

# **COUNTY OF PICKENS**

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## **PICKENS COUNTY COUNCIL REGULAR MEETING**

**Tuesday, January 3, 2006**

**7:00 PM**

***Auditorium, County Administration Facility  
222 McDaniel Avenue, Pickens S.C.***

1. Welcome and Call to Order  
Invocation: Chairman Willis
2. Approval of Minutes  
[December 5, 2005](#)  
[December 15, 2005](#)
3. Public Forum
4. Committee Reports. [Public Service Committee](#)
5. Administrators Report
6. Motion Period and New Business
7. Consideration to approve a contract between Pickens County and Blue Ridge Electric Cooperative for the purpose of the Cooperative sharing a portion of its infrastructure credits with Pickens County.  
The Cooperative has agreed to invest \$50,000 in infrastructure payments for sewer infrastructure in the Pickens County Commerce Park. It is recommended that Council approve the proposed contract.
8. [Consideration to adopt a resolution authorizing the County to purchase a blanket fidelity bond for county employees.](#)  
On May 16, 2005 Governor Sanford signed into law an act to allow county governments to purchase a blanket fidelity bond to cover a portion or all county employees. A fidelity bond is a bond that would indemnify a county for loss due to embezzlement, larceny or gross negligence by a county official

or employee. In the past the county has only covered a select number of county employees. A blanket bond would cover all employees and provide more coverage. The current annual premium for insurance is \$4200.00 for a select group of employees. The annual premium of the fidelity blanket bond is \$7,333.00. Approval of the resolution and acceptance of the fidelity blanket bond is recommended.

9. [Consideration of a request from Sheriff Stone to provide authorization to apply for a grant to purchase a live scan fingerprint system.](#)

The proposed grant is for \$60,000.00 and would require a 25% match or \$15,000.00, which would not be due until after July 1<sup>st</sup>. The Sheriff's Office budget includes \$15,000.00 to match grants that come available during the fiscal year. Since the State Law Enforcement Division is encouraging all departments to submit electronic fingerprints, approval of the request is recommended.

10. Consent Agenda

**All Items Listed Under The Consent Agenda Are Considered Routine And Will Be Enacted By One Motion. There Will Be No Separate Discussion Of These Items Unless A Council Member So Requests; In Which Event The Item In Question Will Be Removed From The Consent Agenda.**

- a. Consideration of a request from the Director of Roads and Bridges to accept Weatherstone Drive into the County road maintenance system. It is recommended that this matter be referred to the Public Service Committee.
- b. Consideration of a request from the Town of Central for funding to resurface streets in the Town of Central in the current fiscal year. It is recommended that this matter be referred to the Public Service Committee.

11. Executive Session:

- a. Appointments to Boards and Commissions
- b. Personnel Issues

12. Adjourn