

MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MONTHLY MEETING
OF THE BEN HILL COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
HELD ON OCTOBER 4, 2016 AT 6:30 PM IN THE
BEN HILL COUNTY COURTHOUSE ANNEX

Those present for the meeting were as follows:

Philip C. Jay III	Chairman
Daniel Cowan	Vice-Chairman
Bennie Calloway	Commissioner
John Mooney	Commissioner
Hope Harmon	Commissioner
Frank Feild	County Manager
Donna Prather	County Clerk

Call to Order

Chairman Philip Jay III called the meeting to order.

Pastor Bennie Calloway gave the invocation.

Everyone gave the Pledge of Allegiance.

Amendments To The Rules Of Order

No action was taken

Approval of the Agenda/Agenda Changes

Commissioner John Mooney made a motion to move agenda item 2016 Line Item Budget from Consent Items to Old Business. Vice-Chairman Daniel Cowan seconded the motion; which passed with Commissioner John Mooney, Vice-Chairman Daniel Cowan, Commissioner Bennie Calloway, and Commissioner Hope Harmon all voting for the motion.

Public Comments: NONE

Acceptance of Prior Minutes

Vice-Chairman Daniel Cowan made a motion to approve the Special Called Meeting Minutes held on September 01, 2016. Commissioner John Mooney seconded the motion; which passed with Vice-Chairman Daniel Cowan, Commissioner John Mooney, Commissioner Hope Harmon, and Commissioner Bennie Calloway all voting for the motion.

Vice-Chairman Daniel Cowan made a motion to approve the Workshop Meeting Minutes held on September 01, 2016. Commissioner John Mooney seconded the motion; which passed with Vice-Chairman Daniel Cowan, Commissioner John Mooney, Commissioner Hope Harmon, and Commissioner Bennie Calloway all voting for the motion.

Vice-Chairman Daniel Cowan made a motion to approve the Regular Monthly Meeting Minutes held on September 06, 2016. Commissioner John Mooney seconded the motion; which passed with Vice-Chairman Daniel Cowan, Commissioner John Mooney, Commissioner Hope Harmon, and Commissioner Bennie Calloway all voting for the motion.

Vice-Chairman Daniel Cowan made a motion to approve the Workshop Meeting Minutes held on September 14, 2016. Commissioner John Mooney seconded the motion; which passed with Vice-Chairman Daniel Cowan, Commissioner John Mooney, Commissioner Hope Harmon, and Commissioner Bennie Calloway all voting for the motion.

Vice-Chairman Daniel Cowan made a motion to approve the Workshop Meeting Minutes held on September 26, 2016. Commissioner John Mooney seconded the motion; which passed with Vice-Chairman Daniel Cowan, Commissioner John Mooney, Commissioner Hope Harmon, and Commissioner Bennie Calloway all voting for the motion.

Vice-Chairman Daniel Cowan made a motion to approve the Special Called Meeting Minutes held on September 26, 2016. Commissioner John Mooney seconded the motion; which passed with Vice-Chairman Daniel Cowan, Commissioner John Mooney, Commissioner Hope Harmon, and Commissioner Bennie Calloway all voting for the motion.

Vice-Chairman Daniel Cowan made a motion to approve the Workshop Meeting Minutes held on September 29, 2016. Commissioner John Mooney seconded the motion; which passed with Vice-Chairman Daniel Cowan, Commissioner John Mooney, Commissioner Hope Harmon, and Commissioner Bennie Calloway all voting for the motion.

Vice-Chairman Daniel Cowan made a motion to approve the Special Called Meeting Minutes held on September 29, 2016. Commissioner John Mooney seconded the motion; which passed with Vice-Chairman Daniel Cowan, Commissioner John Mooney, Commissioner Hope Harmon, and Commissioner Bennie Calloway all voting for the motion.

Constitutional Officer: NONE

Department Head Reports:

4H Agent Jeri Gelliland gave an update on all the activity of the Ag. Extension and 4-H.

County Board Reports:

Development Authority Chairman OD Netter gave an update of all activity of the Development Authority of Ben Hill County and Revolving Loan Fund Boards. Mr. Netter also asked for an increase in the 2017 SPLOST on behalf of the Development Authority of Ben Hill County. He also asked the give an increase to EMS in the 2017 SPLOST instead of giving the money to the Fitzgerald Ben Hill County Development Authority because their hands are tied.

County Manager's Report:

2017 LMIG Bid Opening

The bid opening for our 2017 LMIG road resurfacing project was held on September 15th. The successful bidder was East Coast Asphalt, with a bid of \$444,096.85. This project will resurface 2.1 miles of Rhine Road, and 0.483 miles of Lonnie Brown Road. This work should be completed before Thanksgiving.

2016 LMIG Striping & Stop Bars

We have E-mailed a bid packet to qualified contractors for installing striping and stop bars for selected county roads. A notice will also be published in The Herald-Leader and on our website. Bid packets are available at the County Office and bids must be returned by October 31st. The project includes portions of Lulaville Rd., Platte Rd., Delta Rd., Snowden Rd., Rhine Rd., and Ten Mile Rd. This work should be completed before the end of the year.

Annexation Request: NONE

Rezoning Application: NONE

Alcohol Application: NONE

Consent Items

Vice-Chairman Daniel Cowan made a motion to approve the ACCG Wellness Grant Budget Amendment. Commissioner Hope Harmon seconded the motion; which passed with Vice-Chairman Daniel Cowan, Commissioner Hope Harmon, Commissioner Bennie Calloway and Commissioner John Mooney all voting for the motion.

1. Budget Amendments

ACCG Wellness Grant:

Commission approval of this item would authorize an amendment of the 2016 Budget to increase the Revenue line 33.4116 (Administration Grant) by \$1,000.00 and increase Expenditure line 1500-53.1100 (Administration Supplies).

Old Business:

2017 SPLOST

Chairman Philip Jay stated he thinks a Workshop Meeting should be scheduled to discuss potential projects to be included in the upcoming SPLOST.

Commissioner Hope Harmon stated the Commissioners had task County Manager Frank Feild with gathering the information and that he should present at the meeting.

Commissioner John Mooney stated he think it would be premature to discuss the 2017 SPLOST projects at this meeting.

Chairman Jay called for a vote.

Commissioner John Mooney made a motion to postpone the agenda item and schedule a Workshop Meeting to discuss the potential projects. Vice-Chairman Daniel Cowan seconded the motion; which passed with Commissioner John Mooney, Vice-Chairman Daniel Cowan, and Chairman Philip Jay III all voting for the motion. Commissioner Hope Harmon and Commissioner Bennie Calloway opposed the motion.

Service Delivery Strategy

County Manager Frank Field stated the City provided us a courtesy copy of a draft resolution on Service Delivery Strategy; the Commissioners have been provided a copy of it.

Commissioner John Mooney made a motion to accept the draft copy of the Service Delivery Strategy resolution from the City. Vice-Chairman Daniel Cowan seconded the motion; which passed with Commissioner John Mooney, Vice-Chairman Daniel Cowan, Commissioner Bennie Calloway, and Commissioner Hope Harmon all voting for the motion.

Line Item Budget

County Manager Frank Field stated updated budgets have been prepared and coordinated with all Departments and Constitutional Offices. The Commission guidance has been to achieve line-item budgets whose totals do not exceed appropriations. We are continuing to work to bring many of these budgets into balance. However, in order to move toward Compliance with the Commission's mandate, we recommend all budgets be approved as line-item budgets; and that any future changes being done as budget adjustment requests. This approval would not include any changes to the previously appropriated totals.

The Commissioners discussed in detail this agenda item. No action was taken on this agenda item. Chairman Jay asked that this agenda item be placed on the next Workshop meeting.

New Business:

Dorminy Medical Center

Chief Operating Officer Stacey Mims presented a five (5) year projection plan for capital improvements for Dorminy Medical Center.

Chief Financial Officer Paige Wynn presented a snapshot of Dorminy Medical Center Financial from 2014 to 2016.

Ben Hill County Hospital Authority Vanessa Melton stated she hope the information provided is helpful to the Commissioners. She stated they are asking for the Commissioners to invest in the hospital again. She also thanked the Commissioners for their consideration to include Dorminy in the 2017 SPLOST.

Mother Frances' Keitt Cooper Resolution

Commissioner John Mooney made a motion to approve the resolution for Mother Frances' Keitt Cooper for her faith and service represented to the citizens of Ben Hill County over the past 100 years. Commissioner Hope Harmon seconded the motion; which passed with Commissioner John Mooney, Commissioner Hope Harmon, Commissioner Bennie Calloway, and Vice-Chairman Daniel Cowan all voting for the motion.

Richard Rhodes Resolution

This agenda item was postponed.

2016 CDBG ALGA Contract

County Manager Frank Field reported Ben Hill County has been selected as one of the 2016 CDBG Grant awardees. This DCA award is for \$500,000 for street & storm drainage improvements. This project is planned for St. John's Road and Ashton Way.

The total cost of this project is budgeted at \$585,825. The CDBG Grant will cover \$500,000. The County is responsible for providing 13% of the project cost; which includes a \$74,825 cash-match for construction and engineering, and \$1,000 in-kind for program audits.

ALGA has already provided \$5,000 in-kind for preparation of the CDBG application, and Carter and Sloope has provided \$5,000 in-kind for preliminary engineering.

Commissioner John Mooney made a motion to approve the contract with ALGA and authorize the Chairman to sign it. Commissioner Hope Harmon seconded the motion; which passed with Commissioner John Mooney, Commissioner Hope Harmon, Commissioner Bennie Calloway, and Vice-Chairman Daniel Cowan all voting for the motion.

Development Authority of Ben Hill County

Chairman Philip Jay III stated he wanted to put to death rumors that the Commission wants to dissolve the Development Authority of Ben Hill County. He stated this board is a critical piece of the puzzle. He presented a hand out from the service Delivery Strategy.

Mr. Netter did speak on behalf of the Development Authority of Ben Hill County and all it's accomplishments.

Agenda Changes and/or add ons: NONE

Legislative Report: NONE

Commissioner's Remarks: NONE

Meeting adjourned

_____ Philip C. Jay III, Chairman

_____ Donna R. Prather, County Clerk