

The Banks County Board of Commissioners held their regular meeting on August 13, 2019 at 6:30 p.m. in the Board Room of the Banks County Courthouse Annex.

Members Present

Chairman Jimmy Hooper
Vice Chairman David Duckett
Commissioner Danny Maxwell
Commissioner Sammy Reece
Commissioner Charles Turk

Staff Present

Assistant County Clerk Erin Decker
Finance Officer Randy Failyer
Fire Chief Steve Nichols
Tax Commissioner Becky Carlan
Public Utilities Director Horace Gee

Media

Angela Gary, Banks County News
Rob Moore, Access North Georgia

1. Call to Order

Ch. Hooper called the meeting to order.

2. Approval of Agenda

Motion to approve the agenda: Danny Maxwell
Second: David Duckett
Vote: 5:0
All aye votes and the motion passed.

3. Moment of Reflection

Ch. Hooper stated there were 5 things you needed to show up for to be successful in life. Show up for school, work, marriage, parenting and faith. When we show up, we need to do our best at everything we do.

4. Pledge to the American Flag

Ch. Hooper led the Pledge to the American Flag.

5. Approval of Invoices

Motion to approve the invoices: Charles Turk
Second: Sammy Reece
Vote: 5:0
All aye votes and the motion passed.

6. Approval of Previous Minutes – 7/9, 7/23

Motion to approve the minutes: Danny Maxwell
Second: Charles Turk
Vote: 5:0

All aye votes and the motion passed.

7. Planning Commission Recommendations: NONE

8. 2019 Millage Rate Resolution

Tax Commissioner Becky Carlan stated that for the last 5 years the millage rate has decreased. She stated the digest was up 7% and the Millage Rate would be 8.533 for 2019. Comm. Turk emphasized that was only the County Millage Rate and the school system was separate.

Motion to approve the 8.533 Millage Rate for 2019: Jimmy Hooper

Second: Charles Turk

Vote: 5:0

All aye votes and the motion passed.

(Copy of resolution filed in Attachment to Minute Book 10-2) 2019-09

9. Fort Lamar Road Elevated Water Tank

Public Utilities Director Horace Gee stated that the Fort Lamar Road Elevated Water Tank had been identified as a need in the previous SPLOST. It would help with the pressure in the area for the volume of customers in that part of the County. Mr. Gee was asking for permission to have the proposed projection schedule approved.

Motion to approve the projection schedule: Jimmy Hooper

Second: Danny Maxwell

Vote: 5:0

All aye votes and the motion passed.

10. Fire/EMS:

a. Fire Station #25 Bay Doors Purchase

Fire Chief Steve Nichols stated they had received quotes from several different vendors for bay doors at Station 25. He asked the Commissioners to approve up to \$30,000 for the doors.

Motion to approve up to \$30,000 for bay doors: Charles Turk

Second: Sammy Reece

Vote: 5:0

All aye votes and the motion passed.

b. FY2020 VFIS Property & Liability Insurance Renewal

Chief Nichols stated the property and liability insurance was up for renewal. He stated the amount was \$105,666.00, which was a slight decrease from the previous year.

11. Road Department Truck Purchase Request

Finance Officer Randy Failyer stated the lowest truck quote was from Mike Jones Ford for a 2020 Ford Pickup 4x4 Single Cab. Mr. Failyer stated the old truck would stay in the road department. Comm. Turk asked why the road department could not cut the box off an old ambulance and place a flat bed on the chassis instead of purchasing a new truck.

Motion to purchase a new truck and to be paid for out of the Solar Fund Account: Jimmy Hooper

Second: Danny Maxwell

Jimmy Hooper: Aye

David Duckett: Aye

Danny Maxwell: Aye

Sammy Reece: Aye

Charles Turk: Nay
Majority vote and the motion passed.

12. Speed Zone Ordinance

Motion to approve the ordinance: Danny Maxwell

Second: Sammy Reece

Vote: 5:0

All aye votes and the motion passed.

(Copy of ordinance filed in Attachment to Minute Book 10-2) 2019-10

13. School Zone Automated Traffic Enforcement Agreement – Optotraffic, Inc.

Ch. Hooper stated this agreement needed to be ratified.

Motion to ratify the resolution: Sammy Reece

Second: Charles Turk

Vote: 5:0

All aye votes and the motion passed.

(Copy of agreement filed in Attachment to Minute Book 10-2)

14. Adjournment

Ch. Hooper adjourned the meeting at 6:45 p.m.

Chairman

Assistant County Clerk
