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III. Reports from Committees and Departments

1. Jim Smith – Special Projects Manager – gave a report on the T-Hangars at the Airport. Three bids were received and Appalachian Design & Development, Inc. was the low bidder with a bid of $166,300 to build the first T-hangar, which will hold nine planes and a bid of $113,472 to build all three pads. At this time the footing for all three pads has been dug and yesterday they poured the footings and piers for the first building. The pads are being paid for by a grant from the FAA and the buildings are being paid for from rental leases for the nine planes.

2. Larry Coleman – Director of Utilities – reported that for the first four months of 2005 they have 94 new customer connections; 47 of which were prepaid $100.00 in the Yellow Creek Road – Four Mile Church Road Cherokee Hills area. The East End Project is scheduled for construction to begin July 1st. This should add approximately 400 new customers to the system.

IV. Consent Agenda

1. Signed Contract for Professional Services between Pickens County and W.K. Dickson & Co., Inc. for Engineering services for Airport Improvements.

2. Signed Circuit-Rider Archivist Consultation Grant Application

3. Signed Joint Proclamation with Piedmont Mountainside Hospital proclaiming April 7, 2005 World Health Day in Pickens County.


5. Signed Water Purchase Agreement Between Cherokee County Water & Sewerage Authority and Pickens County.

6. Signed contract with Department of Transportation for Project PR000-S007-00 (256) C1 and received Notice To Proceed on said Project.
7. Awarded contract for building of hangars at Pickens County Airport to Appalachian Design & Development.
8. Opened account at Regions Bank for Pickens County Airport.
9. Adopted Resolution Establishing a Temporary Moratorium on the issuance of Permits to allow or erect any signs within unincorporated Pickens County.
10. Signed a Proclamation proclaiming April 24 – 30, 2005 as Administrative Professionals Week.
11. Documentation for Jail Financing – we are waiting original documents – They will be recorded in the Minutes and discussed under Old Business at next month’s meeting.
12. Adopted Resolution appointing Bill Brown and Amy Burgess as the two county members of the City of Jasper-Pickens County Land Bank Authority, serving at the pleasure of the Commissioner for a term of four years and in accordance with the provisions of O.C.G.A. §48-4-60 ff.

V. Old Business
None

VI. New Business
None

VII. Guests/Comments
Dan Pool had a question regarding the sign moratorium. He asked if the moratorium was only for billboards or for all signs. Commissioner Jones and Attorney Phil Landrum, III. responded that we already have an ordinance but want to clarify that ordinance and set the standards to where they are more equitable for everyone involved. The moratorium was for all signs and the moratorium was for 90 days. Attorney Landrum said that there have been some recent court decisions and in another case that did not involve Pickens County that will give some guidance to make sure that our sign ordinance is constitutional. He said we need to take some time to address this.

VIII. Adjournment
There being no further business Commissioner Jones adjourned the meeting at 9:13 A.M.