



**COMMISSIONER'S MEETING  
THURSDAY, APRIL 26, 2012  
4:00 P.M. – CONFERENCE ROOM – STE. 168  
M I N U T E S**

- I. Commissioner Jones called the meeting to order.
  1. Prayer
  2. Pledge of Allegiance
  3. Amendments to Agenda - None
- II. Approved Minutes from March 22, 2012 meeting.
- III. Reports from Committees and Departments

Lee Sanders – Director of 911 – reported that the 911 Center operates with a staff of 19 full time employees. The Center issued 53,623 case numbers for Public Safety last year, dispatching for the City of Jasper Police and Fire Departments; the Sheriff's Office and the Emergency Medical Services. She noted that for the first quarter of this year they have issued 13,210 case numbers for Public Safety. In the beginning of this month she said 5,415 phone numbers have been entered into the Code Red data base. This is the automated service that calls you if your address is in the path of a dangerous storm. She wants to remind everyone that they can go to our web-site and sign up for this service at [www.pickenscountyga.gov](http://www.pickenscountyga.gov) or [www.knowpickens.com](http://www.knowpickens.com) and click on Code Red to enter their information.
- IV. Consent Agenda
  1. Signed National Donate Life Month Proclamation.
  2. Approved permit for Construction of a Telecommunication Tower with associated variance at 2195 Steve Tate Road on Parcel ID: 046D-001 after recommendation by Pickens County Planning Commission. Construction by American Tower Corporation.
  3. Adopted Resolution amending the Pickens County Land Use District Ordinance amending the Pickens County Land Use Ordinance Map in regard to Parcel 001-006 composed of 28 acres from Agricultural (AG) to Neighborhood Commercial (NC). Property is located on Old Whitestone Road East and is owned by Charlie Wright. Amendment # 65.
  4. Adopted Resolution amending the Pickens County Land Use District Ordinance to grant the conditional use to allow the installation of solar panels and other equipment necessary to convert energy from the sun into thermal or electrical energy for purchase by the utility companies on Parcel 001-006 composed of 28 acres. Requested by Charlie Wright. Amendment # 66.
  5. Signed Georgia Emergency Management Agency – Homeland Security Statewide Mutual Aid and Assistance Agreement with Georgia Emergency Management.
  6. Signed Safety Verification and Safety Policy Statement for a safety incentive discount with ACCG-Group Self-Insurance Workers' Compensation Fund.

7. Adopted Resolution as follows: The building and facilities located at 35 West Church Street shall be designated as the Pickens County Courthouse. It is hereby acknowledged that said building and facilities has been used as the Pickens County Courthouse since November 7, 2011. Any language contained in previous resolutions which conflict with the foregoing resolution is hereby rescinded. The Commissioner further resolves that this designation shall be in the best interests of the public.
  8. Adopted Resolution as follows: The building and facilities located at 35 West Church Street shall be designated as the Pickens County Courthouse. It is hereby acknowledged that said building and facilities has been used as the Pickens County Courthouse since November 7, 2011. Any language contained in previous resolutions which conflict with the foregoing resolution is hereby rescinded. The Commissioner further resolves that this designation shall be in the best interests of the public. Adopted the 28<sup>th</sup> Day of March 2012, NUNC PRO TUNC for November 7, 2011.
  9. Signed Agreement with Rushton & Company of Gainesville, GA to perform Audit for Pickens County, Georgia for the year ended December 31, 2011.
  10. Signed Proclamation proclaiming April as Child Abuse Prevention Month.
  11. Signed Contract by and between Pickens County Airport Authority and N.J. Wilbanks Contractors, Inc. for Industrial Park Taxiway. Contract amount \$695,000.00.
  12. Signed contract with Phillips Roofing for roof replacement of Senior Citizens Center. Contract Price: \$17,850.00
  13. Signed Proclamation recognizing April 22-28, 2012 as Administrative Professionals Week and the day of April 25, 2012 as Administrative Professionals Day in Pickens County.
  14. Signed Joint Proclamation by the Sole Commissioner of Pickens County and the Mayor of the City of Jasper proclaiming April 28, 2012 Health Fair Day in Pickens County.
  15. County abandoned Herzig Lane and therefore by statute property reverts back to contiguous owner, Ronnie and Lisa Hendrix. Quitclaim Deed signed on April 18, 2012.
  16. Signed contract by and between Pickens County Government and New South Construction Company, Inc. of Atlanta, Georgia for renovations and additions to the Pickens County Courthouse. Contract amount \$9,824,509.00.
  17. Adopted Resolution appointing Dr. Leeanna Eaton-Spiva to the Pickens County Library Board of Trustees to fill the unexpired term of Rhonda F. Freeman, who resigned. The four year term ends June 30, 2014.
- V. Old Business  
None
- VI. New Business  
None
- VII. Guests/Comments  
There were questions from Angela Reinhardt, Pickens Progress, and Daniel McKeon of Fetch Your News.com regarding a few of the Consent Agenda items. They were answered by Commissioner Jones, County Attorney Phil Landrum and EMA Director Bob Howard.
- VIII. Adjournment  
Commissioner Jones adjourned the meeting at 4:20 p.m.

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