

The Banks County Board of Commissioners held their regular meeting on May 12, 2009 at 6:30 p.m. in the Banks County Courthouse Annex. Present were Chairman Milton Dalton, Vice Chairman Joe Barefoot and Commissioner Rickey Cain. Also present were Code Enforcement Officer Keith Covington, County Attorney Randall Frost, Finance Officer Randy Failyer and Assistant County Clerk Erin Decker.

1. Call to Order

Ch. Dalton called the meeting to order.

2. Approval of Agenda

Vice Ch. Barefoot made a motion to approve the agenda. Comm. Cain seconded. All aye votes and motion carried.

3. Prayer

Ch. Dalton held a moment of silent prayer.

4. Pledge to the American Flag

Ch. Dalton led the pledge.

5. Consent Agenda

a. Approval of Invoices

Vice Ch. Barefoot made a motion to approve the invoices. Comm. Cain seconded. All aye votes and motion carried.

b. Approval of Minutes

Vice Ch. Barefoot made a motion to approve the minutes as furnished. Comm. Cain seconded the motion. All aye votes and motion carried.

6. Public Comment - None

7. Public Hearing to Consider Planning Commission Recommendations

a. Z-09-01 – John T. Seigler – Application for rezoning five acres at 2603 Yonah Homer Road from ARR, Agricultural, Rural-Residential to C-2, General Commercial for a truck stop, truck terminal.

Comm. Cain made a motion to send the application back to the planning commission to consider a conditional use permit. Comm. Barefoot seconded the motion. All aye votes and motion carried.

8. BJC Hospital & Nursing Home Authority Loan Guarantee & Increase Debt Service Request.

Rick Massey with the BJC Hospital Authority presented a presentation stating that the Authority is asking Jackson and Banks County to service debt on \$6.7 million. This would take Banks County's current bond debt payment from \$51,000 annually to \$127,000 annually. Mr. Massey also stated that the indigent care for Banks County residents is a total of \$258,018 and Banks County pays 25% of the bond debt. Mr. Massey stated that \$5.2 million is an immediate need for the hospital to stay in operation and \$1.5 million would be an emergency fund. He stated the line of credit repayment would be paid back by BJC Hospital and the counties would only be paying back a \$5.2 million bond. The commissioners thanked Mr. Massey for the presentation and no action was taken.

9. Resolutions:

a. Employee Retirement Plan Change

Vice Ch. Barefoot stated that this resolution is a change to the Banks County Money Purchase Plan that will name "Chairman" as trustee instead of each chairman's individual name. Vice Ch. Barefoot made a motion to accept the resolution. Comm. Cain seconded. All aye votes and the motion passed. *(Copy of resolution filed in Attachment Book #9) 2009-2011*

10. Contracts:

a. Family Connections \$3,000 Grant Reduction & Contract Amendment

Ch. Dalton stated that this is a reduction by \$3,000. Comm. Cain stated it was a reduction of a grant that we already have. Comm. Cain made a motion to give Ch. Dalton permission to sign the contract amendment. Vice Ch. Barefoot seconded the motion. All aye votes and the motion carried.

b. Water Tank Maintenance Contract – Utility Service Company

Steve Reece, Public Utilities Director stated this contract was for maintenance on the North County Line Road tank. This tank is just an addition to the contract that we already have with Utility Service Company. Comm. Cain made a motion to accept the contract pending the county attorney’s approval. Vice Ch. Barefoot seconded the motion. All aye votes and the motion passed.

11. Charity Drive – additional 565 ft. acceptance.

Ch. Dalton stated that this was just an extension of the existing Charity Drive which would make it a total of 1,835 ft. Comm. Cain made a motion to accept the additional 565ft of Charity Drive with no improvements. Comm. Barefoot seconded. All aye votes and the motion passed.

12. Proposed Wastewater Treatment Facility Site Archeological Survey

Mr. Reece stated this survey would complete the planning stage for the wastewater treatment facility and would cost approximately \$5,000. Mr. Reece stated that Rindt-McDuff would have the survey done. Vice Ch. Barefoot made a motion to approve the archeological survey pending the county attorney’s approval. Comm. Cain seconded. All aye votes and motion passed.

13. Economic Development Contact

Comm. Cain stated that since Angela Sheppard was the economic development person for the County and she is no longer here, he made a motion for County Clerk Jenni Gailey or Development Authority Chairman Wayne Abernathy to be the economic development contact for the entire county. Ch. Dalton seconded. All aye votes and motion carried.

14. Adjournment

Vice Ch. Barefoot made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Comm. Cain seconded motion. All aye votes and the meeting was adjourned at 6:50 p.m.

Chairman

Assistant County Clerk
