



GEORGIA DEPARTMENT OF
COMMUNITY AFFAIRS

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MEMORANDUM

TO: Honorable William Newton
Pickens County Commission

Honorable John W. Weaver
Mayor, City of Jasper

Honorable Dennis Lance
Mayor, City of Nelson

Honorable Cheryl Sams
Mayor, Town of Talking Rock

FROM: Jim Higdon
Commissioner

DATE: March 2, 2001

SUBJECT: Service Delivery Strategy

We have reviewed the proposed amendment to the Pickens County Service Delivery Strategy and have determined that the amendment to the Service Delivery Strategy was properly executed and therefore, we acknowledge that the service arrangement for sewer service has been updated to recognize the City of Jasper as the locally agreed upon provider of sewer services in the same areas where the City presently provides water service (see the Water Service Delivery Map in the Service Delivery Strategy). The City of Jasper will also provide sewer service at the Jasper Housing Authority Project located at Tate.

Please remember that state agencies, as required by law, can not provide state administered financial assistance, grants, loans, or permits to local projects that are directly inconsistent with the strategy. By agreeing to service areas and service providers, local governments are defining where (and to whom) state capital investment will be provided within the county. Therefore, prior to seeking future state grant, loan or permit assistance for local service improvements, you should continue to ensure that such requests for assistance are consistent with the locally agreed upon Service Delivery Strategy.

Also, please keep in mind that local governments are required to revise their approved strategy when any one of the following conditions are met:

- 1) In conjunction with the update of your local government's comprehensive plan;
- 2) Whenever the service delivery or revenue distribution arrangements are changed (e. g., whenever the local governments within the County decide to change how a service is provided or funded);
- 3) In the event of the creation, abolition or consolidation of local governments;
- 4) When a City currently located outside of the County annexes property in the County for the first time; or
- 5) Whenever the County and the City of Jasper agree it is appropriate to do so.

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Should you have any questions or need further clarification about this amendment to the Strategy, please give Lynn Bruce of my staff a call at (404) 679-3111.

JH/lbm

cc: Senator Bill Stephens
Representative Garland F. Pinholster
Barry L. Tarter Executive Director
North Georgia RDC

Mayor
John W. Weaver

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Zoning Administrator
James E. Smith

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To: Mr. Rick Brooks

From: Jim Smith

Re: HB 489 Sewer amendment

Dear Rick,

Here is the copy of the City of Jasper's City Council where they approved the amendment, which I gave to you a few weeks ago. Pickens has a sole commissioner so I think his signature is all that is needed.

If you have any questions please call. I will be on vacation from 2/10/2001 – 2/17/2001.

Sincerely yours,



Jim Smith

MINUTES
Regular Council Meeting
Monday, February 5, 2001

Members Present:

John Weaver
Jackie Gise
Barry Cheshire
Ralph Hicks
Hazel Mosley

City Clerk:

Ramona Roper

City Attorney:

James Johnson

Staff:

Steve Atkins
James E. Smith
Gary Lowe

Press:

Christie Pool

Members Absent:

Bill Wigington

Guests:

Jim Biggers
John L. Weaver
Earl Whitely

Mayor John Weaver called the meeting to order at 6:00.

Councilwoman Hazel Mosley gave invocation.

Minutes from previous meeting to be adopted at next regular meeting.

Councilman Ralph Hicks requested to table discussion of City Streets until next regular meeting. So moved by Councilwoman Jackie Gise, seconded by Councilwoman Hazel Mosley. Motion carried by unanimous vote.

Councilman Barry Cheshire gave a report on the Jasper Youth Baseball. Mr. Cheshire reported approximately 150 children participating in the program this spring. Mr. Cheshire requested permission to build a batting cage. The league plans to purchase a pitching machine. Mr. Cheshire requested assistance from the City on some concrete work. Mayor Weaver requested a motion to agree with offering concrete work using City employees. Mr. Cheshire reported they have volunteers to do the forms for the concrete. Mrs. Gise asked about the budget for City funding. Mayor Weaver said that for the concrete and slab cost is in the neighborhood of 500 – 1000 dollars. This to be looked into if there is needs to revise the budget. The least expensive place to place the batting cages is to use the basketball goals. Mrs. Gise requested the basketball goal stay. Councilman Hicks said there is room at the end of the basketball goal for the cage. Mrs. Gise suggested they go with the least expensive location with the exemption of the basketball goal.

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Jim Smith reported the City made application for a grant for 55,000 with matching funds from the City, a total of 110,000 to provide two new tennis courts, new enlarged playground area for children, and fencing. Some businesses offered to lend a hand in developing that area. Mayor Weaver stated one corporation committed to assist this day. Mr. Cheshire reported the batting cages are open to the public. Pitching machines are used only during league activities. The teams and leagues are buying the machines. Councilman Hicks made a motion that Mr. Cheshire chose location and the City provide assistance. Mayor Weaver reminded the Council that 1500 is in the budget for recreation department. Mrs. Mosley seconded the motion. Motion carried by unanimous vote.

Mayor Weaver explained to Council that he, Commissioner Newton, Sonny Underwood, and Jim Smith met with Representative Garland Pinholster and Senator Bill Stephens in the Legislative Office Building and asked they do certain things for the City of Jasper. The City is trying to get sewer and water into the area along Highway 515. In meeting with Mr. Pinholster and Mr. Stephens, the Mayor and Commissioner requested they introduce a bill to change the City Charter to include the highway and right of way from the existing City Limits on 515 to Polecat Creek, just south of the Parkway Medical Center. Representative Pinholster and Senator Stephens requested a resolution from the City and from Pickens County stating that both parties involved approve this annexation. The Commissioner is in agreement with this. Jim Smith read a resolution to annex this property into the City Limits of Jasper. Councilwoman Hazel Mosley made a motion to adopt the resolution. Councilwoman Jackie Gise seconded the motion. Motion carried by unanimous vote. (Mayor Weaver requested that it be noted Bill Wigington is absent for the meeting due to illness and did not cast a vote.)

* Jim Smith presented to Council modified version of agreement between the City and County dealing with House Bill 489. Section 4 of this agreement now reads as follows:

The City of Jasper will provide sewer service in its water service area and at the Jasper Housing Project located in Tate. (See water service map for Sewer service area) Note: Annexation required by Ordinance, contract to be signed between City and Land owners to allow annexation of said property, when property is contiguous with City Limits.

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Councilman Cheshire made a motion to adopt the revision as presented. Councilman Hicks seconded the motion. Motion carried by unanimous vote.

Mountainside Hospital Administrator Earl Whitely gave an update on the status of the proposed hospital. According to Mr. Whitely, construction must be significantly under construction by September 24.

Fire Chief Steve Roper became ill and was not able to attend the meeting. Firefighter Steve Atkins presented the monthly report for the Fire Department. A written report of the Department's activities for the month was delivered to the Mayor and each Council Member.

Chief of Police Harold Cantrell was not present for the meeting. However, he left a written report of the Department's activities for each Council Member.

Gary Lowe read a proclamation for Arbor Day. Celebration of Arbor Day is scheduled for 10:00 on the 16th of February in front of the Oglethorpe Monument. All members of City Council were encouraged to attend. At that time the City of Jasper will receive the Tree City USA National Award.

Mayor Weaver told Council members that the City installed a 2" water meter at the well off of East Church Street and the City is now selling to Pickens County 100 gallons per minute from that location. Also, the City is selling water to Pickens County at Pleasant Hill Road at Hill City. The City buys water from Pickens County at Henderson Mountain. Mayor Weaver asked Council to agree to terms to sell water to Pickens County at ten cents less per gallon than what the County would have to pay to buy the water from Cherokee County. They were paying Cherokee County 1.87 per gallon, and propose to pay to the City 1.77 per gallon. Mrs. Mosley made a motion to sell water to Pickens County at 1.77 per gallon. Mrs. Gise seconded the motion. Mrs. Gise asked if there is a yearly contract for this agreement. Mayor Weaver told her there is. He stated further if Cherokee County raises their rate, City will go up as well. If the City has to go under a water ban, than the County would have to go into a water ban, also.

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Mayor Weaver told the Council that he wishes to discuss with them demand water rates for the summer. A plan will be available next month for their review. Motion to sell water to Pickens County carried by unanimous vote.

Mayor Weaver stated the City has received no notification from the State as to when to remove the flag. The City will recognize changing of the flag with respect. Council will be notified at such time this occurs.

There being no other business to come before Mayor and City Council, motion was duly made by Councilwoman Hazel Mosley and Councilman Ralph Hicks that meeting adjourn.

Next scheduled meeting is March 5, 2001 at 6:00 PM.

**John W. Weaver
Mayor**

**Ramona Roper
City Clerk**

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March 25, 2001

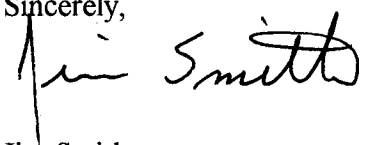
Mr. Rick Brooks, Director
Planning and Environmental Management Div.
Department of Community Affairs
60 Executive Park South, N.E.
Atlanta, Georgia 30329-2231

Dear Mr. Brooks:

The City of Jasper and Pickens County have approved an amendment (water service map) to our HB 489 Service Delivery Strategy. I am including a map signed by Commissioner Bill Newton and Mayor John Weaver, along with the minutes of the Jasper City Council.

If you have any questions please call me at any time.

Sincerely,



Jim Smith

Minutes
Regular Council Meeting
April 9, 2001

Members Present:

John Weaver
Jackie Gise
Barry Cheshire
Ralph Hicks
Hazel Mosley

Members Absent:

Bill Wigington

City Attorney:

James Johnson

City Staff:

Steve Atkins
Harold Cantrell
Alan Johnson
Gary Lowe
Jim Smith

Guests:

City Clerk:

Ramona Roper

Mayor Weaver called the meeting to order at 6:00 PM.

Police Chief Harold Cantrell gave the invocation.

Councilman Ralph Hicks made a motion to adopt minutes from previous meeting. Councilwoman Hazel Mosley seconded the motion. Motion carried by unanimous vote.

Mayor Weaver requested revision to the agenda in order to add two items. The two items under new business are item G, Wind Damage/Public Safety, and item I, Purchase Land for Parking. Councilwoman Hazel Mosley made a motion, seconded by Councilwoman Jackie Gise, to revise the agenda to add items G and I. Motion carried by unanimous vote.

Mayor Weaver requested that it be noted Bill Wigington was not in attendance.

Jim Smith read a resolution to amend the City's Water Conservation Plan. After the reading, Mayor Weaver requested Mr. Smith provide a copy to the press in order that they may publish the resolution in the local newspaper. Councilwoman Jackie Gise made a motion to adopt the resolution. Councilman Ralph Hicks seconded the motion and motion carried by unanimous vote.

Jim Smith presented the second reading to the building codes, items I, H and J of the State Plumbing Code. Councilwoman Gise made a motion to accept the second reading and adopt the plumbing codes. Councilwoman Mosley seconded the motion and motion carried by unanimous vote.

Pickens County Commissioner Bill Newton presented his proposal for a recreational park and technical park funded by 1% SPLOST. The County has the option to purchase 230 acres of land that joins the current recreational park and runs from the park to 515 along Harmony School Road. The County will need a municipal co-sponsor. Commissioner Newton presented maps displaying the area with proposed use laid out. Mayor Weaver asked the Commissioner about a proposed civic center with indoor pool. The Commissioner stated they will apply for grants to help pay for the civic center. The cost of the proposed civic center is nine million dollars. Councilman Barry Cheshire made a motion for the City of Jasper to be a co-sponsor. Councilwoman Hazel Mosley seconded the motion. Motion carried by unanimous vote.

Dr. Al Hallum introduced Ruth Hinton, a member of the Board of Directors of the proposed Good Samaritan Wellness Center. Mrs. Hinton expressed her lifelong desire to help people and told about the food bank that she is presently involved in since her retirement as Director of the Pickens County Health Department. Nancy Satterfield discussed care to be offered from the Wellness Center. Joyce Dewey discussed finances. Dr. S discussed the different kinds of care to be offered at the Center. Dr. Hallum told the City Council they desire to work out of the old Roper hospital facility. They wish to renovate the building and enter into a lease/purchase agreement with the City. They requested, should their request be granted, they be given a period of two years in which to purchase the building. Dr. Hallum suggested that perhaps the City could approve that the Wellness Center be given a lease for \$1.00 for the next ten years with the idea that as soon as they can afford to purchase the building outright they will purchase it from the Downtown Development Authority directly. They desire to start renovation immediately. Mrs. Mosley felt that ten years is a long time. Dr. Hallum stated that their services would be perpetual and there would never be any cost to the citizens nor would it be a profit-making organization. He also agreed to put a clause in the legal paperwork that if they fail that the City would have the first option to buy it back. Their liability insurance is with American Medical Society of Georgia. Cost of insurance will be \$1090 per year. Dr. Hallum stated further that if there can be no agreement on this building that they will look elsewhere. Councilman Ralph Hicks made a motion to allow the City Attorney to meet with the attorney for the Good Samaritan Wellness Center to draw up paperwork and bring to the next council meeting for the City Council's approval. Councilman Barry Cheshire seconded the motion. Motion carried by unanimous vote. Dr. Hallum asked if it is an agreement that they may purchase the building. Council agreed unanimously.

Gary Lowe presented request from Tania Thompson for a business license to operate a massage parlor at 49 Bryant Street. Councilwoman Hazel Mosley made a motion to grant a business license to Ms. Thompson. Councilwoman Jackie Gise seconded the motion. Motion carried by unanimous vote.

Jim Smith presented to the City Council area map for the City Water Service area in compliance with HB489. Councilwoman Gise made a motion to accept the map as presented. Councilman Hicks seconded the motion and motion carried by unanimous vote.

Councilman Cheshire had another appointment and was excused from the Council Meeting.

Councilman Hicks presented a proposal for a pavilion to be built over the batting cage at Jasper City Park for a picnic area. Drop screens would be installed for use whenever the batting cage is in use. Mr. Hicks requested the Council to approve \$5,000 to cover the purchase of materials for this recreation pavilion. Councilwoman Mosley made a motion that the budget be revised to include \$5,000 for a pavilion to be built over the batting cage at Jasper City Park. Councilman Hicks seconded the motion and motion carried by unanimous vote.

Jim Smith presented first reading of a Sub-Division Ordinance concerning streets and construction requirements. Councilwoman Gise made a motion to accept as first reading. Councilwoman Mosley seconded the motion. Motion carried by unanimous vote. Second reading will be presented at the regular council meeting in May.

Mr. Smith presented an ordinance for water and sewer requirements for developers. Councilwoman Mosley made a motion to accept as first reading. Councilwoman Gise seconded the motion. Motion carried by unanimous vote. Second reading will be presented at the regular council meeting in May.

Alan Johnson and Jim Smith presented recommendations for roofs. Several roofs were blown off buildings on Main Street during recent windstorm endangering the public and causing damage. Mayor Weaver requested the City Council to ask the building department to inspect all metal roofs and all secondary roofs. So moved by Councilwoman Jackie Gise, seconded by Councilwoman Hazel Mosley. Motion carried by unanimous vote.

Mayor Weaver requested approval to purchase a trac hoe. It is being used presently at the airport industrial park. The City can purchase it for between 30,000 and 45,000. Mrs. Mosley made a motion to purchase the trac hoe. Mr. Hicks seconded the motion. Motion carried by unanimous vote.

Mayor Weaver requested permission to purchase 1-1/2 acres of land with a house behind the old Roper hospital building. John Alan Pool owns the property and wants 135,000 for all of it. Mayor Weaver said the property would have to be purchased by the Development Authority and be financed for ten years. The City would have to take down the house. Mrs. Mosley made a motion to buy this property. Mr. Hicks seconded the motion. Motion carried by unanimous vote.

Steven Atkins gave the monthly report pertaining to Fire Department calls during March.

Harold Cantrell gave the monthly report pertaining to Police Department calls during March.

Chief Cantrell reported that during March the Sheriff's department performed a sting regarding sale of alcoholic beverages to underage persons. He reported that the licensing board would have to address the penalty. The Sheriff's Department found two places inside the City Limits selling to underage persons. The City will have to call a session to investigate sanctions to impose a fine and or temporary suspension. Lee Reagan sold to underage person at AMOCO on South Church Street. This was video taped. At Mountainview Adam Fountain sold to an underage person and did not ask for ID. This also was video taped. Seven days later the Sheriff's Department went back to Mountainview and was unable to make a purchase. They returned to Jasper AMOCO and were able to make a purchase. The clerk asked if the purchaser was 21, he told him no and made the purchase any way. Lee Reagan was the clerk. Chief Cantrell recommended a hearing be set up.

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Mayor Weaver reported the City had Byers Well Drillers attempt to drill near the well on Cove Road and hit the mineshaft.

Mr. Weaver reported that the annexation request 515 to 108 was approved b the Senate and Legislature under HB778 and awaits the Governor's signature.

There being no other business to come before Mayor and Council, motion was duly made by Mrs. Mosley that the meeting be adjourned.

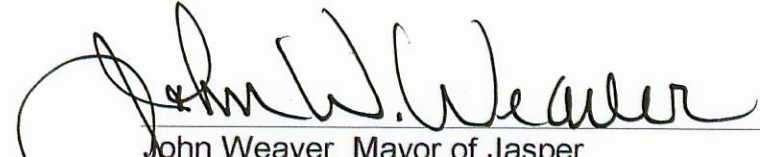
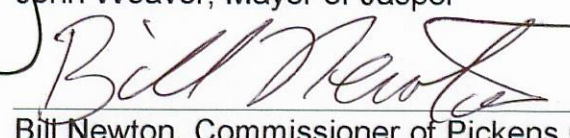
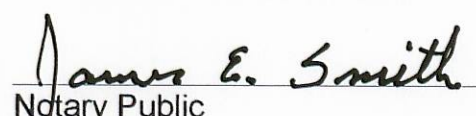
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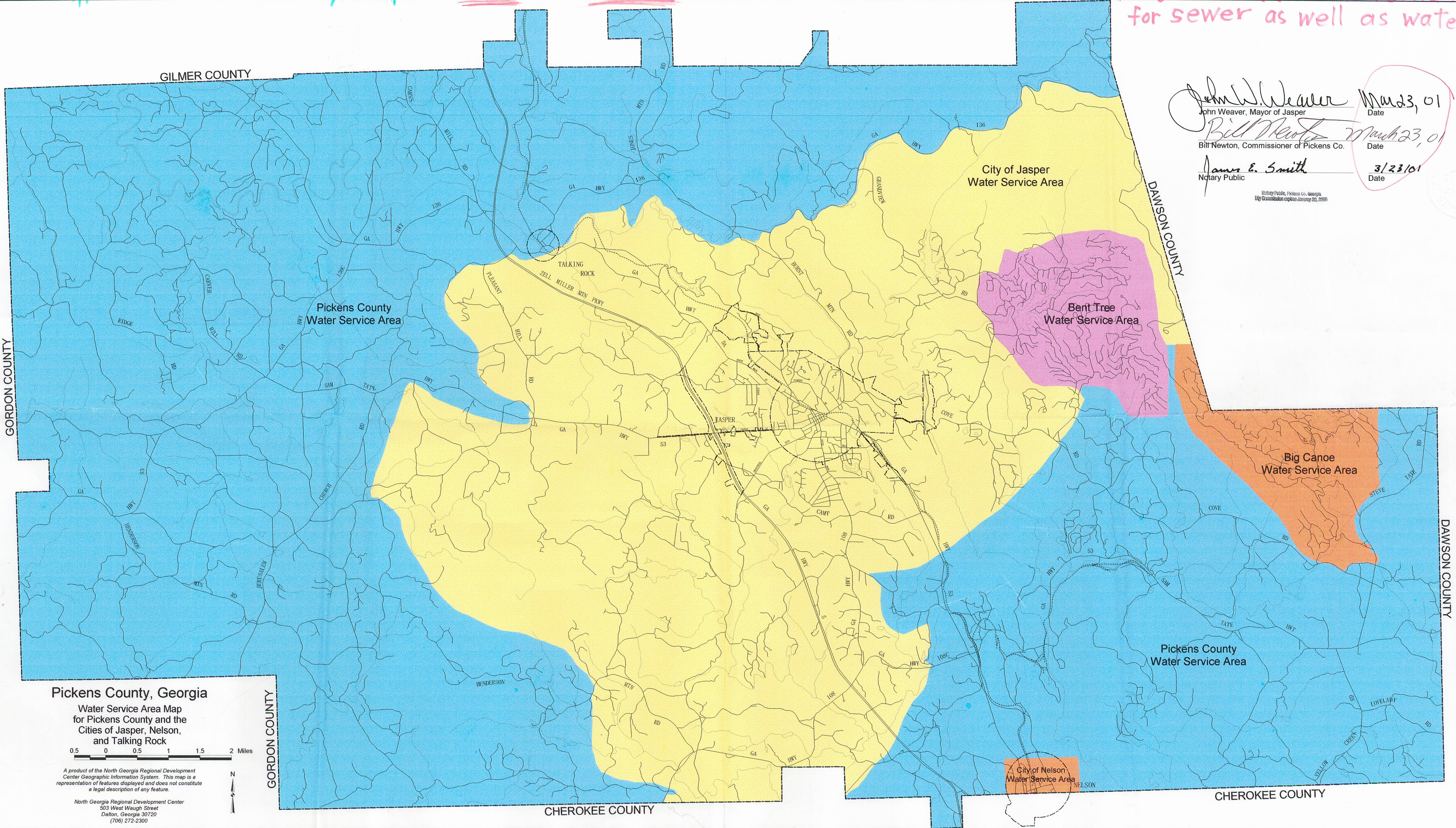
John W. Weaver
Mayor

Ramona Roper
City Clerk

Approved Service Delivery Map for water and sewer

Approved by DCA 6/28/01 (see memo)
These are the same boundaries for sewer as well as water.

 Mar 23, 01
 John Weaver, Mayor of Jasper Date
 March 23, 01
 Bill Newton, Commissioner of Pickens Co. Date
 3/23/01
 Notary Public Date
Notary Public, Pickens Co., Georgia
 My Commission expires January 20, 2006



Pickens County, Georgia
 Water Service Area Map
 for Pickens County and the
 Cities of Jasper, Nelson,
 and Talking Rock

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