

**April 20, 2009**

A regular meeting of the Bladen County Board of Commissioners was held on Monday, April 20, 2009 at 6:30 pm in the Commissioners meeting room of the Bladen County Courthouse with the following members present:

Billy Ray Pait, Chairperson  
Delilah Blanks, Vice Chairperson  
Lewis Tatum  
W.D. Neill, Jr.  
Larry Smith  
Margaret Lewis-Moore  
Charles Ray Peterson  
Daniel R. Dowless  
David R. Gooden

Attorney: Wes Johnson, Johnson Law Firm

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

Upon a motion by Charles Ray Peterson, seconded by David Gooden, the Board approved the following consent items:

- A. Approve Minutes  
April 6, 2009 (Regular Session)**
- B. Approve Agenda**
- C. Approve Budget Amendments**

	<b>Increase</b>	<b>Decrease</b>
<u>Social Services</u>		
Exp: 146100.651	\$428.00	
<i>Energy Neighbor Fund</i>		
Rev: 143530.031	\$428.00	
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<u>Health Department</u>		
Exp: 105920.330	\$2,800.00	
<i>Supplies</i>		
Rev: 103530.090	\$2,800.00	
<i>DHHS-Family Planning</i>		
<u>Library</u>		
Exp: 106700.280		\$1,140.47
<i>Audiovisual</i>		
Exp: 106700.570	\$39.43	
<i>Miscellaneous</i>		
Exp: 106700.331		\$321.43
<i>Electronics</i>		
Exp: 106700.270		\$2,420.49
<i>Library Books</i>		
Exp: 106700.580		\$229.51
<i>Schools and Meetings</i>		
Exp: 106700.111		\$412.00
<i>Postage</i>		
Exp: 106700.140		\$62.53
<i>Travel</i>		
Rev: 103630.010		
<i>State Aid</i>		\$4,547.00

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Health Department

Exp: 105200.740 \$20,000.00  
*Capital Outlay*  
Rev: 103190.053 \$20,000.00  
*FBA-Escrow*

Sheriff Department

Exp: 105110.020 \$50,000.00  
*Salaries*  
Exp: 105110.050 \$3,825.00  
*FICA*  
Exp: 105110.040 \$30,000.00  
*Professional Services-*  
*Medical*  
Exp: 105110.350 \$3,000.00  
*Laundry*  
Exp: 105110.470 \$20,000.00  
*Food*  
Rev: 103190.050 \$106,825.00  
*FBA*

Scattered Site

Exp: 784990.000 \$40,000.00  
*Administration*  
Exp: 784990.010 \$3,500.00  
*Planning*  
Exp: 784990.560 \$30,000.00  
*Clearance Activities*  
Exp: 784990.562 \$326,500.00  
*Relocation Assistance*  
Rev: 783990.030 \$400,000.00  
*CDBG 08-C-1816*

Emergency Services

Exp: 325300.334 \$2,620.00  
*EMS Tool Grant*  
Rev: 323280.010 \$2,620.00  
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Emergency Services

Exp: 105300.570 \$19,470.00  
*Miscellaneous Expense*  
Exp: 104400.330 \$2,569.00  
*Supplies and Materials*  
Rev: 103230.030 \$22,039.00  
*Reimb- Emergency*  
*Management*

Revenue Department

Exp: 104500.030 \$20,684.00  
*Professional Legal Services*  
Rev: 103190.050 \$20,684.00  
*FBA*

**D. Approve County Attorney Invoices**

- Waste Water Treatment Contract \$250.00
- EMS Management and Consultants Contract Review \$500.00
- CT-3048 \$980.00
- April Retainer \$300.00

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- E. Approve Tax Refunds and Releases - Deleted
- F. Approve Resolution Supporting Addition of Rosewood Road to the State Highway System
- G. Approve FY 08-09 ASPR Southeastern Regional Advisory Committee Grant and Certification

**ITEM 2. Matters of Interest to Commissioners:**

- Recognize Employees for Years of Service – Chairman Pait presented a certificate and pin to Division on Aging Employee Kenneth Hill for 15 years of service and Social Services Employee Cynthia Campbell for 15 years of service to Bladen County.
- Commissioner Tatum expressed a concern for an ambulance unit in White Lake during the summer months.
- A motion was made by Lewis Tatum, seconded by W.D. Neill, Jr. that Board action regarding funding requests be put on hold until the meeting following the request, unless it is an emergency situation.
- Commissioner Blanks expressed concerns for the Tornado victims. Furthermore, she asked County Manager Greg Martin to see if a DSS employee could provide assistance to the tornado victims by helping to complete paper work and applications for financial assistance.

**ITEM 3. Individuals/Delegations Wishing to Address Commissioners:**

Reverend Bruce Cannon:

Bladen Baptist Association, Director of Missions

- A. Update Regarding Anti-Gang Activities – Reverend Cannon provided an update regarding Community Meetings and other anti-gang activities taking place throughout the county.
- B. Update Regarding Southeastern Carolina Crossroads, Inc. – Reverend Cannon informed the Board that the Drug Rehabilitation Center is scheduled to begin construction in May with a projected grand opening in the year of 2010.

**ITEM 4. Bladen County Water District: (Randy Garner, Director)**

- A. Enter Session as Water District Board of Directors – Upon a motion by W.D. Neill, Jr., seconded by Daniel Dowless, the Board entered session as the Water District Board of Directors.
- B. Consider Authorizing Negotiation with Cumberland County Regarding Potential Bulk Water Sale and Operation & Maintenance Agreements – Upon a motion by Charles Ray Peterson, seconded by Lewis Tatum, the Board authorized staff to negotiate with Cumberland County regarding a potential bulk water sale and operation and maintenance agreement.
- C. Exit Session as Water District Board of Directors – A motion was made by W.D. Neill, Jr., seconded by Larry Smith and approved to exit session as the Water District Board of Directors.

**ITEM 5. Advisory Boards:**

- Keep Bladen Beautiful – Upon a motion made by Delilah Blanks, seconded by Larry Smith, the Board appointed Luke Hill to the Keep Bladen Beautiful Board with an expiration date of April 20, 2012.

**ITEM 6. County Manager: (Greg Martin)**

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

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Commissioner Larry Smith requested that he be excused from any meetings held from April 27-May 1.

A motion was made by Lewis Tatum, seconded Larry Smith and approved to adjourn at 7:02 pm.

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Billy Ray Pait, Chairman  
Bladen County Board of Commissioners

ATTEST:

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Ashley C. Sasser, Clerk