

March 2, 2009

A regular meeting of the Bladen County Board of Commissioners was held on March 2, 2009 at 6:30 pm in the Commissioners Meeting Room of the Courthouse with the following members 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. Dowless

Attorney: Allen Johnson, Johnson Law Firm

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

Chairman Pait requested that a Budget Amendment for the Sheriff's Department be added to Item 1C and that Item 3 be deleted.

Upon a motion by W.D. Neill, Jr., seconded by Delilah Blanks, the Board approved the following consent items:

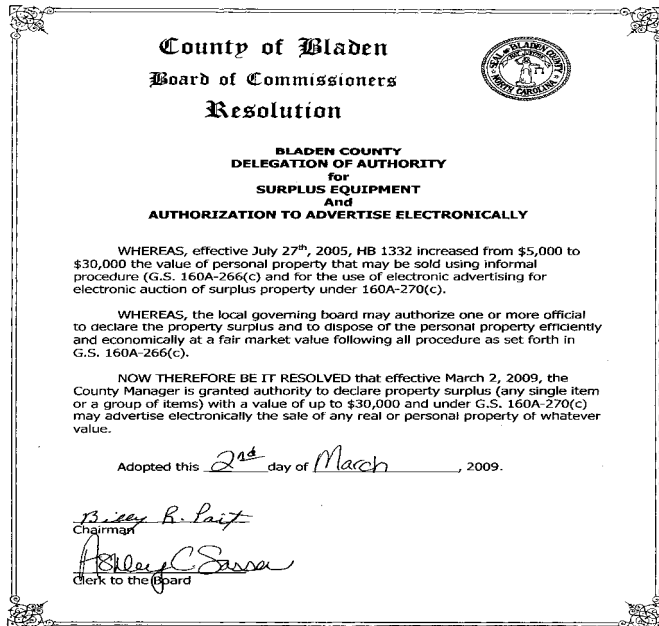
- A. Approve Minutes**
 - February 2, 2009 (Regular Session)**
 - January 29, 2009 (Special Session)**
- B. Approve Agenda**
- C. Approve Budget Amendments for January, Docket # _____**

	Increase	Decrease
<u>JCPC</u>		
Exp: 106805.320	\$2,554.00	
<i>JCPC-Task Force Certification</i>		
Rev: 103230.023	\$2,554.00	
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<u>Administration/Education</u>		
Exp: 106910.951	\$99,381.21	
<i>Schools/Capital Outlay</i>		
Rev: 103190.050	\$99,381.21	
<i>FBA</i>		
<u>Sheriff</u>		
Exp: 105100.571	\$7,200.00	
<i>Tax Control Subs</i>		
Rev: 103130.013	\$7,200.00	
<i>State Subs Excess Tax</i>		

Larry Smith Arrived.

- D. Approve County Attorney Invoices - none**
- E. Approve 2008-2009 Leinwand Park Baseball Field Agreement**
- F. Approve Resolution – Bladen County Delegation of Authority for Surplus Equipment and Authorization to Advertise Electronically**

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ITEM 2. MATTERS OF INTEREST TO COMMISSIONERS:

- Clerk of Court Niki Dennis Administered the following Oath of Office for Bladen County Tax Assessor/Tax Collector to Christopher K. Ellis:

BLADEN COUNTY

**RESOLUTION APPROVING ADMINISTRATIVE GUIDELINES AND POLICIES
FY 2008 CDBG PROGRAM**

WHEREAS, Bladen County wishes to carry out its FY08 CDBG program in accordance with established state and federal administrative guidelines.

NOW, THEREFORE, The Bladen County Board of Commissioners hereby collectively adopts the following resolutions, guidelines, plans and policies, and resolves that they be utilized during the administration of the County's community development program:

- Project Ordinance
- Financial Management Resolution
- Program Assistance Policy
- Rehabilitation/Demolition Contract Award Policy
- Citizen Participation Plan
- Residential Anti-displacement and Relocation Assistance Plan
- Local Economic Benefit Plan
- Equal Employment and Procurement Policy
- Code of Conduct Policy
- Fair Housing Policy
- Section 519 Policy (Excessive Use)
- Relocation Coverage Plan
- Project Advisory Committee Approval

Adopted this the 5th day of January 2009.

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

ATTEST:
Ashley C. Sasser
Clerk of the Board

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- Commissioner Peterson asked the Board to consider providing funding for the Bladenboro Junior Beta Club to attend the National Beta Club Convention. This matter will be considered during the March 16, 2009 Board meeting.
- Commissioner Neill requested that County Manager Greg Martin form a Resolution in recognition of Representative Edd Nye. County Manager Greg Martin advised that he thought a similar resolution had been adopted, but he would check the records.

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- Chairman Pait commended County Manager Greg Martin and Finance Director Lisa Coleman for the recent Standard & Poor's bond rating upgrade.

ITEM 3. Individuals/Delegations Wishing to Address Commissioners:

- Kim Pevia, Southeast Entrepreneurial Alliance Coordinator - **DELETED**

ITEM 4. Bladen Area Rural Transportation: (Kent Porter, Supervisor)

- A. Public Hearing Regarding 2010 Community Transportation Program – Chairman Pait declared the public hearing open. There were no public comments and Chairman Pait declared the public hearing closed.
- B. Consider Approving 2010 Community Transportation Program Resolution – Upon a motion by Larry Smith, seconded by Charles Ray Peterson, the Board approved the following resolutions:

COMMUNITY TRANSPORTATION PROGRAM RESOLUTION

Section 5311

FY 2009 - FY 2010 RESOLUTION

Applicant seeking permission to apply for Community Transportation Program funding, enter into agreement with the North Carolina Department of Transportation and to provide the necessary assurances.

A motion was made by (Board Member's Name) _____ and seconded by (Board Member's Name or N/A, if not required) _____ for the adoption of the following resolution, and upon being put to a vote was duly adopted.

WHEREAS, Article 2B of Chapter 136 of the North Carolina General Statutes and the Governor of North Carolina have designated the North Carolina Department of Transportation (NCDOT) as the agency responsible for administering federal and state public transportation funds; and

WHEREAS, the North Carolina Department of Transportation will apply for a grant from the US Department of Transportation, Federal Transit Administration and receives funds from the North Carolina General Assembly to provide assistance for rural public transportation projects; and

WHEREAS, the purpose of these transportation funds is to provide grant monies to local agencies for the provision of rural public transportation services consistent with the policy requirements for planning, community and agency involvement, service design, service alternatives, training and conference participation, reporting and other requirements (drug and alcohol testing policy and program, disadvantaged business enterprise program, and fully allocated costs analysis);

WHEREAS, (Legal Name of Applicant) County of Bladen hereby assures and certifies that it will comply with the federal and state Statutes, regulations, executive orders, Section 5333 (b) Warranty, and all administrative requirements which relate to the applications made to and grants received from the Federal Transit Administration, as well as the provisions of Section 1001 of Title 18, U. S. C.

NOW, THEREFORE, be it resolved that the (Authorized Official's Title)* Chairperson of (Name of Applicant's Governing Body) Bladen County Commissioners is hereby authorized to submit a grant application for federal and state funding, make the necessary assurances and certifications and be empowered to enter into an agreement with the NCDOT to provide rural public transportation services.

I (Certifying Official's Name)* Ashley Sasser, (Certifying Official's Title) Clerk for the Bladen County Commissioners do hereby certify that the above is a true and correct copy of an excerpt from the minutes of a meeting of the (Name of Applicant's Governing Board) Bladen County Commissioners duly held on the 2nd day of March, 2009.

X *Riley B. Pait*
Signature of Certifying Official

*Note that the authorized official, certifying official, and notary public should be three separate individuals.

Seal Subscribed and sworn to me (date) _____

Affix Seal Here

Notary Public *

Address _____

My commission expires (date) _____

HUMAN SERVICE AGENCY TRANSPORTATION RESOLUTION

State Funds

FY 2010 RESOLUTION

Applicant seeking permission to apply for Human Service Transportation funding, enter into agreement with The North Carolina Department of Transportation and to provide the necessary Assurances.

A motion was made by (Board Member's Name) _____ and seconded by (Board Member's Name or N/A, if not required) _____ for the adoption of the following resolution, and upon being put to a vote was duly adopted.

WHEREAS, Article 2B of Chapter 136 of the North Carolina General Statutes and the Governor of North Carolina have designated the North Carolina Department of Transportation (NCDOT) as the agency responsible for administering federal and state public transportation funds; and

WHEREAS, the North Carolina Department of Transportation receives funds from the North Carolina General Assembly to provide assistance for rural public transportation projects; and

WHEREAS, the purpose of these transportation funds is to provide grant monies to local agencies for the provision of rural public transportation services.

WHEREAS, (Legal Name of Applicant) County of Bladen, hereby assures and certifies that it will comply with the federal and state Statutes, regulations, executive orders, and all administrative requirements related to the applications made to and grants received from the North Carolina Department of Transportation;

NOW, THEREFORE, be it resolved that the (Authorized Official's Title)* Chairperson of (Name of Applicant's Governing Body) Bladen County Commissioners is hereby authorized to submit a grant application for state funding, make the necessary assurances and certifications and be empowered to enter into an agreement with the NCDOT to provide rural public transportation services.

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**ITEM 5. Cape Fear Regional Community Development Corporation:
(Steve Turner, Executive Director)**

- Update Regarding Single Family Rehabilitation Program – Executive Director Steve Turner with Cape Fear Regional Community Development Corporation provided information regarding the Single Family Rehabilitation Program.

**ITEM 6. Water District:
(Randy Garner, Director and Adam Kiker, Hobbs, Upchurch and Associates)**

- A. Enter Session as 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 Water District Board of Directors.
- B. Update Regarding Proposed Phase III-B North Project – Adma Kiker provided an update regarding the proposed Phase III-B North Project. The Board agreed for Mr. Kiker to further refine the proposed project.
- C. Exit Session as Water District Board of Directors – Upon a motion by W.D. Neill, Jr., seconded by Daniel Dowless, the Board exited session as Water District Board of Directors.

ITEM 7. County Manager: (Greg Martin)

- A. Calendar Update – Mr. Martin briefly reviewed the calendar of upcoming events.
- B. Consider Entering Closed Session in Accordance with N.C.G.S. 143-318.11 (a)(6) Personnel – Upon a motion by Charles Ray Peterson, seconded by Larry Smith, the Board entered Closed Session.

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

Upon a motion by Charles Ray Peterson, seconded by W.D. Neill, Jr., the Board requested that Tax Assessor/Collector Chris Ellis and County Manager Greg Martin provide a recommendation to the Board regarding the transition of Addressing Specialist position to Tax Appraiser position.

Upon a motion by Lewis Tatum, seconded by W.D. Neill, Jr., the Board adjourned at 7:40 pm.

Billy Ray Pait, Chairman
Bladen County Board of Commissioners

ATTEST:

Ashley C. Sasser, Clerk