

The Banks County Board of Commissioners held their regular meeting on May 10, 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 Clerk Regina Gailey  
Assistant County Clerk Erin Decker  
Finance Officer Randy Failyer  
Code Enforcement Officer Paul Ruark  
County Attorney Randall Frost

### **Media Present**

Mainstreet 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 approve the agenda: Sammy Reece  
Second: David Duckett  
Vote: 5:0  
All aye votes and the motion passed.

### **3. Moment of Reflection**

Ch. Hooper stated since the last time we met a lot of things had happened. He said soon there will be an election which would decide who governs us for the next four years. He also stated Memorial Day was coming and was a holiday that should not be forgotten because of service that was given to our country for the protection of our freedom.

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

Ch. Hooper led the Pledge to the American Flag.

### **5. Approval of Invoices**

Motion to approve the invoices: Charles Turk  
Second: David Duckett  
Vote: 5:0  
All aye votes and the motion passed.

### **6. Approval of Previous Minutes – 4/12**

Motion to approve the minutes: Danny Maxwell

Second: Sammy Reece

Vote: 5:0

All aye votes and the motion passed.

**7. Recognition: Lifelong Academy Certification – Chairman Jimmy Hooper**

**8. Recognition: Lifelong Academy Certification – Commissioner David Duckett**

County Clerk Regina Gailey stated that UGA through the Carl Vinson Institute of Government and the Association of County Commissioners of Georgia had a program for the commissioners called the Lifelong Learning Academy. Ch. Jimmy Hooper and Comm. David Duckett recently received certification in County Operation and Management. They were both recognized for their achievement at the Annual ACCG meeting in Savannah.

**9. Planning Commission Recommendations:**

**a. Z-16-02- SW Baldwin LLC/Sullivan Wickley – An application to rezone parcel B35-038C from existing ARR Agricultural Rural Residential to C-2 Commercial property. The proposed application is for the rezoning of a 2.5 acre tract, for the future location of a Dollar General store.**

Ch. Hooper closed the meeting and County Attorney Randall Frost opened the public hearing. Attorney Frost stated the application was to rezone a parcel from ARR Agricultural Rural Residential to C-2 Commercial for the future location of a Dollar General store. Zoning/Code Enforcement Officer Paul Ruark stated the Planning Commission recommended approval.

Collin Edwards – 4151 Ashford Dunwoody Road, Atlanta, GA 30319 – Mr. Edwards stated that he was excited about working on the site at Harmony Church Road and 441. He stated the building would be 9,000 square feet brick building with shutters and landscaping would hide the detention pond. The store would employ 10 people and construction would start late 2016 and would expect to be open early 2017.

Attorney Frost closed the public hearing and Ch. Hooper opened the meeting.

Motion to approve the rezoning application: Sammy Reece

Second: Charles Turk

Vote: 5:0

All aye votes and the motion passed.

*(Copy of resolution filed in Attachment to Minutes Book #9-7)*

**10. Windmill Park Sports Complex Completion List**

Parks & Recreation Chairman Jason Hensley stated there were a few items that needed to be purchased before the Windmill Park Sports Complex was complete.

Mr. Hensley stated they received three bids for the exact same playground and they recommended the lowest bid from KorKat, Inc. in the amount of \$44,395.50

Motion to approve the purchase of a playground in the amount of \$44,395.50 from KorKat Inc.: Charles Turk

Second: Danny Maxwell

Vote: 5:0

All aye votes and the motion passed.

Mr. Hensley stated they received two bids on the fencing around the playground. The lowest bid was from Blue Creek Fence Designs in the amount of \$4,400.

Motion to approve the purchase and installation of a fence around the playground in the amount of \$4,400 from Blue Creek Fence Designs: Sammy Reece

Second: Jimmy Hooper

Vote: 5:0

All aye votes and the motion passed.

Mr. Hensley also stated there should to be handrails and steps connecting the existing fields to the new complex. They received a price from Scroggs and Grizzle in the amount of \$14,439. The Commissioners stated they would like to get a quote from other contractors also.

Mr. Hensley stated the health department recommended an additional cleanout for the septic system. The water department asked for a 2" rpz instead of a 1" rpz. Also a frost free spigot at the top of Thompson Street for easy access to water is needed. The additional cost of the items would be \$2,655.

Motion to approve the cleanout, rpz and frost free spigot in the amount of \$2,655: Jimmy Hooper

Second: Sammy Reece

Vote: 5:0

All aye votes and the motion passed.

Mr. Hensley stated there were also some other items that were taken out of the initial plans in order to cut cost but they were things that are needed. The items are listed as follows:

Picnic Tables	Dugout Bleachers
Trash Cans	Cigarette butt receptacles
Benches for walking trail	Landscaping
Signage	Bulletin Board
Bat Racks	Cages & Nets

Mr. Hensley stated that the list added up to \$22,424. Recreation Director Brooke Whitmire stated that some of the smaller items could come from the general budget. Vice Ch. Turk suggested getting sponsors for the benches and picnic tables.

Motion to remove the picnic tables and benches for the walking trail and approve the remainder of the items in the amount of \$10,280: Charles Turk

Second: Sammy Reece

Vote: 5:0

All aye votes and the motion passed.

### **11. Moccasin Gap Road and Rock Springs Road Resurfacing**

Comm. Duckett stated that he would like permission to advertise bids for asphalt resurfacing on Moccasin Gap Road and Rock Springs Road. Vice Ch. Charles Turk stated he thought that the water

installation on Moccasin Gap was in the plans to be completed very soon and would not want to resurface a road and then tear it up putting in a water line.

Motion to table the item until the next meeting on May 18, 2016: David Duckett

Second: Charles Turk

Vote: 5:0

All aye votes and the motion passed.

**12. Garrison Shoals Road Extension – Stratton & Sons Construction, Inc. \$17,170**

Comm. Duckett stated this extension goes past the current pavement to the pallet mill entrance and also this would be an addition to the contract for Stratton & Sons Construction.

Motion to approve the Garrison Shoals Road Extension in the amount of \$17,120: David Duckett

Second: Jimmy Hooper

Vote: 5:0

All aye votes and the motion passed.

**13. Sims Bridge Road & Garrison Shoals Road Resurfacing Construction – Stratton & Sons Constructions, Inc. \$439,134.78**

Comm. Duckett stated this contract was for resurfacing Sims Bridge Road and Garrison Shoals Road which includes the extension of Garrison Shoals Road. The contract the amount was \$439,134.78 from Stratton and Sons Construction, Inc.

Motion to approve the contract from Stratton and Sons Construction in the amount of \$439,134.78:

David Duckett

Second: Jimmy Hooper

Vote: 5:0

All aye votes and the motion passed.

*(Copy of contract filed in Attachment to Minutes Book #9-7)*

**14. Adjournment**

Motion to adjourn the meeting: Jimmy Hooper

Second: Sammy Reece

Vote: 5:0

All aye votes and the motion passed.

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Chairman

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Assistant County Clerk

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