

Board of Education raises Superintendent's salary

By Kim Adams Graham
The Bullock County Board of Education raised Superintendent's salary at its meeting held January 10, 2019 in the Commission Chambers.

Superintendent Dr. Christopher Blairs' contract was amended at the meeting. Dr. Blair's compensation before the amendment was \$110,700.00 annually. Plus he also received \$1,000.00 for his monthly travel al-

lowance, for a total compensation of \$122,700.00 annually. The Board Education voted to amend the superintendent's compensation as follows: pay \$130,000.00 annual salary and rescind the \$1,000.00 monthly trav-

el allowance.

The salary increase was \$7,300.00. Dr. Scherrie Banks made the motion and it was seconded by Alfreeda Scott-Meeks. Gary Coleman voted for increase, Laderrick Caldwell voted

no and Orlando Johnson was absent for the vote. The board will pay Dr. Blair's full single health insurance premium. Pertaining to travel the board will provide a district vehicle for business related travel within and

outside of the district, provide a \$350.00 per month vehicle allowance until district vehicle is purchased and possessed and will re-

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County officials take office

The following Bullock County officials were sworn in to serve another term of

office on January 14, 2019: Sheriff Raymond Rodgers, Coroner Sidney Jernigan,

Circuit Clerk Rashawn Harris and Probate Judge James E. Tatum.

Sheriff Rodgers is beginning his fifth term of office. Coroner Jernigan is beginning his fourth term of office. Circuit Clerk Harris is beginning her second term

of office.

Probate Judge Tatum is beginning his second term of office. See page 10 for group picture taken after the Sheriff was sworn in.



Superintendent Dr. Christopher Blair



Bullock County Sheriff Raymond Rodgers sworn in by Judge Cooper Rutland.



James E. Tatum sworn in for Probate Judge by Judge Burt Smithart while wife looks on.



Rashawn Harris being sworn in by Judge Burt Smithart while her husband, A. T. Harris holds the Bible.



Sidney Jernigan being sworn in by Probate Judge James E. Tatum while his wife Catherine Jernigan holds the Bible.

Emergency resolution passed at City Council meeting

By Faye Gaston
The Union Springs City Council passed an emergency resolution to fix the hazardous road condition on the Peachburg Road at its meeting on January 7, 2019. Union Springs Mayor

Saint T. Thomas, Jr. explained the problem. On the Peachburg Road, just before Pittman Drive, orange cones were placed near the edge of the road to warn drivers of the danger from the pavement that has fallen in.

Mayor Thomas said, "There's water under the road. The base is gone. More rain will cause further damage. To fix it, we will need to tear the road off here and build it back. We plan to fix it this week before the rain

continues. A contractor will start the process on Thursday, January 10, 2019."

Mayor Thomas has contacted Senator Billy Beasley who will notify the Department of Transportation for assistance.



Union Springs Mayor Saint T. Thomas, Jr. explained the hazardous road condition on Peachburg Road to the City Council on January 7, 2019. An emergency resolution to fix the problem was passed. (Photo by Faye Gaston)



Orange cones warn drivers of the danger on the Peachburg Road from the pavement falling in. (Photo by Faye Gaston)



If your last name begins with A or D, you should renew your tag this month. To better assist you, bring your current insurance card, driver's license and tag receipt. Probate Judge James E. Tatum