May 29, 2012

A special meeting of the Bladen County Board of Commissioners was held on Tuesday, May 29, 2012 at 6:00 pm regarding FY 2012-2013 Budget.

Members present were:
Charles Ray Peterson, Chairman
James G. “Jimmie” Smith, Vice Chairman
Lewis Tatum
Delilah Blanks
Mark Gillespie
David Gooden
Daniel Dowless
Billy Ray Pait
Russell Priest

Chairman Peterson called the meeting to order. Commissioner Blanks provided the Invocation and County Manager Greg Martin led the Pledge of Allegiance.

ITEM 1.  Board Discussion Regarding FY 2013 Budget:

Chairman Peterson asked the Board about items of interest for discussion. The following items were presented and reviewed:

A. COLA (2%)
B. Public Education
C. Water Department (Meter Reader)
D. Deputy Fire Marshal
E. Building Inspector Truck
F. Sheriff Department (clerk)
G. DSS position (Security Guard)
H. Recreation Department position
I. Community Recreation Outreach

The following items were selected to be given further consideration during the budget process:

A. COLA (2%)
B. Deputy Fire Marshal
C. Building Inspector truck ($18,500)
D. Sheriff Department Clerk

County Manager Greg Margin pointed out the importance of having sustainable revenue for recurring expenses. He stated that the only item of the above list of nonrecurring costs is the building inspector truck.

The following items were selected as questionable during the budget process:

A. Public Education
B. Water Department (Meter Reader) County Manager Greg Martin was asked to follow up for more information
C. DSS position (Security Guard) Remove Security Guard Position and Keep Existing Employee – Keep Vacant
D. Recreation Department position and Community Outreach (County Manager Greg Martin is exploring possibilities.

A motion was made by Commissioner Pait, seconded by Commissioner Lewis and approved to adjourn at 7:22 pm.

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Charles Ray Peterson, Chairman

ATTEST:
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Sara S. West, Clerk