

MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MONTHLY MEETING
OF THE BEN HILL COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
HELD ON **May 5th, 2026, AT 6:00PM** IN 4H AND BEN HILL COUNTY EXTENSION
SERVICE BUILDING LOCATED AT 321 DEWEY MCGLAMRY RD

Those present for the meeting were as follows:

Hope Harmon	Vice-Chair
Bennie Calloway	Commissioner
Daniel Cowan	Commissioner
Hampton Raulerson	County Manager
Pamela D Turner	County Clerk

Not Present at meeting

Hal Wiley	Chairman
John Mooney	Commissioner

Call to Order

Vice-Chair Hope Harmon called the meeting to order

Commissioner Bennie Calloway gave the invocation.

Everyone gave the Pledge of Allegiance.

Approval of the Agenda/Agenda Changes

Commissioner Bennie Calloway made a motion to approve the agenda. Commissioner Daniel Cowan seconded the motion; which passed with Commissioner Bennie Calloway, Commissioner Daniel Cowan and Vice-Chair Hope Harmon all voting for the motion.

Acceptance of Prior Minutes

Commissioner Bennie Calloway made a motion to approve the Regular Monthly Meeting minutes that was held on April 7th, 2026. Commissioner Daniel Cowan seconded the motion; which passed with Commissioner Bennie Calloway, Commissioner Daniel Cowan, and Vice-Chair Hope Harmon all voting for the motion.

Constitutional Officer: NONE

Department Head Reports: NONE

County Board Reports: NONE

County Manager's Report:

County Manager Hampton Raulerson reported:

- Tire Amnesty Event is going on now, bring any tires that you may have, no rims.
- Monitor Project is complete, waiting on playground equipment that should be shipped this week
- The Road Department will be prepping the site for the playground installation.
- Grand Opening coming soon.

Annexation Request/Notification: NONE

Rezoning Application: NONE

Alcohol Application: NONE

Old Business: NONE

New Business:

Ratify- To Participate In The National Opioid Settlement

Commissioner Bennie Calloway made a motion to *Participate In The National Opioid Settlement*. Commissioner Daniel Cowan seconded the motion; which passed with Commissioner Bennie Calloway, Commissioner Daniel Cowan, and Vice-Chair Hope Harmon all voting on the motion.

Ratify- Change Order for Edward Road and Perry House Road

Commissioner Bennie Calloway made a motion to approve the change order in the amount of \$239,064.50 for road improvements where the new road will tie into Perry House Road. Commissioner Daniel Cowan seconded the motion; which passed with Commissioner Bennie Calloway, Commissioner Daniel Cowan, and Vice-Chair Hope Harmon all voting for the motion.

Legislative Report:

Vice-Chair Hope Harmon reported that she and County Manager Hampton Raulerson went to the 2026 ACCG Conference, and there was a lot of informative information on Data Centers and Property Tax Issues.

Executive Session

Commissioner's Remarks: NONE

Meeting adjourned.

_____ Hope Harmon, Vice-Chair

_____ Pamela D. Turner, County Clerk