter.

A reception was held in honor of the team.

ITEM 3. Individuals/Delegations Wishing to Address Commissioners:

- ☛ Ms. Candice Long, representing East Arcadia School, appeared before the Board to request that the County fund a new school instead of approving funds for renovation that she did not feel would help. She advised that East Arcadia is a K through eighth-grade facility constructed originally in 1956, with additions in 1959, 1976, and 1987. The overall facility is in poor condition, with classroom spaces generally too small and inadequately serviced by building systems for elementary and middle school education. She stated that all rooms have experienced mold and mildew in them with a lot of old insulation exposure throughout the school. She further stated that if a new school is built, the people will bring their children back to the school.

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ITEM 4. Public Hearing to Receive Public Comment Regarding the BARTS FY 2014 Community Transportation Program Application:

- A. Chairman Smith declared the Public Hearing opened and asked the public to offer comments.
Kent Porter, BARTS Supervisor advised that the Community Transportation Program application is necessary to provide financial assistance for the support of public transportation services in nonurbanized areas.
Hearing no comments from the public, Chairman Smith declared the Public Hearing closed.
- B. Upon a motion by Commissioner Gillespie, seconded by Commissioner Blanks, the Board approved the FY 2014 BARTS Community Transportation Program Grant Application.
- C. Upon a motion by Commissioner Gillespie, seconded by Commissioner Edge, the Board approved the Human Service Agency Transportation Resolution.
- D. Upon a motion by Commissioner Gillespie, seconded by Commissioner Edge, the Board approved the Community Transportation Program Resolution.

ITEM 5. Bladen County Schools:

- ☛ Upon a motion by Commissioner Peterson, seconded by Commissioner Pait, the Board approved the the following Lottery Fund Applications by a vote of seven (7) AYES (Commissioners Edge, Pait, Dowless, Gillespie, Smith, Peterson, Priest to (2) NOES (Commissioners Blanks and Cogdell):

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| A. Bladen Lakes Primary School | \$312,670.00 |
| B. Dublin Primary School | 61,632.00 |
| C. Plain View Primary School | 73,681.00 |
| D. Bladenboro Primary School | 53,830.00 |
| E. Booker T. Washington Primary School | 42,022.00 |
| F. East Arcadia Elementary School | 215,173.00 |
| G. Elizabethtown Middle School | 30,825.00 |
| H. Clarkton School of Discovery | 27,843.00 |
| I. Clarkton School of Discovery | <u>54,800.00</u> |
| | \$872,476.00 |

ITEMS 6 Consolidated Human Services Agency: (Wayne Stewart, Director)

Public Health Nurse Deborah Conner provided a power point presentation of the Tuberculosis Program administered by the Bladen County Health Department.

ITEM 7. Finance: (Lisa Coleman, Director):

- A. Finance Director Lisa Coleman reviewed the Financial Dashboard for the reporting period of December 2012.
- B. Ms. Coleman reviewed the revenues and expenditures by department as requested by Board of Commissioners after the audit presentation in December, 2012.

ITEM 8. Emergency Services: (Bradley Kinlaw, Fire Marshal)

- ☛ Upon a motion by Commissioner Peterson, seconded by Commissioner Pait, the Board approved the Annual Certification of Firefighters form certifying that the Emergency Services employees (Bradley Kinlaw & Kenneth Clark) have completed 36 hours of training for 2012.

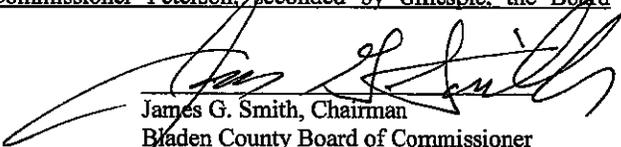
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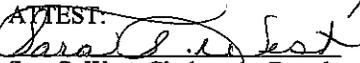
- ITEM 9. Bladen County Water District: (Randy Garner, Director)**
- A. Upon a motion by Commissioner Peterson, seconded by Commissioner Priest, the Board entered Session as Bladen County Water District Board of Directors.
 - B. Director Randy Garner appeared before the Board and stated that 81 meters have been installed for water service connections to Phase III B.
 - C. Upon a motion by Commissioner Gillespie, Seconded by Commissioner Pait, the Board exited Session as Bladen County Water District Board of Directors

- ITEM 10. Advisory Board Appointments:**
- **Bladen Healthcare Advisory Board:** Upon a motion by Commissioner Peterson, seconded by Commissioner Priest, the Board tabled appointments to the Adult Care Home Community Advisory Committee, Bladen County Airport Appeals Board and the Lisbon Rural Fire Protection District Commission until the Board meeting on February 4, 2013. Appointments to the Bladen Healthcare Advisory Board were tabled until the Board meeting on March 18, 2013.

- ITEM 11. County Manager: (Greg Martin)**
- A. County Manager Greg Martin reviewed the calendar for upcoming events.
 - B. Upon a motion by Commissioner Priest, seconded by Commissioner Peterson, the Board approved a request from Trinity United Methodist Church to waive Disposal Fees in the amount of \$987.75.
Mr. Martin stated the disposal fee was charged to the account of Bladen Builders as the church did not have an account with Solid Waste.
 - C. Mr. Martin advised the Board that there was a concern regarding the North Carolina Forest Service Assistant County Ranger position in Bladen County that has been vacant for several months. He stated that the position may not be filled and the position may be transferred to the District office in Whiteville. Mr. Martin was asked to prepare a letter, for the chairman's signature, to the Secretary of Agriculture and to our legislative delegates regarding this matter.

Upon a motion by Commissioner Peterson, seconded by Gillespie, the Board adjourned at 7:28 pm.


James G. Smith, Chairman
Bladen County Board of Commissioner

ATTEST:

Sara S. West, Clerk to the Board

