

November 19, 2007

A regular meeting of the Bladen County Board of Commissioners was held on November 19, 2007 at 6:30 p.m. with the following members present:

Margaret Lewis-Moore
Billy Ray Pait
Lewis Tatum
Greg Taylor
Delilah B. Blanks
W.D. Neill, Jr.
James G. Smith
Larry Smith
Charles Ray Peterson

Attorney: Wes Johnson, Johnson Law Firm

Chairperson Moore called the meeting to order. Commissioner Lewis Tatum provided the invocation and County Manager Greg Martin led the Pledge of Allegiance.

ITEM 1. CONSENT ITEMS:

Chairperson Moore requested that Item 1F Subordination Agreement between Bladen County and Willie Simpson be added to the agenda.

A motion was made by James G. Smith, seconded by Larry Smith and approved to add Item 1F to the proposed agenda and adopt the following Consent Items:

- A. Approve Minutes (November 5, 2007)**
- B. Approve Agenda**
- C. Approve the following Budget Amendments**

	Increase	Decrease
<u>GIS</u>		
Exp: 104700.110 <i>Telephone</i>	\$420.00	
Exp: 104700.111 <i>Postage</i>	\$500.00	
Rev: 103190.050 <i>Fund Balance</i>	\$920.00	
<u>Library</u>		
Exp: 106700.570 <i>Miscellaneous</i>	\$80.00	
Rev: 103190.010 <i>Donation</i>	\$80.00	
<u>Health Department</u>		
Exp: 105900.330 <i>Supplies</i>	\$3,306.08	
Rev: 103560.092 <i>Flu/Hep B. Miscellaneous</i>	\$3,306.08	
<u>Register of Deeds</u>		
Exp: 104800.573 <i>Maint/Repair Deed Books</i>	\$7,500.00	
Exp: 104800.450 <i>Web Site Carrier</i>	\$6,600.00	
Rev: 103190.050 <i>Fund Balance App.</i>	\$14,100.00	

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D. Approve County Attorney Invoices

E. Approve Tax Refunds and Releases Docket # _____

F. Subordination Agreement between Bladen County and Willie Simpson

ITEM 2. MATTERS OF INTEREST TO COMMISSIONERS

- Greg Taylor expressed a strong interest in the upcoming class titled Understanding the County Role in Transportation Funding. He stated that he could not attend but he felt that it would be very beneficial for someone to attend and come back with a report.
- Greg Taylor informed the Board that he does not plan to file for re-election to a Commissioner's seat in 2008. Furthermore, he told the Board that he plans to file for election to the State House. He expressed how much he has enjoyed serving with the Board.
- Larry Smith expressed a concern for better educating the citizens about Bladen County services. He stated that more in-depth ads should be used in the media to better educate the citizens regarding issues.

ITEM 3. INDIVIDUALS/DELEGATIONS WISHING TO ADDRESS COMMISSIONERS:

**ITEM 4. CDBG- SCATTERED SITE HOUSING PROGRAM:
(Adrian Lowery, LRCOG)**

- A. Status Report- **Upon a motion made by Charles Ray Peterson, seconded by Billy Ray Pait the Board approved the Bladen CDBG Status Report.**
- B. Award Demolition and Clearance Bids- **A motion was made by Charles Ray Peterson, seconded by W.D. Neill, Jr. and approved to award five demolition and clearance bids to Register's Land Development**
- C. Applications for FY 2008 CDBG-Scattered Site Housing
-Applications are currently being accepted.

ITEM 5. SOLID WASTE (Robert Mazur, General Services Manager)

- General Services Manager Robert Mazur made the following recommendation regarding hours of operation for Bladen County's 16 Convenience Centers:

A	B	C
Site/Hours Per Week	Site/Hours Per Week	Site/Hours Per Week
Dublin 60	Tobermory 48	Ammon 36
Richardson 60	Council 48	Rowan 36
Tar Heel 60	Lisbon 48	
Wards 60	Sandy Grove 48	
Abbottsburg 60	Hickory Grove 48	
East Arcadia 60	Live Oak 48	
	Kelly 48	
	Bay Tree 48	
Closed: Wed. & Sun.	Closed: Wed., Thurs., & Sun.	Closed: Mon., Wed., Fri., & Sun.

A motion was made by Charles Ray Peterson, seconded by Lewis Tatum to accept the recommendations provided by General Services Manager Robert Mazur and effective January 2, 2008, to change the hours of operation from 7:00 a.m.- 5:30 p.m. on a trial basis due to safety issues. The motion was approved by a vote of 6 AYES (Margaret Lewis-Moore, Delilah Blanks, Charles Ray Peterson, W.D. Neill, Jr., Billy Ray Pait, and Lewis Tatum) to 3 NOES (Greg Taylor, Larry Smith, and James G. Smith).

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ITEM 6. ADVISORY BOARDS

A. Board of Adjustments (ETJ) (1)

Town of Elizabethtown

-A motion was made by Charles Ray Peterson, seconded by Delilah Blanks and approved to reappoint Marie Yvette Ross to serve on the Elizabethtown Board of Adjustments with an expiration date of November 30, 2009.

B. Bladen County Health Board (5)

Tabled until December 3, 2007 Meeting.

ITEM 7. COUNTY MANAGER: (Greg Martin)

A. Calendar Update- Mr. Martin reviewed the calendar for upcoming events.

B. Consider Approving Resolution Supporting House Bill 1813 in the NC General Assembly – A motion was made by W.D. Neill, Jr., seconded by Lewis Tatum and approved the Resolution supporting House Bill 1813 in the NC General Assembly.

C. Consider Courthouse Parking Proposal - County Manager Greg Martin provided a Courthouse Parking Proposal. Mr. Martin stated that he hoped to have a Parking Ordinance developed by the next meeting on December 3, 2007.

D. Consider Closed Session in Accordance with N.C.G.S. 143-318.11 (a)(5) Real Property Acquisition and (a)(6) Personnel – A motion was made by Billy Ray Pait, seconded by Charles Ray Peterson and approved to enter Closed Session.

A motion was made by James G. Smith, seconded by Larry Smith and approved to enter Regular Session.

A motion was made by Lewis Tatum, seconded by Billy Ray Pait, and approved to adjourn at 8:30 p.m.

Margaret Lewis- Moore, Chairperson

ATTEST:

Ashley C. Sasser, Clerk