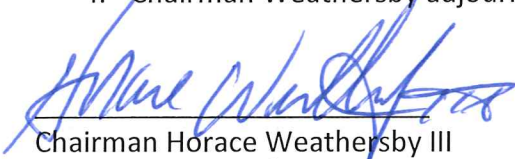
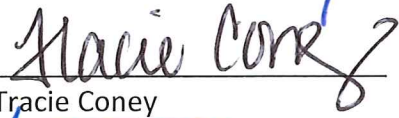


Public Hearing #1 Minutes (Millage)  
Jenkins County Board of Commissioners  
Thursday, October 2, 2025  
6:30 P.M.

1. The Jenkins County Board of Commissioners met for Public Hearing #1 (Millage) on Thursday, October 2, 2025 at 6:30 P.M. in the Commissioners' Meeting Room at the James L. Henry Administrative Building. Commissioners in attendance were Chairman Horace Weathersby III, Tracie Coney, Mike Chance and Jonathan Powell. Others in attendance were County Administrator Grady Saxon, Ms. Deborah Bennett, Mr. Andrew Dudley III, Sheriff Robert Oglesby, Mrs. Gwen Watson, Mr. Emmanuel Watson, Mrs. Cindy Ballew, Mr. C.J. Green, and Mr. David Oglesby. There were others in attendance who did not sign in.
2. Chairman Horace Weathersby III called the Public Hearing to order at 6:30 P.M. He stated that the purpose of this hearing was to hear and respond to Public concerns regarding the proposed millage rate increase. He stated that the Public Hearing would last for 30 minutes.
3. One citizen asked why taxes had to increase. Chairman Weathersby stated that overall cost increases had a big effect on the budget. Another citizen asked what happened to the surplus? Commissioner Powell stated that the County had budgeted for a deficit for several years in a row to balance the budget. The deficit has finally caught up and reserves are depleted to the point that they need to be replaced. One said that everyone needs a taste of taxes-not just land owners. Commissioner Powell stated that the Board is looking for ways to lessen the tax burden, but it's tough in a small county. One stated that the State needed to communicate better. She stated that folks needed to speak with State legislators. One citizen stated that people over age 65 shouldn't have to pay any taxes. One stated that each department needs to cut their budgets. Commissioner Powell spoke about FLOST. There was a discussion about speaking to legislators about the possibility of charging more for out-of-state property owners and for non-homestead properties.
4. Chairman Weathersby adjourned the Public Hearing at 7:02 P.M.



Chairman Horace Weathersby III



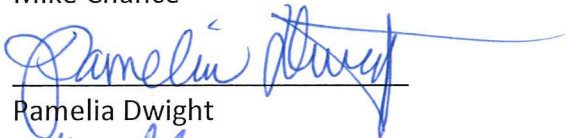
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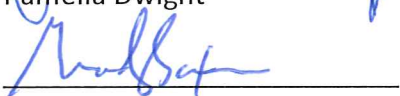
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Attest: Grady Saxon, Administrator