



ECHOLS COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

Regular Meeting Minutes

Date: May 7, 2026

Location: Echols County Courthouse, 110 Hwy 94 E, Statenville, GA

Regular Meeting: 7:00 PM

Regular Session

7:00PM – Chairman Justin Staten called the regular meeting to order.

Approval of Agenda

- **Motion:** Commissioner Kenneth Petty
 - **Second:** Commissioner Bobb Pohlman Rodgers
 - **Vote:** 4 to 0
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Approval of Previous Minutes

Meeting Date: April 2, 2026

- **Motion:** Commissioner Kenneth Petty
- **Second:** Commissioner Bobb Pohlman Rodgers
- **Vote:** 4 to 0

Meeting Date: April 16,2026

- **Motion:** Vice-Chairman Stanely Corbett
 - **Second:** Commissioner Bobbi Pohlman Rodgers
 - **Vote:** 4 to 0
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Consent Agenda

Proclamation of May as Mental Health Awareness

- **Motion:** Commissioner Bobbi Pohlman Rodgers
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Public Comments

Dan Davis came and addressed his concerns with the board about the importance of needing code enforcement for the constitutes of the county.

Shirley Wheeler addressed the need for code enforcement as well as the road grading on Katie Rob Road.

Old Business

Item: Resolution to amend the Elections Budget

Discussion: Request to add \$30,069 to the elections budget to staff a full-time employee.

- **Motion:** Vice-Chairman Stanley Corbett
 - **Second:** Commissioner Kenneth Petty
 - **Vote:** 4 to 0
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New Business

Item: Lease agreement with the Board of Education.

Discussion: The Echols County Board of Commissioners is considering approval of an Intergovernmental Facility Lease Agreement with the Echols County School District for the lease and operation of the facility located at 216 U.S. Highway 129 North. The property remains owned by the School District and would be utilized by the County for expanded office space. The monthly rent shall be the monthly expense of the school districts water bill.

- **Motion:** Vice-Chairman Stanley Corbett
- **Second:** Commissioner Kenneth Petty
- **Vote:** 3 to 1 Bobbi Pohlman Rodgers opposed due to the floating lease.

Item: Local Maintenance and Improvement Grant (LMIG) award to contractor.

Discussion: item authorizes the award of the FY 2026 Pavement Improvements project funded through LMIG to Scruggs Company as the apparent low bidder. The project includes roadway resurfacing, striping, raised pavement markers, and associated improvements on approximately 3.83 miles of Sardis Church Rd. Approval of this award will allow the County to proceed with construction and related contract execution in accordance with Georgia Department of Transportation LMIG requirements.

- **Motion:** Commissioner Bobbi Pohlman Rodgers
- **Second:** Commissioner Kenneth Petty
- **Vote:** 4 to 0

Item: Approval of Probate Court / Sheriff's Office E-Ticketing System Integration

Discussion: The Echols County Sheriff's Office (SO) and Probate Court is requesting the SO to be added to the Probate Court's existing citation (ticketing) system to improve efficiency, reporting, and coordination between law enforcement and the court. Current two systems do not integrate.

Approval is requested for a one-time expenditure of \$14,519 to implement the InterOp® Hybrid Mobile E-Ticketing Solution, including installation, training, and system configuration.

The Probate Court, under the direction of Judge Rodgers, intends to increase citation fines by \$10 per citation to offset the cost of the system.

- **Motion:** Commissioner Kenneth Petty
- **Second:** Commissioner Bobbi Pohlman Rodgers
- **Vote:** 4 to 0

Announcements

There was no announcements at this time.

Executive Session (if needed)

No executive session was needed

Adjournment

Time: 7:27 PM

- **Motion:** Vice-Chairman Stanley Corbett
 - **Second:** Commissioner Bobbi Pohlman Rodgers
 - **Vote:** 4 to 0
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Attendees

Commissioners:

- Chairman Justin Staten
 - Vice-Chairman Stanley Corbett
 - Commissioner Kenneth Petty
 - Commissioner Bobbi Pohlman Rodger
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Staff:

- County Manager Alan Levesque
- County Clerk Shona Carter
- Sheriff Randy Courson
- Judge Carl Rodgers
- Election Board Chairman Jimmy Tucker
- Election Board Member Teresa Rewis
- Election Supervisor Renee Church
- Tax Assessors Board member Evelyn Howell

- Road Superintendent Larry Fender

Public Attendees: Ashlie Prain, Tasha Dixon, Andrea Corrao, Karen Black, Troy Black, Katie Masters, Pam Cartwright, Pam Hernandot, Linda Giles, Dan and Charlene Davis, Kevin and Crystal Simpson, Kevin Simpson II, Angie Corbett, Walley Rewis, Shirley Wheeler, Jackie carter, Tessa Riley, Jesse Bennett, Anthony Everette, Ashley Darling. Other names were ineligible

Approval

These minutes were approved by the Echols County Board of Commissioners on the 7th day of May, 2020



Jusitn Staten, Chairman

Shona Carter, County Clerk