Commissioners Meeting: July 15, 2025 5pm

The Bacon County Board of Commissioners Held their regular monthly meeting on July 15, 2025 at 5pm.

Present: Chairman Shane Taylor, Commissioners Sammy Boatright, Rusty Sears, Corey Tyre, Lee Hagans and Lonann Sweat.

Others Present: Keith Morris- County Attorney, Kevin Ellis, Cabe Cartledge, Andy Batten, Jordan Breland and Larry Taylor.

Call to Order; Chairman Taylor **Prayer**: Commissioner Hagans

Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag: Chairman Taylor

Approve Minutes- June 17, 2025: Commissioner Hagans made the motion to approve the minutes, seconded by Commissioner Sweat. Motion carried.

New Tractor and Rotary Mower for Road Department: Commissioner Tyre made the motion to purchase the Kubota tractor for \$63,900.00, seconded by Commissioner Sweat. Motion carried. Commissioner Sweat made the motion to purchase the Bush Hog mower for \$25,804.40, seconded by Commissioner Boatright. Motion carried. Both to be paid out of the T-SPLOST Fund.

Fire Billing Ordinance: This Ordinance will establish and implement a program to charge mitigation rates for the deployment of emergency and non-emergency services by the Fire Department for services provided/rendered for Bacon County. Fire Recovery will be the billing/collection agency. Commissioner Sears made the motion to approve, seconded by Commissioner Hagans. Motion carried.

Unison Agreements: The County participation contract renewal is \$1431.00, Lease Agreement renewal for 1835 West 12th Street and Lease Agreement renewal for 108 East 5th Street. Commissioner Sweat made the motion to renew the three Agreements, seconded by Commissioner Boatright. Motion carried.

UGA – MOU: Commissioner Tyre made the motion to approve the Memorandum of Understanding, seconded by Commissioner Sweat. Motion carried.

New Dump Truck is Ready. Loan or Purchase: The Mack dump truck is ready. The cost is \$216,169.00. Quotes were received from Pineland and FNB South.

Pineland – 5.25%

FNB South 5%

Both were for 5 years. Commissioner Hagans made the motion to go with FNB South, seconded by Commissioner Tyre. Motion carried.

Budget Approval: Probate/Magistrate Court asked for a full-time position to be added to the budget. This would increase his budget by \$34,000.00. The Tax Assessors Office asked for a full-time position as well. Commissioner Sweat made the motion to approve the position for Probate/Magistrate and did not approve the position for the Tax Assessors office, seconded by Commissioner Boatright. Motion carried.

Lease Agreement-UGA-Blueberry Farm: Commissioner Tyre made the motion to include this on the agenda, seconded by Commissioner Sweat. Motion carried. Chairman Taylor read the Agreement to the Board. Commissioner Tyre made the motion to approve the Agreement, seconded by Commissioner Sweat. Motion carried.

Commissioner Hagans made the motion to go into an Executive Session to discuss future acquisition of real estate, seconded by Commissioner Tyre. Motion carried.

After a short discussion, Commissioner Sweat made the motion to reopen the regular meeting, seconded by Commissioner Tyre. Motion carried.

With no further business to discuss, Commissioner Tyre made a motion to adjourn, seconded by Commissioner Hagans. Motion carried.

Meeting Adjourned.

Mary Lee Sweat, County Clerk