

The Banks County Board of Commissioners held their regular meeting on September 23, 2014 at 6:30 p.m. in the Board Room of the Banks County Courthouse Annex.

### **Members Present**

Chairman Jimmy Hooper  
Vice Chairman Charles Turk  
Commissioner David Duckett  
Commissioner Sammy Reece

Commissioner Danny Maxwell was absent.

### **Staff Present**

Economic Developer Brad Day  
Public Utilities Director Steve Reece  
County Clerk Regina Gailey

### **Media Present**

Banks County News – Angela Gary  
Access North Georgia - Rob Moore

### **1. Call to Order**

Ch. Hooper called the meeting to order.

### **2. Approval of Agenda**

Motion to amend the agenda to add the following items:

“8. Water Plant Pond Sludge Removal Bid Award Steve Reece”

“9. Land Transfer/Development Authority/Creative Solar Brad Day”

Sammy Reece

Second: Charles Turk

Vote: 4:0

Unanimous vote and motion passed.

### **3. Prayer**

Ch. Hooper stated the question “Why Me?” is often related to whining and self-pity when speaking of bad things. He challenged everyone to spin the meaning and reflect on the blessings and good things in your life and ask the question again.

### **4. Pledge to the American Flag**

Ch. Hooper led the Pledge to the American Flag.

### **5. JRBBQ, LLC – dba Hawg Wild BBQ – Commerce Beer/Wine Consumption License**

Mr. Hooper stated this was for a beer/wine consumption license. Manager Ashley McDonald spoke in favor the application.

Motion to approve the application: Sammy Reece

Second: David Duckett

Vote: 4:0

Unanimous vote and motion passed.

#### **6. KCI Technologies, Inc. – Work Authorization for Bridge Repairs**

Ch. Hooper stated this was a work authorization to finish the construction management project of bridge repairs throughout the county.

Motion to approve the application: Charles Turk

Second: David Duckett

Vote: 4:0

Unanimous vote and motion passed. *(Copy of work authorization filed in Attachment to Minutes Book #9-5)*

#### **7. Surplus Property**

Ch. Hooper stated this was for vehicles and equipment that no longer served a public purpose. He further stated a sale would be held at a later date. Items to be surplusd were as follows:

##### **Vehicles**

2005	Ford Crown Victoria	1400
2008	Ford Crown Victoria	3245
2008	Ford Crown Victoria	3252
2005	Ford Crown Victoria	5570
2003	Ford Crown Victoria	7904
2004	Ford Crown Victoria	9436
2005	Ford Crown Victoria	9458
1993	Ford Crown Victoria	9477

Radio Tower on Candler Street

##### **Motorola Mics**

HMN3596A

HMN3596A

AARMN4025B

AARMN4025B

AARMN4025C

##### **Mobile Radios**

CM300 922THL4951

CM300 922TJC1949

CM300 922TFL3307

CM300 922THL1796

CM300 922TJC1948

CDM1250 103TBQ3465

HT1250 921fbg2754

HT1250 749tzye727

HT1250	749tyu4086
HT1250	749taqk133
HT750	672hbq1911
HT750	672taux111
EX600xls	004tbj4314
EX600xls	004tgl9654
EX600xls	004TCQ5877
CP200xls	018tnw3558

**Battery**

Battery x4 / fits HT750 or HT1250

**Line Filter**

KLF-2

Motion to approve the request: Jimmy Hooper

Second: Sammy Reece

Vote: 4:0

Unanimous vote and motion passed.

**8. Water Plant Pond Sludge Removal Bid Award**

*Steve Reece*

Mr. Reece stated they had received 2 bids as follows:

Griffin Brothers, Inc.                 \$25,001.00

Environmental Remedies, LLC   \$23,990.00

Ch. Hooper stated the 3% local bid preference was considered but Environmental Remedies was still the low bidder.

Motion to approve Environmental Remedies, LLC as low bidder: Sammy Reece

Second: Jimmy Hooper

Vote: 4:0

Unanimous vote and motion passed.

**9. Land Transfer/Development Authority/ Washington Gas Energy Systems, Inc.**

*Brad Day*

Mr. Day requested that the Commissioners transfer 4.65 acres to the Development Authority for lease to Washington Gas Energy Systems, Inc. Vice Ch. Turk stated concerns that the property lease did not include the 6.282 acres designated as a solar shade easement. He stated there should be some compensation for the additional acreage that could not be disturbed. He asked if the county attorney had reviewed the lease. Mr. Day stated he had not heard from the county attorney concerning the lease at meeting time. Ch. Hooper stated he could not approve the transfer unless the lease agreement had first been approved by the county attorney. Motion to postpone the item to the October 14, 2014 regular meeting to provide time for Mr. Day to gather the requested information: Sammy Reece

Second: Charles Turk

Vote: 4:0

Unanimous vote and motion passed.

Ch. Hooper recognized Troup 106 Scouts Jacob Lee and Joseph Lee. They attended the meeting to earn a merit badge and are both working toward their Eagle Scout achievement. Jacob stated he planned to build an outdoor pavilion at the Uchee Lodge location for his Eagle Scout project and would come before the Commissioners at a later date to request permission.

**10. Adjournment**

Motion to adjourn: Charles Turk

Second: Sammy Reece

Vote: 4:0

Unanimous vote and motion passed. The meeting adjourned at 6:55 p.m.

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Chairman

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County Clerk

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