



ECHOLS COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

Regular Meeting Minutes

Date: August 6, 2026

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

Regular Meeting: 7:00 PM

Regular Session

7:00PM – Chairman Justin Staten

Chairman Justin Staten called the August 6, 2026 Board Meeting to order.

Approval of Agenda

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

Meeting Date: July 2, 2026

- **Motion:** Commissioner Bobby Walker
- **Second:** Commissioner Kenneth Petty
- **Vote:** 4 to 0

Meeting Date: July 16, 2026

- **Motion:** Commissioner Bobbi Pohlman Rodgers
 - **Second:** Commissioner Bobby Walker
 - **Vote:** 5 to 0
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Consent Agenda

Resolution to Amend the FY26 Budget for General Govt Building - Lease for BOE building for \$4200.

- **Motion:** Commissioner Bobbi Pohlman Rodgers
- **Second:** Commissioner Bobby Walker
- **Vote:** 5 to 0

Public Comments

Nicole Register with the Echols County H Agent gave an update on the summer activities that was done with the students over the summer as well as gave an update on the upcoming events that the extension office has planned for this upcoming school year. Nicole wrapped up thanking the commission for all the support that the county has given the extension office. All commissioners were given a gift for a token of their appreciation.

Old Business

Item: Code Enforcement

Discussion: The board previously voted to hire a code enforcement officer . A request to approve the code enforcement budget amendment in the amount of \$15,000.00.

- **Motion:** Commissioner Kenneth Petty
- **Second:** Commissioner Bobbi Pohlman Rodgers
- **Vote:** 4 to 1 with commissioner Stanley Corbett opposing

New Business

Item: Landfill Sticker Program

Discussion: In a previous meeting the commission approved the landfill sticker program. A request to appeal as approved places a burden on county staff and may even increase associated costs.

- **Motion:** Died
- **Second:**
- **Vote:** 0 to 4

Item: Camera System at the Concession Stand

Discussion: With vandalism and redesign of the concession stand, staff recommended adding three cameras to monitor the concession window, restrooms and ingress/egress, at the gate entry. A motion to approve the installation of cameras at the ballfield in the amount of \$2927.35.

- **Motion:** Commissioner Bobby Walker
- **Second:** Vice-Chairman Kenneth Pety
- **Vote:** 4 to 0

Item: Camera at the Board of Commissioners office

Discussion: We had an incident occur in front of the BOC / sheriff's building and we have a blind spot in the system. Staff recommend two cameras be installed at the BOC: front and rear of building. A request to approve the installation of cameras at the board of commissioners office in the amount of \$2,179.00.

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

Item : Request for Approval to Remove Uncollectible Taxes from the Active Receivables Listing.

Discussion: The Tax Commissioner requests Board approval to administratively write off delinquent personal property taxes associated with cable television equipment. The last return filed with the Tax Assessor's Office was in 2014, and the equipment appears to have been out of service since that time. The write-off is for accounting purposes only and does not extinguish any valid tax lien or other legal collection rights.

- **Motion:** Died
- **Second:**
- **Vote:** 0 to 4

Announcements

- I. Tire Amnesty Day- Will be August 29th from 8 to 3 where Citizens can bring old tires to the landfill for disposal. The max number of tires will be five. No rims .
- II. The next Board of Commissioners meeting will be held August 20, 2026 at 6:00 PM.

Executive Session (if needed)

7:15 PM request a motion to go into executive session

- **Motion:** Bobby Walker
- **Second:** Bobbi Pohlman Rodgers
- **Vote:** 4 to 0

7:33PM motion to come out of executive session

- **Motion:** Commissioner Bobbi Pohlman Rodgers
- **Second:** Commissioner Bobby Walker
- **Vote:** 4 to 0

Personnel issues were discussed and no action taken at this time.

Adjournment

Time: 7:35 PM

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

Attendees

Commissioners:

- Chairman Justin Staten
- Vice-Chairman Stanley Corbett
- Commissioner Kenneth Petty
- Commissioner Bobbi Pohlman Rodgers
- Commissioner Bobby Walker

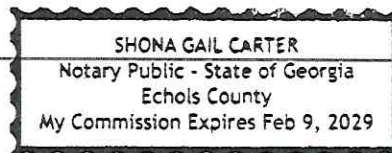
Staff:

- County Manager Alan Levesque
- County Clerk Shona Carter
- Sheriff Randy Courson
- Judge Carl Rodgers
- Board of Elections Teresea Rewis and Jimmy Tucker
- Tax Assessors Board Evelyn Howell
- 4 H Extension Office – Nicole Register

Public Attendees: Lawton Smith, Dan and Charlene Davis, Angie Corbett, Jackie Carter, Buddy and Katie Vann, Jed Williamson, Devon Bennett.

Respectfully submitted,


Shona Carter, County Clerk



Date: 9/3/2020

Approved by the Echols County Board of Commissioners on 9/3/2020

Justin Staten, Chairman

Date: 9-3-20 