

MINUTES OF THE WORKSHOP MEETING
OF THE BEN HILL COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
HELD ON MARCH 31, 2022 AT 11:30 AM IN THE
BEN HILL COUNTY COURTHOUSE ANNEX

Those present for the meeting were as follow:

Steve Taylor	Chairman
Hope Harmon	Vice-Chair
Daniel Cowan	Commissioner
Bennie Calloway	Commissioner
John Mooney	Commissioner
Michael Dinnerman	County Manager
Donna R. Prather	County Clerk

Chairman Steve Taylor called the meeting to order and gave invocation.

2023 SPLOST Projects

County Manager Michael Dinnerman stated he and CFO Darlow Maxwell were creating a spreadsheet to show the 2017 SPLOST completed and uncompleted projects. They will bring the remaining projects before the Commission to prioritize what will be completed.

Mr. Dinnerman and the Commissioners discussed some 2023 SPLOST projects that need to be prioritize such as upgrading computers through lease purchases, jail repairs, vehicles for the Sheriff Department, and E911 equipment. Mr. Dinnerman stated money will be earmark for what is needed and then they will work on other projects.

Monitor Enrichment Center Construction Plans

Vice-Chair Hope Harmon and County Manager Michael Dinnerman explained the revised plans for the Monitor Enrichment Center expansion. Some of the square footage was cut to meet budget; but the plans will allow for more space to service more children.

Ben Hill Transit

County Manager Michael Dinnerman explained Department of Transportation (DOT) has made changes to the program to encourage consolidating the transit system by partnering with Southern Georgia Regional Commission to provide the services. Because of the increased workload on administration, it is best the County partner with Southern Regional Commission to provide the transit services.

Eighth Judicial Circuit Budget FY 2023

County Manager Michael Dinnerman informed the Commissioners the Eighth Judicial Circuit asked for a \$5,000 increase to give the Juvenile Court Judge and her secretary a raise.

Meeting Adjourned

Steve Taylor, Chairman

Donna R. Prather, County Clerk