

Regular Meeting Minutes
Jenkins County Board of Commissioners
Tuesday, April 14, 2026
4:00 P.M.

1. The Jenkins County Board of Commissioners met for its Regular Monthly Meeting on Tuesday, April 14, 2026 at 4:00 P.M. in the Commissioners' Meeting Room at the James L. Henry Administrative Building. Commissioners in attendance were Horace Weathersby III, Tracie Coney, Mike Chance, Jonathan Powell and Pamela Dwight. Others in attendance were County Administrator Grady Saxon, County Attorney Kendall Gross, Attorney Cindy Ballew, Ms. Deborah Bennett, Mrs. Gwen Watson, Mr. Emmanuel Watson, Mrs. Debra Hearn, Mr. Bill Kent, Ms. Vivian Johnson, Ms. Julia Lassiter, Mr. Sam Sullivan, Ms. Myrtis Reese, Mrs. Sherri Chance, Ms. Martha Sea, Mr. Tommy Lane, Ms. Shanelle Carr, Sheriff Robert Oglesby, and Chief Deputy Wesley Aaron.
2. Chairman Horace Weathersby III called the meeting to order at 4:00 P.M. Chairman Weathersby gave the Invocation and then led the Pledge of Allegiance. Chairman Weathersby welcomed all those in attendance.
3. Chairman Weathersby asked if any changes need to be made to the AGENDA. Mr. Saxon stated that Item B (Blighted Property Ordinance) under Old Business needed to be removed from the AGENDA. He also stated that under Executive Session, Item A- Personnel needed to be changed from 2 to 3 matters. A motion was made by Commissioner Powell and seconded by Commissioner Coney to approve the AGENDA as amended. The motion carried unanimously.
4. Chairman Weathersby called for the approval of the Minutes from the March 6, 2026 Called Meeting and the March 10, 2026 Regular Meeting. A motion was made by Commissioner Powell and seconded by Commissioner Coney to approve the Minutes from the March 10, 2026 Regular Meeting as presented. The motion carried unanimously.
5. Under Personal Appearances, Mr. Tommy Lane of the Sons of Confederate Veterans requested to place a wreath at the Confederate Memorial on April 26, 2026 in honor of Confederate History Month from sunrise until sunset. A motion was made by Commissioner Chance and seconded by Commissioner Powell to approve the wreath placement. The motion carried unanimously.
6. Finally under Personal Appearances, Mrs. Gwen Watson provided updates on the Hwy 25 Viaduct repairs through GDOT contract. Next, she discussed grant opportunities for the County. She stated that she had attended a recent grant workshop sponsored by DCA. She challenged the Board members to come up with a project for each district. Next, she stated that repairs to railroad crossings were forthcoming. Finally, she gave a thank you for the airport availability for a recent medical flight for a local child.

7. Under Old Business, Mr. Saxon presented the vehicles to be purchased for the Sheriff's Department. The first was a 2026 Explorer from O.C. Welch Ford for \$43,150. The second was a Tahoe from Hardy Chevrolet in the amount of \$54,000. These vehicles had been approved via email polls but needed to be entered into the Minutes. A motion was made by Commissioner Powell and seconded by Commissioner Coney to approve the purchase of these two vehicles for the Sheriff's Office. The motion carried unanimously.

8. Finally under Old Business, Mr. Saxon presented information regarding the renewal of the Solid Waste Collection Contract with Allgreen. He explained that the initial contract was for 5 years and it expired at the end of March, 2026. The Board had tabled the discussion at the March 2026 Regular Meeting. He stated that the renewal was proposed to go from \$3.50 per cubic yard to \$4.75 per cubic yard for garbage hauling. The dumpster site cleanup was proposed to increase from \$4,000 to \$5,000 per month. Several concerns were raised, including dumpsters that the County was paying for that the public did not have access to. Sam Sullivan with Allgreen stated that removing those dumpsters would reduce the County's cost by around \$2,100 per month. Mr. Sullivan stated that Allgreen would reach out to those businesses and set them up with private accounts. Commissioner Chance questioned the dumpster site cleanup and referenced the original contract. Mr. Saxon mentioned the amended contract, which stated site cleanup would occur twice weekly. Chairman Weathersby stated that he had ridden by the Lane Road dumpsters and that same mattress had been there since March 18, almost a full month. He stated that the fault lies on the truck driver. Mr. Sullivan stated there is room for improvement and they will do better. Commissioner Powell stated that better communication is needed when problems occur that disrupt the normal operation. Jenkins County's citizens deserve better. Mr. Sullivan stated that he will remove the requested increase for the site cleanup, keeping it at \$4,000 per month. Commissioner Powell stated he would like for Allgreen to meet with the County at least quarterly to be able to address issues in a more timely manner. A motion was made by Commissioner Powell and seconded by Commissioner Chance to approve the revised contract and authorize Chairman Weathersby to sign it. The motion carried unanimously.

9. Under New Business, Mr. Saxon presented quotes for repairs to Old Louisville Road. He stated that the original low bidder failed to submit the qualifications requested for completing the job, even after multiple requests. Therefore, the second lowest bidder, Limitless Concrete was recommended by Parker Engineering. The bids were as follows:

RM Concrete Specialists	\$294,409
Limitless Concrete	\$320,750
Reeves Construction	\$335,400
McLendon Enterprises	\$343,800

A motion was made by Commissioner Powell and seconded by Commissioner Coney to approve the bid from Limitless Concrete in the amount of \$320,750. The motion carried unanimously.

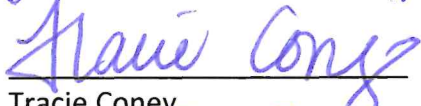
10. Next under New Business, Mr. Saxon presented an invoice in the amount of \$17,934.33 for the mapping flyover from EagleView. Mr. Saxon stated that the cost had been budgeted. A motion was made by Commissioner Powell and seconded by Commissioner Chance to approve payment of the invoice. The motion carried unanimously.
11. Next under New Business, Mr. Saxon presented notification that he had contacted Superior Alarm regarding the installation of 20 new wireless smoke detectors in the Courthouse. The detectors, once activated, will alert E-911 automatically. The cost of the installation is \$3,505. Mr. Saxon had polled the Board members for approval and had told Superior Alarm to proceed with the install. A motion was made by Commissioner Coney and seconded by Commissioner Powell to approve the installation of the additional smoke detectors. The motion carried unanimously.
12. Next under New Business, Chairman Weathersby read a proclamation from LifeLink proclaiming the month of April as Donate Life Month in Jenkins County. A motion was made by Commissioner Chance and seconded by Commissioner Coney to authorize Chairman Weathersby to sign the proclamation. The motion carried unanimously.
13. Finally under New Business, Attorney Gross stated that he had been contacted by the Hospital Authority's attorney who stated that the Hospital needed to clean up some of its records. He stated that when the hospital authority was reformed after the hospital was re-purchased by the County, the County Commissioners reconstituted it with five members instead of the original nine members. The Hospital Authority asked that the Board of Commissioners approve the five member Authority through a resolution. Commissioner Dwight inquired about increasing the Hospital Authority to seven members. Attorney Gross recommended to affirm the Hospital Authority with five members and possibly look into adding members at a later time. A motion was made by Commissioner Chance and seconded by Commissioner Coney to approve the Resolution to set the Hospital Authority at five members. The motion carried unanimously.
14. There was no Field Director's Report.
15. Under County Attorney's Report, Attorney Gross would not recommend renewing the Dominion Voting Machine warranty. He then stated that the State of Georgia has possibly put counties in a bind, in that we may have to vote on paper ballots after July 1, 2026. Being able to access ballots may be a problem.
16. Under Administrator's Report, Mr. Saxon congratulated Commissioner Dwight for achieving two certifications through ACCG's Lifelong Learning Academy in 2025. He also announced that Commissioner Dwight will achieve her final certification through ACCG


next week at the annual ACCG Conference. At that point, Commissioner Dwight will have achieved the CORE Certification plus 8 Specialty Tracks.

17. Next under Administrator's Report, Mr. Saxon provided a list of surplus vehicles and equipment that are being prepared for a County auction in early June. There are also three court forfeiture vehicles that will be auctioned as well. The list will be attached to the Minutes. A motion was made by Commissioner Powell and seconded by Commissioner Coney to approve the list for surplus. The motion carried unanimously.
18. Next under Administrator's Report, Mr. Saxon reminded the Board of the ACCG Annual Conference next week in Savannah, beginning on Thursday. Mr. Saxon will have the conference materials ready for pickup by this Friday at noon.
19. Next under Administrator's Report, Mr. Saxon notified the Board and community that the May 12, 2026 Regular Meeting and the June 9 Regular Meeting will be re-located to the Jenkins County Senior Center, located at 998 College Avenue, due to advanced voting for the May 19, 2026 Primary and the anticipated June 16, 2026 runoff elections. The time for the meetings will remain at 4:00 P.M.>
20. Next under Administrator's Report, Mr. Saxon stated that the repairs to Rabitsch Road that were incurred during Hurricane Debby had been completed and that the final payment has been made. Once the check clears, the reimbursement request will be processed through FEMA.
21. Next under Administrator's Report, Mr. Saxon stated that the Mays Road repairs are almost complete and should wrap up later this week. He stated that the final pay request should come within the next week.
22. Next under Administrator's Report, Mr. Saxon stated that he had included the monthly budget reports in the Commissioners' packets. He also stated that he would be conducting the six month budget reviews with department heads through early May.
23. Finally under Administrator's Report, Mr. Saxon presented a commendation from FEMA recognizing Jenkins County for the work that was completed during Hurricane Debby and Helene.
24. Commissioner Dwight stated she received a call regarding the contract for the Public Defender's Office. Mr. Saxon stated that the State Court Judge wanted to speak to the Board, so the County was holding off on the contract until that meeting occurs.
25. There was no Chairman's Report.
26. The Board recessed to go outside and view the new ambulance presented by EMS Director Henry Young.

27. Chairman Weathersby entertained a motion to enter Executive Session. A motion was made by Commissioner Powell and seconded by Commissioner Coney to enter Executive Session at 5:09 P.M. The motion carried unanimously.
28. A motion was made by Commissioner Powell and seconded by Commissioner Coney to exit Executive Session at 6:16 P.M. The motion carried unanimously. All Commissioners signed an affidavit stating that only three personnel matters, two real estate matters, and one litigation matter were discussed.
29. A motion was made by Commissioner Coney and seconded by Commissioner Chance to grant the use of the old Probation Office on the third floor of the Courthouse to the Sheriff for the purpose of holding prisoners for court. The motion carried unanimously.
30. A motion was made by Commissioner Powell and seconded by Commissioner Chance to make an offer of \$500,000 on the Rite Aid Building, with Attorney Gross preparing a contract and authorizing Chairman Weathersby to sign it. This purchase will be made through SPLOST. The motion carried unanimously.
31. The Board members signed all necessary meeting documents.
32. Chairman Weathersby adjourned the meeting at 6:22 P.M.

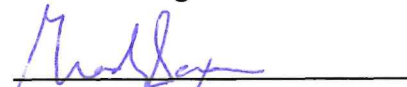

Chairman Horace Weathersby III


Tracie Coney


Jonathan Powell


Mike Chance

Pamelia Dwight


Attest: Grady Saxon, Administrator

Second Amendment to Solid Waste Collection Contract

This Second amendment is made and entered into this 14th day of April, 2026, by and between JENKINS COUNTY (the "County") a political subdivision of the State of Georgia, acting by and through its Board of Commissioners, and ALLGREEN SERVICES, A DIVISION OF ATLANTIC WASTE SERVICES, INC., a Georgia limited liability company ("Allgreen").

WITNESSETH

This Second amendment is made as part of the original solid waste contract between the County and Allgreen dated January 13, 2021, and the Amendment to the Original Agreement dated March 18, 2024. The purpose of this amendment is to modify the current rates and extend the same operating terms and conditions from the original agreement and the amended agreement.

WHEREAS the County previously entered into an Exclusive Agreement for the Collection and Disposal of Municipal Solid Waste ("Original Agreement") with Allgreen on January 13, 2021, and

WHEREAS the County and Allgreen signed an Amendment ("First Amendment") to the Original Agreement on March 18, 2024, that rolled back rates to \$3.50 per cubic yard and defined changes to cleanup schedules around sites, and

WHEREAS, the Original Agreement expired on March 31, 2026, and

WHEREAS the Original Agreement allowed for the renewal for a new five (5) year term if mutually agreed by the parties, and

WHEREAS the parties agree to renew the same operating terms and conditions from the Original Agreement and the First Amendment for a new term of five annually renewable terms expiring on March 31, 2031. The first year of the new term will begin on April 1, 2026, and expire on March 31, 2027. If neither party gives the other party notification of its intention to terminate the Agreement at least 90 days prior to the end of any annual term (by January 1), the next annual term will automatically renew, and

WHEREAS the parties may agree to renew, modify or extend the term at the end of the five annual terms, and

WHEREAS the new rates proposed by Allgreen shall be the following effective April 1, 2026:

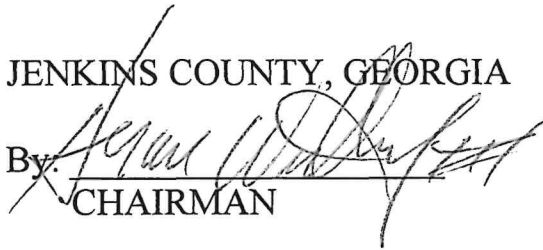
\$4.75 per cubic yard for current container collection and disposal
\$4,000 per month for site cleanup

WHEREAS on the anniversary date (April 1) of each year in the new five-year term, rates will be adjusted by changes in the Consumer Price Index (CPI) water, sewer and trash collection index and Allgreen shall inform the County of the upcoming changes in writing at least 60 days prior to April 1, and

WHEREAS the County and Allgreen agree that all other operating and service terms and conditions of the Original Agreement and the First Amendment will remain in full force and effect, and

In **WITNESS WHEREOF**, the parties hereto, for and in consideration of the mutual benefits and promises passing between the County and Allgreen as set forth in the Original Agreement and the First Amendment do hereby agree to modify current rates and extend the term of the Original Agreement for services until March 31, 2031.

JENKINS COUNTY, GEORGIA

By: 
CHAIRMAN

Dated: 5-12-2026

Witness: 

ALLGREEN SERVICES, A DIVISION OF ATLANTIC WASTE SERVICES, INC.

By: _____

Dated: _____

Witness: _____

LifeLink[®]



National Donate Life Month Proclamation

County PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS, one of the most meaningful gifts that a human being can bestow upon another is the gift of life; and

WHEREAS, more than 100,000 men, women, and children await lifesaving or life-enhancing organ transplants, of which nearly 3,000 reside in Georgia; and

WHEREAS, 49,064 a record number of transplants, occurred in the calendar year 2025 thanks to the generosity of 23,789 deceased and living donors, of which 1,676 transplant patients and 679 deceased and living donors, also a record number, were from Georgia; and

WHEREAS, more than 2.5 million people throughout the country and in Georgia benefit annually from tissue transplantation thanks to thousands of tissue donors; and

WHEREAS, the need for organ, eye, and tissue donation remains critical as a new patient is added to the national waiting list for an organ transplant every 8 minutes and millions more could experience improved quality of life through tissue transplantation; and

WHEREAS, the critical donor shortage remains a public health crisis as an average of 13 people die daily due to the lack of available organs; and

WHEREAS, organ, eye, and tissue donation can provide families the comfort of knowing the gift of donated organs and tissue endows another person with renewed hope for a healthy life; and

WHEREAS, donating life through organ, eye, and tissue donation is the ultimate act of generosity and kindness we **County** citizens can perform; and

WHEREAS, nearly than 3.8 million Georgians have already registered their decision to give the Gift of Life at www.donatelifegeorgia.org, when getting or renewing their driver license or state identification card at a driver license office, or when getting a hunting or fishing license through the Department of Natural Resources; and

WHEREAS, LifeLink[®] of Georgia, the non-profit organization dedicated to the recovery of organs and tissue for transplantation therapy in Georgia, with a vision to maximize the gift of life while giving hope to donor families and transplant patients and mission to honor donors and save lives through organ and tissue donation; and

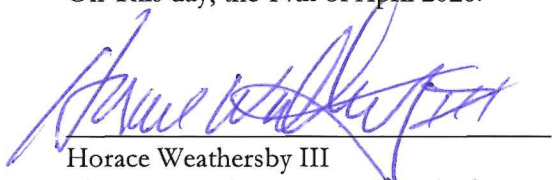
WHEREAS, **County** supports the life-saving mission of LifeLink[®] of Georgia; and

NOW, THEREFORE, I, **Horace Weathersby III , Jenkins County Board of Commissioners Chairman** do hereby proclaim April 2026 as

DONATE LIFE MONTH

In **Jenkins County**, to honor all those who made the decision to give the gift of life, to focus attention on the extreme need for organ, eye and tissue donation, to encourage all residents to take action and sign up on Georgia's Donor Registry at www.donatelifegeorgia.org, to discuss the miracle of transplantation as a family, and to make a family commitment to organ, eye, and tissue donation

On This day, the 14th of April 2026.



Horace Weathersby III
Chairman, Jenkins County Board of Commissioners

1. "Home Page." *Donate Life Georgia*, Donate Life Georgia, 2022, <https://donatelifegeorgia.org/>.
2. "Organ Donation Statistics." *Donate Life America*, Donate Life America, 25 Aug. 2021, <https://www.donatelife.net/statistics/>.
3. "Organ Transplant Trends: More Transplants than Ever." *UNOS*, United Network for Organ Sharing, 13 Jan. 2022, <https://unos.org/data/transplant-trends/>.
4. "Tissue Donation." *Donate Life America*, Donate Life America, 25 Aug. 2021, <https://www.donatelife.net/types-of-donation/tissue-donation/>.

A Donate Life Organization



**RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF
JENKNINS COUNTY, GEORGIA**

WHEREAS, in 1941, the Georgia legislature enacted the Hospital Authorities Law, 1941 Ga. Laws 241 (codified as amended at O.C.G.A. § 31-7-70, *et seq.*) (“Act”), allowing for the creation of hospital authorities as public bodies to oversee the public health needs of Georgia communities; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Commissioners of Jenkins County, Georgia (the “Board of Commissioners”), as the governing body of Jenkins County, Georgia (the “County”), established the Jenkins County Hospital Authority in 1968 (the “Authority”) for purposes of owning and operating the Jenkins County Hospital (the “Hospital”) and otherwise arranging for or providing health care services for the citizens of the County, to be governed by a nine (9) person Board of Trustees (the “Board of Trustees”);

WHEREAS, in and around 2010, the Hospital was sold to a third-party;

WHEREAS, in connection with reacquiring the Hospital, the Board of Commissioners and the Authority took such acts in 2020 to reduce the number of the Board of Trustees from nine (9) to five (5), with the Board of Commissioners designating the five (5) individual trustees to comprise the Board of Trustees;

WHEREAS, on February 27, 2020, upon consultation with and the assistance of the Board of Commissioners, the Authority reacquired the Hospital and has, since that time, operated the Hospital pursuant to its statutory authority; and

WHEREAS, since such time, the Board of Commissioners, has, as the governing body of the Authority and as provided for by applicable law, has continued to periodically nominate trustees to the Board of Commissioners.

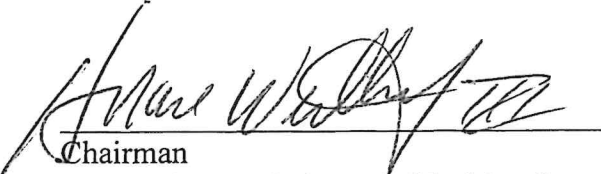
NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Commissioners of Jenkins County that:

1. The Board of Commissioners ratifies, endorses, and adopts the reduction of the Jenkins County Hospital Authority Board of Trustees from nine (9) to five (5) trustees as effectuated by the Board of Commissioners in 2020, and further ratifies and endorses such acts taken by the Board of Trustees since such time as acts taken by a validly constituted hospital authority board with such trustees appointed by the Board of Commissioners consistent with Georgia law.

2. All resolutions or parts thereof of the Board of Commissioners of Jenkins County in conflict with the provisions herein contained are, to the extent of such conflict, hereby superseded and repealed.

3. This resolution shall take effect immediately upon its adoption.

DULY APPROVED AND ADOPTED in a public meeting this 4 day of April,
2026.

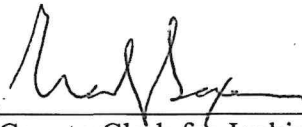


Chairman
Board of Commissioners of Jenkins County

CLERK'S CERTIFICATE

Now comes the undersigned County Clerk of Jenkins County, Georgia (the "County"), keeper of the records and seal thereof, and certifies that the foregoing RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF JENKINS COUNTY, GEORGIA is a true and correct copy of said resolution approved and adopted by the Board of Commissioners of Jenkins County in a public meeting properly and lawfully held and assembled on April 14, 2026, the original of which has been entered in the official records of the County under my supervision and is in my official possession, custody and control.

I further certify that said resolution was adopted and approved in a meeting held in conformity with the requirements of Title 50, Chapter 14 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated.



County Clerk for Jenkins County

[County Seal]

