I. Commissioner Jones called the meeting to order.
   1. Prayer
   2. Pledge of Allegiance
   3. Amendments to Agenda – None

II. Approved Minutes from June 23, 2011 meeting

III. Reports from Committees and Departments
   1. Melinda Goss, Director of Parks & Recreation, reported that there were eight All-Star teams and four made it to the state level. Approximately 240 children have signed up for soccer which will begin September 24. Basketball registration will begin at the end of September and will continue through mid-October and said the Community Center should be ready for basketball season.

IV. Consent Agenda
   1. Adopted Resolution expressing Pickens County’s support for either the modification of the boundaries of Georgia’s Ninth Congressional District or the creation of a new Congressional District comprised of Bartow, Catoosa, Chattooga, Dade, Fannin, Floyd, Gilmer, Gordon, Murray, Pickens, Polk, Walker and Whitfield, due to the shared interests of such geographical areas and that such support should be communicated to the entire Pickens County delegation to the Georgia General Assembly
   3. Adopted Resolution entering into an Agreement for Services between Pickens County, Georgia and Pickens Arts and Cultural Alliance.
   4. Signed Proclamation for Kids 4 Cares Day in Pickens County
   5. Signed Agreement with JKH Architects of Dalton, Georgia for the Pickens County Courthouse Renovation and Addition at the site of the existing Courthouse
   6. Adopted Resolution appointing Jerry Edwards to the Development Authority of Pickens County to fill the unexpired term of Mark Whitfield. The 6 year term ends September 8, 2013.
   7. Adopted Resolution Amending the Pickens County Land Use District Ordinance (Ordinance #67) in regard to Parcel 041-133-001 composed of 12.55 acres from Agricultural (AG) to Rural Residential (RR). Owners, J. W. & Maxine Dean requested the change. The property is located at 2831 Highway 53 West.
10. Signed agreement with Global Control Solutions for the installation of a Global Controls system for the Administration building and 911 facilities. This system will reduce energy and operating costs. Cost: $30,000.

11. Signed Commercial Lease Agreement (Creating an Estate for Years) by and between Old Towne Developers, LLC and Pickens County. This lease is for the building located at 35 W. Church Street, Jasper, GA to be used by Pickens County for offices during the Courthouse Project. Rent is $5,000 per month for 24 months.

12. Signed Warranty Deed (Creating an Estate for Years) by and between Old Towne Developers, LLC and Pickens County, Georgia for building located at 35 W. Church Street, Jasper, GA. The subject property shall automatically revert to the Grantor (Old Towne Developers, LLC) at the end of the 2 year lease - July 31, 2014.

V. Old Business
None

VI. New Business
1. Adopted a Resolution Amending the Pickens County, Georgia Code of Ordinances to delete the previous Land Use Procedures and Standards Ordinance of Pickens County in its entirety and adopt an updated Land Use Procedures and Standards Ordinance of Pickens County.

2. Adopted a Resolution Amending Chapter 67 of the Pickens County, Georgia Code of Ordinances.

3. Signed Red Ribbon Week Proclamation

VII. Guests/Comments
Angela Reinhardt, Pickens Progress, asked about the agreement with PACA (Pickens Arts & Cultural Alliance). Commissioner Jones said it is the same agreement as with the Chamber regarding tourism, advertisement for the County and Pickens County serves as the fiscal agent of a grant they receive.

Angela asked about Item # 10 – Global Control Solutions. The Commissioner explained that they work with several items – they work with controlling the heating and air conditioning systems in the buildings, they interlock thru a computer type system where you can control different areas of the environment of the office space – this building and 9-1-1. They also monitor and repair any fire alarms and monitoring systems in those buildings. We have a pass system – a key fob – which identifies who we are and enables us to enter the building. They also monitor that. The Sheriff brought this company to our attention. The Community Center will also be integrated with this system. We have approximately 21 heat and air conditioning units in this building. We want some master controls to control the efficiency of these units.

VIII. Adjournment
Commissioner Jones adjourned the meeting at 4:20 p.m.

The Commissioner’s meeting is videotaped and may be seen at www.knowpickens.com