

Pickens County Council
Budget Work Session Report
Tuesday, May 31 2022
6:00 PM
Main Conference Room
222 McDaniel Avenue
Pickens, SC 29671

Pickens County Council met to hold a work session to discuss the FY 2022-2023 proposed budget. Chairman Chris Bowers presided with all members in attendance. The meeting was called to order at 6:00 p.m.

Council Members in Attendance:

Chris Bowers, Chairman
Roy Costner, Vice Chairman
Trey Whitehurst
Ensley Feemster
Alex Saitta
Henry Wilson

Staff in Attendance:

Ken Roper, County Administrator
Meagan Nations, Clerk to Council
Les Hendricks, Contract County Attorney
Ralph Guarino, Finance Director

The discussion of budgetary items included, but not limited to the following:

- Emergency Services – Fire
 - Discussion on Proposed Budget Additions
 - ❖ Personnel
 - ❖ Capital & Operations
 - Renovations at Holly Springs FD
 - Generator for Six Mile & EMS Station next door
 - Roof for Pumpkintown station
 - Replace cascade system at Liberty FD
 - Increase building maintenance
 - Turn out gear laundering equipment service life of gear
 - Down payment on FY-23 capital purchase
 - Fire Response Times
- Emergency Services – EMS
 - Discussion on PCEMS “Power Shift” Estimates
 - ❖ Staffing
 - ❖ Equipment
 - EMS Response Times
- American Rescue Funding
- Pickens Soil & Water Conservation

- Human Resources
 - New Changes in HR Staff
 - HR Staff to Employee Ratio
 - HR Restructure
 - Employee Benefits
 - Nurse Practitioner Services
 - Visions – Future Goals
 - ❖ Expand Services offered by Nurse Practitioner – expand to include management of chronic diseases
 - ❖ Educate employees
 - Solid Waste Department
- McGriff Insurance Presentation

ADJOURN:

Hearing no further Council business, Chairman Chris Bowers called for a motion to adjourn. Motion was made by Councilman Henry Wilson, seconded by Councilman Ensley Feemster and carried unanimously (6-0). Pickens County Council stood adjourned at 8:51 p.m.