

June 1, 2009

A regular meeting of the Bladen County Board of Commissioners was held on Monday, June 1, 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.
Larry Smith
Margaret Lewis-Moore
Charles Ray Peterson
Daniel R. Dowless
David R. Gooden

Attorney: Allen Johnson, Johnson Law Firm

Chairman Pait called the meeting to order. W.D. Neill, Jr. provided the Invocation and County Manager Greg Martin led the Pledge of Allegiance.

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

- A. Approve Minutes
May 18, 2009 (Regular Session)**
- B. Approve Agenda**
- C. Approve Budget Amendments**

	Increase	Decrease
<u>Tar Heel Fire District</u>		
Exp: 415080.570	12,300.00	
<i>Misc. Expense</i>		
Rev: 413290.020	12,300.00	
<i>FBA</i>		
<u>Revenue Department</u>		
Exp: 104500.030	2,848.93	
<i>Professional Legal Services</i>		
Rev: 103190.050	2,848.93	
<i>FBA</i>		
<u>Health Department</u>		
Exp: 105900.330		5,000.00
<i>Supplies</i>		
Exp: 105200.740	5,000.00	
<i>Capital Outlay</i>		
<u>Library</u>		
Exp: 106700.570	500.00	
<i>Miscellaneous</i>		
Rev: 103190.010	500.00	
<i>Wal-Mart Foundation</i>		
<u>Soil Conservation</u>		
Exp: 106400.570		
<i>Misc. Expense District</i>		
Rev: 103470.001		
<i>Matching Funds/Ad Sales</i>		
<u>Parks and Recreation</u>		
Exp: 106600.570	500.00	
<i>Misc. Exp-Recreation</i>		
Rev: 103190.010	500.00	
<i>Misc. Revenue</i>		

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Economic Development

Exp: 307200.910 163,654.13

Special Appropriation

Rev: 303420.010 163,654.13

Fm General Fund

Administration

Exp: 106900.610 163,654.13

To Economic Development

Rev: 103190.050 163,654.13

FBA

Water

Exp: 254700.993 400,000.00

To Construction Fund

Rev: 253490.010 400,000.00

FBA

Water Construction

Exp: 234700.910 400,000.00

To Water Enterprise Fund

Rev: 233420.001 400,000.00


Fm Water Enterprise Fund

D. Approve Resolution Supporting an Alternative Method of Recognition of Veterans Status to Merchant Marine Seaman of WW II

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Resolution



SUPPORTING AN ALTERNATIVE METHOD OF RECOGNITION FOR VETERANS STATUS TO MERCHANT MARINE SEAMEN OF WW II

WHEREAS, Public laws 95-202 and 105-368 bestowed veteran status on US Merchant Marine Seamen of WWII.

WHEREAS, two specific U.S. government actions by US government have caused some 10,000 merchant seamen to have been denied their due recognition:
(1) The USCG relieved Masters of tugs, towboats and seagoing barges of the responsibility submitting reports of seamen shipped and discharged and
(2) The National Maritime Administration ordered ships' logbooks to be destroyed because they were too costly to maintain and had removed the two main criteria required by the government to issue official recognition to those seamen, and

WHEREAS, the average age of the remaining seamen is above 86 and the population of the US veteran is shrinking at an average of 850 per year causing time to be of the essence, and

WHEREAS, No costs are associated with this proposal as funds are already included in above public laws.

WHEREAS, the Bladen County Board of Commissioners therefore requests that immediate action be taken to correct this inconceivable action.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, the Bladen County Board of Commissioners supports the attached proposal and so orders that this Resolution and attached proposal be sent to Senator Kay Hagan, Senator Richard Burr, and Congressman Mike McIntyre.

Adopted this 1st day of June, 2009

Billy Ray Pait, Chairman
Bladen County Board of Commissioners

ATTEST:

Ashley C. Sasser, Clerk

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ITEM 2. MATTERS OF INTEREST TO COMMISSIONERS:

- Consider Approving Appropriation to West Bladen High School Skills USA Team – Upon a motion by Charles Ray Peterson, seconded by Delilah Blanks, the Board approved a \$500 appropriation to West Bladen High School Skills USA Team.

ITEM 3. INDIVIDUALS/DELEGATIONS WISHING TO ADDRESS COMMISSIONERS:

ITEM 4. PUBLIC HEARING REGARDING FY 2010 PROPOSED BUDGET

- Chairman Pait declared the Public Hearing Open. There were no public comments regarding the FY 2010 Proposed Budget and Chairman Pait declared the Public Hearing Closed.

ITEM 5. PLANNING: (Greg Elkins, Director)

- A. Public Hearing Regarding Proposed Text Amendments to Zoning Ordinance and Mobile Home Park Ordinance – Chairman Pait declared the Public Hearing Open . There were no public comments and Chairman Pait declared the Public Hearing Closed.
- B. Consider Approving Proposed Text Amendments – Upon a motion by W.D. Neill, Jr., seconded by Daniel Dowless, the Board approved the following Text Amendments to the Zoning and Mobile Home Park Ordinance: Section 6.4.14, Lot Size for Singlewide Mobile Homes Increased to 10,000 square feet and Lot Size for Doublewide Mobile Homes Increased to 15,000 square feet.

ITEM 6. BLADEN COUNTY WATER DISTRICT: (Randy Garner, Director)

- A. Enter Session as Water District Board of Directors – A motion was made by W.D.Neill, Jr., seconded by Larry Smith and approved to enter session as Water District Board of Directors.
- B. Consider Approving Revenue Bond Resolution – Upon a motion by Delilah Blanks, seconded by W.D. Neill, Jr., the Board approved the following Revenue Bond Resolution:

<p>County of Bladen Board of Commissioners Resolution</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Approving Phase IIIA Financing by Revenue Bond</p> <p>WHEREAS, the Bladen County Water District is developing Phase IIIA of the water system; and,</p> <p>WHEREAS, Phase III A will consist of 45 miles of 8" and 6" water mains, one elevated storage tank, two new production wells, and two well treatment systems.</p> <p>NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Bladen County Water District hereby approves the financing of the Phase III A expansion through USDA Rural Development.</p> <p>BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that Rural Development funds for the project will be secured by a revenue bond not to exceed \$4,496,000 (loan approved on 8-6-08) and a promissory not to exceed \$593,000 (loan approved on 7-28-03).</p> <p>Adopted this 1st day of June, 2009</p> <p style="text-align: right;"><i>Billy R. Pait</i> Billy Ray Pait, Chairman Bladen County Board of Commissioners</p> <p>ATTEST: <i>Ashley C. Sasser</i> Ashley C. Sasser, Clerk</p>	
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- C. Exit Session as Water District Board of Directors – A motion was made by W.D. Neill, Jr., seconded by Daniel Dowless and approved to exit 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 Entering Closed Session in Accordance with N.C.G.S. 143-318.11 (a)(6), Personnel Matter – Upon a motion by W.D. Neill, Jr., seconded by Larry Smith, the Board entered Closed Session.

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

Upon a motion by Larry Smith, seconded by Charles Ray Peterson, the Board scheduled a Special Meeting regarding the FY 2010 Budget for Monday, June 15, 2009 at 5:30 pm.

A motion was made by Lewis Tatum, seconded by Daniel Dowless and approved to adjourn at 7:25 pm.

Billy Ray Pait, Chairman
Bladen County Board of Commissioners

ATTEST:

Ashley C. Sasser, Clerk