

Regular Pickens County Council Meeting

May 2, 2022

6:30 PM

County Council met in regular session, in the Auditorium of the County Administration Facility, with Chairman Chris Bowers presiding. Final agendas, bearing date, time, and location of meeting were mailed to members of council and local news media on April 27, 2022.

Council Members in Attendance:

Chris Bowers, Chairman
Roy Costner, Vice Chairman
Trey Whitehurst, Vice Chairman Pro-Tem
Alex Saitta
Ensley Feemster
Henry Wilson (absent)

Staff in Attendance:

Ken Roper, County Administrator
Les Hendricks, Contract Attorney
Meagan Nations, Clerk to Council

WELCOME AND CALL TO ORDER:

Chairman Chris Bowers called the meeting of May 2, 2022 to order and welcomed those in attendance. Chairman Bowers led the Invocation and led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Following the Pledge of Allegiance, Veteran Affairs presented Council with The Flag of the United States of America, in appreciation for the support that Pickens County gives Veteran's by having a Veteran of the Month to lead the Council in the Pledge of Allegiance; presenting the Veteran of the Month with a Certificate of Honor; recognizing Vietnam Veterans Day, POW/MIA Day, Veterans Day; suicide awareness; and providing lunch to GWOT Veterans during the end of the war in Afghanistan.

PUBLIC FORUM:

Chairman Chris Bowers opened the Public Forum and requested the Clerk to call upon the citizens signed up to speak.

1. Tracy Gantt: Mr. Gantt addressed Council regarding the Pickens County Shelter of Hope.
2. Sunshine Gantt: Ms. Gantt addressed Council regarding the Pickens County Shelter of Hope.
3. Bobby Craigo: Mr. Craigo addressed Council regarding Veteran Access to Pickens County Parks.
4. Tracy McJunkins: Ms. McJunkins addressed Council regarding the Pickens County Shelter of Hope.
5. Thomas Watson: Mr. Watson addressed Council regarding road safety and the Museum hours.

6. Dean Henderson: Mr. Henderson addressed Council regarding road safety at the intersection of Old Liberty Pickens Road and Bethlehem School Road.
7. Jessica Merrill: Ms. Merrill addressed Council regarding the Pickens County Shelter of Hope.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

Chairman Chris Bowers called for a motion to approve the following minutes as presented:

- April 4, 2022 Regular-Called Council Meeting
- April 25, 2022 Budget Work Session

- Motion was made by Councilman Alex Saitta, and seconded by Councilman Ensley Feemster. Seeing no other discussion, the motion carried unanimously (5-0).

ADMINISTRATOR’S REPORT:

#KickingAsphalt Update on County Roads

Mr. Roper stated these roads are now paved: Bakerville Road, City Lake Road, Jule Merck Road, Rices Creek Church Road and N. Old Mill Road. He stated this is 8 miles (16 lane miles) of roadway, 1225-ft of guardrail and \$2,071,000, funded PCTC and the Road Maintenance Fund. He gave an update on the next roads that are currently being paved.

Pickens Proud Comprehensive Approach

Mr. Roper provided an update to Council regarding the Pickens Proud Press Conference litter initiative.

Update on 1781 Six Mile Highway

Mr. Roper provided an update to Council regarding 1781 Six Mile Highway Code Enforcement tickets.

2022 SCAC Awards Competition

Mr. Roper stated that Pickens County will be entering for the J. Mitchell Graham Award, discussing Pickens County Crisis Intercept Mapping for Suicide Prevention for SMVFs, and Barrett Lawrimore Award, Collaboration of Alliance Pickens, School District of Pickens County and Worklink to address needs of Employers and Job Seekers in Pickens County.

Pickens County Leadership Enhancement Academy for Public Servants

Mr. Roper introduced the new Pickens County LEAPS Program, which is a seven-week program designed to help aspiring leaders in public services develop a road map for success. Meetings will be held weekly for approximately one hour. He stated each participant will be paired with a mentor who has graduated from the NACo Leadership Academy for optimum leadership growth. He stated he will report back to Council on this program.

Council asked Mr. Roper questions that included, but was not limited to:

- Road safety at the Intersection of Old Liberty Pickens Road and Bethlehem School Road. (*public forum input*)
- Performing Arts Center records

COMMITTEE REPORT:

The Committee of the Whole met in Main Conference Room, at the Pickens County Administration Facility, on Monday, April 18, 2022. All members of the committee were in attendance with Chairman Chris Bowers presiding. Vice Chairman Roy Costner led the Invocation and Pledge of Allegiance.

WELCOME AND CALL TO ORDER:

Chairman Chris Bowers called the Committee of the Whole meeting to order.

COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE:

RENAMING OF LAW ENFORCEMENT CENTER – Log No. 199

- Mr. Carl Hudson, former Pickens County Council member, stated he would like to honor Sheriff David Stone by possibly renaming the Law Enforcement Center after Sheriff Stone. Mr. Hudson introduced Sheriff Stone's past Chief Deputies and they gave detailed information on what Sheriff Stone went through as Sheriff and why they feel this building should be named after him.
- Council and staff had detailed discussion that included, but was not limited to:
 - Policies that address renaming county building's
- ❖ **Vice Chairman Roy Costner made a motion to move forward on renaming the Law Enforcement Center based on recommendations. Motion was seconded by Councilman Alex Saitta and carried unanimously (6-0).**

Council Action on Log No. 199: Vice Chairman Roy Costner made a motion to move forward on renaming the Law Enforcement Center based on recommendations. Motion was seconded by Councilman Alex Saitta and carried unanimously (6-0).

Chairman Chris Bowers stated during this conversation at the meeting, he asked the Attorney if there was a process in place of renaming County buildings.

Attorney Les Hendricks stated on Rule 5.9 in Council Rules, provides certain criteria of naming any facility owned by the county. He stated this will need to go to the Planning Commission to be approved and come back to Council for a public hearing and a vote for Council to rename the facility.

Chairman Chris Bowers made a motion to amend the original motion, stating he would like to send this vote to the Planning Commission. The specific name proposed is C. David Stone Pickens County Law Enforcement Center. Motion was seconded by Vice Chairman Roy Costner and carried unanimously (5-0).

DISCUSSION ON AN ORDINANCE FOR A REFERENDUM REGARDING SUNDAY ALCOHOL SALES IN PICKENS COUNTY – Log No. 181

- Attorney Hendricks stated he included the statutes that is in Council's agenda packets that set out regulations to have a referendum, as well as a draft copy of the Ordinance. Council had staff had detailed discussion that included, but was not limited to:
 - Other SC counties that have completed this referendum
 - Discussion on the two questions on the draft ordinance:
 1. *"Shall the South Carolina Department of Revenue be authorized to issue temporary permits in this county for a period not to exceed twenty-four hours to allow the possession, sale, and consumption of alcoholic liquors by the drink to bona fide nonprofit organizations and business establishments otherwise authorized to be licensed for consumption-on-premises sales?"*
 2. *"Shall the Department of Revenue be authorized to issue temporary permits in this county for a period not to exceed twenty-four hours to allow the sale of beer and wine at permitted off-premises locations without regard to the days or hours of sales?"*

- Timeframe for Council to pass third reading of Ordinance if on the referendum in November Election; third reading must take place by August
- Discussion on this Ordinance being passed for the citizens of Pickens County to make the final decision on alcohol sales in Sunday
- Discussion on when the Elections Board need this Ordinance to be completed by

❖ **Councilman Ensley Feemster made a motion to move out of Committee for third reading. Motion was seconded by Councilman Trey Whitehurst and carried (5-1), with Councilman Alex Saitta opposed.**

Council Action on Log No. 181: Councilman Ensley Feemster made a motion to move out of Committee for third reading. Motion was seconded by Councilman Trey Whitehurst and carried (5-1), with Councilman Alex Saitta opposed.

Chairman Chris Bowers stated no second is required, as this comes as a recommendation from the Committee.

Councilman Alex Saitta asked out of the 46 counties in the state, which counties allow Sunday Alcohol Sales.

Mr. Roper stated he apologizes but he does not have that number ready this evening.

Councilman Alex Saitta stated he believes it's 11 counties.

Seeing no other discussion, the motion carried (5-1), with Councilman Alex Saitta opposed.

2030 COMPREHENSIVE PLAN REFERRAL BY COUNCIL TO THE PICKENS COUNTY PLANNING COMMISSION FOR FURTHER PUBLIC INPUT AND RECOMMENDATIONS – Log No. 192

- Mr. Roper gave information to Council regarding the Comprehensive Plan, stating Council is required by state law to do a new comprehensive plan every 10 years, and update every 5 years. He stated Council received the document in their agenda packets.
- Council and Staff had detailed discussion that included, but was not limited to:
 - Changes the Planning Commission made to the comprehensive plan (*in Planning Commission February 2022 minutes*)
 - Councilman Alex Saitta reviewed page 54 with Council, stating some changes he would like made on the Goals and Objectives for the Housing Element. He stated he would like to change the Policy and Actions.
 - Members of Council had a detailed discussion on the goals and objectives for the Housing Element Page in the draft Comprehensive Plan.
 - Transportation Plan

❖ Councilman Alex Saitta made a motion to change the Policies on Page 54 to state: **“Encourage accredited organizations to improve options in quality and affordable housing, and projects that provide attractive housing options and amenities to seniors, young professionals and other population groups.”**

Motion was seconded by Councilman Trey Whitehurst. Chairman Bowers asked if there was any discussion:

- Councilman Alex Saitta amended his motion, stating he would like to add back in “economic development catalyst”. Councilman Trey Whitehurst seconded the motion. Motion carried

unanimously (6-0). The policy will now state:

“Encourage accredited organizations to improve options in quality and affordable housing, and projects as economic development catalysts that provide attractive housing options and amenities to seniors, young professionals and other population groups.”

Seeing no other discussion, the motion carried unanimously (6-0).

- ❖ Councilman Alex Saitta made a motion to change the Action on Page 54 of the Comprehensive Plan. Councilman Trey Whitehurst seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously (6-0). The Action will now state:
“Create an economic and regulatory environment that is conducive to housing investment, housing quality and housing affordability.”
- ❖ Councilman Alex Saitta made a motion to accept the Planning Commission Draft Proposal, including the amendments that Council made this evening and to send out of Committee. Motion was seconded by Councilman Ensley Feemster and carried unanimously (6-0).

Council Action on Log No. 192:

- Councilman Alex Saitta made a motion to change the Policies on Page 54 to state: **“Encourage accredited organizations to improve options in quality and affordable housing, and projects that provide attractive housing options and amenities to seniors, young professionals and other population groups.”** Motion was seconded by Councilman Trey Whitehurst.
- Councilman Alex Saitta amended his motion, stating he would like to add back in “economic development catalyst”. Councilman Trey Whitehurst seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously (6-0). The policy will now state: **“Encourage accredited organizations to improve options in quality and affordable housing, and projects as economic development catalysts that provide attractive housing options and amenities to seniors, young professionals and other population groups.”** Seeing no other discussion, the motion carried unanimously (6-0).
- Councilman Alex Saitta made a motion to change the Action on Page 54 of the Comprehensive Plan. Councilman Trey Whitehurst seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously (6-0). The Action will now state: **“Create an economic and regulatory environment that is conducive to housing investment, housing quality and housing affordability.”**
- Councilman Alex Saitta made a motion to accept the Planning Commission Draft Proposal, including the amendments that Council made this evening and to send out of Committee. Motion was seconded by Councilman Ensley Feemster and carried unanimously (6-0).

Chairman Bowers stated no second is required as this comes as a recommendation from the Committee. He asked Council if there was any discussion.

Councilman Alex Saitta went into discussion on the Comprehensive Plan.

Seeing no other discussion, the motion carried (5-0).

DISCUSSION ON AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE ADVANCE OF FUNDS FROM THE GENERAL FUND OF PICKENS COUNTY TO THE PICKENS COUNTY AIRPORT ENTERPRISE FUND, PROVIDING FOR THE REPAYMENT OF SAID GENERAL FUNDS BY REVENUES AND/OR GRANT FUNDING FROM OTHER SOURCES, AND MATTERS RELATED THERETO – Log No. 201

- Mr. Roper advised to Council that first reading in title only of this Ordinance took place at the April Council Meeting. Mr. Roper stated Council has already authorized a 60/40 split with the State Aeronautics to design a taxiway and further hanger space for the airport. He stated we are expecting bids back on this design in the coming weeks (Project Arnold). Mr. Roper discussed the funding from the handout, which included:
Federal - **\$4,947,800.00**
State - **\$2,052,100.00**
Pickens County - **\$1,592,100.00**
TOTAL = **\$8,592,000.00**

He stated if the County is willing to spend the \$1.5 million, the Federal and State Funding will be available to us to complete this project.

- Administrator Roper and Council had detailed discussion regarding the Budget that included, but was not limited to:
 - Questions regarding if the Airport could be advanced that money from the General Fund
 - Charge Interest (just like excepting debt payoff for consolidation of fire districts)
 - Airport Enterprise Funding
- ❖ **Chairman Chris Bowers made a motion to remove the runway resurfacing and the existing taxiway, but move forward as staff recommended. Motion was seconded by Councilman Trey Whitehurst and carried unanimously (6-0).**

Council Action on Log No. 201: Chairman Chris Bowers made a motion to remove the runway resurfacing and the existing taxiway, but move forward as staff recommended. Motion was seconded by Councilman Trey Whitehurst and carried unanimously (6-0).

Chairman Bowers stated no second is required as this comes as a recommendation from the Committee. Seeing no discussion, motion carried (5-0).

ADJOURN:

Hearing no further Committee business, Chairman Chris Bowers called for a motion to adjourn. Motion was made by Councilman Henry Wilson, seconded by Councilman Ensley Feemster and carried unanimously (6-0). Meeting was adjourned at 7:38 p.m.

COUNCIL CORRESPONDENCE:

Chairman Chris Bowers announced the following:

- Non-Essential County Offices will be closed on Monday, May 30, 2022 for the Memorial Day Holiday.
- There will be a Special-Called Meeting on Monday, April 16, 2022 before the Committee of the Whole Meeting at 6:00 PM in the Main Conference Room of the Administration Facility. The Committee of the Whole meeting will immediately follow.
- The next Council Meeting will be held on Monday, June 6, 2022 at 6:30 p.m. in Council Chambers of the Administration Building.

Chairman Bowers called for other council correspondence. Seeing no other correspondence, Chairman Bowers announced moving to Motion Period and New Business.

MOTION PERIOD AND NEW BUSINESS:

Chairman Chris Bowers opened the floor for motion period and new business.

Vice Chairman Roy Costner made a motion to add to Consent Agenda to add Discounted Veteran Access to County Parks. Motion was seconded by Chairman Bowers and carried unanimously (4-0), with Councilman Ensley Feemster abstaining from the vote.

Vice Chairman Roy Costner made a motion to add “Discussion on Boards and Commissions” to Executive Session on this evening’s agenda. Motion was seconded by Vice Chairman Roy Costner and carried unanimously (5-0).

Seeing no discussion, Chairman Bowers closed the floor.

RECOGNITION OF ORGANIZATIONS WHO ASSISTED WITH TORNADO IN MARCH 2022

Mr. Roper recognized the following organizations who assisted with the tornado on March 23, 2022.

- Pickens County EMS
- Pickens Rural Fire
- Shady Grove Fire
- Liberty Fire
- Crosswell Fire
- Vineyards Fire
- Six Mile Fire
- Easley Fire
- Keowee Springs Fire
- Pickens County Emergency Management
- PCEM Special Operations Unit
- Pickens Rescue Squad
- Pickens County Roads and Bridges / Public Works
- Pickens City Fire Department
- Pickens County Sheriff’s Office
- Pickens City Police Department
- Bowers EMS
- American Red Cross
- Blue Ridge Electric Co-op
- SCDOT
- Southern Baptist Disaster Relief
- United Way
- Salvation Army

UPDATE FROM MAYOR HALFACRE FROM THE CITY OF CLEMSON REGARDING COMPREHENSIVE PLAN.

Mayor Halfacre, with the City of Clemson, stated he is here this evening to discuss a collaborative effort with Council. He introduced the City of Clemson Assistant City Administrator, Ali Gantt, and the City of Clemson Administrator, Andy Blondeau.

Mayor Halfacre had detailed discussion with Council that included, but was not limited to:

- One Pickens County – A comprehensive plan for OUR future
 - ❖ Increase Density in the Southern Part of the County
 - We would like to request additional planning support to address this targeted growth in our area.
 - ❖ Recreational Areas
 - The Pickens County Comp Plan shoes no additional parks being proposed in the Clemson Area. We would like for Council to consider supporting the city’s existing parks, such as 12 Mile Recreational Area and Clemson Park.
 - 12-Mile Recreation Area
 - 73% of all annual pass holders are County residents that live outside Clemson city limits. Less than 10% have been issued to people outside Pickens County.
 - County Residents pay the same fee as City Clemson.
 - ❖ Transportation Planning
 - We hope to have Pickens County participate as a partner with the City of Clemson and Anderson County as a regional Transportation Study.
 - GPATS has recommended funding this study at \$215,000. We would like to invite Pickens County to participate.
 - Study participants will have a steering committee seat and voting rights. They will also receive deliverables that would be tailored to your governmental area and presented by the consultant to your governing body.
 - The City of Clemson and Anderson County are both participating at \$25,000.
 - ❖ Road Paving
 - Clemson allocates 2 mills to paving each year.
 - Based on current projections in FY 23/24, this will be an allocation of \$222,000.
 - Prior to the Pickens County Vehicle Maintenance Fee being removed, the City received approximately \$180,000.
 - It costs approximately \$80,000 to pave ½ a mile of road. Investing paving funds in Clemson would allow us to pave 2 miles per year and accelerate Pickens County road maintenance schedule.
 - ❖ Information on City of Clemson ARPA Spending Plan
 - ❖ Information on the Clemson Area African American Museum on Butler Street
 - ❖ Information on the “Welcome to Pickens County” sign on the side of HWY 123
 - ❖ Clemson Next Update
 - ❖ Response from City of Clemson Council regarding the Comprehensive Plan

Council had discussion that included but was not limited to:

- Annexation
- Wayfinding Signage Plan
- Signage

CONSIDERATION OF A RESOLUTION CALLING FOR PUBLIC HEARINGS TO BE HELD UPON THE QUESTIONS OF: (1) CONSOLIDATING EXISTING FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICTS THROUGH THE CREATION OF A SINGLE UNIFIED COUNTY FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT, AND (2) AMENDING THE PICKENS COUNTY FISCAL YEAR 2021-22 BUDGET; AND OTHER MATTERS RELATING THERETO.

Chairman Chris Bowers asked for a motion to consider this Resolution.

- Motion was made by Councilman Ensley Feemster, and seconded by Vice Chairman Roy Costner. Chairman Bowers asked if there was any discussion:
 - Vice Chairman Roy Costner made a motion to amend, stating he would like to separate these two items into two separate motions. The first item would read, “Consideration of a Resolution calling for a public hearing to be held upon the question of: CONSOLIDATING EXISTING FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICTS THROUGH THE CREATION OF A SINGLE UNIFIED COUNTY FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT.” The second motion would read, “Consideration of a Resolution calling for a public hearing to be held upon the question of: AMENDING THE PICKENS COUNTY FISCAL YEAR 2021-2022 BUDGET; AND OTHER MATTERS RELATING THERETO.” Motion was seconded by Councilman Ensley Feemster and carried unanimously (5-0).

Chairman Bowers asked for all those in favor to please signify by raising your hand on the consideration of a resolution calling for a public hearing to be held of Consolidating Existing Fire Protection Districts Through the Creation of a Single Unified County Fire Protection District.

- The motion carried unanimously (5-0).

Chairman Bowers asked for all those in favor to please signify by raising your hand on the consideration of a resolution calling for a public hearing to be held of Amending the Pickens County Fiscal Year 2021-2022 Budget; And Other Matters Relating Thereto.

- The motion carried unanimously (5-0).

FIRST READING IN TITLE ONLY OF AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE UNIFORM ORDINANCE FOR FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICTS (AS PREVIOUSLY ENACTED BY ORDINANCE NO. 404, AS AMENDED BY ORDINANCE NO. 405, ORDINANCE NO. 571, AND ORDINANCE NO. 509) TO CONSOLIDATE THE REMAINING FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICTS INTO A SINGLE UNIFIED FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT; AUTHORIZING AN AMENDMENT TO THE COUNTY’S FISCAL YEAR 2022-23 BUDGET; AND OTHER MATTERS RELATING THERETO.

Chairman Chris Bowers asked for a motion to constitute first reading of this Ordinance.

- Motion was made by Councilman Ensley Feemster, seconded by Vice Chairman Roy Costner. Chairman Bowers asked if there was any discussion.
 - Council and staff had detailed discussion on this ordinance.
- The motion carried (3-2), with Councilman Saitta and Councilman Whitehurst opposed.

FIRST READING IN TITLE ONLY OF AN ORDINANCE TO ESTABLISH STANDARDS AND LIMITATIONS ON FUTURE DEVELOPMENT ON THE SOUTH CAROLINA HIGHWAY 11 SCENIC BYWAY AND MATTERS RELATED THERETO.

Chairman Chris Bowers asked for a motion to constitute first reading in title only of this ordinance.

- Motion was made by Councilman Alex Saitta, and seconded by Councilman Ensley Feemster. Chairman Bowers asked if there was any discussion.
 - Councilman Saitta commented on the Corridor Report Final Report by ACOG. He went into detailed discussion on relevant facts in the report.
 - After more discussion, Chairman Bowers called for a vote. The motion carried unanimously (5-0).

SECOND READING OF AN ORDINANCE TO PROVIDE FOR ADOPTION OF A BUDGET AMENDMENT CONTAINING ESTIMATES OF REVENUE AND EXPENDITURE CHANGES FOR PICKENS COUNTY FOR THE FISCAL YEAR BEGINNING JULY 1, 2021 AND ENDING JUNE 30, 2022.

Chairman Chris Bowers asked for a motion to constitute second reading of this Ordinance.

- Motion was made by Councilman Ensley Feemster, seconded by Vice Chairman Roy Costner. Seeing no other discussion, the motion carried (5-0).

SECOND READING OF AN ORDINANCE TO PROVIDE FOR THE LEVY OF TAXES IN PICKENS COUNTY FOR ORDINARY COUNTY PURPOSES FOR THE FISCAL YEAR BEGINNING JULY 1, 2022, AND ENDING JUNE 30, 2023, AND TO DIRECT EXPENDITURE THEREOF.

Chairman Chris Bowers asked for a motion to constitute second reading of this Ordinance.

- Motion was made by Councilman Ensley Feemster, seconded by Vice Chairman Roy Costner. Seeing no other discussion, the motion carried (4-1), with Councilman Alex Saitta opposed.

SECOND READING OF AN ORDINANCE TO DEVELOP A JOINTLY OWNED AND OPERATED INDUSTRIAL/BUSINESS PARK IN CONJUNCTION WITH OCONEE COUNTY, SUCH INDUSTRIAL/BUSINESS PARK TO BE GEOGRAPHICALLY LOCATED IN OCONEE COUNTY AND ESTABLISHED PURSUANT TO SECTION 4- 1-170 OF THE CODE OF LAWS OF SOUTH CAROLINA, 1976, AS AMENDED; TO PROVIDE FOR A WRITTEN AGREEMENT WITH OCONEE COUNTY TO PROVIDE FOR THE EXPENSES OF THE PARK, THE PERCENTAGE OF REVENUE APPLICATION, AND THE DISTRIBUTION OF FEES IN LIEU OF AD VALOREM TAXATION; AND OTHER MATTERS RELATED THERETO (PROJECT QUESO).

Chairman Chris Bowers asked for a motion to constitute second reading of this Ordinance.

- Motion was made by Vice Chairman Roy Costner, seconded by Councilman Ensley Feemster. Seeing no other discussion, the motion carried (5-0).

CONSENT AGENDA:

- PROCESS FOR ABANDONED ROADWAY – *COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE*
- UPDATING COUNTY TIRE POLICY PER DHEC REQUIREMENT – *COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE*
- CONSIDERATION OF A RESOLUTION 2022-09 TO RECOGNIZE MAY 2022 AS STROKE AWARENESS MONTH IN PICKENS COUNTY.
- CONSIDERATION OF A RESOLUTION 2022-10 PROCLAIMING THE WEEK OF MAY 15-21, 2022, AS EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES WEEK IN PICKENS COUNTY.
- CONSIDERATION OF A RESOLUTION 2022-11 PROCLAIMING PEACE OFFICERS MEMORIAL DAY IN PICKENS COUNTY.

- CONSIDERATION OF A RESOLUTION 2022-12 TO RECOGNIZE MAY 15-21, 2022 AS NATIONAL PUBLIC WORKS WEEK IN PICKENS COUNTY.
- CONSIDERATION OF A RESOLUTION 2022-13 RECOGNIZING MAY 2022 AS MENTAL HEALTH MONTH IN PICKENS COUNTY.
- CONSIDERATION OF A RESOLUTION 2022-14 PROCLAIMING THE WEEK OF MAY 21-27, 2022 AS SAFE BOATING WEEK IN PICKENS COUNTY.
- CONSIDERATION OF A RESOLUTION 2022-15 RECOGNIZING MAY 2022 AS NURSE'S MONTH IN PICKENS COUNTY.
- CONSIDERATION OF A RESOLUTION 2022-16 RECOGNIZING MAY 1-7, 2022 AS TEACHER APPRECIATION WEEK IN PICKENS COUNTY.
- DISCOUNTED VETERAN ACCESS TO PICKENS COUNTY PARKS – *COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE (AS ADDED DURING MOTION PERIOD AND NEW BUSINESS)*
 - Motion was made by Councilman Ensley Feemster, seconded by Vice Chairman Roy Costner and approved unanimously (5-0), to approve the Consent Agenda as presented.

EXECUTIVE SESSION: S.C. Code of Laws, Section 30-4-70 (a):

Chairman Chris Bowers called for a motion to convene into Executive Session as defined by S.C. Code of Laws, Section 30-4-70 (a). Chairman Bowers further stated that each issue would be discussed as the Law provides.

Boards and Commissions – Section 30-4-70 (a) (1)

- Discussion on Board and Commissions (*as added during Motion Period and New Business*)

Legal Update – Section 30-4-70 (a) (2)

- Update on Pending Litigation Regarding Landfill

Contractual – Section 30-4-70 (a) (2)

- DHEC Compliance Issue (*as added during Motion Period and New Business*)

- Motion was made by Councilman Ensley Feemster, seconded by Councilman Henry Wilson and carried unanimously (5-0), to convene in executive session for the stated purposes after a five-minute recess.

ACTION AS NEEDED VIA EXECUTIVE SESSION ITEMS:

Chairman Chris Bowers called the Public Session back to Order and advised the following:

Boards and Commissions – Section 30-4-70 (a) (1)

- Discussion on Board and Commissions (*as added during Motion Period and New Business*)
– **No Action Taken**

Legal Update – Section 30-4-70 (a) (2)

- Update on Pending Litigation Regarding Landfill – **No Action Taken**

Contractual – Section 30-4-70 (a) (2)

- DHEC Compliance Issue (*as added during Motion Period and New Business*) – **Chairman Bowers made a motion to take \$50,000 out of the Reserve Fund to be used towards Litigation on a Compliance Issue at the Landfill. Motion was seconded by Councilman Ensley Feemster and carried unanimously (5-0).**

ADJOURN:

Hearing no further Council business, Chairman Chris Bowers called for a motion to adjourn. Motion was made by Councilman Alex Saitta, seconded by Councilman Ensley Feemster and carried unanimously (5-0). Pickens County Council stood adjourned at 9:18 p.m.

Respectively Submitted:

Approved:

Meagan Nations, Clerk to Council

Chris Bowers, Chairman of County Council