

The Banks County Board of Commissioners held a regular meeting on November 13, 2012 at 6:30 p.m. in the Board Room of the Banks County Courthouse Annex. Present were Chairman Milton Dalton, Vice Chairman Charles Turk and Commissioners Danny Maxwell, Sammy Reece and Ernest Rogers. County Attorney Randall Frost was also present.

1. Call to Order

Ch. Dalton called the meeting to order.

2. Approval of Agenda

Vice Ch. Turk made a motion to approve the agenda. Comm. Maxwell seconded. All aye votes and the agenda was approved.

3. Prayer

Ch. Dalton asked for a moment of silence.

4. Pledge to the American Flag

Ch. Dalton led the Pledge to the American Flag.

5. Approval of Invoices

Comm. Reece made a motion to approve the invoices as previously furnished members. Comm. Rogers seconded. All aye votes and the motion carried.

6. Approval of Previous Minutes – 10/9, 10/16, 10/23

Vice Ch. Turk made a motion to approve the minutes. Comm. Maxwell seconded. All aye votes and the motion carried.

7. Emergency Medical Policies

Debbie Brown

Ms. Brown was not present.

8. Diamond Club – Baseball & Softball

Travis Calloway

Mr. Calloway stated he could offer baseball and softball officials training, strength & conditioning training, coaching techniques, tournaments, clinics and fund raising techniques. He stated he could come on as an employee or work on a contract basis. Comm. Maxwell asked if this included other sports. Mr. Calloway stated his expertise was with baseball and softball but that he had contacts with other people that could help with other sports.

9. Contracts & Agreements:

a. Piedmont Judicial Circuit Law Clerk Agreement

Tabled: 10/23/2012

Vice Ch. Turk made a motion to untable this item. Comm. Rogers seconded. All aye votes and motion carried. Vice Ch. Turk made a motion to approve and to authorize the Chairman to sign the agreement with the Banks County 12% portion being \$15,790.49 including benefits. Comm. Maxwell seconded. *(Copy of agreement filed in Attachment to Minutes Book 9-4)*

b. Water Treatment Plant Sludge Removal Agreement – Griffin Brothers - \$35,422.10

Steve Reece

Mr. Reece stated the tonnage actually came in below the projection and the actual cost of the sludge removal would be \$27,697.97. Comm. Rogers made a motion to approve

the agreement and to pay the \$27,697.97 that was being invoiced. Comm. Reece seconded. All aye votes and motion carried. *(Copy of agreement filed in Attachment to Minutes Book 9-4)*

**c. Water Trunk Line Hwy 441S/Hwy 59 Agreement –
Griffin Brothers - \$100,078.12**

Steve Reece

Comm. Rogers made a motion to approve and to authorize the Chairman to sign the agreement with a start date of December 1, 2012. Vice Ch. Turk seconded. All aye votes and motion carried. *(Copy of agreement filed in Attachment to Minutes Book 9-4)*

**d. Timber Sale Agreement Extension – December 31, 2012 –
Clendenin Lumber Company**

Jack Catlin

Vice Ch. Turk made a motion to approve and to authorize the Chairman to sign the agreement with an extension date of December 31, 2012. Comm. Rogers seconded. All aye votes and motion carried. *(Copy of agreement filed in Attachment to Minutes Book 9-4)*

Tree Replanting Update

Mr. Catlin stated he had received information from Carolina Forestry Corporation concerning tree replanting on the Windmill Farm property. He stated the schedule would be site prep in spring 2013 and planting the following winter. He stated a chemical site prep was recommended and would cost approximately \$160 per acre. He stated the trees would be second generation at a cost of \$65 per 1,000 trees. He stated planting would run approximately \$144 per acre which would include 544 trees per acre on 190 acres. The total approximate cost would be as follows for pine tree plantings:

Site Preparation	\$30,000
Pine Trees	\$27,500
Catlin Consult Fees	<u>\$ 2,400</u>
Total with no grants	\$59,900

He stated there were two grants he would apply for to help alleviate some of the cost that could include a state grant to provide up to \$80 per acre and a federal grant to provide up to \$67.50 per acre for planting and up to \$112.50 per acre for site preparation. Comm. Rogers requested that Mr. Catlin check pricing for including some Sawtooth Oaks and White Oaks in selected sites.

**e. Baldwin Satellite/E911 Center Equipment Sales Agreement – Gunby
Communications**

Deidra Moore

Comm. Reece made a motion to approve and to authorize the Chairman to sign the agreement. Vice Ch. Turk seconded. All aye votes and motion carried. *(Copy of agreement filed in Attachment to Minutes Book 9-4)*

**f. Baldwin Tower and Components Agreement Change Order– Gunby
Communications**

Deidra Moore

Vice Ch. Turk made a motion to approve and to authorize the Chairman to sign the agreement and to authorize the Sheriff to arrange and pay for the relocation of the pod. Comm. Reece seconded. All aye votes and motion carried. *(Copy of agreement filed in Attachment to Minutes Book 9-4)*

10. Local Government Resolution for Emergency Management

Deidra Moore

Ms. Moore stated she would have the county and all the cities sign the resolution. Vice Ch. Turk made a motion to approve the resolution. Comm. Reece seconded. All aye votes and motion carried. *(Copy of agreement filed in Attachment to Minutes Book 9-4) 2012-20*

11. Prepaid Wireless Distribution E911 Expense Approval

Deidra Moore

Ms. Moore stated the following items were allowable recommendations for the use of the collected funds. She stated the projection is based on a 6 month collection received in the amount of \$13,072.87. She recommended the following:

The partial year was for \$13,072.87. State Law says that it must be deposited into the ETF and used for 911 purposes. I would like to request Board approval to be allowed to utilize it for the following:

- a. **Mandatory Training / Travel for 911 - \$2,000.00** – this will cover the 2 new hires which must attend Basic Communications within 6 months and that typically costs around \$500.00 each. It will also cover the mandatory TAC training (this is GCIC training) that we have always required each Supervisor to have and \$500.00 should more than cover the 2 Supervisors that need this training as we are usually able to get it within driving range at some point during the year. This will leave 500.00 in training in the event that we have to send another to Basic Comm.

- b. **Emergency Medical Dispatch (EMD) Upgrade with Upgrade Training for 911 – \$5,000.00** - EMD is Emergency Medical Dispatch. It is the set of guidelines displayed on a card set at each 911 console that the Dispatchers use to provide pre-arrival directions to callers as authorized by the Banks County Medical Director. The set we have been using is outdated and it is very difficult to obtain updates as it is an old system. We need the cards updated and would like to get this accomplished using a nationally backed / reputable company. There are 3 quotes attached that will provide the updated card sets, training and ability to offer Instruction locally using one of our own employees. Selena will serve as the Trainer as she is also EMT certified which is a requirement.
 - i. I have been quoted the following:
 1. APCO \$4,478.33
 2. Power Phone \$10,000.00 (approximately, per salesman by phone, have not received his printed quote)
 3. Priority Dispatch \$17,045.00
 - ii. I have selected the lowest quote to ask you to approve because it was lowest and because it is provided by APCO (Association of Public-Safety Communication Officials) who serves as one of 911's largest supporters that sets many 911 standards and serves to aid in FCC coordination issues. Their intro set will cost us \$4,478.33 and the Dispatchers will be required to recertify every 2 years which will cost \$30.00 per Dispatcher and \$95.00 for the employee that serves as Trainer. An added benefit of choosing APCO card sets is that it will enable Selena to also teach other vital APCO backed classes such as those for Officer Safety etc and she will be able to teach those free of charge and in our own facility so that we can continue to provide training and improve our services even with the training budget cuts.

- c. **Reverse 911 System – \$11,400.00 per year** – seeking approval for remaining funds to be utilized for any start up or reoccurring costs associated with a Reverse 911 type of system in the coming year. I have applied for a grant and this start up and reoccurring cost will not be needed for one – three years if I am awarded the grant. But, I am seeking approval that these prepaid funds be allowed to be used for this each year should I not receive the grant. Attached and below are some details about this type of system and what we anticipate; we are in the process of awaiting word on the grant and then we will seek more detailed numbers.
- i. The reoccurring cost is based on population.
 - ii. Applied for grant for start-up – we do not know if we have been approved and won't know until late November – it is a FEMA 100% grant for \$35,000. If we went with WENS (what Jackson is using) we would be paying 11,400 per year with no start-up.
 - iii. Our prepaid distribution is scheduled to be received in October each year and if it stays at trend, we should receive approximately \$26,000 per year which will more than cover these reoccurring cost and mandatory training.
 - iv. If approved tonight to use the funds for this program, I would like to also request permission to be allowed to seek out competitive quotes from different vendors now. This will enable us to be working on the project within a month of award as the grant directs. This is an emergency system and I am hopeful that the quote process should work.
 - v. If we do not receive the grant, I would still like to request that the Board consider allowing me to continue with the project utilizing the remaining prepaid funds from this year (following Training and EMD above) to put towards starting the reverse calling program and that I be allowed to pay any reoccurring cost from this phone system with the prepaid wireless funds.

Vice Ch. Turk made a motion to approve the recommendations. Comm. Maxwell seconded. All aye votes and motion carried.

12. Boards & Authorities:

- a. Industrial Building Authority - Jack Banks** *Tabled: 9/11/2012*
- b. Industrial Building Authority - Dennis Brown** *Tabled: 9/11/2012*
- c. Industrial Building Authority - Jimmy Morrison** *Tabled: 9/11/2012*

Items left on table.

13. Microsoft Exchange Upgrade – Email Server

Ch. Dalton asked Finance Officer Randy Failyer to present request. Mr. Failyer stated that Data Survival had stated the Email Server needed a Microsoft Exchange upgrade and suggested the 2010 version. He also stated there were two options as follows:

- Option #1 Rent for \$9,600 per year
- Option #2 Purchase for \$14,308 one -time cost

He stated the rent would continue from year to year but the purchase would be a one- time expense and stated the purchase would be more feasible at this time. Vice Ch. Turk made a

motion to approve Option #2 Purchase. Comm. Reece seconded. All aye votes and motion carried.

14. December 25, 2012 Meeting Cancellation

Ch. Dalton stated since the meeting would be on Christmas Day, it would be cancelled.

15. Adjournment

Comm. Reece made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Comm. Rogers seconded. All aye votes and the meeting was adjourned at 7:42 p.m.

Chairman

County Clerk
