

PICKENS COUNTY EMERGENCY SERVICES ADVISORY BOARD
November 10, 2025
222 McDaniel Avenue, Pickens, SC 29671

IN ATTENDANCE - BOARD:

William "Bill" Daniel
Troy Burton
Kenny McPeters
Jessica Poirier
David Robinson
Randy Bowers
Dennis Bauknight
Brooke Newman
J.B Kelley
Rodney Herd (virtual)
Joe Burgett

ABSENT – BOARD:

Paul Howland

IN ATTENDANCE - STAFF:

Ken Roper, County Administrator
Billy Gibson
Meredith Teske
David Wagner

GUESTS IN ATTENDANCE:

Paul Athey- SC Dept of Revenue- E-911 Dir.
David Morrison SC Dept of Revenue- E-911
Chief Brandon Liner- Easley Police
Capt. Adam Green- Easley Police
Jordan ?? City of Easley

Agendas, bearing date, time and location of meeting were emailed to Board members and news media and a copy was posted on the county website and bulletin board at the Administration facility.

Meeting called to order at 1603 hours with a quorum confirmed

Invocation
Pledge of Allegiance

J.B. Kelley
Billy Gibson

Chairman Bill Daniel welcomed board members and guests including new board member Mr. Joe Burgett.

Approval of Minutes

October 13,2025 Motion: Troy Burton Second: Jessica Poirier - unanimous

Board held discussion to schedule a special called meeting to discuss the division budgets. Decision was made for Thursday November 20th at 6pm. Chief Gibson to develop and post agenda.

Chairman Daneil recognized County Administrator Ken Roper to introduce the guest speakers, Mr. Paul Athey & Mr. David Morrison with the SC Department of Revenue and Fiscal Affairs- 911 division.

Mr. Roper gave overview and timeline for new public safety building and communications center

Mr. Athey & Mr. Morrison discussed history and funding of state 911 system

1990's established 911 tariff on telephone lines to fund system

49 Public Safety Answering Points (PSAP) in the state

Landlines & cell lines generate revenue

Costs for equipment and operations funded through reimbursement from the state based on call volume

\$18.5- \$20 million / year

Statewide trends

Consolidation of PSAP's for efficiency & cost management

Changes must be approved by state 911 commission

11 PSAP's run by the sheriff depends on how plan was approved in the 1990's

Pickens County 911 funds managed by County Administration

Latest enhancements

911 Texting

Locations enhancement

40 counties are on next gen (Pickens County is one of them)

Dual digital circuits to all centers for reliability and redundancy

What is eligible?

Phone equipment

Consoles

Computers

Compatibility with neighboring states

Emergency Services Report

Billy Gibson

Old Business:

None

New Business:

None

Round Table:

Update on medic 1- out for bid

Boat & dock project in progress

EMS: Becoming a Narcan distributor and becoming a pill take back agency

Motion to adjourn: J.B. Kelley, Second: Troy Burton

Meeting adjourned at 1842 hours

Respectfully submitted: Billy Gibson