Regular Meeting Minutes
Jenkins County Board of Commissioners
Tuesday, June 13, 2023
4:00 P.M.

- 1. The Jenkins County Board of Commissioners met for its Regular Monthly Meeting on Tuesday, June 13, 2023 at 4:00 P.M. in the Commissioners' Meeting Room at the James L. Henry Administrative Building. Commissioners in attendance were Chairman Horace Weathersby III, Hiller Spann, Pamelia Dwight, Tracie Coney and Jonathan Powell. Others in attendance were County Administrator Grady Saxon, County Attorney George Rountree, Mr. Bill Kent, Ms. Emma Whiters, Ms. Deborah Bennett, Ms. Susan Campo, Clerk of Courts Tracey Herrington, County Field Director Jason Oglesby, Ms. Connie Overstreet, County Chief Appraiser Vicky Patrick, County EMS Director Henry Young, County Paramedic Robbie Deal, Ms. Debbie Hearn, Mr. Alan Hornaday, Mr. Melzar Nye, Mr. Glen Mays, Ms. Julia Lassiter, Mr. William Ferguson, County EMT Courtney Johnson, and County Paramedic Marshall Beasley.
- 2. Chairman Horace Weathersby III called the meeting to order at 4:00 P.M. Chairman Weathersby gave the Invocation and led the Pledge of Allegiance. He then welcomed all those in attendance.
- 3. Chairman Weathersby asked if any changes needed to be made to the AGENDA. Hearing none, he called for the approval of the AGENDA. A motion was made by Commissioner Powell and seconded by Commissioner Coney to approve the AGENDA as presented. The motion carried unanimously.
- 4. Chairman Weathersby called for the approval of the Minutes from the May 9, 2023 Regular Meeting and the May 23, 2023 Called Meeting. A motion was made by Commissioner Powell and seconded by Commissioner Coney to approve the Minutes from the May 9, 2023 Regular Meeting and the May 23, 2023 Called Meeting as presented. The motion carried unanimously.
- 5. Under Personal Appearances, Mr. Melzar Nye with Technical Appraisal Services discussed the increases in values on the recently mailed assessment notices. He explained the methods of calculation of the new rates and that updates were required in order to be in compliance with Department of Revenue regulations. He also stated that residential properties were very undervalued compared to the market.
- 6. Next under Personal Appearances EMS Director Henry Young and Assistant Director Robert Deal presented staffing concerns and other statistics. They specifically discussed on-call shifts, and the inability to attract new employees due to the County requiring on-call shifts. They also stated that some of the employees live so far away that they cannot take call shifts. They were instructed to include the recommendations in with their budget requests.

- 7. Under Old Business, Chairman Weathersby gave the second reading of the proposed Timber Harvesting Ordinance. He then called for a vote. A motion was made by Commissioner Powell and seconded by Commissioner Spann to approve the proposed Timber Harvesting Ordinance for Jenkins County. The motion carried unanimously.
- 8. Next under Old Business, Mr. Saxon presented the proposed Credit Card Policy for vote. A motion was made by Commissioner Powell and seconded by Commissioner Coney to approve the Jenkins County Credit Card Policy as presented. The motion carried unanimously.
- 9. Under New Business, Mr. Saxon presented a letter from Main Street Millen requesting sponsorship for the annual Patriotic Celebration in the amount of \$2,800. The event is scheduled for Monday, July 3, 2023. A motion was made by Commissioner Spann and seconded by Commissioner Powell to sponsor the Patriotic Celebration in the amount of \$2,800. The motion carried unanimously.
- 10. Next under New Business, Mr. Saxon presented a request from the CSRA EOA for the Board of Commissioners to appoint a representative to the CSRA EOA Board of Directors. He stated that EOA operates Head Start and provides multiple services for the County's aging population. Mr. Saxon stated that Mandy Underwood had previously worked with the EOA on other projects and was willing to serve on this Board. A motion was made by Commissioner Spann and seconded by Commissioner Powell to appoint Mandy Underwood to the CSRA EOA Board of Directors. The motion carried unanimously.
- 11. Next under New Business, Mr. Saxon presented a letter from the Jenkins County Memorial Library Board requesting the reappointment of Mrs. Marilyn Knight and Mrs. Pam Brown to the Jenkins County Memorial Library Board of Trustees for three year terms, beginning on July 1, 2023 and ending on June 30, 2026. Both members have agreed to continue to serve. A motion was made by Commissioner Powell and seconded by Commissioner Coney to reappoint Marilyn Knight and Pam Brown to the Jenkins County Memorial Library Board of Trustees. The motion carried unanimously.
- 12. Next under New Business, Mr. Saxon stated that he was not prepared to discuss the Property & Liability Insurance Renewal nor the Health Renewal.
- 13. Finally under New Business, Attorney Rountree announced that the ad had not run properly, so the plan would not be discussed today. Attorney Rountree stated that the ad would be run again for two weeks prior to the July meeting. The Solid Waste Management Plan will be discussed at that meeting.
- 14. There was no Field Director's Report.
- 15. There was no County Attorney's Report.

- 16. Under Administrator's Report, Mr. Saxon stated that the County had conducted, on June 2, 2023, a pre-construction meeting for the construction of the taxiway and slab for the new hanger building that will be constructed at the airport. He stated that work was scheduled to begin on July 5, 2023, provided that the contractor presented the necessary insurance certificate before that date.
- 17. Next under Administrator's Report, Mr. Saxon stated that he had prepared the Budget Request documents for all departments and had begun distribution. He stated that all budget requests should be returned to him no later than close of business on Friday, July 14, 2023.
- 18. Finally under Administrator's Report, Mr. Saxon presented the budget summary through May. He provided some general highlights from the summary.
- 19. There was no Chairman's Report. However, he expressed concern about the property assessments.
- 20. Commissioner Spann requested the assessed values for all property classifications for the previous year and those for the current year. He also requested the comp sales from that were used for the calculations.
- 21. A motion was made by Commissioner Powell and seconded by Commissioner Coney to enter Executive Session at 4:55 P.M. The motion carried unanimously.
- 22. A motion was made by Commissioner Spann and seconded by Commissioner Powell to exit Executive Session at 5:07 P.M. The motion carried unanimously. All Commissioners signed an affidavit stating that only one personnel matter was discussed.
- 23. A motion was made by Commissioner Spann and seconded by Commissioner Coney to employ Heather Mock as Custodian as a rate of \$14 per hour. The motion carried unanimously.
- 24. The Board members signed all necessary paperwork.

25, Chairman Weathersby adjourned the meeting at 5:08 P.M.

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Attest: Grady Saxon, Administrator