

**Pickens County Council**  
**Budget Work Session Report**  
**Monday, April 29, 2019**  
6:00 P.M.  
Main Conference Room  
222 McDaniel Avenue  
Pickens, SC 29671

Pickens County Council met to hold a work session to discuss the FY 2019-2020 proposed budget. Chairman Roy Costner presided with all members in attendance, with the exception of Councilman Wes Hendricks. The meeting was called to order at 6:01 p.m.

Council Members in Attendance:

Roy Costner, Chairman  
Chris Bowers, Vice Chairman  
Trey Whitehurst  
Ensley Feemster  
Carl Hudson  
Wes Hendricks, Vice Chairman Pro-Tem (absent)

Staff in Attendance:

Gerald Wilson, County Administrator  
Ken Roper, County Attorney  
Meagan Bradford, Clerk to Council  
Ralph Guarino, Finance Director  
Rick Clark, Sheriff  
Creed Hashe, Chief Deputy  
Toney Chastain, Vehicle Maintenance Supervisor  
Kevin McClain, Deputy Director  
Scott Smith, Emergency Services Director  
Tommy Webster, Building Maintenance Director  
Jamie Burns, Community Relations Manager  
Billy Crawford, Hagood Mill Director  
Tyler Merck, Mile Creek Park Director  
Scottie Ferguson, Stormwater Manager  
Sherry Harris, Veteran Affairs

**Summary of Work Session for Proposed FY 2019-2020 Budget:**

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

- Veteran Affairs Request: Ms. Sherry Harris presented documentation to Council and further discussed Veteran Affairs request for the FY 2019-2020 year.
- Library (Out of County Fees)
- Mile Creek – Increase Fees during Holidays: Mr. Tyler Merck discussed cabin rental fees currently at Mile Creek Park and went into discussion to raising the fees during Holiday seasons.
- Stormwater Fees: Ms. Scottie Ferguson presented documentation to Council and further discussed the stormwater fees for Pickens County.
- Upstate SC Alliance

- Mobi Rec – Recreation
  - Padded seats at the Pickens County Performing Arts Center
  - County Wide Scholarship for Pickens County High School students
  - Hagood Mill Business Plan: Mr. Billy Crawford presented a business plan for Hagood Mill to Council and further discussed the plan in detail with Ms. Betty McDaniel, Chairman of Hagood Mill Foundation Board.
  - Fire Fee Increases
- Gerald Wilson stated that he recommended that Council consider entering in executive session for personnel matters.
- Chairman Roy Costner moved to enter in executive session to discuss personnel matters pertaining to the items below, as it relates to the budget, as defined by S.C. Code of Laws, Section 30-4-70 (a) (1). Motion was seconded by Councilman Carl Hudson and carried unanimously.
    - Sheriff’s Office Request
    - Fire Personnel
    - Memorandum of Understandings
    - Contractual on Hagood Mill and PCPAC

Chairman Roy Costner called the session back to order at 9:20 p.m. There was no action taken on any item discussed during executive session.

**ADJOURN:**

Hearing no further Council business, Chairman Roy Costner called for a motion to adjourn. Motion was made by Vice Chairman Chris Bowers, seconded by Councilman Ensley Feemster and carried unanimously. Pickens County Council stood adjourned at 9:22 p.m.