

The Banks County Board of Commissioners held a regular meeting on October 11, 2016 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 Danny Maxwell
Commissioner Sammy Reece

Staff Present

County Attorney Randall Frost
Finance Officer Randy Failyer
County Clerk Regina Gailey

Media Present

Banks County News Reporter Angela Gary
Access North Georgia Reporter Rob Moore

1. Call to Order

Ch. Hooper called the meeting to order.

2. Approval of Agenda

Motion to amend the agenda to *add "12d Senior Center CDBG - \$500,000 Terms & Conditions"*: Jimmy Hooper
Second: Sammy Reece
Vote: 5:0
All aye votes and motion carried.

Motion to approve the agenda as amended: Jimmy Hooper
Second: Danny Maxwell
Vote: 5:0
All aye votes and motion carried.

3. Moment of Reflection

Ch. Hooper stated there were far too many pessimists in the world today and that there needed to be more optimists. He stated there was not much good to talk about in the world today.

4. Pledge to the American Flag

Ch. Hooper led the pledge to the flag.

5. Approval of Invoices

Motion to approve the invoices: Danny Maxwell
Second: David Duckett
Vote: 5:0
All aye votes and motion carried.

6. Approval of Previous Minutes – 9/13

Motion to approve previous meeting minutes: Charles Turk

Second: David Duckett

Vote: 5:0

All aye votes and motion carried.

7. Planning Commission Recommendations: NONE

8. Banks County Conference/Visitors Center Support Resolution

Brad Day

Mr. Day presented conceptual plans of the proposed conference/visitors center and stated studies have shown that the Banks Crossing area would benefit from the center. He further stated he had already received support resolutions from the Chamber/CVB and the Development Authority.

Motion to approve the support resolution: Jimmy Hooper

Second: Charles Turk

Vote: 5:0

All aye votes and motion carried. *(Copy of resolution filed in Attachment to Minutes Book 9-8) 2016-16*

9. Water/Sewer Rate Increase

Steve Reece

Mr. Reece stated the last rate increase was 2 years ago and proposed a \$.25 per 1,000 gallons increase on water with no increase in the base rate. He also proposed a 5% increase in sewer with no increase in the base rate.

Motion to approve the increase: Jimmy Hooper

Second: Danny Maxwell

Vote: 5:0

All aye votes and motion carried.

10. Additional Deputy Coroner

Coroner Elect Mark Savage

Mr. Savage requested an additional Deputy Coroner to help insure quicker response times. He stated training was set for December and it was only offered one time per year. Vice Chairman Turk expressed concerns with work scheduling conflicts and suggested waiting until next year to see if call volume warrants the additional personnel. Commissioner Reece stated according to the past year call volume, he didn't feel it would warrant an additional deputy at this time. Ch. Hooper agreed it should be reconsidered next year.

No Action was taken.

11. E911 & EMA:

Deidra Moore

a. County Government Internet Services

Proposal/Contract: *Gunby Communications*

Tabled: 9/13/2016

Motion to untable this item: Danny Maxwell

Second: Charles Turk

Vote: 5:0

All aye votes and motion carried.

John Smith of Gunby Communications stated this would be a contract renewable yearly with a monthly recurring cost \$7,227.85. The one time equipment/setup cost would be \$8,560.00. Ch. Hooper stated the attorneys needed to get together to nail down specifics of the contract. Motion to approve the proposal and contract and to authorize the Chairman to sign the contract pending the county attorney's approval: Jimmy Hooper

Second: Charles Turk

Vote: 5:0

All aye votes and motion carried. *(Copy of contract filed in Attachment to Minutes Book 9-8)*

b. Communications Site Lease Agreement: Gunby Communications

Mr. Smith stated the lease agreement would be in place if the county ceased to purchase internet service from Gunby Communications. He stated it was for up to 5 years and renewable yearly with a recurring monthly cost of \$1,200.00.

Motion to approve the lease agreement and to authorize the Chairman to sign the agreement pending the county attorney's approval: Charles Turk

Second: Danny Maxwell

Vote: 5:0

All aye votes and motion carried. *(Copy of contract filed in Attachment to Minutes Book 9-8)*

c. Shelter Trailer Memorandum of Understanding: GAEMA & GEMHSA

Ms. Moore stated this was an annual agreement with the expiration date of August 31, 2020.

Motion to approve the memorandum of understanding: Sammy Reece

Second: Danny Maxwell

Vote: 5:0

All aye votes and motion carried. *(Copy of MOU filed in Attachment to Minutes Book 9-8)*

d. Surplus Radios & Equipment

Ms. Moore stated she had approximately 474 radios & equipment that no longer served a public purpose in Banks County and asked that the Commissioners surplus the radios & equipment and also asked for permission to sell the radios & equipment to a Broker Randall McNallen to sell to a buyer at a bid of \$5,500 less a 15% broker's fee. Shipping would be paid by the buyer. Items to be surplused and sold listed below:

1 - Kenwood NX-720HG

1 - Kenwood TK-6110

1 - Motorola Spectra

1 - Motorola Systems 9000

1 - Kenwood TK-2312

1 - Kenwood TK-760H

2 - Kenwood TK-7360H

2 - Motorola CDM1250

2 - Motorola M1225

4 - Kenwood TK-7160H

4 - Kenwood TK-2160

4 - Kenwood TK-2212

7 - Motorola CM300

14 - Kenwood TK-5710

18 - Kenwood TK-5210
9 - KSC32 Chargers
Each portable has an antenna, except for one
All 5710s have a microphone
All portables have batteries

Motion to approve the items for surplus as listed: Jimmy Hooper

Second: David Duckett

Vote: 5:0

All aye votes and motion carried.

Broker Agreement: Ms. Moore stated the county attorney had reviewed and approved the broker's agreement.

Motion to sell the items to the broker for \$5,500 less 15% broker's fee: Charles Turk

Second: Jimmy Hooper

Vote: 5:0

All aye votes and motion carried. *(Copy of agreement filed in Attachment to Minutes Book 9-8)*

12. Grants:

a. Recreational Trails Program Grant Applications & Administration: GMRC

Ms. Gailey stated this was to authorize GMRC to aid in the application for the grant at a fee of \$500.

Motion to approve the agreement: Jimmy Hooper

Second: Danny Maxwell

Vote: 5:0

All aye votes and motion carried. *(Copy of agreement filed in Attachment to Minutes Book 9-8)*

b. Economic Development Administration Grant: GMRC

Brad Day

Mr. Day stated this was from the Department of Commerce for increasing capacity of public infrastructure and in support of foreign direct investment at the Banks 109 Industrial Park in the amount of \$1,000,000 - \$1,500,000. This agreement would authorize GMRC to aid in the application for the grant at a fee not to exceed 9% if awarded.

Motion to approve the agreement: Jimmy Hooper

Second: Sammy Reece

Vote: 5:0

All aye votes and motion carried. *(Copy of agreement filed in Attachment to Minutes Book 9-8)*

c. Fire Equipment/Station Grant Application & Project Plan

Preparation Ratification: JMCM Consulting

Scottie Mathis

Captain Mathis stated this is a grant for approximately \$1,000,000 for the purchase of a fire truck and equipment and air packs. The fee for application would be 5% if awarded.

Motion to ratify the Chairman's signature and to approve the agreement: Charles Turk

Second: Sammy Reece

Vote: 5:0

All aye votes and motion carried. *(Copy of agreement filed in Attachment to Minutes Book 9-8)*

d. Senior Center CDBG - \$500,000 Terms & Conditions

Jenni Gailey

Ms. Gailey stated the county had received the \$500,000 grant and this would authorize the Chairman to sign all the documentation related to the administration of the grant.

Motion to approve the agreement and to authorize the Chairman to sign all documentation related to the grant: Jimmy Hooper

Second: Danny Maxwell

Vote: 5:0

All aye votes and motion carried. *(Copy of agreement filed in Attachment to Minutes Book 9-8)*

13. Contracts & Agreements:

a. Baldwin Fire/EMS Training Facility Usage Agreement

Scottie Mathis

Captain Mathis stated the cost would be \$1,000 per year for usage of the 5-story burn building facility that meets all NFPA requirements for training. He also stated if fulltime and volunteers use the facility 16 hours per year or 4 hours per quarter, the criteria would be met to get full credit from ISO for a county training facility. The fee would be applied back into the facility for upkeep and improvements.

Term: 7/1/2016 – 6/30/2017

Motion to approve the agreement: Charles Turk

Second: Jimmy Hooper

Vote: 5:0

All aye votes and motion carried. *(Copy of agreement filed in Attachment to Minutes Book 9-8)*

b. Public Transportation Operating/Capital Program Contract

Randy Failyer

Mr. Failyer stated it was a 50% matching grant with the county portion being \$42,660.

Motion to approve the yearly contract and to authorize the Chairman to sign the contract:

Charles Turk

Second: Sammy Reece

Vote: 5:0

All aye votes and motion carried. *(Copy of agreement filed in Attachment to Minutes Book 9-8)*

14. Executive Session: Land Acquisition/Disposal

Motion to go into executive session to discuss land acquisition/disposal at 7:16 p.m.: Danny Maxwell

Second: Jimmy Hooper

Vote: 5:0

All aye votes and motion carried.

Motion to come out executive session and to reconvene the meeting at 7:35 p.m.: Danny Maxwell

Second: David Duckett

Vote: 5:0

All aye votes and motion carried. *(Copy of affidavit filed in Attachment to Minutes Book 9-8)*

15. Adjournment

Motion to adjourn the meeting: Danny Maxwell

Second: Jimmy Hooper

The meeting adjourned at 7:35 p.m.

Chairman

County Clerk