COMMISSIONER’S MEETING
July 28, 2006
9:00 A.M. – Annex Courtroom
MINUTES

I. Call to Order
1. Called meeting to order
2. Prayer
3. Pledge of Allegiance
4. Amendments to Agenda –
   1. Item # 7 on the Consent Agenda the amount will be amended to show bid in the amount of $149,716.00
   2. Item # 11 on the Consent Agenda will reflect that the Agreement amount is $15,000.00.
   3. Item # 15 will reflect that the bid amount is $344,259.50.

II. Approval of Minutes from May 26, 2006 meeting

III. Reports from Committees and Departments
1. Dan Buckingham – Right-of-Way Coordinator

IV. Consent Agenda
1. Signed 2007 Amendment to the Operating Costs Services Agreement Between the Administrative Office of the Courts of Georgia and the Governing Authority of Pickens County, which took effect on July 1, 2006.
2. Signed Sewer Easement on May 26, 2006 by and between Pickens County Government and the City of Jasper, GA.
3. Entered into a paving agreement on June 8, 2006 by and between Pickens County, Georgia and Colditz Trucking, Inc. for work and materials on Harmony School Road. Total: $97,613.50. Awarded under emergency provisions provided under the Official Code of Georgia 369122-E because of critical need.
4. Signed Memorandum of Agreement by and between The Chief Elected Officials of Coosa Valley/North Georgia.
5. Adopted Resolution awarding bid for general contract for remodeling the Old Mountainside Hospital to accommodate Pickens County administrative offices to NICORP & authorizing CFO Mechelle Champion to execute said contract on behalf of Pickens County pursuant
to this resolution. NICORP was the low bidder with a bid in the amount of $1,573,000. Signed contract on June 23, 2006.

6. Adopted Resolution awarding bid for the general contract for Turn Lane Construction including traffic signaling at Sammy McGhee Blvd. to Dalton Paving and Construction, Inc. & authorizing CFO Mechelle Champion to execute said contract on behalf of Pickens County pursuant to this resolution. Dalton Paving & Construction was the low bidder with a bid in the amount of $464,990.

7. Adopted Resolution awarding bid for demolition contract for the Old Mountainside Hospital to J. K. Lockwood Co. & authorizing CFO Mechelle Champion to execute said contract on behalf of Pickens County pursuant to this resolution. J.K. Lockwood Co. was the low bidder with a bid in the amount of $149,716.00.

8. Adopted Resolution Amending the Pickens County Land Use District Ordinance (Ordinance #67) in regard to Parcel 009-047-008 composed of 3.597 acres from Agricultural (AG) to Rural Residential (RR).

9. Adopted Resolution Amending the Pickens County Land Use District Ordinance (Ordinance #67) to grant the conditional use of a construction and demolition landfill on Parcels 011-009, 011-009-002, 01-009-005, 011-010, and 011-012 composed of 228 acres located east of Georgia Hwy #515 in northern Pickens County close to the Gilmer County boundary.

10. Adopted Resolution Amending the Pickens County Land Use District Ordinance (Ordinance #67) amending the Pickens County Land Use Ordinance Map in regard to Parcel 033-137 composed of 2.97 acres from Agricultural (AG) to Rural Residential (RR).

11. Signed agreement with AffordaGraphix, Inc. for consulting services relating to business process analysis, departmental collaboration, infrastructure design for a move to a new building, network architecture, electronic document control, workstation application configuration, data storage, access and security. Agreement amount is $15,000.00.

12. Received Limited Warranty Deed from Imerys Marble, Inc. to Pickens County for 6.746 acres in Land Lot 149 of the 4th District & 2nd Section of Pickens County, GA.

13. Adopted Resolution authorizing Pickens County, Georgia to negotiate a temporary loan with Jasper Banking Company in a sum not to exceed being less than seventy-five percent of the total gross income of Pickens County from taxes collected for the last preceding year and fixing the time when said loan shall be repaid, said funds to be used only for the payment of expenses of Pickens County in 2006. This is a tax-anticipated note in the amount of $2,500,000.00 and will be repaid on or before December 31, 2006.

14. Signed Transportation Enhancement Memorandum of Understanding with the Georgia Department of Transportation for Transportation Enhancement Project No. TEE-0008-00(190, GEOT P.I. No. 0008190 – Tate Depot – Pickens County. Received notice to proceed with preliminary engineering for said project.
15. Signed contract by and between Pickens County, Georgia and Northwest Georgia Paving for work on Harmony School Road. The bid amount is $344,259.50.

16. Amendment to Classification and Compensation Plan.

17. 2005 Budget amendment to reflect actual audited numbers.


V. Old Business
None

VI. New Business

The Commissioner stated that he has forty five days from the time of receipt of the following items to make a decision to sign or not sign the Resolutions.

1. Adopt a Resolution Amending the Pickens County Land Use District Ordinance (Ordinance #67). Amending the Pickens County Land Use Ordinance Map in regard to Parcel 057-041, 058-097 composed of 607.41 acres from Agricultural (AG) to Rural Residential (RR) with attached conditions.
   a) A detailed engineering plan be submitted to the Pickens County Water and Sewer Department to determine the feasibility of the county providing public water for the proposed project.
   b) A traffic impact study be undertaken to determine the current status of the existing roads and their ability to handle the additional volume of traffic to be generated by this proposed project.
   c) A fire department study to determine if response times from the volunteer fire department can meet the minimum requirements of the state.
   d) Loblolly Lane to be improved to minimum county standards at developers’ expense.
   e) Maximum number of access points on Jerusalem Road would be limited to fifteen.
      Maximum number of access point on Henderson Mtn Road would be limited to twelve.

Commissioner Jones did not sign at this time.
   - Speaking for the development:
     Dale Turner
   - Speaking against the development:
     Pat Holmes
     Ben Evans
     John Edison
     Annelle Bagwell
     Lillian Long

2. Adopt Resolution Amending the Pickens County Land Use District Ordinance (Ordinance #67). Amending the Pickens County Land Use
Ordinance Map in regard to Parcel 055-020 composed of 33.051 acres from Agricultural (AG) to Suburban Residential Private Community (SRPC) with attached conditions.
   a) Naterra Land, Inc., will provide Pickens County with an additional five feet of right-of-way along the entire frontage of the property that borders the county road known as Pettit Road.

Commissioner Jones did not sign at this time.
   - Speaking for the development:
     Glen Bowman
   - Speaking against the development: none

3. Adopted Resolution Amending the Pickens County Land Use District Ordinance (Ordinance #67). Amending the Pickens County Land Use Ordinance Map in regard to Parcel 058-017, 058-018, 058-019, & 058-020 composed of 45.79 acres from Rural Residential (RR) to Agricultural (AG).

Resolution signed.
   - Speaking for the development:
     Ray Brindel
   - Speaking against the development: none

4. Adopt Resolution Amending the Pickens County Land Use District Ordinance (Ordinance #67). Amending the Pickens County Land Use Ordinance Map in regard to Parcel 012-030-001 composed of 680+ acres from Agricultural (AG) & Rural Residential (RR) to Suburban Residential Private Community (SRPC) with conditions attached.
   a) A development of regional impact (DRI) study must be conducted and forwarded to the North Georgia Regional Development Center in Dalton for analysis.
   b) A traffic impact study must be conducted to determine the impact of the proposed development on both the county and state route systems.
   c) An environmental impact study must be conducted in order to determine the impact on Talking Rock Creek and its tributaries within the proposed development.
   d) Proposed development provide onsite security and fire protection personnel.

Commissioner Jones did not sign at this time.
   - Speaking for the development:
     Stacy Handley on behalf of Wilmont Williams
     Mike Young
     Jake Sicily (present)
     Wilmont Williams (present)
   - Speaking against the development:
     Marie Nolan
     Charlene Powell
     Jennifer Powell
Pat Holmes
- Rebuttal: Jake Sicily

5. Adopted Resolution Amending the Pickens County Land Use District Ordinance (Ordinance #67). Amending the Pickens County Land Use Ordinance Map in regard to Parcel 037-004-001 composed of 3.033 acres from Agricultural (AG) to Rural Residential (RR).

Signed Resolution
- No comment

6. Adopt Resolution Amending the Pickens County Land Use District Ordinance (Ordinance #67). Amending the Pickens County Land Use Ordinance Map in regard to Parcel 056-003 composed of 322.18 acres from Agricultural (AG) to Rural Residential (RR) with conditions.
   a) A traffic impact study be conducted for Matthews Road to determine if current condition of road is suitable to accommodate the increased traffic to be generated by proposed development.
   b) A secondary or emergency access point be included in the development plans.
   c) Proposed development be limited to a maximum of ninety residential lots.

Commissioner Jones did not sign at this time.
- Speaking for the development:
  None
- Speaking against the development:
  Rosemary King
  Jo Lynn Walker
  Lillian Long
  Betty Jones
  Pat Holmes
  Chad Richards
  John Edison

VII. Guests/Comments
Marie Nolan
Chad Richards

VIII. Adjournment