

POST AGENDA

PIKE COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

9:00 a.m.

REGULAR MONTHLY MEETING

Wednesday, April 9, 2025

The Pike County Board of Commissioners held its Regular Monthly Meeting on Wednesday, April 9, 2025, at 9:00 a.m. in the Courthouse, Main Courtroom, 16001 Barnesville Street, Zebulon. Chairman Briar Johnson convened the meeting and Commissioners Tim Daniel, Tim Guy, Ken Pullin and James Jenkins attended. County Attorney/Interim County Manager Rob Morton and County Clerk Angela Blount were also present. (O.C.G.A. § 50-14-1(e) (2)).

1. **CALL TO ORDER** Chairman J. Briar Johnson
2. **INVOCATION**.....Silent Invocation
3. **PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**..... Chairman J. Briar Johnson
4. **APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA - (O.C.G A. § 50-14-1 (e) (1))**
Motion/second by Commissioners Daniel/Guy to approve the agenda, motion carried 5-0.
5. **APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES - (O.C.G.A. § 50-14-1(e) (2))**
 - a. Minutes of the March 25, 2025, Regular Monthly Meeting.
 - b. Minutes of the March 25, 2025, Executive Session.
Motion/second by Commissioners Guy/Daniel to approve the minutes of the March 25, 2025 Regular Monthly Meeting and the minutes of the March 25, 2025 Executive Session, motion carried 5-0.
6. **INVITED GUEST**
 - a. Employee Recognition for service to Pike County.
 - Zandra “Lisa” Caslin – Pike County Sheriff’s Department
 - Jared Peoples – Public Works
7. **REPORTS FROM COMMISSIONS, DEPARTMENTS, COMMITTEES, AUTHORITIES**
 - a. Monthly Reports submitted from County Departments and County Authorities, including a Revenue/Expenditure Statement for all departments and a summary check register.
Motion/second by Commissioners Daniel/Guy to accept reports, motion carried 5-0.
 - b. County Manager Report
Update on County finances for the following funds/accounts:

General Fund	\$1,196,055.10
Fire Dept. Donations.....	\$10,905.91
Cash Reserve Account.....	\$110,318.25
Jail Fund	\$14,314.10
E-911 Fund	\$116,273.87
DATE Fund	\$25,158.18
Juvenile Court Fund.....	\$13,746.25
Residential Impact Fees.....	\$493,520.22
Commercial Impact Fees	\$36,759.21
C.A.I.P FUND	\$85,780.38
General Obligation SPLOST 2022-2028.....	\$1,985,928.01
L.M.I.G. Grant (DOT).....	\$139,600.44
 - c. County Manager Comment
 - d. Commissioner Reports

- e. County Attorney Report to Commissioners

8. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

- a. Discussion of the permitting fees for Sun Tribe Flat Shoals Energy Center.

Motion/second by Commissioners Guy/Daniel to approve reducing permitting fees for Sun Tribe Flat Shoals Energy Center to \$2.50 per \$1,000.00, motion carried 3-2 with Commissioner Ken Pullin and Commissioner James Jenkins opposed.

9. NEW BUSINESS

- a. Consider use of Courthouse Grounds from Bryan Richardson with Pike County American Legion 197 on Monday, May 26, 2025, for Pike County Memorial Day Observance Program.

Motion/second by Commissioners Daniel/Guy to approve use of Courthouse Grounds on Monday, May 26, 2025, motion carried 5-0.

- b. Consider Tax Refund application from Desmond Foster in the amount of \$378.54.

Motion/second by Commissioners Jenkins/Daniel to approve the tax refund in the amount of \$378.54, motion carried 5-0.

- c. Open Sealed bids for the Woodard Road Paving Project.

Motion/second by Commissioners Jenkins/Pullin to approve awarding the Woodard Road paving project to McLeRoy Inc., contingent upon compliance with all bid specifications and requirements, motion carried 5-0.

- d. Discussion of Health Insurance and related renewals.

Motion/second by Commissioners Jenkins/Daniel to approve authorizing McGriff Insurance to renegotiate with Aetna on behalf of the county regarding employee health insurance, motion carried 5-0.

- e. FY 2025-2026 Budget Status

Discussion only, no motion entertained.

10. PUBLIC COMMENT - NONE

11. EXECUTIVE SESSION

- a. Interim County Manager Rob Morton requests an Executive Session to discuss the possible acquisition of real property pursuant to O.C.G.A. 50-14-3 (b)(1).
- b. Chairman Briar Johnson requests an 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 Daniel/Guy to adjourn Regular Session and enter into Executive Session at 9:47 a.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 4-9-2025.

2.

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

3.

The executive session was called to order at 9:47 a.m.

4.

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*);

Yes Discussion of the future acquisition of real estate as provided by O.C.G.A. § 50-14-3(4);

Yes 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:

J. Briar Johnson, Chairman (L.S.)

Tim Daniel, Commissioner (L.S.)

Tim Guy, Commissioner (L.S.)

Ken Pullin, Commissioner (L.S.)

James Jenkins (L.S.)

This the 9th day of April 2025.

Sworn to and subscribed

Before me this 9th day of April 2025.

Robert L. Morton

Morton & Morton Associates

County Attorney and Notary Public

My commission expires: August 10, 2026.

Motion/second by Commissioners Daniel/Guy to adjourn Executive Session and enter into Regular Session at 10:25 a.m., motion carried 5-0.

Motion/second by Commissioners Guy/Daniel to appoint Rob Morton as County Manager, motion carried 3-2, with Commissioner Ken Pullin and Commissioner James Jenkins opposed.

Motion/second by Commissioners Daniel/Guy to approve to compensate Rob Morton \$3,000.00 per month for each month of his service as Interim County Manager since August 2024 through the end of this fiscal year, June 30, 2025, motion carried 5-0.

Motion/second by Commissioners Guy/Daniel to approve to finalize a County Manager contract that addresses compensation of \$65,000.00 and other terms in connection with the adoption of the budget for the next fiscal year, July 1, 2025 through June 30, 2026 and to seek outside legal counsel to review the contract, motion carried 5-0.

Motion/second by Commissioners Pullin/Jenkins to approve the termination of the contract for legal services between the County and Rob Morton, motion failed to carry by a vote of 2-3, with Chairman Briar Johnson, Commissioner Tim Daniel and Commissioner Tim Guy opposed.

12. ADJOURNMENT

Motion/second by Commissioners Guy/Daniel to adjourn at 10:39 a.m., motion carried 5-0.