

**August 3, 2009**

A regular meeting of the Bladen County Board of Commissioners was held on Monday, August 3, 2009 at 6:30 pm in the Commissioners Meeting Room of the Bladen County Courthouse. The following members were present:

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

Arrived Late: Larry Smith  
Attorney: Leslie Johnson, Johnson Law Firm

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

- A. Approve Minutes  
July 20, 2009 (Regular Session)**
- B. Approve Agenda**
- C. Approve Budget Amendments**

	<b>Increase</b>	<b>Decrease</b>
<u>Library</u>		
Exp: 106700.499	\$1,200.00	
<i>Miscellaneous</i>		
Rev: 103190.010	\$1,200.00	
<i>NC Humanities Council</i>		
<u>Emergency Services</u>		
Exp: 105300.190	\$25,000.00	
<i>Professional Services</i>		
Rev: 103190.050	\$15,000.00	
<i>FBA</i>		
Rev: 103190.010	\$10,000.00	
<i>Misc Revenue</i>		
<u>Phase IIIA-Water</u>		
<u>Construction</u>		
Exp: 236803.197	\$18,000.00	
<i>Preliminary Engineering</i>		
<i>Report</i>		
Exp: 236803.197	\$5,000.00	
<i>Environmental Report</i>		
Exp: 236803.197	\$224,900.00	
<i>Detailed Design</i>		
Exp: 236803.197	\$342,304.00	
<i>Construction/Inspections</i>		
<i>Administration</i>		
Exp: 236803.200	\$15,000.00	
<i>Subcontractors/Supplies</i>		
Exp: 236803.270	\$1,000.00	
<i>Advertising</i>		
Exp: 236803.192	\$30,000.00	
<i>Professional Services-Legal</i>		
Exp: 236803.570	\$17,300.00	
<i>Land Acquisition</i>		
Exp: 236803.197	\$6,380.00	
<i>Geotech</i>		
Exp: 236803.745	\$197,300.00	

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<i>Capitalized Interest</i>	
Exp: 236803.990	\$346,347.00
<i>Contingencies</i>	
Exp: 236803.611	\$1,488,243.00
<i>CS #1 McArthur Construction Company</i>	
Exp: 236803.611	\$622,563.00
<i>CS #2 McArthur Construction Company</i>	
Exp: 236803.611	\$678,700.00
<i>CS #3-Phoenix Fabricators &amp; Erectors</i>	
Exp: 236803.611	\$282,728.00
<i>CS #4 Bills Well Drilling</i>	
Exp: 236803.611	\$488,485.00
<i>CS #5 Shoreline Enterprises</i>	
Exp: 236803.611	\$373,150.00
<i>CS #6 Bills Well Drilling</i>	
Rev: 233420.001	\$28,000.00
<i>Fm Water Enterprise Fund</i>	
Rev: 233420.004	\$20,400.00
<i>Tap Fees</i>	
Rev: 233420.005	\$593,000.00
<i>USDA Loan Proceeds</i>	
Rev: 233420.006	\$4,496,000.00
<i>USDA Revenue Bonds</i>	

**D. Approve County Attorney Invoices**

- **EMS Site Tracks \$290.00**
- **Volunteer Waiver \$350.00**
- **EMS Site Purchased \$960.00**

**E. Schedule Public Hearing for August 17, 2009 at 6:30 pm regarding Incentive Grant Agreement to Bladen's Bloomin', Inc.**

**F. Schedule Public Hearing for August 17, 2009 at 6:30 pm regarding Agreement with Carolina Retread, LLC.**

**G. Approve Agreement with Holland Consulting Planners, Inc.** – The agreement with Holland Consulting Planners, Inc. was approved to update the Hazard Mitigation Plan.

**H. Appoint Chair as NCACC Voting Delegate for Annual Conference** – Chairman Pait was appointed as the NCACC Voting Delegate.

**I. Approve Request Regarding Board Photos** – The Board approved to provide a Board for photo for the VFW Building and a Board photo for the Bladen County Military Museum.

**ITEM 2. MATTERS OF INTEREST TO COMMISSIONERS:**

- A. Recognize Bladenboro Middle School Girls Softball, Volleyball, and Basketball Teams – Chairman Pait presented the 3 teams with a plaque in recognition of undefeated seasons.
- B. Recognize Bladen County Softball Girls 10 and Under, Bladen County Softball Girls 14 and under and Bladen County Softball Girl's 16 and Under Teams – Chairman Pait presented the Bladen Girl's Softball 14 and under team with a plaque in recognition of their state championship victory; a plaque to the Girl's Softball 10 and under team for their state championship victory; and a plaque to the Girl's Softball 16 and under team for state championship runner-up.

Reception

- *Larry Smith arrived*

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**ITEM 3. INDIVIDUALS/DELEGATIONS WISHING TO ADDRESS COMMISSIONERS:**

**ITEM 4. BLADEN AREA RURAL TRANSPORTATION SERVICE:  
(Kent Porter, Supervisor)**

- A. Public Hearing Regarding Rural Operating Assistance Program Application – Chairman Pait declared the public hearing open. There were no public comments and Chairman Pait declared the public hearing closed.
- B. Consider Approving Rural Operating Assistance Program Application Upon a motion by Charles Ray Peterson, seconded by Larry Smith, the Board approved the Rural Operating Assistance Program Application.

**ITEM 5. TAX DEPARTMENT: (Chris Ellis, Director)**

- Update Regarding Collection Methods – Tax Administrator Chris Ellis discussed the following tax collection methods:
  - 1) Contact the taxpayer by mail, informing of delinquent taxes with monthly payment plan options.
  - 2) If no contact or agreements not upheld, garnishments and debt set off procedures will be implemented with notification to the tax payer.
  - 3) Bank attachments and foreclosures shall be implemented after research and review.

**ITEM 6. WATER DISTRICT: (Randy Garner)**

- A. Enter Session as Water District Board of Directors – Upon a motion by W.D. Neill, Jr., seconded by Margaret Lewis-Moore, the Board entered session as Water District Board of Directors.
- B. Consider Approving Phase IIIA Water Construction Capital Project Ordinance and Budget Amendment – Upon a motion by Larry Smith, seconded by Charles Ray Peterson, the Board approved the Phase IIIA Water Construction Capital Project Budget Amendment shown in Item 1C and the following Capital Project Ordinance:

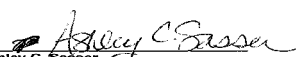
**BLADEN COUNTY WATER DISTRICT  
PHASE IIIA – WATER CONSTRUCTION  
CAPITAL PROJECT ORDINANCE**

BE IT ORDAINED by the Water District Board of Bladen County, North Carolina, that, pursuant to Section 13.2 of Chapter 159 of the General Statutes of North Carolina, the following capital project ordinance is hereby adopted:

- Section 1 The project authorized is the construction of approximately 40 miles of water lines, two wells, and one elevated storage tank for the Water Department. The project is to be financed by an installment financing under G. S. 160A-20 in addition to funds provided by the state and any other revenues that may become available.
- Section 2 The officers of this unit are hereby directed to proceed with the capital project within the terms of the financing resolution and the budget contained herein.
- Section 3 The following amounts are appropriated for the project:  
Phase IIIA-Water Construction **\$ 5,137,400**
- Section 4 The following revenues are anticipated to be available to complete this project:  
Revenue Bonds \$ 4,496,000  
USDA Loan 593,000  
Tap Fees/County Match **49,400**  
**\$ 5,137,400**
- Section 5 The Finance Officer is hereby directed to maintain within the Capital Project Fund sufficient specific detailed accounting records to satisfy the requirements of any and all applicable requirements of North Carolina General Statutes. The terms of the financing resolution also shall be met.
- Section 6 Funds may be advanced from the General Fund for the purpose of making payments as due. Any such advances made prior to the securing of adequate financing is intended to be reimbursed from the proceeds from the financing. Reimbursement requests should be made to the financing institution in an orderly and timely manner.
- Section 7 The Finance Officer is directed to report periodically on the financial status of each project element in Section 3 and on the total revenues received or claimed.
- Section 8 The Budget Officer is directed to include a detailed analysis of past and future costs and revenues on this capital project periodically to the Board.
- Section 9 The Budget Officer is directed to accept and approve change orders as deemed necessary for completion of project.
- Section 10 Copies of this capital project ordinance shall be furnished to the Clerk to the Water District Board, the Budget Officer and the Finance Officer for direction in carrying out this project.

Adopted this 3rd day of August, 2009

  
Billy Ray Pait, CHAIRMAN  
Bladen County Board of Commissioners

  
Ashley C. Sasser  
Clerk to the Board

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- C. Exit Session as Water District Board of Directors – Upon a motion by W.D. Neill, Jr., seconded by Larry Smith, the Board exited session as Water District Board of Directors.

**ITEM 7. COUNTY MANAGER: (*Greg Martin*)**

- A. Calendar Update – Mr. Martin reviewed the calendar for upcoming events.
- B. Consider Closed Session in Accordance with N.C.G.S. 143-318.11 (a)(6) Personnel Matter – Upon a motion by Charles Ray Peterson, seconded by Larry Smith, the Board entered Closed Session.

Upon a motion by Larry Smith, seconded by W.D. Neill, Jr., the Board exited Closed Session and re-entered Regular Session.

A motion was made by Lewis Tatum, seconded by Larry Smith and approved to adjourn at 8:15 pm.

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Billy Ray Pait, Chairman  
Bladen County Board of Commissioners

ATTEST:

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Ashley C. Sasser, Clerk