

**December 15, 2008**

A regular meeting of the Bladen County Board of Commissioners was held on December 15, 2008 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  
W.D. Neill, Jr.  
Larry Smith  
Margaret Lewis-Moore  
Charles Ray Peterson  
Daniel R. Dowless  
David R. Gooden

Absent: Lewis Tatum

Attorney: Allen Johnson

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

Chairperson Pait requested that Item 4 be tabled.

**ITEM 1. CONSENT ITEMS:**

Upon a motion by Charles Ray Peterson, seconded by Daniel Dowless, the Board approved to table Item 4 and approved the following consent items:

- A. Approve Minutes (December 1, 2008)**
- B. Approve Agenda**
- C. Approve Budget Amendments**

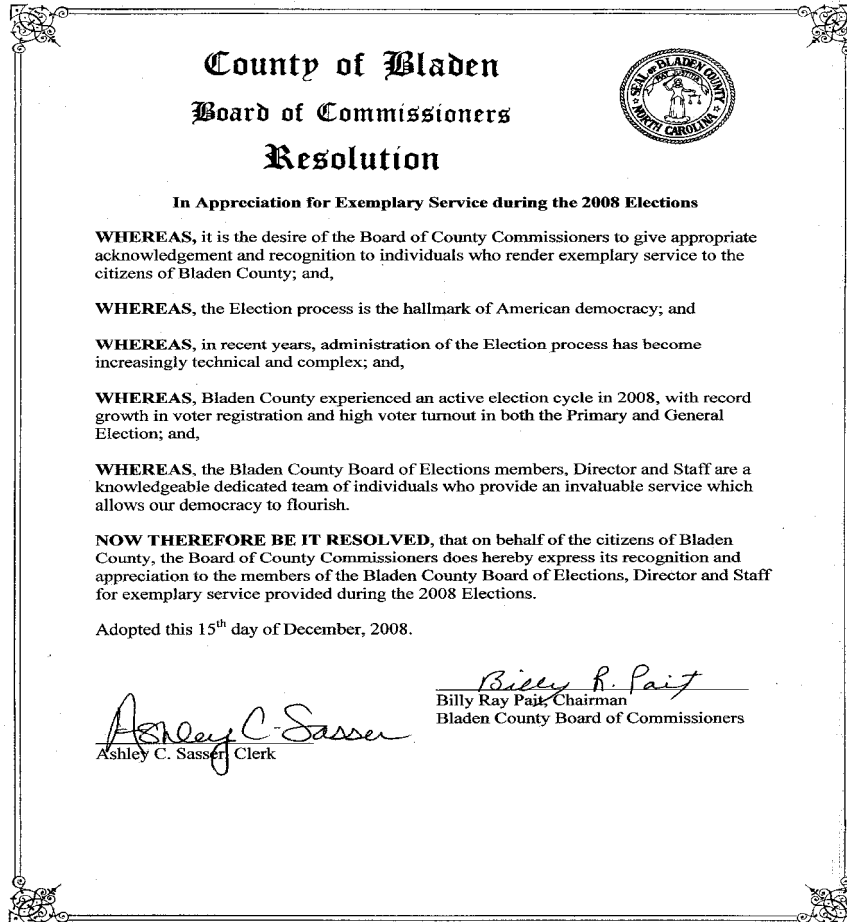
	<b>Increase</b>	<b>Decrease</b>
<u>Bladen County Water Dst.</u>		
Exp: 254700.130	\$104.51	
<i>Utilities</i>		
Rev: 253190.010	\$104.51	
<i>Misc. Rev.</i>		
<u>Administration</u>		
Exp: 106800.540	\$37,854.00	
<i>Insurance and Bonds</i>		
Rev:103190.050	\$37,854.00	
<i>FBA</i>		
<u>GIS Mapping/E911</u>		
<u>Addressing</u>		
Exp: 225300.740	\$216,011.58	
<i>Capital Outlay</i>		
Rev: 223260.020	\$216,011.58	
<i>FBA</i>		
<u>Social Services</u>		
Exp: 146100.650	\$61,454.00	
<i>Crisis Intervention</i>		
Rev: 143530.220	\$61,454.00	
<i>DSS Crisis INT. F/S</i>		

- D. Approve County Attorney Invoices**
  - **Deed Recording \$17.00**
  - **Review of Financing Agreement \$500.00**
  - **Purchase of Property \$495.00**
  - **Chassidy Yarbrough Issue \$1525.00**
  - **December Retainer \$300.00**

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**E. Approve Tax Refunds and Releases**

**F. Approve Resolution in Appreciation for Exemplary Service during the 2008 Elections**



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

**A. Recognize Board of Elections and Staff for Exemplary Service –** Chairperson Pait presented the Board of Elections and Staff with a Resolution in recognition of its Exemplary service during the 2008 Elections.

**B. Recognize Commissioner Margaret Lewis-Moore for Service as Chairperson -** Chairperson Pait presented Commissioner Margaret Lewis-Moore with a plaque for 2 years of service as Chairperson.

- Commissioner Larry Smith requested that the Board recognize the East Bladen High School Football team at an upcoming meeting.
- Commissioner Moore informed the Board that she has been appointed to the NCACC Finance Committee.

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

- Charlotte Tatum, NC Vice President of Parliamentary Law in Family, Career, and Community Leaders of America requested that the Board make a contribution towards her sponsorship for the State Officer Academy. Furthermore, she provided a brief description of her roles and responsibilities of the FCCLA.

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- Vice Chairperson Blanks stated that she was very impressed with Ms. Tatum and that she was glad to see that there are students of her quality in Bladen County. Chairperson Pait stated that the Board would discuss her request during the next Board of Commissioners meeting and would be in touch with her.

**ITEM 4. REVENUE DEPARTMENT:**

**(Livingston Lewis, Interim Tax Administrator)**

- Discuss Tax Collection Procedures – *Tabled*

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

- Discuss Agreement with Lankford Protective Services – Upon a motion by Delilah Blanks, seconded by W.D. Neill, Jr., the Board approved to renew the agreement with Lankford Protective Services on January 1, 2009.

**ITEM 6. HEALTH DEPARTMENT: (Wayne Stewart, Director)**

- Discuss Medication Assistance Program – Upon a motion by Larry Smith, seconded by W.D. Neill, Jr., the Board extended funding in the amount of approximately \$5,000 for the Medication Assistance Program thru January.

**ITEM 7. BLADEN COUNTY WATER DISTRICT: (Randy Garner, Director)**

- A. Enter Session as Bladen County Water District Board of Directors – A motion was made by W.D. Neill, Jr., seconded by Margaret Lewis-Moore and approved to enter session as Bladen County Water District Board of Directors.
- B. Consider Approving Water Shortage Response Plan Ordinance – Upon a motion by Larry Smith, seconded by Delilah Blanks, the Board approved the following Water Shortage Response Plan Ordinance.
- C. Exit Session as Bladen County Water District Board of Directors – A motion was made by Charles Ray Peterson, seconded by David Gooden and approved to exit session as Bladen County Water District Board of Directors.

**ITEM 8. ADVISORY BOARDS:**

- A. **BARTS Advisory Board (7)** – A motion was made by Charles Ray Peterson, seconded by Delilah Blanks and approved to re-appoint Gayle Robinson, Andy Wells, Allen Singletary, Mitchell Byrd, John White, Patricia Edge, and Judy Bowen with expiration dates of December 31, 2011.
- B. **Bladen County Board of Health (3)** – A motion was made by Charles Ray Peterson, seconded by W.D. Neill, Jr. and approved to re-appoint Jerry Graham and Randy Harris and waive the term limits with expiration dates of December 31, 2011; and to appoint Sandra Guyton to replace Erin Hinson with an expiration date of December 31, 2011.
- C. **Bladen County Hospital Executive Board (4)** – A motion was made by Charles Ray Peterson, seconded by Larry Smith and approved to re-appoint Linda Baldwin and Ann Wright with expiration dates of December 31, 2011; to appoint Dennis Troy to fill the unexpired term of Billy Kinlaw with an expiration date of December 31, 2009; and to appoint Barbara Knight to replace Dan Allen with an expiration date of December 31, 2011.
- D. **Bladen County Library Board (2)** – A motion was made by Charles Ray Peterson, seconded by W.D. Neill, Jr. and approved to reappoint Susan Carter with an expiration date of December 31, 2011 and to table the appointment of the seat held by Louella Rogers Street.

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- E. **Bladen County Personnel Advisory Board (1)** – A motion was made by Delilah Blanks, seconded by Larry Smith and approved to re-appoint Jim Perry with an expiration date of December 31, 2011.
- F. **Clarkton Fire District Committee (3)** – A motion was made by W.D. Neill, Jr., seconded by Margaret Lewis-Moore and approved to re-appoint Julie Ward, Sammy Russ, and Georgianna Williams with an expiration date of November 30, 2011.
- G. **Division on Aging Advisory Committee (6)** – A motion was made by Margaret Lewis-Moore, seconded by Charles Ray Peterson and approved to re-appoint Veretta Young Santiago, Gladwin Priest, Jean Lloyd, Stacie Kinlaw, and Shirley Hough with an expiration date of December 31, 2011 and to waive the term limits.
- H. **Elizabethtown Fire District Committee (1)** - Tabled
- I. **EMS Advisory Council (14)** - Tabled
- J. **Juvenile Crime Prevention Council (1)** – A motion was made by Delilah Blanks, seconded by Margaret Lewis-Moore and approved to appoint Rev. Rachel Mitchell to fill Member of Faith Community seat.
- K. **Keep Bladen Beautiful (2)** – A motion was made by Charles Ray Peterson, seconded by Larry Smith and approved to replace Kathy Cooper with Angela Shaver with an expiration date of March 31, 2011 and to table the appointment of the seat held by Shirley Clark.
- L. **Town of Clarkton Extraterritorial Zoning Jurisdiction Board** – A motion was made by W.D. Neill, Jr, seconded by Charles Ray Peterson and approved to re-appoint Dan Ward and Marlowe Grant with an expiration date of November 30, 2011.

**ITEM 9.**

**County Manager: (Greg Martin)**

- A. **Calendar Update** – Mr. Martin reviewed the calendar for upcoming events.
- B. **Consider Voting Delegate for NCACC Legislative Goals Conference** – A motion was made by Delilah Blanks, seconded by Margaret Lewis-Moore and approved to appoint Chairperson Billy Ray Pait as the Voting Delegate for the NCACC Legislative Goals Conference.
- C. **Consider Approving Agreement for Computer Operations Services** - Tabled
- D. **Consider Scheduling Board Planning Session** – Upon a motion made by Delilah Blanks, seconded by Margaret Lewis-Moore, the Board scheduled a planning session for January 29, 2009 from 2-5 pm.
- E. **Consider Approving Resolution in Support of New Correctional Facility in Bladen County** – Upon a motion by Charles Ray Peterson, seconded by Larry Smith, the Board approved the following resolution:

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**County of Bladen**  
**Board of Commissioners**  
**Resolution**

In Support of New Correctional Facility in Bladen County

**WHEREAS**, the North Carolina Department of Corrections will be considering sites for the location of two potential correctional facilities to be constructed by April 2015; and

**WHEREAS**, Bladen County is a Tier 1 rural, distressed County with an 8.3 % unemployment rate; and,

**WHEREAS**, a new correctional facility would create hundreds of stable, public-sector jobs with benefits; and,

**WHEREAS**, a new correctional facility would provide economic opportunities for local businesses; and,

**WHEREAS**, an ideal location for a new correctional facility would be the 400 acre tract of State owned property adjacent to the existing Bladen Correctional Center.

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Bladen County Board of Commissioners supports the location of a new North Carolina Department of Corrections Facility on State owned property, adjacent to the existing Bladen Correctional Center near White Lake; and,

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that the Board of County Commissioners encourages the North Carolina Department of Corrections and the North Carolina General Assembly to include in the 2009-2011 Biennial Budget, the location of a new Correctional Facility in Bladen County.

Adopted this 15<sup>th</sup> day of December, 2008

*Billy R. Pait*  
Billy Ray Pait, Chairman  
Bladen County Board of Commissioners

*Ashley C. Sasser*  
Ashley C. Sasser, Clerk



**F. 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 W.D. Neill, Jr., the Board entered closed session.**

A motion was made by Larry Smith, seconded by W.D. Neill, Jr. and approved to exit Closed Session and re-enter Regular Session.

Upon a motion by Delilah Blanks, seconded by Margaret Lewis-Moore, the Board approved the following Computer Services Agreements by a vote of 6 AYES (David Gooden, Larry Smith, Delilah Blanks, Billy Ray Pait, Margaret Lewis-Moore, and Daniel Dowless) to 2 NOES (Charles Ray Peterson, and W.D. Neill, Jr.).

**Bladen County, North Carolina**

This contract made and entered into on this the 15<sup>th</sup> day of December, 2008, by and between **The County of Bladen**, of Bladen County, North Carolina, (hereinafter "County") and TR Services, North Carolina, (hereinafter "Contractor"),

**WITNESSETH:**

That for and inconsideration of the sum of \$ 40,000.00 cash in hand paid, the receipt of which is hereby acknowledged and for the other considerations hereinafter mentioned, the Contractor agrees to provide management, programming and support within the Department of Computer Operations. Contractor will oversee all conversions, now with One Tax and New World Systems, and any new conversions necessary in the future. All property owned by the County at the Bladen County Courthouse, 166 Broad Street, Elizabethtown, North Carolina and installed on property of Contractor for offset access will remain the property of the County.

The Contractor agrees to follow all policies provided by the County and the County will provide general liability insurance, workman's compensation, property damage, and any other insurance covering performed services under this Agreement.

The Contractor agrees to pay any and all Federal, State, or Local Taxes which are, or may be, assessed upon the services and labor which he or she furnishes under this agreement.

In Testimony Whereof, the parties hereto have hereunto set their signatures, this the day and the date above written.

<u>Billy R. Pait</u> County Representative	<u>12-15-08</u> Date
<u>Charles Ray Peterson</u> Contractor	<u>12-3-08</u> Date
_____ Contractor	_____ Date

This instrument has been audited in the manner required by the Local Government Budget and Fiscal Control Act.  
Rosa C. Coleman  
Bladen County Finance Officer

12-17-08  
Date

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**Bladen County, North Carolina**

This contract made and entered into on this the 31<sup>st</sup> day of December, 2008, by and between **The County of Bladen**, of Bladen County, North Carolina, (hereinafter "County") and Settlement Employment Services of Whiteville, North Carolina, (hereinafter "Contractor"),

**WITNESSETH:**

That for and inconsideration of the sum of \$ 45.00/hour cash in hand paid, the receipt of which is hereby acknowledged and for the other considerations hereinafter mentioned, the Contractor agrees to provide management, programming and support within the Department of Computer Operations. Contractor will oversee all conversions, now with One Tax and New World Systems, and any new conversions necessary in the future. All property owned by the County at the Bladen County Courthouse, 166 Broad Street, Elizabethtown, North Carolina and installed on property of Contractor for offset access will remain the property of the County.

The Contractor agrees to follow all policies provided by the County and the County will provide general liability insurance, workman's compensation, property damage, and any other insurance covering performed services under this Agreement.

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Billy R. Pait  
County Representative

12-15-08  
Date

Shirley J. Stutman  
Contractor

12-3-2008  
Date

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Contractor

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Date

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Jusa C. Coleman  
Bladen County Finance Officer

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A motion was made by Charles Ray Peterson, seconded by Larry Smith and approved to adjourn at 7:50 pm.

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Billy Ray Pait, Chairman  
Bladen County Board of Commissioners

ATTEST:

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Ashley C. Sasser, Clerk