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A regular meeting of the Bladen County Board of Commissioners was held at 6:30 pm on Monday, February 17, 2014 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
- G. Michael Cogdell
- Wayne Edge

Attorney: Leslie Johnson, Johnson Law Firm

ITEM 1. 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 2. Consent Items:
Upon a motion by Commissioner Peterson, seconded by Commissioner Gillespie the Board approved the following Consent Items:
 A. Agenda.
 B. Minutes of Regular Meeting on February 3, 2014.
 C. Budget Amendments as follows:

Elections

<i>Expenditures</i>		<i>Debit</i>	<i>Credit</i>
104300.200	Supplies & Materials	3,500.00	
<i>Revenues</i>			
103170.051	Election Reimbursement	3,500.00	

To upgrade office computers of Windows 7 per SBOE, and replace main scanner.

Motor Pool

<i>Expenditures</i>		<i>Debit</i>	<i>Credit</i>
105010.357	Maintenance and Repairs	9,882.81	
<i>Revenues</i>			
103190.011	Insurance Claims	9,882.81	

Repairs for EMS Truck 2004 Ford E450 #646.

Sheriff

<i>Expenditures</i>		<i>Debit</i>	<i>Credit</i>
1051005130.200	Aviation Supplies & Materials	7,483.82	
<i>Revenues</i>			
103270.018	Sheriff - HELO	7,483.82	

Annual reimbursement from SBI for eradication flight time summer 2013.

Health

<i>Expenditures</i>		<i>Debit</i>	<i>Credit</i>
1059005960.211.001	Fire Prevention	400.00	
<i>Revenues</i>			
103530.162	F/S Fire Safety	100.00	
103190.053	Fund Balance Appropriated	300.00	

Carryover Fire Prevention Grant and new award.

Parks & Recreation

<i>Expenditures</i>		<i>Debit</i>	<i>Credit</i>
106600.499.008	Deputies	936.00	
<i>Revenues</i>			
103660.010	Recreation Fees	936.00	

To pay deputies for basketball games security.

Department of Social Services

<i>Expenditures</i>		<i>Debit</i>	<i>Credit</i>
146100.689	Energy Neighbor Fund	437.88	
<i>Revenues</i>			
143531.031	Energy Neighbor Fund	437.88	

Increased funding - #11.

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Department of Social Services

<i>Expenditures</i>		<i>Debit</i>	<i>Credit</i>
146100.693	Medicaid Transportation	50,000.00	
<i>Revenues</i>			
143531.320	Medicaid Transportation	50,000.00	

To pay current and future expenses – 100% reimbursed.

EMS/Administration

<i>Expenditures</i>		<i>Debit</i>	<i>Credit</i>
106800.450	Insurance and Bonds		29,462.00
106900.904	To EMS	29,462.00	
325302.950	Medicaid Audit	29,462.00	
<i>Revenues</i>			
323422.002	Fm General Fund	29,462.00	

To cover cost associated with EMS Medicaid audit for 2009-2010.

Water Phase IIIB

<i>Expenditures</i>		<i>Debit</i>	<i>Credit</i>
236803.744	Debt Service-Principal		101,906.67
236804.197.011	Bay Tree Construction	145,918.80	
236804.570	Land/RW	25,000.00	
236804.745	Debt Service-Interest	71,401.56	
236804.990	Contingency	158,374.36	
236804.200.008	Subcontractors/Supplies		1,965.00
236804.341	Printing		190.00
<i>Revenues</i>			
233190.050	Fund Balance Appropriated	296,633.05	

To cover final expenses related to Phase IIIB.

EMS

<i>Expenditures</i>		<i>Debit</i>	<i>Credit</i>
325302.740	Capital Outlay-Equipment	125,768.55	
325302.741	Capital Outlay-Vehicles	2,560.00	
325302.744	Debt Service-Principal	70,435.04	
325302.745	Debt Service-Interest		2,700.00
<i>Revenues</i>			
323190.014	Loan Proceeds	203,328.55	
323190.050	Fund Balance Appropriated		7,264.96

Appropriation for additional Heart Monitors financed with ambulances and increase for installment financing.

Tar Heel Fire Department

<i>Expenditures</i>		<i>Debit</i>	<i>Credit</i>
415341.191	Professional Services – Audit	2,255.00	
<i>Revenues</i>			
413190.050	Fund Balance Appropriated	2,255.00	

To cover cost for the two prior year audit fees.

D. County Attorney Invoices:

Date	Department	Amount
2/1/14	Feb-14 Retainer	\$ 300.00
	Total	\$ 300.00

E. Tax Refunds and Releases, incorporated by reference and made a part of these minutes.

F. Community Development Block Grant Monthly Performance Status Reports (2) for the month of January, 2014, incorporated by reference and made a part of these minutes.

ITEM 3. Matters of Interest to Commissioners:

Commissioner Peterson suggested studying the cost of tap fees and discussion to allow Bladen County citizens, who have access and have not yet tapped onto the water system, to do so at a reduced rate. The recent inclement weather, which contributed to power outages for multiple days, may encourage them to begin the process.

Commissioner Cogdell stated that he understood that several emergency shelter sites (schools) do not have generators hooked up in the event of a power outage. County Manager Greg Martin stated that this has been an ongoing issue for some

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time and has been discussed, most recently last week. Updates to the Board will be forthcoming.

ITEM 4. Individuals/Delegations Wishing to Address Commissioners:

No one in attendance wished to address the Board.

ITEM 5. Finance Department (Lisa Coleman, Director):

A. Finance Officer Lisa Coleman presented the financial dashboard report for the 7-month period ending January 31, 2014.

B. Lisa Coleman provided an overview related to proposals received in response to the Requests for Proposal for the financing of ten heart monitors, one new ambulance, and one refurbished ambulance on January 23, 2014. Respondents submitted the following:

Bank	Rate	Add'l Fees	Total Payments
First Citizens Bank	1.39%	-0-	\$ 388,632.12
Wells Fargo	No Bid		
First Community Bank	2.25%	\$ 300.00	\$ 401,006.26
SunTrust	1.31%	\$ 500.00	\$ 389,587.70
B B &T	1.46%	-0-	\$ 388,897.92

Upon a motion by Commissioner Gillespie, seconded by Commissioner Edge, the Board unanimously adopted a Resolution approving financing terms with First Citizens Bank.

Upon a motion by Commissioner Gillespie, seconded by Commissioner Edge, the Board unanimously approved a Declaration of Official Intent to Reimburse, regarding the First Citizens financing agreement, related to the purchase of ten heart monitors, one new ambulance, and one refurbished ambulance.

ITEM 6. General Operations: (Robert Mazur, Director)

A. County Manager Greg Martin spoke in Mr. Mazur's absence. Mr. Martin provided an overview of a Bladen County Solid Waste Commingled School Recycling Collection & Compaction Pilot Project Grant application. This project will consist of two major elements; (1) further establishment of recycling services at the county's two high schools and (2) establish a designated recycling area at our busiest collection center consisting of a self-contained compactor unit specifically for compacting single stream recyclables. The project is budgeted for a cost of \$29,850, with the county's share of \$5,970. Upon a motion by Commissioner Pait, seconded by Commissioner Gillespie, the Board unanimously approved the Solid Waste Commingled School Recycling Collection & Compaction Pilot Project Grant application.

ITEM 7. Advisory Board Appointments:

A. Bladen County Nursing Home Advisory Committee (2)

Commissioner Peterson nominated Jeanene Green and Commissioner Edge nominated Larry Yoder to the Bladen County Nursing Home Advisory Committee. Upon a motion by Commissioner Peterson, seconded by Commissioner Edge, the Board unanimously appointed Jeanene Green and Larry Yoder to the Bladen County Nursing Home Advisory Committee, with terms expiring February 28, 2017.

B. Health and Human Services Advisory Committee (1)

Due to Dr. Donald Brown's relocation, a vacancy has been created on the advisory board. Upon a motion by Commissioner Peterson, seconded by Commissioner Gillespie, the Board unanimously appointed Dr. Kathleen Heer to fill the unexpired term on the Health and Human Services Advisory Committee, with the term expiring December 30, 2015.

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ITEM 8. County Manager: (Greg Martin)

A. County Manager Greg Martin reviewed the calendars for February and March 2014.

County Manager Greg Martin stated that the Planning Board will be meeting on Tuesday, February 18, 2014 to review a draft ordinance related to the regulation of firing ranges. Information will be presented to the Board of Commissioners at an upcoming meeting.

Upon a motion by Commissioner Gillespie, seconded by Commissioner Pait, the meeting was adjourned at 6:50pm.

James G. Smith, Chairman
Bladen County Board of Commissioners

ATTEST:

Maria C. Edwards, Clerk to the Board