

**May 29, 2012**

A special meeting of the Bladen County Board of Commissioners was held on Tuesday, May 29, 2012 at 6:00 pm regarding FY 2012-2013 Budget.

Members present were:

Charles Ray Peterson, Chairman  
 James G. "Jimmie" Smith, Vice Chairman  
 Lewis Tatum  
 Delilah Blanks  
 Mark Gillespie  
 David Gooden  
 Daniel Dowless  
 Billy Ray Pait  
 Russell Priest

Chairman Peterson called the meeting to order. Commissioner Blanks provided the Invocation and County Manager Greg Martin led the Pledge of Allegiance.

**ITEM 1. Board Discussion Regarding FY 2013 Budget:**

Chairman Peterson asked the Board about items of interest for discussion. The following items were presented and reviewed:

- A. COLA (2%)
- B. Public Education
- C. Water Department (Meter Reader)
- D. Deputy Fire Marshal
- E. Building Inspector Truck
- F. Sheriff Department (clerk)
- G. DSS position (Security Guard)
- H. Recreation Department position
- I. Community Recreation Out Reach

The following items were selected to be given further consideration during the budget process:

- A. COLA (2%)
- B. Deputy Fire Marshal
- C. Building Inspector truck (\$18,500)
- D. Sheriff Department Clerk

County Manager Greg Margin pointed out the importance of having sustainable revenue for recurring expenses. He stated that the only item of the above list of nonrecurring costs is the building inspector truck.

The following items were selected as questionable during the budget process:

- A. Public Education
- B. Water Department (Meter Reader) County Manager Greg Martin was asked to follow up for more information
- C. DSS position (Security Guard) Remove Security Guard Position and Keep Existing Employee – Keep Vacant
- D. Recreation Department position and Community Out Reach (County Manager Greg Martin is exploring possibilities.

A motion was made by Commissioner Pait, seconded by Commissioner Lewis and approved to adjourn at 7:22 pm.

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 Charles Ray Peterson, Chairman

ATTEST:

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 Sara S. West, Clerk