COMMISSIONER’S MEETING
MAY 22, 2008 - 4:00 P.M.
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 April 25, 2007 meeting.

III. Reports from Committees and Departments
    Robert Howard - Pickens County Fire Chief – reported that the number of Fire/Rescue members Full time and Part time is 28. Emergency calls for the Career Fire Department for 30 days - 103 with an average response time to the scene of 8 minutes. Emergency calls for May 2008 - They responded to 5 structure fires, 15 motor vehicle accidents and 58 medical calls. Chief Howard has appointed a Training Officer. State compliance forms for Pickens County Career Fire Department have been submitted to Georgia Fire Training & Standards. Fire Fighter NPQ1 class begins June 10th and First Responder class begins July 1st. All turnout gear has been received and issued for Fire Personnel. Pickens County Sent 3 engines to Cherokee County during this week’s tornadoes as part of the Mutual Aid Agreement between Cherokee & Pickens Counties.

IV. Consent Agenda
   1. Signed Proclamation designating May 15 as Peace Officers' Memorial Day and the week of May 11 - 17, 2008 as Police Week in Pickens County.
   2. Adopted Ordinance Authorizing the Suspension of Portions of the Code of Ordinances and Other Formalities during a State of Emergency.
   3. Adopted Ordinance Authorizing the Imposition of Curfews During Times of Emergency or Disaster.
   4. Adopted Ordinance to Require Registration of Building and Repair Services during a State of Emergency.
   6. Set up new account at Community Bank of Pickens County. (SPLOST Account.
   7. The Georgia Department of Natural Resources Historic Preservation Division has notified us that the Griffeth-Pendley House here in Pickens County was listed in the National Register of Historic Places on April 16, 2008.
   8. Signed Proclamation designating the year 2008 as the 170th Anniversary of the Trail of Tears in the County of Pickens in the State of Georgia.
9. Adopted Resolution appointing Janice Sly to the Pickens County Library Board of Trustees to fill the unexpired term of Jean Curran who resigned. The term ends June 30, 2011.

V. Old Business
   None

VI. New Business
   1. Adopted Resolution re-appointing Mary Johnson to the Highland Rivers Community Service Board for a three-year term beginning July 1, 2008 and ending June 30, 2011.
   2. Adopted Resolution amending the Pickens County Land Use District Ordinance Map in regard to Parcel 037-063 composed of 4.26 acres from Highway Business (HB) to Rural Residential (RR). Application for the change was made by Deborah Edwards and the property is located on 12890 Hwy 53 West. Planning Commission recommended rezoning to be approved.

VII. Guests/Comments
   Mr. Quandee of Henderson Mountain Subdivision inquired about the status of the road situation in that Subdivision.

VIII. Adjournment
   Commissioner Jones adjourned the meeting at 4:13 a.m.

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Robert P. Jones
Sole Commissioner

ATTEST:

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Deborah E. Watson
Certified County Clerk