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A regular meeting of the Bladen County Board of Commissioners was held at 6:30 pm on Monday, August 6, 2018 in the Commissioner’s Room located on the lower level of the Bladen County Courthouse.

The following members were present:

- Ray Britt, Chairman
- G. Michael Cogdell, Vice Chairman
- Charles R. Peterson
- Arthur Bullock
- Daniel Dowless
- David R. Gooden
- Russell Priest
- Dr. Ophelia Munn-Goins
- Ashley Trivette

Attorney: Allen Johnson, Johnson Law Firm

ITEM 1. Reverend Larry Hayes of Good News Baptist Church provided the Invocation. Guest 4-H'er Aubrey Schwable led the Pledge of Allegiance.

ITEM 2. Consent Items:

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

- A. Agenda.
- B. Minutes of July 9, 2018 Special Meeting.
- C. Minutes of July 9, 2018 Regular Meeting.
- D. Minutes of July 23, 2018 Special Meeting.
- E. Budget Amendments, as follows:

Finance

<i>Expenditures</i>		<i>Increase</i>	<i>Decrease</i>
104400.499	Miscellaneous Expense	1,382.00	
<i>Revenues</i>			
103190.050	Fund Balance Appropriation	1,382.00	

Rollover unspent Administrative Building furniture/fixtures.

Tax Administration

<i>Expenditures</i>		<i>Increase</i>	<i>Decrease</i>
104500.192	Professional Services Legal	191.00	
104500.270	Advertising	124.06	
<i>Revenues</i>			
103190.010	Miscellaneous Revenue	315.06	

Bid preparation - 1564 Lloyd Rd.

GIS

<i>Expenditures</i>		<i>Increase</i>	<i>Decrease</i>
104700.120	Salaries	5,687.96	
104700.181	FICA	435.13	
104700.182	Retirement	444.80	
104700.185	Retiree Health Insurance	356.63	
106800.800	Unemployment Insurance		6,924.52

Reclassification of GIS employees.

Central Services/Motor Pool

<i>Expenditures</i>		<i>Increase</i>	<i>Decrease</i>
105000.350	M/R – Building & Grounds	33,255.80	
105010.739	Non-Inventorable	3,850.00	
<i>Revenues</i>			
103190.050	Fund Balance Appropriation	37,105.80	

Rollover unspent funds.

Sheriff's Department

<i>Expenditures</i>		<i>Increase</i>	<i>Decrease</i>
105100.200.016	Supplies – Surplus Proceeds	12,150.00	
<i>Revenues</i>			
103270.018	Sheriff – HELO	12,150.00	

Funds received from sale of parts.

Sheriff's Department

<i>Expenditures</i>		<i>Increase</i>	<i>Decrease</i>
105100.200.016	Supplies – Surplus Proceeds	82,725.64	
105100.200.021	Supplies – K9	3,447.16	
105100.200.022	Supplies – Great	172.40	

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105100.395.006	Schools – Great	588.68	
105100.499.043	Incident Provisions	4,411.25	
Revenues			
103190.050	Fund Balance Appropriation	91,345.13	

Rollover unspent funds.

Sheriff

Expenditures		Increase	Decrease
105100.740	Capital Outlay Equipment	7,600.00	
Revenues			
103190.050	Fund Balance Appropriation	7,600.00	

Rollover unspent funds.

Sheriff – NCDPS Grant

Expenditures		Increase	Decrease
105100.5177.200	Supplies & Materials	200,000.00	
Revenues			
103190.050	Fund Balance Appropriation	200,000.00	

Rollover NCDPS Grant for Training Facility and Paving.

Hazard Mitigation Grant Program

Expenditures		Increase	Decrease
105303.621.003	Hard Costs 4285-023-R	493,313.00	
105303.621.004	Soft Costs 4285-023-R	26,250.00	
Revenues			
103230.039	Federal HMGP 4285-023-R	389,672.00	
103230.040	State HMGP 4285-023-R	129,891.00	

Hazard Mitigation Grant Program 4285-023-R.

Hazard Mitigation Grant Program

Expenditures		Increase	Decrease
105303.621.005	Hard Costs 4285-024-R	343,894.00	
105303.621.006	Soft Costs 4285-024-R	74,987.00	
Revenues			
103230.041	Federal HMGP 4285-024-R	314,161.00	
103230.042	State HMGP 4285-024-R	104,720.00	

Hazard Mitigation Grant Program 4285-024-R.

Hazard Mitigation Grant Program

Expenditures		Increase	Decrease
105303.621.007	Hard Costs 4285-008-R	235,831.00	
105303.621.008	Soft Costs 4285-008-R	10,100.00	
Revenues			
103230.043	Federal HMGP 4285-008-R	184,448.00	
103230.044	State HMGP 4285-008-R	61,483.00	

Hazard Mitigation Grant Program 4285-0084-R.

Health

Expenditures		Increase	Decrease
105900.5960.211.001	Fire Prevention	300.00	
105900.5960.499.069	Safe Kids	177.76	
105900.5960.499.030	Wolfe Mini Grant	500.00	
Revenues			
103190.050	Fund Balance Appropriation	977.76	

Rollover unspent grant funds.

Soil Conservation

Expenditures		Increase	Decrease
106400.499.006	Miscellaneous Expense – Drill	35,279.28	
Revenues			
103190.050	Fund Balance Appropriation	35,279.28	

Rollover unspent drill funds. weed wiper funds, donations, etc.

Soil Conservation – Debris Removal

Expenditures		Increase	Decrease
106401.981.000	Browns Creek	82,000.00	
106401.981.001	Harrison Creek	90,000.00	
106401.981.002	Ellis Creek	96,096.00	
106401.981.003	Carvers Creek	58,080.00	
106401.981.004	Cypress Creek	54,912.00	
106401.981.005	White Oak Canal	58,999.00	
106401.981.006	Brown Marsh Swamp	102,432.00	
106401.981.007	Horse Pen Creek	51,294.00	
106401.981.008	Slade Swamp	16,000.00	
106401.981.009	Bryant Swamp	53,000.00	
Revenues			
103430.005	Stream Debris Removal Program	662,813.00	

Rollover Grant.

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Library

<i>Expenditures</i>		<i>Increase</i>	<i>Decrease</i>
106700.200	Supplies	250.00	
<i>Revenues</i>			
103190.050	Fund Balance Appropriation	250.00	

Rollover unspent funds.

Library

<i>Expenditures</i>		<i>Increase</i>	<i>Decrease</i>
106700.231	Library Books	30.00	
<i>Revenues</i>			
103190.010	Miscellaneous Revenue	30.00	

Donation for memorial book from Shirley and Charles Woolley.

Administration/Recreation

<i>Expenditures</i>		<i>Increase</i>	<i>Decrease</i>
106800.811	Special Youth Appropriation	50.00	
<i>Revenues</i>			
103660.009	Recreation – Donations	50.00	

Walmart Gift Card for SWAC Softball Tournament.

Administration/Recreation

<i>Expenditures</i>		<i>Increase</i>	<i>Decrease</i>
106800.811	Special Youth Appropriation	100.00	
<i>Revenues</i>			
103660.009	Recreation – Donations	100.00	

Donation from Lacy West Insurance for 16U Softball State Tournament.

Administration/Recreation

<i>Expenditures</i>		<i>Increase</i>	<i>Decrease</i>
106800.811	Special Youth Appropriation	100.00	
<i>Revenues</i>			
103660.009	Recreation – Donations	100.00	

Donation from Cape Fear Winery for 16U Softball SWAC State Tournament.

Administration/Recreation

<i>Expenditures</i>		<i>Increase</i>	<i>Decrease</i>
106800.811	Special Youth Appropriation	200.00	
<i>Revenues</i>			
103660.009	Recreation – Donations	200.00	

Donation from Cape Fear Heating & Cooling and Online News & Advertising LLC for 16U Softball SWAC State Tournament.

Administration

<i>Expenditures</i>		<i>Increase</i>	<i>Decrease</i>
106900.903	To DSS	20,844.56	
<i>Revenues</i>			
103190.050	Fund Balance Appropriation	20,844.56	

Rollover unspent funds.

Administration

<i>Expenditures</i>		<i>Increase</i>	<i>Decrease</i>
106900.903	To DSS		9,458.00
<i>Revenues</i>			
103190.050	Fund Balance Appropriation		9,458.00

Reduction from Funding Authorization #1 for LIEAP Administration Funding.

Facilities Fees

<i>Expenditures</i>		<i>Increase</i>	<i>Decrease</i>
126601.499	Miscellaneous Expense	550.00	
<i>Revenues</i>			
123190.050	Fund Balance Appropriation	550.00	

Rollover unspent funds.

Department of Social Services

<i>Expenditures</i>		<i>Increase</i>	<i>Decrease</i>
143531.221	LIEAP/Energy Assistance	9,458.00	
143550.080	Fm General Fund		9,458.00

Reduction from Funding Authorization #1 for LIEAP Administration Funding.

Department of Social Services

<i>Expenditures</i>		<i>Increase</i>	<i>Decrease</i>
146100.688	Crisis Intervention		204,692.00
<i>Revenues</i>			
143531.220	Crisis Intervention		204,692.00

Funding Authorization #1.

Department of Social Services

<i>Expenditures</i>		<i>Increase</i>	<i>Decrease</i>
146100.688	Crisis Intervention	262,279.00	
<i>Revenues</i>			
143531.220	Crisis Intervention	262,279.00	

Funding Authorization #2.

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Department of Social Services

<i>Expenditures</i>		<i>Increase</i>	<i>Decrease</i>
146100.6160.499.050	Memorials	100.00	
146100.6160.545	Federal Adoption Funds	3,906.33	
146100.6160.571	Caring for Kids	3,236.73	
146100.6160.650.001	Foster Care Donations	456.61	
146100.6160.650.002	Child Abuse Awareness	537.11	
146100.6160.650.003	Adult Abuse Awareness	500.97	
<i>Revenues</i>			
143550.080	Fm General Fund	5,737.75	

Rollover unspent funds.

Department of Social Services

<i>Expenditures</i>		<i>Increase</i>	<i>Decrease</i>
146100.6161.739	Non-Intentorable	1,010.00	
146100.6161.200	Supplies	1,414.56	
146100.6161.499.067	Monetary Incentives	1,000.00	
146100.6161.310.003	Participant Transportation	1,000.00	
146100.6161.310	Travel	811.53	
146100.6161.801	Indirect Costs	1,200.00	
146100.6161.288	Food	608.72	
146100.6161.499.068	Non-Monetary Incentives	2,425.00	
146100.6161.990	Contingency	2,637.00	
<i>Revenues</i>			
143550.080	Fm General Fund	12,106.81	

Rollover unspent every teen counts grant funds.

Department of Social Services

<i>Expenditures</i>		<i>Increase</i>	<i>Decrease</i>
146100.6161.310	Travel	5,000.00	
<i>Revenues</i>			
143531.030	Every Teen Counts Grant (SHIFT)	5,000.00	

Allocation of 18/19 grant.

Solid Waste

<i>Expenditures</i>		<i>Increase</i>	<i>Decrease</i>
205800.398	KBB/Community Relations	2,015.82	
<i>Revenues</i>			
203190.050	Fund Balance Appropriation	2,015.82	

Rollover unspent funds.

Golden Leaf - Water

<i>Expenditures</i>		<i>Increase</i>	<i>Decrease</i>
264702.740	Water-Capital Outlay Equipment	390,000.00	
<i>Revenues</i>			
263472.000	Water - GL	390,000.00	

Rollover Grants.

Golden Leaf - Soil Conservation

<i>Expenditures</i>		<i>Increase</i>	<i>Decrease</i>
266400.980	Big Swamp	205,920.00	
266400.980.001	Black River	226,990.00	
266400.980.002	Upper South	201,122.00	
266400.980.003	Lower South	165,968.00	
<i>Revenues</i>			
263472.001	Soil Conservation - GL	800,000.00	

Rollover Grants.

Golden Leaf - Water

<i>Expenditures</i>		<i>Increase</i>	<i>Decrease</i>
784990.621.001	Soft Cost	53,500.00	
784990.621.002	Hard Cost	224,685.00	
784990.960.001	Admin	10,000.00	
<i>Revenues</i>			
783970.023	CDBG-SFR	278,185.00	
783422.002	Fm General Fund	10,000.00	

Rollover Grants.

CDBG SFR DR17

<i>Expenditures</i>		<i>Increase</i>	<i>Decrease</i>
784991.621.001	Soft Costs	30,000.00	
784991.621.002	Hard Costs	114,850.00	
784991.960.001	Admin	5,150.00	
<i>Revenues</i>			
783970.025	CDBG SFR DR17	150,000.00	

Rollover Grants.

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CDBG DR

<i>Expenditures</i>		<i>Increase</i>	<i>Decrease</i>
785300.960.001	Admin	50,000.00	
785300.960.010	Flood Insurance	25,000.00	
785300.960.011	Housing Reimbursement	100,000.00	
785300.960.012	Infrastructure	45,000.00	
785300.960.013	Mobile Home Repair	200,000.00	
785300.960.014	Multi-Family Rental	25,000.00	
785300.960.016	Temporary Rental Assistance	25,000.00	
785300.960.017	Single Family Reconstruction	200,000.00	
785300.960.018	Single Family Rehab	330,000.00	
Revenues			
783970.024	CDBG DR	1,000,000.00	

Rollover Grants.

Lock and Dam Project

<i>Expenditures</i>		<i>Increase</i>	<i>Decrease</i>
794201.197.005	Detailed Design	1,301,000.00	
794201.574	Permits	270,000.00	
794201.574.001	Permitting - In Kind	36,000.00	
794201.574.002	Education - In Kind	25,000.00	
794201.574.003	Monitoring - In Kind	30,000.00	
794201.621	Construction	1,340,000.00	
794201.960.001	Admin	75,000.00	
794201.574.004	Education	20,000.00	
794201.574.005	Monitoring	234,000.00	
Revenues			
793190.054	Port of Wilmington Match	750,000.00	
793190.055	NCDENR Match	1,590,000.00	
793190.056	US Fish & Wildlife Service	25,000.00	
793190.057	Cape Fear River Watch - In Kind	60,000.00	
793190.058	US Fish - In Kind	66,000.00	
793190.070	National Fish & Wildlife Foundation	839,535.60	
793180.010	Interest	464.40	

Rollover and combining budget for Lock and Dam Project based on DENR's revised budget.

Jail Construction

<i>Expenditures</i>		<i>Increase</i>	<i>Decrease</i>
815100.5110.192	Professional Services Legal	62,567.00	
815100.5110.570	On Site Testing	120,741.77	
815100.5110.570.001	Other Services	110,425.70	
815100.5110.612	Architectural Services	1,364,011.23	
815100.5110.612.002	Construction Mgr @ Risk	53,000.00	
815100.5110.621	Construction	16,591,549.00	
815100.5110.627	Equipment Purchases	455,015.00	
815100.5110.745	Interest	1,116,496.44	
815100.5110.900	To General Fund	1,521,921.00	
815100.5110.960.005	Relocation	78,700.00	
815100.5110.990	Contingency	491,489.30	
Revenues			
813190.014	Loan Proceeds	19,985,000.00	
813422.002	Fm General Fund	1,980,916.44	

Rollover Jail Construction Project.

Jail Construction

<i>Expenditures</i>		<i>Increase</i>	<i>Decrease</i>
815100.5110.570.001	Other Services		31,006.14
815100.5110.745	Interest	63,500.00	
815100.5110.990	Contingency		32,493.86
815100.5110.990	Contingency		385,279.44
Revenues			
813422.002	Fm General Fund		385,279.44

Adjustments to Jail Construction Accounts for payoff.

F. County Attorney Invoices.

Date	Department	Amount
6/26/2018	Revenue Department	\$ 500.00
7/10/2018	E M S	\$ 675.00
7/16/2018	Sheriff's Office	\$ 750.00
7/23/2018	E M S	\$ 275.00
7/27/2018	Sheriff's Office	\$ 775.00
8/01/2018	Aug-18 Retainer	\$ 300.00
	Total	\$ 3,275.00

G. Tax Releases No. 6-18, incorporated by reference and made a part of these Minutes.

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- H. FY 2018-19 North Carolina Alliance of Public Health Agencies (NCAPHA) Staffing Agreement.
- I. FY 2018-19 On Target Preparedness, LLC Agreement.
- J. FY 2018-19 Pharmacy Service Agreement with Anderson's Pharmacy.
- K. FY 2018-19 Professional Services Agreement with Bladen Health Care, LLC, d/b/a Cape Fear Valley Bladen County Hospital for Family Nurse Practitioner Services.
- L. FY 2018-19 Professional Services Agreement with Bladen Health Care, LLC, d/b/a Cape Fear Valley Bladen County Hospital for Medical Direction Services.
- M. FY 2018-19 Professional Services Agreement with Bladen Health Care, LLC, d/b/a Cape Fear Valley Bladen County Hospital for Prenatal and Postpartum Services.
- N. FY 2018-19 Professional Services Agreement with Bladen Health Care, LLC, d/b/a Cape Fear Valley Bladen County Hospital for Tuberculosis Chest X-Ray Services.
- O. FY 2017-18 Amendment #3 with the NC Department of Public Safety for Inmate Labor.
- P. Lu Mil Vineyard Event Request for the Benefit of Division on Aging.
- Q. Fire Rescue EMS Academy Agreement with Praetorian Digital.
- R. Environmental Systems Research Institute, Inc. (ESRI) Primary and Secondary Maintenance Agreement through July 19, 2019 for E 9-1-1.
- S. Updated Job Descriptions and Classifications for Emergency Services Department.
- T. Use of the Courthouse Lawn from 4pm-6pm on Friday, August 31, 2018 for an Overdose Prevention Awareness Day Event.
- U. Special Meeting at 5:00pm on Monday, October 15, 2018 at the Powell-Melvin Agricultural Center to receive a NC Cooperative Extension Report to the People.
- V. Agreement with Bladen Community College (BCC) to Provide Practical Nursing and Associate Degree Nursing Student a Rotation in the Health Department for Clinical Training.
- W. Contract with North Carolina Department of Health and Human Services, Central Management and Support-Office of Rural Health Regarding the Medical Assistance Program (MAP).
- X. Request to Compensate Overtime for Deployment Hours incurred by Emergency Services Director.

ITEM 3. Matters of Interest to Commissioners:

- A. Human Resources Director Shonteia Keaton introduced Summer Intern Sydneigh N. Beatty. Ms. Beatty expressed appreciation to the Board and county employees while serving the county as summer intern.

Chairman Britt recognized Commissioner Peterson to address the Board. Commissioner Peterson asked that the Board consider requesting the Parks and Recreation Department to research pricing for installing a fence around the playground equipment located in the US 701 county park. Upon a motion by Commissioner Peterson, seconded by Commissioner Dowless, the Board unanimously supported the request.

Chairman Britt recognized Commissioner Munn-Goins to address the Board. Commissioner Munn-Goins inquired regarding water testing for citizens in Council, East Arcadia, Carvers Creek, and Kelly. She stated that she had received a number questions from residents who feel that their water comes from the Cape Fear River and may be tainted. She asked that Mr. Martin arrange for information to be shared with the public, specifically addressing those areas. Chairman Britt stated that Chemours would supply water to residents if wells tested positive for GenX above suggested levels.

Chairman Britt stated that the Board is not being passive when it comes to GenX and Chemours. The state investigation is still underway. The County cannot get involved in an ongoing investigation. He stated that detrimental levels of GenX have not yet been established. Chemours representatives have assured the Board that Chemours will resolve any harm created or caused by Chemours.

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ITEM 4. Public Hearing:

- A. Chairman Britt declared open a Public Hearing to receive comments regarding a rezoning request submitted by Gregory Colvin related to property located at 1156 Chickenfoot Road (PIN #0355-00-17-42763). The Public Hearing notice was advertised in a newspaper of general circulation on July 13, 2018. A copy of the Affidavit of Publication follows:



No one addressed the Board.

Chairman Britt declared closed the Public Hearing.

- B. Planning Director Greg Elkins was in attendance to address any questions from the public or Board members. Mr. Elkins stated that the Zoning Board had recommended the rezoning request at its June 2018 meeting. Upon a motion by Commissioner Peterson, seconded by Commissioner Gooden, the Board unanimously approved the rezoning request determining that the request was consistent with the adopted 2013-2020 Bladen County Land Use Plan; and the rezoning request was reasonable; and that the rezoning request was in the public interest.

ITEM 5. Individuals/Delegations Wishing to Address Commissioners:

No one in attendance addressed the Board.

ITEM 6. Revenue Department: (Renee Davis, Tax Administrator)

- A. Mrs. Davis provided information regarding a bid for county owned property located at 2681 NC 410 Hwy. (PIN #0371-00-68-0182). Mrs. Davis stated that Mr. Edward Bryan submitted a bid in the amount of \$7,600 for the 1.0 acre tract, and that the expense to the county was \$7,600. The tax value of the property is listed as \$8,000. Upon a motion by Commissioner Peterson, seconded by Commissioner Dowless, the Board unanimously accepted the bid submitted by Mr. Bryan in the amount of \$7,600 to begin the upset bid process.

ITEM 7. Department of Social Services: (Vickie Smith, Director)

- A. Mrs. Smith presented a Memorandum of Agreement (MOA) between District 13 District Court Judge's Office, District 13 Guardian Ad Litem Program and Bladen County Department of Social Services. Mrs. Smith stated that this agreement would establish a method of routine information and data sharing practices regarding juvenile court information. Upon a motion by Commissioner Munn-Goins, seconded by Commissioner Cogdell, the Board unanimously approved a Memorandum of Agreement between District 13 District Court Judge's Office, District 13 Guardian Ad Litem Program and Bladen County Department of Social Services.

ITEM 8. Emergency Services: (Bradley Kinlaw, Director)

- A. Mr. Kinlaw provide an overview of three (3) Memorandums of Agreement between Bladen County and Columbus, Hoke, and Pender Counties for the transfer of safety rehabilitation trailers recently purchased with funds from the FY17 Homeland Security Grant. Upon a motion by Commissioner Peterson, seconded by Commissioner Bullock, the Board unanimously approved the three (3) Memorandums of Agreement with Columbus, Hoke, and Pender Counties.
- B. Mr. Kinlaw provided an overview of a North Carolina Hazard Mitigation Grant Program (HMGP) Grant Agreement in the amount of \$418,881 for the reconstruction of three (3) structures. The structures to be reconstructed are located in Bladenboro (1 location), and Kelly (2 locations). Upon a motion by Commissioner Peterson, seconded by Commissioner Trivette, the Board

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unanimously approved a North Carolina Hazard Mitigation Grant Program (HMGP) Grant agreement in the amount of \$418,881.

- C. Mr. Kinlaw provided an overview of a North Carolina Hazard Mitigation Grant Program (HMGP) Grant Agreement in the amount of \$245,931 for the elevation of two (2) structures. Both structures to be reconstructed are located in the Kelly area. Upon a motion by Commissioner Peterson, seconded by Commissioner Bullock, the Board unanimously approved a North Carolina Hazard Mitigation Grant Program (HMGP) Grant agreement in the amount of \$245,931.
- D. Mr. Kinlaw introduced Jessie Miars of Holland Consulting Planners. Ms. Miars provided an overview of the policies and plans required to be adopted for the administration of two (2) NC Disaster Recovery Act Grants (DRA-2017 and HM DRA-17). Each of these grants are in the amount of \$1,000,000 which will fund mitigation projects in Bladen County. Upon a motion by Commissioner Peterson, seconded by Commissioner Munn-Goins, the Board unanimously adopted Policies and Plans regarding NC Disaster Recovery Act Grants (DRA-2017 and HM DRA-17).
- E. Mr. Kinlaw and Ms. Miars provided a brief overview of policies and plans required to be adopted for the administration of a Hazard Mitigation Grant Program (HMGP). Since the HMGP is a federal program, required policies are specific to federal programs. Upon a motion by Commissioner Peterson, seconded by Commissioner Munn-Goins, the Board unanimously adopted Policies and Plans regarding a Hazard Mitigation Grant Program (HMGP).

During discussion, Ms. Miars estimated approximately 23 homeowners could be assisted by the NC Disaster Recovery Act Grants.

Mr. Kinlaw stated that a different project funded by Community Development Block Grant-Disaster Recovery (CBDG-DR) is currently open for applications. He encouraged individuals to call 211 in order to schedule an appointment. He stated that the Bladen County application acceptance location would be open on August 20 at the Bladen County Training Center located at 5853 US Hwy. 701 North. He stated that the application site would not be able to accept walk-in applicants, an appointment would be required. Another application location is currently open in Fair Bluff in Columbus County.

ITEM 9. Sheriff's Office: (Jim McVicker, Sheriff)

- A. In Sheriff McVicker's absence, Captain Jeff Singletary provided an overview of an Asset Purchase and Transfer Agreement in the amount of \$9,980.10 with Affiniti, LLC for the acquisition of two (2) steel monopoles. Currently, the monopoles are located on Bladen County School property, but will be removed and relocated to areas in order to enhance the county's paging system for all first responders including law enforcement, EMS, and fire departments. Upon a motion by Commissioner Peterson, seconded by Commissioner Dowless, the Board unanimously approved an Asset Purchase and Transfer Agreement in the amount of \$9,980.10 with Affiniti, LLC.
- B. Captain Singletary provided an update regarding a Bladen County Roadside Litter Pick Up program. He stated that since late June, 504 bags of litter, equaling 3.25 tons of litter and approximately 500 lbs. of furniture have been removed from Bladen County's roads.
- Chairman Britt asked that Mercer Mill Road in close proximity of the solid waste site be watched closely, as it collects litter which may have been lost from the solid waste site or on the way to the solid waste site.
- The Board expressed appreciation for the hard work involved to kick off the Roadside Litter Pick Up program and for the hard work to maintain the program.

ITEM 10. Soil and Water Conservation: (Dean Morris, Director)

- A. Mr. Morris introduced Project Contractor Ward Stocks. Mr. Morris and Mr. Stocks provided an update regarding a stream debris removal project. Mr. Morris stated that the project is being funded by a Golden LEAF grant. He stated that during the onset of the project, the water levels were much higher.

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Now that water levels have dropped this summer, more debris has been identified for removal.

- B. Mr. Morris provided an overview of Change Order #1 in the amount of \$44,753 for the Lower Big Swamp debris removal project. Upon a motion by Commissioner Peterson, seconded by Commissioner Trivette, the Board unanimously approved Change Order #1 in the amount of \$44,753, for a total of \$79,653 for the Lower Big Swamp debris removal project.
- C. Mr. Morris provided an overview of Change Order #1 in the amount of \$68,741 for the Upper Big Swamp debris removal project. Upon a motion by Commissioner Peterson, seconded by Commissioner Trivette, the Board unanimously approved Change Order #1 in the amount of \$68,741, for a total of \$118,641, for the Upper Big Swamp debris removal project.

ITEM 11. General Services Department: (Kip McClary, Director)

- A. Mr. McClary provided an overview of a Williams Fire Sprinkler Company, Inc. Inspections Service Agreement for the fire suppression systems at the Detention and Law Enforcement Center. Upon a motion by Commissioner Cogdell, seconded by Commissioner Munn-Goins, the Board unanimously approved a Williams Fire Sprinkler Company, Inc. Inspections Service Agreement.

ITEM 12. Bladen County Water District:

- A. Upon a motion by Commissioner Munn-Goins, seconded by Commissioner Bullock, the Board exited regular session and entered a session as Bladen County Water District Board of Directors.
- B. General Services Manager Kip McClary and Water Department Manager Alan Edge introduced LKC Engineering representative Adam Kiker to provide an update regarding a proposed test well as part of a Phase IV water system expansion project. There has been an Option to Purchase developed for a potential well site in the amount of \$1,000 payable to the current property owner. Once the test well has been established and the flow has been determined to be sufficient, the purchase would be completed. Mr. Kiker stated that USDA had indicated its willingness to fund the test well construction from the engineering portion of the contract versus the construction process. Therefore, a change order in the amount of \$19,875 has been developed to fund the test well project. Mr. Kiker indicated that the overall contract would actually decrease a small amount.
- C. Following discussion and upon a motion by Commissioner Peterson, seconded by Commissioner Gooden, the Board unanimously approved Change order #1 in the amount of \$19,875 to LKC Engineering, PLLC Owner-Engineer Agreement.

Mr. McClary provided a brief update regarding a recent lightning strike at the Abbottsburg well site. He stated that the well is now working. Lightning suppressors have been installed. He stated that additional information from the electric power supplier has been requested for the possibility of additional lightning suppressors.

- D. Upon a motion by Commissioner Peterson, seconded by Commissioner Bullock, the Board exited Water District Board of Directors Session and returned to Regular Session.

ITEM 13. Advisory Board Appointments:

- A. **Adult Home Care Community Advisory Committee (3):** Upon a motion by Commissioner Peterson, seconded by Commissioner Cogdell, the Board unanimously tabled appointments.
- B. **Eastpointe MCO Advisory Committee (1):** Commissioner Gooden made a motion to appoint Commissioner Peterson, seconded by Commissioner Dowless. Commissioner Bullock made a motion to appoint Commissioner Cogdell, seconded by Commissioner Munn-Goins. Chairman Britt asked for a show of hands in support of Commissioner Peterson's appointment. Commissioners Gooden, Peterson, Britt, and Dowless indicated their support

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of Commissioner Peterson's appointment. Chairman Britt then asked for a show of hands in support of Commissioner Cogdell's appointment. Commissioners Priest, Bullock, Cogdell, Trivette, and Munn-Goins indicated their support of Commissioner Cogdell's appointment. By a vote of five (5) AYES (Priest, Bullock, Cogdell, Trivette, Munn-Goins), Commissioner Cogdell was appointed to a three-year term of service, with the term expiring June 18, 2021.

- C. Hickory Grove Fire District Committee (1):** Upon a motion by Commissioner Peterson, seconded by Commissioner Bullock, the Board unanimously tabled an appointment.
- D. Kelly Fire Service District (1):** Upon a motion by Commissioner Bullock, seconded by Commissioner Munn-Goins, the Board unanimously tabled an appointment.
- E. Library Board (1):** Upon a motion by Commissioner Peterson, seconded by Commissioner Munn-Goins, the Board unanimously appointed Judy Elkins to an unexpired term, with the term expiring December 31, 2019.
- F. Local Emergency Planning Committee (1):** Commissioner Peterson made a motion to appoint Bladen County Schools Human Resource Director Antonia Beatty, which was seconded by Commissioner Dowless. Following discussion regarding the necessity to include an appointee representing transportation and upon a motion by Commissioner Peterson, seconded by Commissioner Trivette, the Board, upon a vote of eight (8) AYES (Priest, Gooden, Bullock, Peterson, Britt, Cogdell, Dowless, Trivette) to one (1) NO (Munn-Goins) tabled an appointment representing Transportation until a transportation position is filled at Bladen County Schools.
- G. Planning and Zoning Board of Adjustments (1):** Upon a motion by Commissioner Priest, seconded by Commissioner Munn-Goins, the Board unanimously tabled an appointment.

ITEM 11. Advisory Board Appointments for Consideration at the August 20, 2018 Board Meeting:

- A. Industrial and Pollution Control Financing Authority (3)**

ITEM 12. County Manager: (Greg Martin)

- A. Mr. Martin reviewed Board calendars for the months of August and September 2018.

ITEM 13. Individuals/Delegations Wishing to Address Commissioners:

No one in attendance addressed the Board.

Upon a motion by Commissioner Cogdell, seconded by Commissioner Bullock, the meeting was unanimously adjourned at 7:29pm.

ATTEST:

Maria C. Edwards, Clerk to the Board

Ray Britt, Chairman
Bladen County Board of Commissioners