

June 20, 2016

A regular meeting of the Bladen County Board of Commissioners was held at 6:30 pm on Monday, June 20, 2016 in the Commissioners Meeting Room of the Bladen County Courthouse.

The following members were present:

- Russell Priest, Chairman
- Arthur Bullock, Vice Chairman
- Charles R. Peterson
- Daniel Dowless
- Dr. Delilah Blanks
- Billy R. Pait
- Wayne Edge
- James G. "Jimmie" Smith

Excused: Michael Cogdell

Attorney: Allen Johnson, Johnson Law Firm

ITEM 1. Chairman Priest called the meeting to order.

Reverend Larry Hayes, Good News Baptist Church of Bladenboro, provided the Invocation. County Manager Gregory J. Martin led the Pledge of Allegiance.

ITEM 2. Consent Items:

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

- A. Agenda.
- B. Minutes of May 31, 2016 Special Meeting.
- C. Minutes of June 6, 2016 Special Meeting.
- D. Minutes of June 6, 2016 Regular Meeting.
- E. Minutes of June 13, 2016 Special Meeting.
- F. Budget Amendments, as follows:

Workplace Safety

<i>Expenditures</i>		<i>Increase</i>	<i>Decrease</i>
104230.610	Contract Services	4,554.00	
<i>Revenues</i>			
103101.010	Taxes – Current Ad Valorem	4,554.00	

Cost of MSDSONline.

Central Services

<i>Expenditures</i>		<i>Increase</i>	<i>Decrease</i>
105000.351	M/R – Jail	9,690.00	
<i>Revenues</i>			
103180.010	Investment Earnings	9,690.00	

To cover cost of new HVAC unit at jail.

Motor Pool

<i>Expenditures</i>		<i>Increase</i>	<i>Decrease</i>
105010.253	Vehicle Parts	646.38	
<i>Revenues</i>			
103190.011	Insurance Claims	646.38	

2013 Ford Fusion 4 door sedan for DSS.

Motor Pool

<i>Expenditures</i>		<i>Increase</i>	<i>Decrease</i>
105010.253	Vehicle Parts	4,560.50	
<i>Revenues</i>			
103190.011	Insurance Claims	4,560.50	

2012 Ambulance.

Sheriff/Jail

<i>Expenditures</i>		<i>Increase</i>	<i>Decrease</i>
105100.5110.120	Salaries	8,400.00	
105100.5110.125	Overtime	850.00	
105100.5110.126	Part-Time Salaries	5,700.00	
105100.5110.181	FICA	900.00	
105100.5110.182	Retirement	500.00	
105100.5110.183	Group Insurance	3,500.00	
105110.5110.185	Retiree Health Insurance	500.00	
<i>Revenues</i>			
103101.010	Taxes – Current Ad Valorem	20,350.00	

To cover year end.

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Mental Health

<i>Expenditures</i>		<i>Increase</i>	<i>Decrease</i>
105990.696	Mental Health – ABC	621.00	
<i>Revenues</i>			
103510.030	ABC 5 cent Bottle Tax	621.00	

To cover year end.

Parks & Recreation

<i>Expenditures</i>		<i>Increase</i>	<i>Decrease</i>
106600.200	Supplies & Materials	1,219.18	
106600.272	Concession Stand Supplies	1,922.55	
106600.350	M/R Building & Grounds	575.00	
106600.352	M/R Equipment	150.00	
106600.493	Refunds	240.00	
106600.499	Miscellaneous Expense	2,535.00	
106600.499.008	Deputies	1,516.79	
106600.610	Contracted Services	605.00	
106600.491	Dues & Subscriptions		17.13
106600.803	Insurance & Utilities		296.45
<i>Revenues</i>			
103660.010	Recreation Fees	2,535.00	
103190.010	Misc Revenue	150.00	
103660.006	Recreation Other Vendors	671.80	
103660.012	Recreation Concession Sales	3,543.14	
103660.005	Batting Cage	1,420.00	
103660.000	Recreation Insurance Fees	130.00	

To cover year end and purchase computer.

Department of Social Services

<i>Expenditures</i>		<i>Increase</i>	<i>Decrease</i>
146100.6160.535	Medicaid	886.00	
<i>Revenues</i>			
143591.010	Client Refund	886.00	

EPICS drafts for current year.

Solid Waste

<i>Expenditures</i>		<i>Increase</i>	<i>Decrease</i>
205805.499.048	Misc Recycling Grant	435.75	
<i>Revenues</i>			
203321.013	Recycling Grant (CWR)	435.75	

Final reimbursement for Grant 6462.

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<i>Expenditures</i>		<i>Increase</i>	<i>Decrease</i>
325302.251	Vehicle Fuels		11,000.00
325302.357	M/R Vehicles	11,000.00	
325302.950	Medicaid Audit	23,962.00	
325302.960.001	Admin Fees	6,710.00	
<i>Revenues</i>			
323190.010	Miscellaneous Revenue	30,672.00	

To cover year end, Medicaid Audit and admin fees for Medicaid cost report.

G. County Attorney Invoices.

Date	Department	Amount
6/01/16	Jun-16 Retainer	\$ 300.00
6/02/16	Sheriff's Office	\$ 750.00
6/07/16	Sheriff's Office	\$ 525.00
6/10/16	Sheriff's Office	\$ 1,975.00
6/14/16	Sheriff's Office	\$ 775.00
6/14/16	Sheriff's Office	\$ 795.00
6/15/16	Sheriff's Office	\$ 550.00
	Total	\$ 5,670.00

- H. Tax Refunds and Releases No. 5-16, incorporated by reference and made a part of these Minutes.
- I. Fireworks Display at Bay Tree Lakes on July 2, 2016 or an Undetermined Rain Date in Accordance with NCGS 14-410.413.
- J. Pitney Bowes Renewal Agreement for a Digital Mailing Machine.
- K. Authorize County Manager to Approve Budget Amendments through June 30, 2016.

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ITEM 3. Matters of Interest to Commissioners:

No one brought an item of discussion to the floor.

ITEM 4. Individuals/Delegations Wishing to Address Commissioners:

No one in attendance addressed the Board.

ITEM 5. Bladen County Schools: (Sharon Penny, Finance Officer)

- A. Mrs. Penny presented a Board of Education approved application in the amount of \$31,603 to be submitted to Public School Building Capital Fund, NC Education Lottery. Upon a motion by Commissioner Peterson, seconded by Commissioner Smith, the Board unanimously approved the application for a freezer replacement at Clarkton School of Discovery.

ITEM 6. Department Focus:

- A. Planning Director Greg Elkins provided an overview of the responsibilities, duties and services provided by the Planning Department. Mr. Elkins touched on all activities in which he is involved, including Planning Board & Zoning Board of Adjustment, ordinance enforcement, Land Use Planning, strategic planning and a comprehensive transportation plan. Mr. Elkins also serves on the Cape Fear Resource Conservation and Development. The CFRC&D is currently performing a regional drainage study.

ITEM 7. Finance Department: (Lisa Coleman, Finance Officer)

- A. Mrs. Coleman reviewed a financial dashboard for the eleven-month period ending May 31, 2016.

ITEM 8. Health and Human Services Agency: (David Howard, Director)

- A. Mr. Howard provided an update regarding education, preparedness, prevention measures, testing and travel advisories related to the Zika virus.
- B. Upon a motion by Commissioner Peterson, seconded by Commissioner Smith, the Board unanimously approved a FY 2016-17 agreement with Anderson's Drug Store for pharmacy services.
- C. Upon a motion by Commissioner Smith, seconded by Commissioner Peterson, the Board unanimously approved a FY 2016-17 Business Associate Agreement with Carolina's IT, which will allow for protection of health information.
- D. Upon a motion by Commissioner Edge, seconded by Commissioner Peterson, the Board unanimously approved a renewal agreement for FY 2016-17 with NC Alliance of Public Health Agencies.
- E. Upon a motion by Commissioner Bullock, seconded by Commissioner Peterson, the Board unanimously approved a Health Department Fee Schedule.
- F. Upon a motion by Commissioner Peterson, seconded by Commissioner Smith, the Board unanimously approved a renewal agreement for FY 2016-17 with Bladen Therapy Solutions to provide therapy services to Home Health clients.
- G. Upon a motion by Commissioner Smith, seconded by Commissioner Peterson, the Board unanimously approved a renewal agreement for FY 2016-17 with Therapy Works to provide therapy services to Home Health clients.
- H. Upon a motion by Commissioner Edge, seconded by Commissioner Pait, the Board unanimously approved a Letter of Agreement for FY 2016-17 with

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Bladen County Schools to provide understanding, give direction and establish specific responsibilities related to the School Health Program.

ITEM 9. Department of Social Services: (Vickie Smith, Director)

- A. Mrs. Smith and Food and Nutrition Services Supervisor Brenda Burney provided an update to the Board regarding a FNS statewide program, Able-Bodied Adults without Dependents (ABAWD). Mrs. Smith shared that the intent of the program is to assist food stamp recipients, who are not employed, to become productive citizens in Bladen County by working a minimum of 80 hours per month. However, should the potential client admit to chemical and/or alcohol dependency, the client would not be required to seek treatment. Mrs. Smith stated that staff would make referrals to treatment facilities and mental health professionals, but the client would continue to be enrolled in the ABAWD program.
- B. Following discussion and upon a motion by Commissioner Smith, seconded by Commissioner Peterson, the Board unanimously approved a Bladen County DSS iPad and Recording of Interview Policy.
- C. Upon a motion by Commissioner Bullock, seconded by Commissioner Peterson, the Board unanimously approved a Consumer Credit Application for Minor Foster Children with TransUnion. This agreement will allow for each child in Foster Care and under the responsibility of the state to receive, without cost, a copy of any consumer credit report to assist in identity protection.
- D. Upon a motion by Commissioner Smith, seconded by Commissioner Pait, the Board unanimously approved a legal services renewal agreement with Johnson Law Firm.
- E. Upon a motion by Commissioner Blanks, seconded by Commissioner Peterson, the Board unanimously approved a FY 2016-17 agreement with Bladen County Sheriff's Office, to provide services for Children's Welfare and Child Support establishment and enforcement.

Commissioner Blanks expressed her concern regarding the ABAWD program should a client acknowledge an issue with drug and/or alcohol dependency. She asked Mrs. Smith to reach out to federal legislators to advocate for change in order to assist clients with rehabilitation.

ITEM 10. Bladen County Water District:

- A. Upon a motion by Commissioner Smith, seconded by Commissioner Peterson, the Board entered a session as the Bladen County Water District Board of Directors at 7:19 pm.
- B. LKC Engineering representatives Adam Kiker and Tim Carpenter provided an update regarding a proposed Phase IV Expansion Project. A sample of mechanical water meters were submitted for capture testing, resulting in a finding of approximately 4% loss on average. Along with water meter replacement, Mr. Kiker indicated a new wellsite is being considered in the western part of the county and in the vicinity of Dublin. Commissioner Peterson asked if an inactive well located in the Center Road area could supply the necessary water. Tim Carpenter indicated that well would be reviewed and tested. Mr. Carpenter stated that issues with water quality had been experienced in the past, causing the well to be idle.
- C. Upon a motion by Commissioner Peterson, seconded by Commissioner Smith, the Board exited the Session as Bladen County Water District Board of Directors at 7:29 pm.

ITEM 11. Advisory Board Appointments:

A. Adult Care Home Community Advisory Committee (1): Upon a motion by Commissioner Edge, seconded by Commissioner Pait, the Board unanimously reappointed Marie Robinson to a three-year term of service, with the term expiring June 30, 2019.

B. Ammon Fire Service District Committee (3): Upon a motion by Commissioner Smith, seconded by Commissioner Edge, the Board, waiving the rules on term limits, reappointed John Graham to a term of three years; and reappointed Dean Hicks and Lonnie Harris to terms of three years, with the terms expiring June 30, 2019.

C. Carvers Creek Fire District Committee (1): Upon a motion by Commissioner Blanks, seconded by Commissioner Peterson, the Board unanimously appointed Kenneth Davis to a three-year term, with the term expiring April 5, 2019.

D. Elizabethtown Airport/Economic Development Commission (2): Upon a motion by Commissioner Pait, seconded by Commissioner Edge, the Board, waiving the policy on term limits, unanimously reappointed Julius Avant and Reynold Hester to three-year terms, with the terms expiring June 30, 2019.

E. Local Emergency Planning Committee (6): Upon a motion by Commissioner Edge, seconded by Commissioner Peterson, the Board unanimously reappointed the following members:

Representing	Member Information	Term Expiration
Local Official	Greg Martin	June 30, 2019
Rural Fire	Ben Corbett	June 30, 2019
Law Enforcement	Jeff Singletary	June 30, 2019
Transportation	Kent Allen	June 30, 2019
Private Industry	Terral Dial	June 30, 2019
HazMat Response Team	Calvin Bishop	June 30, 2019

Along with naming Charles Hester with Bladen Baptist Association, to replace Bruce Cannon who has moved out of the county, to an unexpired term, with the term expiring June 30, 2017.

F. Lumber River Council of Governments Region N Aging Advisory Council (1): Upon a motion by Commissioner Blanks, seconded by Commissioner Peterson, the Board unanimously appointed Jean Lloyd to an unexpired term, with the term expiring February 18, 2019.

G. Planning Board (8): Upon a motion by Commissioner Edge to address Planning Board and (11J.) Zoning Board of Adjustment appointments together, seconded by Commissioner Pait, the Board unanimously appointed the following members to two and three-year terms of service to allow for staggered terms:

Member Information	Term Expiration	Notes
William Hemphill	June 30, 2019	
Ronnie McLean	June 30, 2019	
Don White	June 30, 2019	
David Hursey	June 30, 2018	Waived policy on term limits
Ralph Carter	June 30, 2018	Waived policy on term limits
Margaret Lawrence	June 30, 2019	Waived policy on term limits
Pat Melvin	June 30, 2018	Waived policy on term limits
Dan Ward	June 30, 2019	Waived policy on term limits

H. Recreation Committee (4): Upon a motion by Commissioner Edge, seconded by Commissioner Peterson, the Board unanimously reappointed Pat M. Gainey and Ritchie Priest; waiving policy on term limits, reappointed Glen McKoy and appointed Boyce White to three-year terms of service, with the terms expiring June 30, 2019.

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- I. **Tobermory Fire Service Committee (2):** A motion to reappoint each committee member was presented by Commissioner Smith and seconded by Commissioner Bullock. Following discussion, Commissioner Smith withdrew his original motion, based on recommendations by the Tobermory Fire Service Committee. Upon a motion by Commissioner Edge, seconded by Commissioner Pait, the Board unanimously appointed Wesley Musselwhite and James Baker to three-year terms of service, with the terms expiring June 19, 2019.
- J. **Zoning Board of Adjustment (8):** See item 11G above.

ITEM 11. County Manager: (Greg Martin)

- A. Mr. Martin reviewed Board calendars for the months of June and July 2016.
- B. Upon a motion by Commissioner Smith, seconded by Commissioner Bullock, the Board unanimously approved a grant application to the National Fish and Wildlife Foundation (NFWF) regarding a Lock and Dam #2 and #3 Fishway project.
- C. Upon a motion by Commissioner Smith, seconded by Commissioner Bullock, the Board unanimously approved the following Statement of Support for the Guard and Reserve:



Upon a motion by Commissioner Bullock, seconded by Commissioner Dowless, the meeting adjourned at 7:36 pm.

ATTEST:

Maria C. Edwards, Clerk to the Board

Russell Priest, Chairman
Bladen County Board of Commissioners