

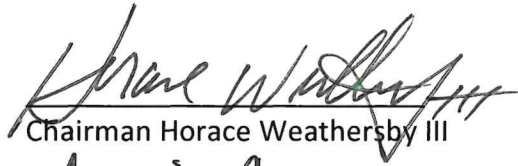
Regular Meeting Minutes
Jenkins County Board of Commissioners
Tuesday, August 11, 2026
4:00 P.M.

1. The Jenkins County Board of Commissioners met for its Regular Monthly Meeting on Tuesday, August 11, 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, Pamela Dwight and Jonathan Powell. Others in attendance were County Administrator Grady Saxon, Attorney Cindy Ballew, Ms. Deborah Bennett, Mrs. Gwen Watson, Mr. Emmanuel Watson, Mrs. Debbie Hearn, County Field Director Jason Oglesby, Ms. Julia Lassiter, Ms. Vivian Johnson, Mrs. Hilda Walker, Mr. Charlie Walker, Mr. Edwin Lewis, Mr. Perry Lane, Mr. Brian Lane, Mr. Manuel Godsey, and Ms. Shanelle Carr.
2. Chairman Horace Weathersby III called the meeting to order at 4:00 P.M. Commissioner Mike Chance gave the Invocation and Chairman Weathersby led the Pledge of Allegiance. Chairman Weathersby welcomed all those in attendance.
3. Chairman Weathersby asked if there were any changes to the AGENDA. Commissioner Powell stated that Personnel needed to be changed from (2) to (3) under Executive Session. 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 July 14, 2026 Regular Meeting. A motion was made by Commissioner Powell and seconded by Commissioner Chance to approve the Minutes from the July 14, 2026 Regular Meeting as presented. The motion carried unanimously.
5. Under Personal Appearances, Mr. Perry Lane requested a variance to the County's Mobile Home Ordinance, as he wishes to add 8 additional mobile homes to his existing park on Finch Road. He stated that he had received and presented to the Board the EPD and DPH approvals for his planned additions, including the 8 new mobile homes and a private water system. A motion was made by Commissioner Powell and seconded by Commissioner Coney to approve the requested variance. The motion carried unanimously.
6. Finally under Personal Appearances, Mr. Gray Blackburn stated that his property and others in his neighborhood in Parker Estates is experiencing flooding and erosion since the prison was built. He also stated that the erosion is causing the road to dip. He requested that an engineer study the water flow and see if anything can be done to change the water flow. Chairman Weathersby stated that we would have Parker Engineering look at it.

7. Under New Business, Mr. Saxon discussed and presented banking proposals from Queensborough Bank and Durden Bank for Board review. The Board will come back to this item later in the meeting.
8. Next under New Business, Mr. Saxon discussed some recent public outrage over data centers in Effingham County and in the City of Statesboro. Mr. Saxon stated he had conversed with Attorney Gross and discussed the possibility of a moratorium on data centers until further research could be completed and an ordinance developed. After a discussion, a motion was made by Commissioner Powell and seconded by Commissioner Chance to have Attorney Ballew draft a moratorium on data centers. The motion carried unanimously.
9. Next under New Business, Mr. Saxon stated that he and Attorney Gross had also discussed the current Subdivision Ordinance, particularly the section regarding streets and roads. He stated that the current ordinance mentions streets and roads. Mr. Saxon stated that the ordinance is vague in that a subdivision could have dirt roads. Mr. Saxon then suggested a moratorium on new subdivisions until the ordinance could be revised. A motion was made by Commissioner Powell and seconded by Commissioner Coney to draft a moratorium on new subdivisions. The motion carried unanimously. A motion was made by Commissioner Powell and seconded by Commissioner Coney to revise the current Subdivision Ordinance. The motion carried unanimously. Mr. Saxon will send a copy of the current Subdivision Ordinance to Attorney Ballew.
10. Under Field Director's Report, Field Director Oglesby discussed the issues with the 6-7" of rain over the last couple weeks. He also stated that the grass cutters are currently on the third round of cutting so far.
11. Attorney Ballew did not have an Attorney's Report.
12. Under Administrator's Report, County Administrator Grady Saxon stated that he had included budget summaries in the Commissioners' packets and that the average percent spent/received should be close to 85%, based on the number of pay dates in the current year. He also stated that the Board would need to schedule some Budget Work Sessions over the next month in order to stay on track with the budget rollover on October 1.
13. Next under Administrator's Report, Mr. Saxon reported that he had included in the Board packets the 2025 Sales Ratio Study from the Georgia Department of Audits and Accounts.
14. Next under Administrator's Report, Mr. Saxon stated that Chairman Weathersby had inquired which LMIG projects were currently listed. Mr. Saxon stated the following:
LMIG 2026-North Herndon Road-Out for bid now-will present in September
LRA 2026-Elam Road-Out for bid now-will present in September
LMIG 2027-Big Buckhead Church Road-will likely bid in spring or summer 2027

Mr. Saxon stated that the LRA funds are not guaranteed and its continuation would be decided by the new Governor.

15. Next under Administrator's Report, Mr. Saxon stated that Gregory Bridge Company will be closing West Old Savannah Road near Deep Creek Church starting this Friday in order to replace the bridge over Deep Creek. He stated that the closure would last for 150 calendar days and that Gregory would be placing detour signs.
16. Next under Administrator's Report, Mr. Saxon stated that the Board had received a Thank You card from Krystal Coney for the Board allowing the use of the Ag Building for ROX Foundation's Back to School Giveaway.
17. Next under Administrator's Report, Mr. Saxon revisited the potential Jake Brake Ordinance. The Board agreed not to proceed with it due to problems with enforcement.
18. Finally under Administrator's Report, Mr. Saxon stated that the drainage project on Old Louisville Road was complete. He stated that he would be processing the reimbursement request through GEMA as soon as the check clears.
19. Next, the Board revisited the Banking Proposals from earlier. Mr. Saxon stated that he sent out requests for banking proposals to each of the local banks. He stated that he only received proposals from Queensborough and Durden. He discussed the proposals presented to the Board members earlier in the meeting. After a discussion, a motion was made by Commissioner Powell and seconded by Commissioner Coney to stay with Queensborough. The motion carried unanimously.
20. Next, Mr. Saxon discussed a current line of credit for \$1 million with Queensborough. He stated that the line was scheduled to renew on August 18, 2026 and would cost about \$250 to renew it. If it was closed and then needed later, it would cost about \$1,000 to restart the process. A motion was made by Commissioner Chance and seconded by Commissioner Powell to keep the line of credit with Queensborough. The motion carried unanimously.
21. There was no Chairman's Report.
22. A motion was made by Commissioner Coney and seconded by Commissioner Chance to enter Executive Session at 4:40 P.M. The motion carried unanimously.
23. A motion was made by Commissioner Chance and seconded by Commissioner Coney to exit Executive Session at 5:49 P.M. The motion carried unanimously. All Commissioners signed an affidavit stating that only three personnel matters and two real estate matters were discussed.
24. The Board members signed all necessary meeting documents.
25. Chairman Weathersby adjourned the meeting at 5:49 P.M.



Chairman Horace Weathersby III

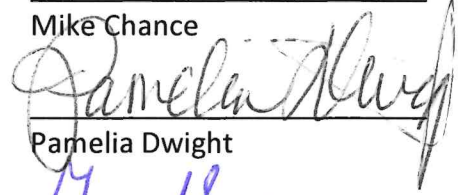


Tracie Coney

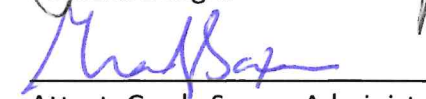


Jonathan Powell

Mike Chance



Pamela Dwight



Attest: Grady Saxon, Administrator