SPECIAL CALLED MEETING PIKE COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

The Pike County Board of Commissioners held a Special Called Meeting on Tuesday, June 21, 2022, at 7:00 p.m. in the Courthouse, Main Courtroom, at 16001 Barnesville Street, Zebulon. Chairman Briar Johnson convened the meeting and Commissioners Tim Daniel, Tim Guy, Jason Proctor and James Jenkins attended. County Attorney Rob Morton and County Clerk Angela Blount were also present. (O.C.G.A. § 50-14-1(e) (2)). Due to unforeseen circumstances County Manager Brandon Rogers was unavailable to attend the meeting.

1.	CALL TO ORDER	.Ch	airman	Briar	Johnson
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- 2. INVOCATION.....Silent Invocation
- 3. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE...... Chairman Briar Johnson
- 4. APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA (O.C.G A. 50-14-1 (e) (1))

County Attorney Rob Morton addressed the Board requesting Executive Session to discuss personnel, germane to the Administrative Department. Morton would like the Executive Session to be before New Business, between agenda Item 4 and Item 5.

Motion/second by Commissioners Daniel/Guy to approve the amended agenda, motion carried 5-0.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

County Attorney Rob Morton requests Executive Session for discussion or deliberation on the appointment, employment, compensation, hiring, disciplinary action or dismissal, or periodic evaluation or rating of a public officer or employee or interviewing applicants for the position of the executive head of an agency, as provided in O.C.G.A. § 50-14-3(b)(2), germane to personnel.

Motion/second by Commissioners Proctor/Daniel to adjourn Regular Session and enter into Executive Session at 7:04 p.m., motion carried 5-0.

CLOSED MEETING AFFIDAVIT

[A copy of the affidavit must be filed with the minutes of the meeting]

STATE OF GEORGIA COUNTY OF PIKE

AFFIDAVIT OF PIKE COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

Members of the Pike County Board of Commissioners, being duly sworn, state under oath that the following is true and accurate to the best of his/her knowledge and belief:

1.

The Pike County Board of Commissioners met in a duly advertised meeting on 6-21-2022.

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During such meeting, the Board voted to go into closed session.

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The executive session was called to order at _7:04 p.m.

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The subject matter of the closed portion of the meeting was devoted to the following matter(s) within the exceptions provided in the open meetings law:

- No Consultation with the county attorney, or other legal counsel, to discuss pending or potential litigation, settlement, claims, administrative proceedings, or other judicial actions brought or to be brought by or against the county or any officer or employee or in which the county or any officer or employee may be directly involved as provided in O.C.G.A. § 50-14-2(1);
- No Discussion of tax matters made confidential by state law as provided by O.C.G.A. § 50-14-2(2) and _____insert the citation to the legal authority making the tax matter confidential);
- No Discussion of the future acquisition of real estate as provided by O.C.G.A. § 50-14-3(4);
- <u>Yes</u> Discussion or deliberation on the appointment, employment, compensation, hiring, disciplinary action or dismissal, or periodic evaluation or rating of a public officer or employee or interviewing applicants for the position of the executive head of an agency, as provided in O.C.G.A. § 50-14-3(b)(2);
- No Other Germane to authorizing negotiations to purchase, dispose of or lease property.

Pike County Board of Commissioners:	Tim Daniel, Commissioner	(L.S)
	Tim Guy, Commissioner	(L.S.)
	Jason Proctor, Commissioner	(L.S.)
	James Jenkins, Commissioner	(L.S.)
This the 21st day of June 2022.	J. Briar Johnson, Chairman	(L.S.)

Sworn to and subscribed Before me this 21st day of June 2022.

Robert L. Morton Morton & Morton Associates County Attorney and Notary Public

My commission expires: <u>August 14, 2022.</u>

Motion/second by Commissioners Daniel/Guy to adjourn Executive Session and enter into Regular Session at 7:37 p.m., motion carried 5-0.

5. NEW BUSINESS

a. Discussion and possible third reading and approval of budget for FY 2022-2023.

Commissioner Daniel stated he thinks the budget is ready to be adopted and asked County Attorney if there was anything he needed to add. County Attorney Rob Morton asked the Board to entertain a motion to approve the budget with the stipulation until the evaluation and a contract is reached with the County Manager, the County Manager salary stays as is. Commissioner Daniel noted the \$5,000.00 is in the budget if the Board of Commissioners chose to give the County Manager a raise once the evaluation is done and a contract is reached. For discussion, County Attorney Rob Morton noted this was not his motion, he was just articulating the motion. Commissioner Jenkins stated he needed clarification on the amount the budget is increasing, the total budget that taxpayers are accountable for. County Manager Brandon Rogers was phoned in. CM Rogers stated the mill rate is based off the general property tax. CM Rogers stated on page 3 of the budget, the total amount is listed under the General Property Taxes line item, \$8,835,393.00. Commissioner Daniel stated according to the final reading of the budget provided, the total budget is \$18,616,622.00. Commissioner Jenkins stated he knew that, and he wanted it for public record. As the budget was presented by the Budget Officer, the prior year budget total was \$16,779,961.05 and this budget year total is \$18,616,622.00. Commissioner Jenkins stated that is a \$2 million dollar increase, \$400,000 of that increase is ambulance services, that puts the budget at a \$1.6 million dollar increase. Chairman Briar Johnson stated it is an increase of \$1.8 million dollars, that increase includes \$400,000 for the ambulance increase and the pay for the start of a paid Fire Department. CM Rogers noted when budgets are being compared like they are comparing them, you must take in account for the Special Funds. Chairman Johnson asked if this budget includes Special Funds and CM Rogers replied yes. CM Rogers stated you usually look at your General Funds only and not Special Funds. Special Funds are budgeted on income coming in. Chairman Johnson asked if the bottom line of the budget for this year and last year includes Special Funds. CM Rogers stated it does. Chairman Johnson stated he thinks all this could have been communicated better when the County Manager was present in person. He is not blaming the County Manager or the Board, but as a group it could have been better communicated before the third and final reading.

Motion/second by Commissioners Daniel/Guy to approve budget for FY 2022-2023 with one stipulation, motion carried 4-1, with Commissioner Jenkins opposing. Stipulation is as follows:

- 1) County Manager's salary will stay as is until evaluation is complete, and a contract is reached with the County Manager.
- 6. EXECUTIVE SESSION (moved between Agenda Item 4 and 5)
- 7. ADJOURNMENT

Motion/second by Commissioners Proctor/Daniel to adjourn at 7:50 p.m., motion carried 5-0.

J. Briar Johnson, Chairman	Angela Blount, County Clerk