

MINUTES OF THE SPECIAL CALLED MEETING  
OF THE BEN HILL COUNTY COMMISSIONERS  
HELD ON OCTOBER 25, 2012 AT 3:00 PM IN THE  
BEN HILL COUNTY COURTHOUSE ANNEX

Those present for the meeting were as follow:

Philip C. Jay III	Chairman
OD Netter	Vice-Chairman
Kathy Davis	Commissioner
Bennie Calloway	Commissioner
Scott Downing	Commissioner
Frank Feild	County Manager
Donna Lampkin	County Clerk

Chairman Philip Jay III called the meeting to order.

Vice-Chairman OD Netter made a motion to change the order of the agenda. Commissioner Scott Downing seconded the motion; which passed with Vice-Chairman OD Netter, Commissioner Scott Downing, Commissioner Kathy Davis, and Commissioner Bennie Calloway all voting for the motion.

**Allen Conger/Revolving Loan Fund**

Vice-Chairman OD Netter stated some changes have been made to the original Protein Plus contract with the Revolving Loan Fund. The investor's names were taken off the contract and now Allen Conger is solely responsible for the loan. Some equipment has been removed from the contract; but Ben Hill County is still the first lien holder of the equipment that is listed in the contract.

Vice-Chairman OD Netter made a motion to approve the changes made in the new contract. Commissioner Kathy Davis seconded the motion; which passed with Vice-Chairman OD Netter, Commissioner Kathy Davis, Commissioner Scott Downing, and Commissioner Bennie Calloway all voting for the motion.

Commissioner Scott Downing made a motion to authorize the chairman to sign all documents involved. Vice-Chairman OD Netter seconded the motion; which passed with Commissioner Scott Downing, Vice-Chairman OD Netter, Commissioner Bennie Calloway, and Commissioner Kathy Davis all voting for the motion.

**Queensland Well**

On October 15, 2012, Vice-Chairman OD Netter met with Jason Miller, Frank Field, Tim Kegebein, Commissioner Bennie Calloway, Health Inspector Chris Calhoun, Engineer Contractor Tim Ingram, Grant Administrator Phil Davis, and Department of Community Affairs Field Representative Robert Compton to discuss the new concept to provide the residents in Queensland with water and to get Ben Hill County out the water business. He explained the new concept is to provide every resident with its on personal well and some type fire protection.

The Ben Hill County Health Board met on October 23, 2012 to discuss the onsite inspection by the Environmental Health Specialist and the District 8<sup>th</sup> Supervisor earlier that day. The Board voted to approve the revised plan and tasked the CEO and the Environmental Health Specialist to work with the project and keep the Board informed.

Vice-Chairman OD Netter made a motion for the Commissioners to approve the new concept of providing individual wells for the Queensland residents. Commissioner Kathy Davis seconded the motion; which passed with Vice-Chairman OD Netter, Commissioner Kathy Davis, Commissioner Scott Downing, and Commissioner Bennie Calloway all voting for the motion.

Vice-Chairman OD Netter made motion to approve applying for the 319 Septic Tank Grant. Commissioner Kathy Davis seconded the motion; which passed with Vice-Chairman OD Netter, Commissioner Kathy Davis, Commissioner Scott Downing, and Commissioner Bennie Calloway all voting for the motion.

Vice-Chairman OD Netter made a motion to approve applying for the \$50,000.00 grant to stabilize buildings with Debbie Cannon, from Senator Saxby Chambliss office. The grant will be used to turn the old Monitor School into a museum and educational building. Commissioner Kathy Davis seconded the motion; which passed with Vice-Chairman OD Netter, Commissioner Kathy Davis, Commissioner Scott Downing, and Commissioner Bennie Calloway all voting for the motion.

### **2013 Budget Update & Discussion**

County Manager Frank Feild reported the 1993 White GMC garbage truck sold on GovDeals for \$6,150.00. The Road Department sold \$1,900.00 in scrap metal from the old Monitor School building they tore down. He also stated he would like to get the bids out to local and out of town banks for the 2013 TAN note.

Commissioner OD Netter made a motion to authorize County Manager Frank Feild to prepare the bids for the 2013 TAN note. Commissioner Kathy Davis seconded the motion, which passed with Vice-Chairman OD Netter, Commissioner Kathy Davis, Commissioner Scott Downing, and Commissioner Bennie Calloway all voting for the motion.

County Frank Feild stated the Ben Hill County Development Authority Chairman made a verbal offer to purchase the Reeves Walker property for \$45,000.00.

County Manager Frank Feild passed out and discussed a budget spreadsheet that showed expenditures requested by each budget and all expected revenue for 2013. After further discussion, the board wants to schedule budget workshops.

Vice-Chairman OD Netter made a motion requiring every Department to turn in an organization chart with all full time and part time employees along with their hourly wage. Commissioner Kathy Davis seconded the motion; which passed with Vice-Chairman OD Netter, Commissioner Kathy Davis, Commissioner Scott Downing, and Commissioner Bennie Calloway all voting for the motion.

The meeting was adjourned.

\_\_\_\_\_ Philip C. Jay III, Chairman

\_\_\_\_\_ Donna R. Lampkin, County Clerk