I. Call to order
Chairman Jones called the meeting to order at 5:30 p.m.

II. Prayer
Prayer was led by Rodney Buckingham.

III. Pledge of Allegiance
The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Chairman Jones.

IV. Amendments to Agenda
There were no amendments to the agenda.

V. Approval of Agenda
Commissioner Barnes made a motion to approve the Agenda. Commissioner Denney seconded the motion; all voted aye.

VI. Employee Recognition
There were no employee recognitions for January.

VII. Consent Agenda
There were no consent items at this time.

VIII. Old Business
None at this time.

IX. New Business
A. Family Connections – Contract Renewal
The County serves as fiscal agent for Family Connections. Commissioner Barnes made a motion for the County to continue to be the fiscal agent for Family Connections for 2020. Commissioner Denney seconded; all voted aye.

X. Finance Report
The December, 2019 Financial Report reflects twelve months of our 2019 fiscal year. Expenditure budgets should not exceed 100%. General Fund revenue collections for the period ending December 31, 2019 total $28,007,940 which is 99.2% of the amount budgeted. General Fund expenditures through December 31, 2019 are $27,839,268 or 98.5% of budgeted amounts. Expenditures are currently 1.5% under the total budgeted amount. Line item budget reports were distributed to department heads and elected officials on January 14, 2020.

XI. Action Items
A. Approve Minutes
Commissioner Barnes made a motion to approve the following minutes:
1) Board Meeting - December 19, 2019
2) Called Meeting - December 23, 2019
3) Work Session - January 2, 2020
Commissioner Denney seconded; all voted aye.

B. Dawson County Automatic Aid Agreement
An Automatic Aid Agreement with Dawson County was discussed. A motion was made by Commissioner Barnes to sign the Automatic Aid Agreement with Dawson County. Commissioner Denney seconded; all voted aye.

C. GDOT Contract (SR 136/SR515)
GDOT plans to construct roundabouts and realign State Route 136 Connector to SR 515 in Pickens County. The contract basically notifies the local agency, which is Pickens County, of the intent to do so and requires the local
agency to work in connection with GDOT regarding installation and modification. Commissioner Barnes made a motion to authorize the Chairman to sign the document. Commissioner Denney seconded the motion; all voted aye.

D. Economic Development – IGA
The Development Authority of Pickens County has hired a new Economic Development Director. An IGA between the City and County which states the City and County will split the total costs for this position was presented to the Board. Commissioner Denney made a motion to approve the IGA. Commissioner Barnes seconded; all vote aye.

E. Rezone Request
The following rezone request were presented at the meeting:

A. Cellular Tower Application-Southern Linc
8269 Highway 53 East, Jasper
Map/Parcel #051-003

B. RZ-11-19-190006-Joe Hermann
Bryant Loop Drive, Ranger
Rural Residential (RR) to Agricultural (AG)
Map/Parcel # 037-056
3.08 Acres

C. RZ-11-19-190008 -Jeramy Anderson
Carver Mill Road, Talking Rock
Rural Residential (RR) to Small Agricultural (SA)
Map/Parcel # 034-015-003
5.11 Acres
Commissioner Barnes made a motion to approve all three rezone requests. Commissioner Denney seconded; all voted aye.

XII. Guests/Comments
There were no additional comments.

XIII. Adjourn
There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 5:50 p.m.

These minutes were approved at the February 20, 2020 meeting.

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