

DeKalb County Government

*Manuel J. Maloof Center
1300 Commerce Drive
Decatur, Georgia 30030*



Meeting Minutes

Tuesday, May 15, 2018

9:00 AM

Manuel J. Maloof Auditorium

Special Called Meeting

Present 7 - Nancy Jester, Jeff Rader, Larry Johnson, Steve Bradshaw, Mereda Davis Johnson, Kathie Gannon, and Gregory Adams

Administration: Michael Thurmond, CEO, Zachary Williams, Executive Assistant/ Chief Operating Office, Barbara Sanders-Norwood, County Clerk, Viviane Ernstes, Interim County Attorney

Work Session

I. Committee of the Whole

A. Committee Reports

B. Standing Procedural Rules

C. Review of the Proposed Executive Agenda for May 22, 2018

II. Special Call Meeting

2018-2185 Commission District(s): All
To Convene a Special Called Meeting
MOTION was made by Nancy Jester, seconded by Steve Bradshaw, that this agenda item be approved to convene a Special Called Meeting. The motion carried by the following vote:
Yes: 7 - Commissioner Nancy Jester, Commissioner Jeff Rader, Commissioner Larry Johnson, Commissioner Steve Bradshaw, Commissioner Mereda Davis Johnson, Commissioner Kathie Gannon, and Commissioner Gregory Adams

2018-2186 Commission District(s): All
To Convene an Executive Session Meeting
MOTION was made by Nancy Jester, seconded by Steve Bradshaw, that this agenda item be approved to convene an Executive Session Meeting. The motion carried by the following vote:
Yes: 7 - Commissioner Nancy Jester, Commissioner Jeff Rader, Commissioner Larry Johnson, Commissioner Steve Bradshaw, Commissioner Mereda Davis Johnson, Commissioner Kathie Gannon, and Commissioner Gregory Adams

2018-2192 Commission District(s): All
Proposed settlement of Reginald Carrick's lawsuit against five DeKalb County police officers, Civil Action No. 1:16cv02997 in the U.S. District Court, Northern District of Georgia.

MOTION was made by Gregory Adams, seconded by Kathie Gannon, that this agenda item be to approve a total payment of \$45,000 to settle the lawsuit filed by Reginald Carrick against Officers Joseph Mallory, John Kearney, Geoffrey Speight, Michael Cloudt, and David Woods, Civil Action No. 1:16-CV-02997-AT, in the U.S. District Court for the Northern District of Georgia. To resolve this lawsuit, the County will pay the total sum of \$45,000 to Mr. Carrick and his counsel in return for and conditioned on Mr. Carrick's dismissal with prejudice of his lawsuit and execution of a release and waiver of claims satisfactory to the Interim County Attorney. The Interim County Attorney or her designee is authorized to execute the settlement agreement. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 7 - Commissioner Nancy Jester, Commissioner Jeff Rader, Commissioner Larry Johnson, Commissioner Steve Bradshaw, Commissioner Mereda Davis Johnson, Commissioner Kathie Gannon, and Commissioner Gregory Adams

- 2018-2193** Commission District(s): All
Proposed settlement of Irvin Johnson's claim for attorney's fees related to his lawsuit against DeKalb County, Civil Action No. 16cv5787 in Superior Court of DeKalb County.
MOTION was made by Mereda Davis Johnson, seconded by Gregory Adams, that this agenda item be to approve the payment in the total amount of \$120,000 to settle the sole remaining claim, a claim for attorneys' fees, in the lawsuit filed by Irvin Johnson against DeKalb County, Civil Action No. 16cv5787 in the Superior Court of DeKalb County. To resolve the remaining claim in this lawsuit, the County will pay the total amount of \$120,000 to Irvin Johnson's attorney and withdraw the County's pending petition for certiorari in the Georgia Supreme Court, in return for a release and waiver of claims from Irvin Johnson that is satisfactory to the Interim County Attorney. The Interim County Attorney or her designee is authorized to execute the settlement agreement. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 7 - Commissioner Nancy Jester, Commissioner Jeff Rader, Commissioner Larry Johnson, Commissioner Steve Bradshaw, Commissioner Mereda Davis Johnson, Commissioner Kathie Gannon, and Commissioner Gregory Adams

- 2018-2187** Commission District(s): All
To Adjourn an Executive Session Meeting
MOTION was made by Nancy Jester, seconded by Mereda Davis Johnson, that this agenda item be approved to adjourn an Executive Session Meeting. The motion carried by the following vote:
- Yes:** 7 - Commissioner Nancy Jester, Commissioner Jeff Rader, Commissioner Larry Johnson, Commissioner Steve Bradshaw, Commissioner Mereda Davis Johnson, Commissioner Kathie Gannon, and Commissioner Gregory Adams

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ADJOURNMENT:

There being no further official business, MOTION was made by Commissioner Nancy Jester and seconded by Commissioner Mereda Davis Johnson to adjourn the May 15, 2018 Special Called Meeting at 11:50 a.m. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 7 - Commissioner Nancy Jester, Commissioner Jeff Rader, Commissioner Larry Johnson, Commissioner Steve Bradshaw, Commissioner Mereda Davis Johnson, Commissioner Kathie Gannon, and Commissioner Gregory Adams



Jeff Rader
Presiding Officer



Michael Thurmond
Chief Executive Officer



Barbara Sanders-Norwood
County Clerk