

MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MONTHLY MEETING  
OF THE BEN HILL COUNTY COMMISSIONERS  
HELD ON NOVEMBER 08, 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
Daniel Cowan	Commissioner
John Mooney	Commissioner
Michael Dinnerman	County Manager
Donna R. Prather	County Clerk

**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**

Vice-Chair Hope Harmon made a motion to approve the agenda as presented. Commissioner John Mooney seconded the motion; which passed with Vice-Chair Hope Harmon, Commissioner John Mooney, Commissioner Daniel Cowan, and Chairman Steve Taylor all voting for the motion.

**Acceptance of Prior Minutes**

Commissioner John Mooney made a motion to approve the Regular Monthly Meeting minutes that was held on November 08, 2022. Vice-Chair Hope Harmon seconded the motion; which passed with Commissioner John Mooney, Vice-Chair Hope Harmon, Commissioner Daniel Cowan, and Chairman Steve Taylor all voting for the motion.

**Constitutional Officer: NONE**

**Department Head Reports: NONE**

**County Board Reports: NONE**

**County Manager's Report:**

County Manager Michael Dinnerman report:

- We are continuing to work on SPLOST.
- We are sending another 10-day letter. This just formality
- Ambulance Service held a job fair.
- Transition to the new EMS will take place November 30<sup>th</sup>.
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Mr. Dinnerman stated he has been busy.

**Annexation Request:**

County Manager Michael Dinnerman stated we receive two notifications from the City. Irwin County Motors, 161 Benjamin H Hill Drive West, is requesting that the foregoing property be rezoned from GB County to GB City. Jerry P. Harper, 330 Ocilla Hwy., is requesting that the foregoing property be rezoned from GF County to GB City.

**Rezoning Application: NONE****Alcohol Application: NONE****Appointments: NONE****Old Business: NONE****New Business:*****TIA Project Agreement Resolution Between DOT & Ben Hill County/Ratify***

Commissioner Bennie Calloway made a motion to ratify the vote to approve the TIA Project Agreement Resolution between DOT and Ben Hill County. Vice-Chair Hope Harmon seconded the motion; which passed with Commissioner Bennie Calloway, Vice-Chair Hope Harmon, Commissioner Daniel Cowan, Commissioner John Mooney, and Chairman Steve Taylor all voting for the motion.

***Update Ben Hill County List of Roads/GDOT/Ratify***

Commissioner John Mooney made a motion to ratify the vote to approve the TIA Project Agreement Resolution between DOT and Ben Hill County. Commissioner Bennie Calloway seconded the motion; which passed with Commissioner John Mooney, Commissioner Bennie Calloway, Vice-Chair Hope Harmon, Commissioner Daniel Cowan, and Chairman Steve Taylor all voting for the motion.

***Sale of Firearm Resolution/Greg Stokes***

Commissioner John Mooney made a motion to approve the Sale of Firearm Resolution allowing Greg Stokes to purchase his firearm. Vice-Chair Hope Harmon seconded the motion; which passed with Commissioner John Mooney, Vice-Chair Hope Harmon, Commissioner Daniel Cowan, Commissioner Bennie Calloway, and Chairman Steve Taylor all voting for the motion.

***Surplus Resolution/Road Department***

Vice-Chair Hope Harmon made a motion to approve the Surplus Resolution declaring County Property surplus and authorizing the disposal of said property. Commissioner Daniel Cowan seconded the motion; which passed with Vice-Chair Hope Harmon, Commissioner Daniel Cowan, Commissioner John Mooney, Commissioner Bennie Calloway, and Chairman Steve Taylor all voting for the motion.

**Agenda Changes and/or add on: NONE****Legislative Report:**

Vice-Chair Hope Harmon stated she is attending the Senate Study Committee meeting on November 9th at the Capitol, and she will also attend a meeting regarding the issue of unsheltered persons in our county and South Georgia.

**Public Comments:**

Daphne Williams, 138 Creekside Court, thanked the Commissioners for a job well done at the Monitor Center and the State of the County. She encourage the Commissioners to keep doing a great job and making the tough decisions.

Daniel Cribb, 464 Zinnia Road, inquired about the EMA position.

**Executive Session**

Commissioner John Mooney made a motion to suspend the Regular Monthly Meeting to enter Executive Session to discuss Personnel. Vice-Chair Hope Harmon second the motion; which passed with Commissioner John Mooney, Vice-Chair Hope Harmon, Commissioner Daniel Cowan, Commissioner Bennie Calloway, and Chairman Steve Taylor all voting for the motion.

The Commissioners were in Executive Session approximately 5 minutes.

Vice-Chair Hope Harmon made a motion to close Executive Session to re-enter the Regular Monthly Meeting. Commissioner Daniel Cowan seconded the motion; which passed with Vice-Chair Hope Harmon, Commissioner Daniel Cowan, Commissioner John Mooney, Commissioner Bennie Calloway, and Chairman Steve Taylor all voting for the motion.

**Commissioner's Remarks: NONE**

**Meeting adjourned**

\_\_\_\_\_ Steve Taylor, Chairman

\_\_\_\_\_ Donna R. Prather, County Clerk