

MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MONTHLY MEETING
OF THE BEN HILL COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
HELD ON JUNE 7, 2011 AT 6:30 P.M.
IN THE BEN HILL COUNRY COURTHOUSE ANNEX

Those present for the meeting were as follows:

Phillip C. Jay, III	Chairman
O.D. Netter	Vice-Chairman
Kathy Davis	Commissioner
Scott Downing	Commissioner
Richard Goodman	Commissioner
Paula Jones	County Manager/Clerk
Toni Sawyer	County Attorney
Donna Lampkin	Assistant County Clerk

Chairman Phillip C. Jay III called the meeting to order.

Rev. Godfrey O' Rear gave the invocation.

Everyone gave the Pledge of Allegiance.

Commissioner Scott Downing made a motion to relax the rules on addressing the Chairman, Commissioners, and the public. Vice-Chairman O. D. Netter seconded the motion; which passed with Commissioner Scott Downing, Vice-Chairman O.D. Netter, Commissioner Kathy Davis, and Commissioner Richard Goodman all voting for the motion.

Approval of the Agenda

Commissioner Kathy Davis made a motion to approve the agenda; Commissioner Scott Downing seconded the motion; which passed with Commissioner Kathy Davis, Commissioner Scott Downing, and Vice-Chairman O.D. Netter all voting for the motion. Commissioner Richard Goodman was not present to vote at that time.

Public Comments:

Chairman Philip Jay congratulated Commissioner Scott Downing for being selected to be Second Chairman on the Transportation and Economic Development Committee with ACCG.

Constitutional Officer: NONE

Elected Officials and Department Head Reports: NONE

County Board of Reports:

Vice- Chairman O. D. Netter stated that Lavonia Stepherson wants to make a report to the Commissioners concerning the MDDAD Regional Board meeting.

County Manager Report: NONE

Annexation Request:

Vice-Chairman O.D. Netter made a motion to approve the annexation to the City on Ordinance No. 11-1428. Commissioner Scott Downing seconded the motion; which passed with Vice-Chairman O.D. Netter, Commissioner Scott Downing, Commissioner Kathy Davis, and Commissioner Richard Goodman all voting for the motion.

Rezoning Request: NONE

Beer and Wine Application:

Commissioner Scott Downing made a motion to accept the Beer and Wine application for D & J Meat Grocery Store. Commissioner Kathy Davis seconded the motion; which passed with Commissioner Scott Downing, Commissioner Kathy Davis, Commissioner Richard Goodman, and Vice-Chairman O. D. Netter all voting for the motion.

Acceptance of Minutes

Commissioner Scott Downing made motion to approve the Regular Monthly Meeting minutes held on May 3, 2011; Commissioner Richard Goodman seconded the motion, which passed with Commissioner Scott Downing, Commissioner Richard Goodman, Vice-Chairman O.D. Netter, and Commissioner Kathy Davis all voting for the motion.

Commissioner Scott Downing made motion to approve the Workshop Meeting minutes held on May 19, 2011; Commissioner Richard Goodman seconded the motion, which passed with Commissioner Scott Downing, Commissioner Richard Goodman, Vice-Chairman O.D. Netter, and Kathy Davis all voting for the motion.

Commissioner Kathy Davis made motion to approve the Special Called Meeting minutes held on May 19, 2011; Commissioner Scott Downing seconded the motion, which passed with Commissioner Kathy Davis, Vice-Chairman O. D. Netter, Commissioner Scott Downing, and Commissioner Richard Goodman all voting for the motion.

Commissioner Scott Downing made motion to approve the Workshop meeting minutes held on May 27, 2011; Vice-Chairman O. D. Netter seconded the motion; which passed with Commissioner Scott Downing, Vice-Chairman O.D. Netter, Commissioner Kathy Davis, and Commissioner Richard Goodman all voting for the motion.

Old Business: None

New Business

Vice-Chairman O. D. Netter made a motion to increase the Public Defender budget by \$468.47 for the fiscal year period July 1, 2011 through June 30, 2012. Commissioner Scott Downing seconded the motion; which passed with Vice-Chairman O.D. Netter, Commissioner Scott Downing, Commissioner Richard Goodman, and Commissioner Kathy Davis all voting for the motion.

Commissioner Scott Downing made a motion to except the EMS equipment resolution. Commissioner Richard Goodman seconded the motion; which passed with Commissioner Scott Downing, Commissioner Richard Goodman, Vice-Chairman O.D. Netter, and Commissioner Kathy Davis all voting for the motion.

Vice-Chairman O.D. Netter made a motion to postpone GiGi Washington's nomination to the Community Service Board until the next month meeting. Commissioner Scott Downing seconded the motion; which passed with Vice-Chairman O.D. Netter, Commissioner Scott Downing, Commissioner Richard Goodman, and Commissioner Kathy Davis all voting for the motion.

Vice-Chairman O.D. Netter made a motion to prepare a resolution to declare the property on Westwood Drive surplus that the Masonic Lodge would like to purchase. Commissioner Kathy Davis seconded the motion; which passed with Vice-Chairman O.D. Netter, Commissioner Kathy Davis, Commissioner Richard Goodman, and Commissioner Scott Downing all voting for the motion.

County Manager Paula Jones presented the Commissioners with a proposal from Municipal Code Corporation concerning updating the County's ordinances.

Vice-Chairman O. D. Netter made a motion to change the regular monthly meeting date from July 5, 2011 to July 7, 2011 because of the holiday. Commissioner Kathy Davis seconded the motion; which passed with Vice-Chairman O.D. Netter, Commissioner Kathy Davis, Commissioner Richard Goodman, and Commissioner Scott Downing all voting for the motion.

Vice-Chairman O.D. Netter made a motion to postpone discussion concerning a Grant Administrator for the CHIPS Grant until the next month meeting. Commissioner Kathy Davis seconded the motion; which passed with Vice-Chairman O.D. Netter, Commissioner Kathy Davis, Commissioner Richard Goodman, and Commissioner Scott Downing all voting for the motion.

Agenda Changes and/or add on: NONE

Legislative Report

Commissioner Scott Downing reported he attended the Ocilla/Irwin County Legislative Day in Ocilla, Georgia. He stated that he would like to see the Commissioners get involved.

Commissioner's Report

Chairman Philip Jay presented the Commissioners with a letter to accessing data regarding the 2010 census.

Vice-Chairman O.D. Netter reminded the Commissioners about signing up for the Legislative District meeting on June 24, 2011 at 9:00 am.

The meeting was adjourned.

_____ Philip C. Jay III, Chairman

_____ Paula J. Jones, County Manager/Clerk