

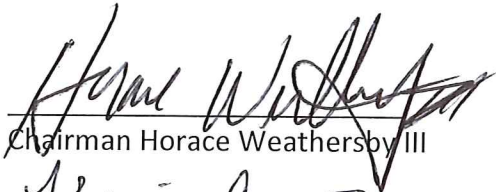
Regular Meeting Minutes
Jenkins County Board of Commissioners
Tuesday, September 9, 2025
4:00 P.M.

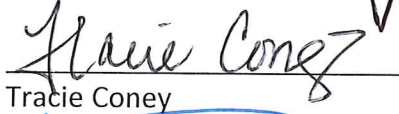
1. The Jenkins County Board of Commissioners met for its Regular Monthly Meeting on Tuesday, September 9, 2025 at 4:00 P.M. in the Commissioners' Meeting Room at the James L. Henry Administrative Building. Commissioners in attendance were Horace Weathersby III, Jonathan Powell, Mike Chance, Tracie Coney, and Pamela Dwight. Others in attendance were County Administrator Grady Saxon, County Attorney Kendall Gross, Mrs. Deborah Bennett with the Millen News, Mr. Sandy Miller, Mr. George Wright, Ms. Ida Rose, Ms. Jackie Rigsbee, Mr. Eddie Dickey, County Field Director Jason Oglesby, Mr. Charles B. Reynolds, Mrs. Gwen Watson, Mr. Emmanuel Watson, Mr. Charlie Walker, Jr., Mrs. Hilda Walker, Ms. Martha Sea, Ms. Mae Harris, Dr. Giovanni Shumake, Mrs. Cheryl Tatum, Mr. Chris Suggs, Ms. Sharon Johnson, Ms. Dianne Allison, Mr. Ray Mosley, Mrs. Sherri Chance, Mrs. Debbie Hearn, Mr. Bill Kent and Ms. Vivian Johnson.
2. Chairman Weathersby called the Meeting to order at 4:15 P.M. Chairman Weathersby gave the Invocation and led the Pledge of Allegiance. Chairman Weathersby welcomed all those in attendance.
3. Chairman Weathersby asked if any changes needed to be made to the AGENDA. Mr. Saxon stated that under New Business, add ITEM D-Transit Application 2027, and under Executive Session, change personnel to 3 instead of 2. A motion made by Commissioner Powell and seconded by Commissioner Dwight to approve the AGENDA as amended. The motion carried unanimously.
4. Chairman Weathersby called for the approval of the Minutes from the August 8, 2025 Budget Work Session, the August 12, 2025 Regular Meeting, the August 15, 2025 Budget Work Session, the August 20, 2025 Budget Work Session, and the August 29, 2025 Budget Work Session. A motion was made by Commissioner Chance and seconded by Commissioner Coney to approve the Minutes from the August 8, 2025 Budget Work Session, the August 12, 2025 Regular Meeting, the August 15, 2025 Budget Work Session, the August 20, 2025 Budget Work Session, and the August 29, 2025 Budget Work Session as presented. The motion carried unanimously.
5. Under Personal Appearances, Mr. Eric Wilkinson presented an update on the Jenkins County TIA project for Highway 17 South. He provided copies of the proposed project plan and will provide Mr. Saxon with an electronic copy. Mr. Wilkinson answered questions from various property owners that may be affected by the project. He stated that GDOT will be negotiating the ROW needs with property owners.

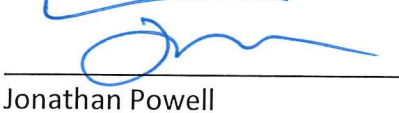
6. Next under Personal Appearances, Ms. Dianne Allison stated requested stop sign and road name signs on the side streets in Carlton Oaks Subdivision. It was noted that the side roads are considered private roads and are not part of the County's road system.
7. Next under Personal Appearances, Mr. Ray Mosley also spoke on behalf of Ms. Allison. Ms. Allison wanted Bulloch County to take in Carlton Lane. Bulloch County's engineer has looked at the road on multiple occasions. He asked that Jenkins County consider taking in the other roads into the County's road system.
8. Chairman Weathersby relinquished the meeting over to Vice Chair Jonathan Powell.
9. Finally under Personal Appearances, Mr. Eddie Dickey stated that the Board of Commissioners had agreed back in 2010 to provide \$7,500 in annual funding per station. He stated that costs have continued to increase but contributions have not. He requested that the Board consider raising the contribution amount to \$10,000 in annual funding per station. He stated that North Jenkins will have 5 stations in March. South Jenkins will continue to have 2 stations. Commissioner Powell asked that Mr. Dickey provide proposed budgets for each station.
10. Vice Chair Powell relinquished the meeting back to Chairman Weathersby.
11. Under Old Business, Mr. Saxon presented the LMIG 2026 Application request. Mr. Saxon stated that it had been a consensus that North Herndon Road was, by far, the worst paved road in the County Road system, followed by Elam Road from Hwy 121 to the Emanuel County Line. A motion was made by Commissioner Powell and seconded by Commissioner Chance to submit the 2026 LMIG application, naming North Herndon Road as the desired project. The motion carried unanimously. LMIG will be providing \$630,127.13 in funding for the year.
12. Under New Business, County Attorney Kendall Gross explained that, after the Public Hearing, the three principal stakeholders along Old Aycock Road had met with two County Commissioners, the County Administrator, and himself, stating that there may be an alternative to abandoning Old Aycock Road. He stated that Mr. Miller and Mr. Huff would agree that it would not be financially feasible to bring the road up to DOT standards, even over a period of years. The County would only be able to make a single pass with a motor grader (14 ft. wide) during the regular grading schedule. Any traffic would have to travel only on the 14 ft. road. Mr. Miller asked if he were able to secure funding for road improvements, would the Chairman support it. Chairman Weathersby stated that the Board would have to evaluate the proposal at the time it is presented. Mr. Miller stated he was in agreement. Mr. Huff was in agreement (via telephone). A motion was made by Commissioner Powell and seconded by Commissioner Coney to approve the plan of only scraping one pass (14 ft.) on Old Aycock Road during the normal maintenance cycle. The motion carried unanimously.

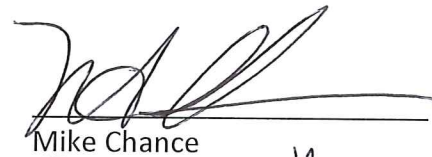
13. Next under New Business, Commissioner Powell presented information regarding a citizen's request to close a portion of Fields Road. The citizen felt that the local families would be better served if they maintained the road themselves. Attorney Gross and Field Director Oglesby will look at the proposal.
14. Next under New Business, Mr. Saxon presented information regarding the recent bid opening for the Joe Waters Road Drainage project. He stated that there were only two bidders. Shockley Plumbing submitted a bid in the amount of \$397,930. Reeves Construction submitted a bid in the amount of \$944,920. Mr. Saxon stated that all projects over \$100,000 are required to be posted on the Georgia Procurement Registry by a specific code. He stated that this project went to 266 emails. Parker Engineering recommended the bid from Shockley Plumbing in the amount \$397,930. A motion was made by Commissioner Powell and seconded by Commissioner Coney to accept the bid from Shockley Plumbing in the amount of \$397,930. The motion carried unanimously.
15. Finally under New Business, Mr. Saxon presented information on the FTA 5311 Transit Program. He stated that the County has participated in the program for 39 years and it was time to apply for 2027 funding. He stated that the program was a 50% reimbursable grant and the total application would be \$82,678, with a maximum reimbursement of \$41,339.00. A motion was made by Commissioner Dwight and seconded by Commissioner Powell to approve the submission of the application. The motion carried unanimously.
16. Under Field Director's Report, Jason Oglesby stated that the Road Department had been sanding some clay hills. He stated they are currently hauling clay to Johnson South. He stated Jenkins County has 232 miles of county maintained dirt roads and 185 miles of county maintained paved roads. He then stated that on the dirt roads, graders may have to make 3 passes on each road, so the total road miles is sometimes tripled. Mr. Oglesby also gave an estimated cost to pave a mile of dirt road at over \$1.4 million. He then discussed cameras at dumpster sites. The cost on Pineland sites would average \$160 per month for service, plus between \$3000 and \$4000 per dumpster site as an up-front cost for cameras. The cost on Planters sites would average \$175 per month for service, plus between \$3000 and \$4000 per dumpster site as an up-front cost for cameras.
17. Under County Attorney's Report, Attorney will do some research on the roads in Carlton Oaks.
18. Under Administrator's Report, Mr. Saxon stated that there would be a bid opening for Harriet Miller Road on Wednesday, September 10, 2025 at 11:00 A.M. here at the Commissioners' Office.
19. Next under Administrator's Report, Mr. Saxon stated that we are reaching the final stages of the 2022 CDBG Project (BB Lane). Mr. Saxon stated that the County would need to file for an extension of time to complete the project.

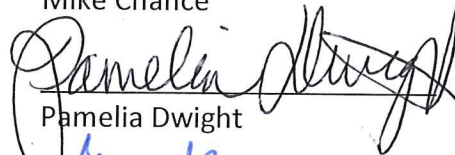
20. Next under Administrator's Report, Mr. Saxon stated there would need to be a called meeting on September 16, 2025 at 6:00 P.M. for the official proposed budget presentation to the Board. Mr. Saxon stated that an ad was scheduled to run in the Millen News on September 17, 2025, announcing the Public Hearing for the budget. The Public Hearing is scheduled for September 25, 2025 at 6:00 P.M. There will be a called meeting for the adoption of the proposed budget on October 2, 2025 at 6:00 P.M. Mr. Saxon will determine the schedule for setting the millage rate once the budget is complete.
21. Next under Administrator's Report, Mr. Saxon stated that we are awaiting the closeout documents for the Highway 25 Turn Lane Project and the Grapevine Road Project.
22. Finally under Administrator's Report, Mr. Saxon stated that as soon as the Harriet Miller Road bid is complete, we will begin the bid process for Rabitsch Road and Mays Road.
23. There was no Chairman's Report.
24. A motion was made by Commissioner Chance and seconded by Commissioner Coney to enter Executive Session at 5:26 P.M. The motion carried unanimously.
25. A motion was made by Commissioner Powell and seconded by Commissioner Coney to exit Executive Session at 5:50 P.M. The motion carried unanimously. All Commissioners signed an affidavit that only 3 personnel matters were discussed.
26. A motion was made by Commissioner Powell and seconded by Commissioner Coney to set the pay for the State Court Judge at \$3,300 per month, State Court Solicitor at \$3,000 per month, and to re-employ Vance Garvin as FT Road Employee at \$18/hr. The motion carried unanimously.
27. Chairman Weathersby adjourned the meeting at 5:51 p.m.

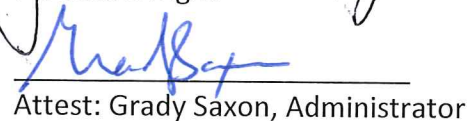

Chairman Horace Weathersby III


Tracie Coney


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Attest: Grady Saxon, Administrator