

MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MONTHLY MEETING
OF THE BEN HILL COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
HELD ON MAY 03, 2022 AT 6:00 PM IN THE
BEN HILL COUNTY COURTHOUSE ANNEX

Those present for the meeting were as follows:

Steve Taylor	Chairman
Hope Harmon	Vice-Chair
Bennie Calloway	Commissioner
Michael Dinnerman	County Manager
Donna Prather	County Clerk

Commissioner John Mooney and Commissioner Daniel Cowan was absent.

Call to Order

Chairman Steve Taylor called the meeting to order and 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 as presented. Vice-Chair Hope Harmon seconded the motion; which passed with Commissioner Bennie Calloway, Vice-Chair Hope Harmon, and Chairman Steve Taylor 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 05, 2022. Vice-Chair Hope Harmon seconded the motion; which passed with Commissioner Bennie Calloway, Vice-Chair Hope Harmon, and Chairman Steve Taylor all voting for the motion.

Constitutional Officer:

Tax Commissioner Barry Foster gave an update on software updates. He sold 17 out of 20 properties at the May tax sale, and he is now preparing for the June mobile home tax sale.

Department Head Reports:

DLS Director Keith Morrison gave an update on the success of the baseball and softball program. He stated they are preparing for All Stars. They are hosting the 8 & under District tournament. He is also working with Road Superintendent Tim Kegebein regarding paving the road to Paulk Park cabin.

County Board Reports: NONE

County Manager's Report:

County Manager Michael Dinnerman reported he is currently looking at SPLOST Projects and numbers. He also mentioned the County is currently healthy financially.

Annexation Request: NONE

Rezoning Application: NONE

Alcohol Application: NONE

Appointments: NONE

Old Business: NONE

New Business:

SPLOST Project Meeting Letter

Commissioner Bennie Calloway made a motion to authorize the Chairman to execute the notice of meeting to discuss projects for inclusion in the SPLOST referendum letter addressed to Mayor Holt to start the process for the new SPLOST. Vice-Chairman Hope Harmon seconded the motion; which passed with Commissioner Bennie Calloway, Vice-Chair Hope Harmon, and Chairman Steve Taylor all voting for the motion.

Ben Hill 457 (b) Amendment #1

Vice-Chairman Hope Harmon made a motion to adopt the 457(b) Deferred Compensation Plan Amendment #1. Commissioner Bennie Calloway seconded the motion; which passed with Vice-Chair Hope Harmon, Commissioner Bennie Calloway, and Chairman Steve Taylor all voting for the motion.

Ben Hill 457 (b) Resolution

Commissioner Bennie Calloway made a motion to adopt the Resolution allowing ACCG to amend the Roth in the 457(b) Deferred Compensation Plan. Vice-Chairman Hope Harmon seconded the motion; which passed with Commissioner Bennie Calloway, Vice-Chair Hope Harmon, and Chairman Steve Taylor all voting for the motion.

BHC DFAC Board Appointment

Commissioner Hope Harmon nominated Joseph Manley. There were no other nominations, therefore nominations were closed.

Vice-Chairman Hope Harmon made a motion to appoint Joseph Manley to the BHC DFAC Board. Commissioner Bennie Calloway seconded the motion; which passed with Vice-Chair Hope Harmon, Commissioner Bennie Calloway, and Chairman Steve Taylor all voting for the motion.

School Resource Officer MOU

Vice-Chairman Hope Harmon made a motion to approve the School Resource Officer MOU between Ben Hill County, Sheriff Lee Cone, and the Board of Education. Commissioner Bennie Calloway seconded the motion; which passed with Vice-Chair Hope Harmon, Commissioner Bennie Calloway, and Chairman Steve Taylor all voting for the motion.

Agenda Changes and/or add on: NONE

Legislative Report: NONE

Public Comments: NONE

Executive Session

Commissioner's Remarks:

Vice-Chair Hope Harmon reported Manna's groundbreaking is Wednesday at 10am for their expansion. The Chamber is having a job fair at the High School May 9th from 10am to 1pm.

Chairman Taylor informed everyone Thursday is National Day of Prayer. They will be at the Courthouse flagpole from 12 noon to 1pm.

Meeting adjourned

_____ Steve Taylor, Chairman

_____ Donna R. Prather, County Clerk