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IN THE MATTER OF DESIGNATING THE MEMBERSHIP  
OF THE PIKE COUNTY EMERGENCY  
COMMUNICATIONS COMMISSION

WHEREAS, the Pike County Emergency Communications District was previously established by Order of this Board following a special election held on November 4, 1986, and

WHEREAS, the governing body of the Pike County Emergency Communications District is the Pike County Emergency Communications Commission, and

WHEREAS, the E-911 Committee served this County well in its work in assisting in the establishment of the Pike County Emergency Communications District,

NOW, THEREFORE, upon motion of Supervisor Theodore Bullock, seconded by Supervisor Tommy Paulk, and unanimously carried, it is hereby ordered that the members presently serving on the E-911 Committee be, and the same are hereby appointed to the Pike County Emergency Communications Commission.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that the Pike County Emergency Communications Commission is to be made up of the following:

- (1) The Sheriff of Pike County
- (2) The Pike County Civil Defense Director
- (3) The Safety Director of the City of McComb
- (4) The Mayor of Summit, Mississippi
- (5) The Mayor of Magnolia, Mississippi
- (6) The Mayor of Osyka, Mississippi
- (7) The Director of the Ambulance Service at the Southwest Mississippi Regional Medical Center

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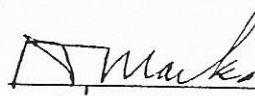
THE BOARD MET PURSUANT TO ITS RECESS ORDER OF TUESDAY, APRIL 7, 1987,  
THE SAME BEING PRESENT AS THEN.

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IN THE MATTER OF APPROVING PIKE COUNTY EMERGENCY  
COMMUNICATION DISTRICT (E911) BY-LAWS

Upon recommendation of the Pike County Emergency Communi-  
cation District and upon motion of Supervisor Tommy Paulk,  
seconded by Supervisor Theodore Bullock and Supervisor Freddie  
Wall, and unanimously carried, the By-Laws of the Pike County  
Emergency Communication District, as attached hereto and  
made a part hereof, are hereby approved.

SO ORDERED, this, the 8th day of April, A.D., 1987.



PRESIDENT

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## PIKE COUNTY EMERGENCY COMMUNICATION DISTRICT

## BY-LAWS

ARTICLE I - NAME OF THE ORGANIZATION

The name of the organization shall be Pike County Emergency Communication District.

ARTICLE II - OBJECTIVES OF THE ORGANIZATION

The objectives of the organization are:

1. To shorten the time required for a citizen to request and receive emergency aid; and
2. To provide a single, primary, three-digit emergency number through which emergency aid and assistance can be quickly and efficiently obtained; and
3. To provide a significant contribution to law-enforcement and other public service efforts; and
4. To simplify the notification of public service personnel; and
5. To assist in the upgrading of response capability in public service agencies; and
6. To ultimately minimize the loss of lives and destruction of property, quicker apprehension of criminals, and savings of monies.

ARTICLE III - MEMBERSHIP

Section 1. The membership that shall serve as Commissioners of the Pike County Emergency Communication District shall be appointed by the Pike County Board of Supervisors; and said Commissioners shall be composed of the following:

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- (1) Pike County Sheriff
- (2) Pike County Civil Defense Director
- (3) Public Safety Director - McComb
- (4) Rural Fire Department Representative
- (5) Mayor - City of McComb
- (6) Mayor - City of Magnolia
- (7) Mayor - City of Osyka
- (8) Mayor - City of Summit
- (9) Ambulance Service Representative
- (10) Private Citizen - Clergy Representative
- (11) Private Citizen - Clergy Representative
- (12) Private Citizen - School Contact Representative
- (13) Private Citizen - School Contact Representative
- (14) President of Pike County Board of Supervisors

#### Section 2. Advisors

The following persons shall serve as members of the Pike County Emergency Communication District without voting power. The advisors shall serve and shall be composed of the following:

- (1) The Pike County Attorney to the Pike County Board of Supervisors, and
- (2) A Representative of the South Central Bell Company.

#### Section 3. Term of Office of the Commissioners:

- a.) The Commissioners serving the Pike County Emergency Communication District, by virtue of their office or their employment, shall serve a term commensurate therewith.
- b.) The Citizen members shall serve a staggered term of one (1), two (2), three (3), and four (4) years. The Citizen Members shall be eligible



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for reappointment but shall not serve for more than three full terms or twelve consecutive years.

Section 5. The number of persons serving as Commissioners with voting power to the Pike County Emergency Communication District shall not exceed 14 persons.

Section 5. Class of Membership:

a.) Active Membership

Active membership applies to those persons appointed to the District by the Pike County Board of Supervisors that have, by virtue of these By-Laws, voting power.

b.) Honorary Membership

Honorary Membership shall be given to those person(s) having performed some outstanding service to the District; and Honorary Members shall not be given voting power.

c.) Life-time Membership

Life-time Membership may be awarded any Commissioner with ten years or more service as an Active Member of the District; a Life-time Membership holder shall not have voting power.

ARTICLE IV

OFFICERS

Section 1. The Officers of the District shall be:

- President
- Vice President
- Secretary
- ~~Treasurer/Assistant Secretary~~
- Parliamentarian,

Section 2. Election of Officers

a.) Officers - Pike County Emergency Communication District.

The Officers of the Pike County Emergency Communication District shall be elected by the membership at the First Meeting of the District after their appointment by the Pike County Board of Supervisors, and shall serve a term of four years.

ARTICLE V. - DUTIES OF THE OFFICERS

Section 1. District Officers

General

The Officers of the Pike County Emergency Communication District shall perform the duties normally or usually performed by such officers, together with the duties as shall be prescribed by these By-Laws; or by the Board of Directors; and, in addition, shall have the following responsibilities:

a.) President

The President shall appoint the Parliamentarian, appoint committees, special and standing where directed by these By-Laws, with the exception of the Nominating Committee.

b.) Vice President

Shall conduct any meeting in the absence of the President; assist the President in carrying out the duties of that office; and any special assignment given by the Board of Directors.

c.) Secretary

Shall be responsible for recording the minutes of all District meetings;

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shall be provided with copies of all Board of Directors meetings; shall be provided with copies of all reports and communications and Committee Minutes as pertain to the District Management; shall be the repository of all such written communications as required or may be required for the conducting of District management or business.

d.) Treasurer/Assistant Secretary

Shall be responsible for all monies, regardless of source, contributions, funds raised from promotions or projects or activities; shall co-sign all checks with two other persons that shall be designated by the Board of Supervisors; shall work in conjunction with the Board of Supervisors in those matters pertaining to the funds of the District; shall make regular, written reports to the Board of Directors of the financial status of the District, with those dates for reporting determined by the Board of Directors.

e.) Parliamentarian

Shall be responsible for interpretation of these By-Laws. His interpretation shall be final.

ARTICLE VI

REMOVAL FROM OFFICE

Section 1. If an officer fails to attend three (3) consecutive Regular Meetings without just cause, or without notifying or causing to be notified the President of the District of said just cause; or if the absent officer or member is the President, notifying the Vice President, the officer is automatically dropped from that Office and the President is hereby authorized to appoint another to fill the unexpired term of the dropped officer. If the dropped

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officer is the President, the Vice President will assume the Office of President and shall fill the unexpired term of the dropped officer.

Section 2. If, for a just cause, other than failure to attend the Regular Meetings of the District, a person is to be removed from office, such removal will require a vote of two-thirds (2/3) of the Majority of the Board of Directors.

## ARTICLE VII

MEETINGS

Section 1. There shall not be less than four (4) Commission Meetings during a District Year, plus such other meetings as may be needed and called.

Section 2. The District Year shall be from January 1 to December 31.

Section 3. Unless waived:

a.) The Official Meeting Place of the District shall be the Supervisors Board Room, Pike County Courthouse, Magnolia, Mississippi.

b.) Change of the Official Meeting Place must be announced not less than five (5) calendar days prior to the date of the announced meeting, unless waived.

c.) All members must be notified via U.S. Mail Service.

d.) All members must be notified of the meetings not less than five (5) calendar days prior to the meeting date.

Section 4. The President of the Pike County Emergency Communication District or the Sheriff or the President of the Pike County Board of Supervisors shall



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authority to call Special Meetings or Called Meetings at any time; all members shall be notified via U.S. Mail Service; notification must be made not less than five (5) calendar days prior to Special/-Called Meetings. In the event of a Special Need Meeting being called, only that special need shall be addressed and shall be the only item on the agenda.

Section 5. All Meetings of the Pike County Emergency Communication District shall be open to the public and members may invite guest to any meeting, with the exception of those meetings outlined in Article VII, Section 9, of these By-Laws.

Section 6. As an exception to Section 8, Article VII, Meetings, unless what would be considered a sensitive issue is to be discussed, full Commission Meetings shall be open meetings with the public invited. A simple majority vote of the members present will determine if a meeting is to be considered of a sensitive nature.

Section 7. A simple majority of the full Commission shall be considered a quorum.

Section 8. A quorum in attendance of the Commission shall be required before final action may be taken on any business

ARTICLE VIII - ATTENDANCE

Section 1. Officers and their attendance requirements are addressed in Article VI, Section 1 of these By-Laws.

Section 2. If any member of the Pike County Emergency Communication District regularly fails to attend three (3) consecutive Regular Meetings of the District without just cause, that member may be removed from membership.

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Section 3. If a member has been removed from membership, the President of the District will notify the President of the Pike County Board of Supervisors, in writing, stating the reason for his/her removal; requesting that that Board appoint a replacement.

## ARTICLE IX

- NOMINATION AND ELECTION OF OFFICERS

Section 1. A Nominating Committee shall be elected by the voting members of the Pike County Emergency Communication District.

Section 2. The Nominating Committee shall consist of five (5) members of the District and shall be elected at the March 1987 meeting of the District; thereafter to serve a term of four (4) years.

Section 3. The next Nominating Committee shall be elected at the January meeting 1991, and the next four (4) years thereafter, etc.

Section 4. The First Meeting of the Nominating Committee shall be immediately, or as soon as possible after their election to office. They shall submit their nominations of the slate of officers to the full membership for consideration as soon as possible, and not later than ten days prior to the meeting of the membership with Election of Officers as an item on their Agenda.

Section 5. Other nominations for officers of the District may be made from the floor at the January Meeting. However, prior consent of ALL nominees must have been received by the nominators or the Committee. This rule of prior consent also applies to those that are recommended by the Nominating Committee.

Section 6. Contested elections of Officers shall be by secret ballots of the members in attendance.

Section 7. Absentee Ballots are not accepted. To cast a valid vote, the member must be in attendance at the meeting when the vote is taken. This rule shall apply to all voting taking place in all meetings.

Section 8. To be eligible to hold office President of the Pike County Emergency Communication District, or the Office of Vice President, or to serve as Secretary, that person must be:

a.) A duly appointed member of the District;

b.) Must have been a member for not less than two years AFTER the first election in January 1987..

c.) Must have been in attendance at not less than two-thirds (2/3) regular meetings of the District in each year of his membership term during the two years.

ARTICLE X - COMMITTEES

Section 1. The Classes of Committees of the Pike County Emergency Communication District shall be appointed by the duly-elected President of the District shall be:

1. Attendance Committee
2. Publicity Committee
3. Awards Committee

Section 2. The Standing Committees, created by these By-Laws for the accomplishment of the objectives of the Pike

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County Emergency Communication District, shall be elected by the membership and shall be:

1. By-Laws Committee
2. Nominating Committee
3. Needs Survey Committee
4. Name and Numbering Committee

Section 3. Special Committees to address situations and unusual situations that may arise shall be appointed by the President and shall be:

1. Grievance Committee
2. Special Planning Committee

Section 4. In the event of a resignation, or disqualification, or removal from office, appointment of a replacement on that Committee shall be made by the President of the District. Said replacement or successor shall serve for the unexpired term.

Section 5. Unless the By-Laws otherwise specify or specifically provide, each of the Committees shall consist of at least five (5) members; unless specifically provided, each member shall serve for a term of one year on the Committee.

Section 6. Appointment announcement shall be made of all Committees at the February Meeting of the District, or at the First Meeting following the installation of officers.

Section 7. Those appointed to serve on any Committee shall be notified via U.S. Mail Service, and shall confirm their appointment and their willingness to serve prior to the time of the announcement to the full membership of the appointment.

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ARTICLE XI - AMENDMENT OF THESE BY-LAWS

These By-Laws may be amended at any meeting of the membership of the Pike County Emergency Communication District by a two-thirds majority of the membership present, providing that the proposed amendment(s) have been submitted to the Pike County Board of Supervisors and their approval of the said amendment(s) as this Board is the Governing Board of this District; and providing that the proposed amendment has been submitted in writing to the Secretary not less than thirty days after approval by the Board of Supervisors, and prior to the meeting date that said proposed amendment will be addressed; and, providing that the Secretary has included the notification of the amendment to the full membership with the Meeting Call, and, that the proposed amendment has been included in the Agenda of the Meeting. These By-Laws may be amended, also, without recommendation, by Order of the Pike County Board of Supervisors.

ARTICLE XII - Where these By-Laws are silent, the Parliamentarian shall be governed by the Robert's Rule of Order, latest revision.