

The Banks County Board of Commissioners held a regular meeting on January 8, 2013 at 6:30 p.m. in the Board Room of the Banks County Courthouse Annex. Present were Chairman Hooper, Vice Chairman Charles Turk and Commissioners David Duckett, Danny Maxwell and Sammy Reece. County Attorney Randall Frost was also present.

1. Call to Order

Chairman Hooper called the meeting to order and expressed on behalf of Commissioner Duckett and himself that it was a pleasure to serve the citizens of Banks County and stated appreciation for being given the opportunity.

2. Approval of Agenda

Vice Ch. Turk made a motion to amend the agenda to delete the following items:

10. GIS Mapping Upgrade *Becky Murray*

15. Employee Direct Deposit *Arlene Ivey*

Comm. Reece seconded. All aye votes and the agenda was approved.

3. Prayer

Ch. Hooper asked for a moment of silent prayer for the victims of Sandy Hook Elementary School.

4. Pledge to the American Flag

Ch. Hooper 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. Maxwell seconded. All aye votes and the motion carried.

6. Approval of Previous Meeting Minutes – 12/11/2012

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

7. Planning Commission Recommendations: NONE

8. EMS Fees

Dilip Patel

Mr. Patel was not present.

9. Hwy 98 Waterline

Steve Reece

Mr. Reece stated he had minimal response to the survey but stated the following was received:

4 – Definite yes with no questions

4 – Yes, if the hookup was free but no, if the hookup was not free

2 – Definite no

Mr. Reece recommended not to go to the \$450,000 expense since it provided no benefit to the county system hydraulically and wouldn't add an abundance of new customers. Comm. Reece made a motion to approve Mr. Reece's recommendation of not installing the waterline. Comm. Duckett seconded. All aye votes and motion carried.

10. GIS Mapping Upgrade

Becky Murray

Deleted

11. Apple Pie Ridge Property Deannexation

Tabled: 12/11/2012

Vice Ch. Turk stated his concerns with unpaid property taxes had been addressed. Comm. Reece made a motion to approve the resolution to deannex the 32 properties as listed. Vice Ch. Turk seconded. All aye votes and motion carried. *(Copy of resolution filed in Attachment to Minutes Book 9-4) 2013-01*

12. Board of Elections

Ch. Hooper read section by section of the proposed legislation making changes as specified after discussion. Some changes made included an increase from 3 members to 5 members, how the members are appointed, change the county resident requirement from 1 year to 2 years and add the stipulation that requires an auto resignation of a board member if the member or an immediate family member qualifies for public office. Comm. Reece made a motion to approve the proposed legislation with the specified changes. Vice Ch. Turk seconded. All aye votes and motion carried. Ch. Hooper then directed the county attorney to make the changes to the proposed bill and to continue the required process of introducing the bill into legislation.

13. Recreation:

a. Recreation Center Parking Lot

Joe Gailey

Mr. Gailey stated the area of the parking lot would be 26,736 square ft. and the amount of the quote received from Stratton & Sons Construction, Inc. was \$55,180.75 for triple surface treatment and \$63,180.75 for asphalt. Comm. Maxwell stated he preferred asphalt over triple surface treatment because he felt asphalt would last longer. Comm. Duckett stated he felt that if the paving was done before April, there could be problems. Mr. Gailey said he felt that would be covered by the performance bond. Vice Ch. Turk stated he would like to wait until April to do the paving as well. Mr. Gailey stated he would have to check to see if the quote would still be good if the work is delayed until April. Comm. Maxwell made a motion to approve the quote by Stratton & Sons Construction, Inc. of \$63,180.75 for asphalt paving. Comm. Reece seconded. All aye votes and motion carried.

b. Recreation Board Resolution Amendment – Meeting Requirements

Ch. Hooper stated this was a resolution to amend the creating resolution and to define unexcused absences and to provide for automatic resignation after three unexcused absences. Comm. Reece made a motion to approve the resolution. Comm. Maxwell seconded. All aye votes and motion carried. *(Copy of resolution filed in Attachment to Minutes Book 9-4) 2013-02*

14. Fund Transfer to Development Authority

Brad Day

Mr. Day asked on behalf of the Development Authority for a transfer of \$200,000 from the Industrial Development Fund to the Development Authority Fund. Comm. Reece made a motion to approve the transfer. Comm. Duckett seconded. All aye votes and motion carried.

15. Employee Direct Deposit

Arlene Ivey

Deleted

16. Boards & Authorities:

Vice Ch. Turk made a motion to untable all tabled items under Boards & Authorities. Comm. Maxwell seconded. All aye votes and motion carried.

a. Industrial Building Authority - Jack Banks

Tabled: 9/11/2012

Ch. Hooper expressed appreciation for the dedicated service by Jack Banks during his years on the board and made a motion to appoint Jerry Baker to replace Mr. Banks on the board for a 5 year term to expire September 30, 2017. Comm. Maxwell seconded. All aye votes and motion carried.

b. Industrial Building Authority - Dennis Brown

Tabled: 9/11/2012

Comm. Reece made a motion to reappoint Dennis Brown to another 5 year term to expire September 30, 2017. Comm. Maxwell seconded. All aye votes and motion carried.

c. Industrial Building Authority - Jimmy Morrison

Tabled: 9/11/2012

Comm. Maxwell made a motion to reappoint Jimmy Morrison to another 5 year term to expire September 30, 2017. Comm. Duckett seconded. All aye votes and motion carried.

d. Chestatee Chattahoochee RC&D – Milton Dalton – 1 year term

Tabled: 12/11/2012

Vice Ch. Turk made a motion to appoint Jimmy Hooper to a 1 year term to expire December 31, 2013. Comm. Reece seconded. Four aye votes and motion carried. Ch. Hooper abstained from voting.

**e. Georgia Dept of Behavioral Health & Developmental Disabilities Planning Board
Member Replacement – Elizabeth Gailey**

Term ends: 6/30/2014

Ch. Hooper made a motion to appoint Dr. Melody Stancil to complete Ms. Gailey's term to expire June 30, 2014. Vice Ch. Turk seconded. All aye votes and motion carried.

17. Executive Session: Personnel

Comm. Maxwell made a motion to go into executive session at 7:20 p.m. to discuss personnel. Comm. Duckett seconded. All aye votes and motion carried. Comm. Reece made a motion to come out of executive session at 7:49 p.m. Comm. Maxwell seconded. All aye votes and motion carried. *(Copy of affidavit filed in Attachment to Minutes Book #9-4)*

Senior Center Director

Vice Ch. Turk made a motion to appoint Interim Director Sheila Ledford as Director. This appointment will be retroactive to January 7, 2013 at a salary of \$39,095. Comm. Reece seconded. All aye votes and motion carried.

18. Commission Board Vice Chairman Appointment

Comm. Reece made a motion to reappoint Charles Turk as Vice Chairman for another year. Comm. Maxwell seconded. Four aye votes and motion carried. Vice Ch. Turk abstained from voting.

19. Adjournment

Ch. Hooper adjourned the meeting at 7:52 p.m.

Chairman

County Clerk
