

DeKalb County Government

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



Meeting Minutes

Tuesday, May 3, 2022

9:00 AM

Manuel J. Maloof Auditorium

Special Called Meeting

*Comm. Robert Patrick, Presiding Officer, District 1
Comm. Mereda Davis Johnson, Deputy Presiding Officer, District 5*

*Commissioner Robert Patrick, District 1
Commissioner Jeff Rader, District 2
Commissioner Larry Johnson, District 3
Commissioner Steve Bradshaw, District 4
Commissioner Mereda Davis Johnson, District 5
Commissioner Edward "Ted" Terry, Super District 6
Commissioner Lorraine Cochran-Johnson, Super District 7*

Present 6 - Commissioner Robert Patrick, Commissioner Jeff Rader,
 Commissioner Larry Johnson, Commissioner Steve Bradshaw,
 Commissioner Mereda Davis Johnson, and Commissioner Ted
 Terry

Absent 1 - Commissioner Lorraine Cochran-Johnson

Administration: Michael Thurmond, CEO, Zachary Williams, Executive Assistant/ Chief Operating Officer,
Barbara Sanders-Norwood, County Clerk, Terry G. Phillips Deputy County Attorney

Work Session

I. Committee of the Whole

A. Committee Reports

B. Review of the Proposed Executive Agenda for May 10, 2022

C. Review of Board of Commissioners Preliminary Agenda

D. Review/Recap of New Items for the BOC Agenda

E. Items Previously Heard

II. Special Call Meeting

A. Executive Session

2022-1606 **Commission District(s): All**

To Convene a Special Called Meeting

MOTION was made by Jeff Rader, seconded by Steve Bradshaw, that this agenda item be approved to convene a Special Call Meeting. Commissioner Lorraine Cochran-Johnson was absent from the meeting. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 6 - Commissioner Robert Patrick, Commissioner Jeff Rader, Commissioner Larry Johnson, Commissioner Steve Bradshaw, Commissioner Mereda Davis Johnson, and Commissioner Ted Terry

Absent: 1 - Commissioner Lorraine Cochran-Johnson

2022-1607 Commission District(s): All

To convene an Executive Session Meeting

MOTION was made by Jeff Rader, seconded by Steve Bradshaw, that this agenda item be approved to convene an Executive Session Meeting. Commissioner Lorraine Cochran-Johnson was absent from the meeting. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 6 - Commissioner Robert Patrick, Commissioner Jeff Rader, Commissioner Larry Johnson, Commissioner Steve Bradshaw, Commissioner Mereda Davis Johnson, and Commissioner Ted Terry

Absent: 1 - Commissioner Lorraine Cochran-Johnson

2022-1608 Commission District(s): All

To Adjourn an Executive Session Meeting

MOTION was made by Jeff Rader, seconded by Ted Terry, that this agenda item be approved to adjourn an Executive Session Meeting. Commissioner Lorraine Cochran-Johnson was absent from the meeting and Commissioner Larry Johnson was absent during this vote. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 5 - Commissioner Robert Patrick, Commissioner Jeff Rader, Commissioner Steve Bradshaw, Commissioner Mereda Davis Johnson, and Commissioner Ted Terry

Absent: 2 - Commissioner Larry Johnson, and Commissioner Lorraine Cochran-Johnson

2022-1609 Commission District(s): All

Proposed settlement of claims against Defendants Salawu, Wilson and Smith in Allen v. Williams, Civil Action No. 1:20cv2408, pending in the U.S. District Court, Northern District of Georgia.

MOTION was made by Ted Terry, seconded by Steve Bradshaw, that this agenda item be to approve a payment in the total amount of \$150,000 (one hundred fifty thousand dollars) to settle Jacob Allen's claims against Defendants Kabiru Salawu, Franklin Wilson and Taylor Smith in Civil Action No. 1:20cv02408 in the U.S. District Court, Northern District of Georgia. To resolve the claims against Defendants Salawu, Wilson, and Smith, the County will pay the total amount of \$150,000 to Plaintiff Allen and his attorneys in return for and conditioned on Plaintiff's dismissal with prejudice of his claims against Salawu, Wilson and Smith and Plaintiff's execution of a settlement agreement with a full and final release and waiver of claims satisfactory to the County Attorney. The County Attorney or her designee is authorized to sign the settlement agreement. Commissioner Lorraine Cochran-Johnson was absent from the meeting and Commissioner Larry Johnson was absent during this vote. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 5 - Commissioner Robert Patrick, Commissioner Jeff Rader, Commissioner Steve Bradshaw, Commissioner Mereda Davis Johnson, and Commissioner Ted Terry

Absent: 2 - Commissioner Larry Johnson, and Commissioner Lorraine Cochran-Johnson

2022-1610 Commission District(s): All

Add an Item to the Agenda

MOTION was made by Jeff Rader, seconded by Ted Terry, that this agenda item be approved. Commissioner Lorraine Cochran-Johnson was absent from the meeting. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 6 - Commissioner Robert Patrick, Commissioner Jeff Rader, Commissioner Larry Johnson, Commissioner Steve Bradshaw, Commissioner Mereda Davis Johnson, and Commissioner Ted Terry

Absent: 1 - Commissioner Lorraine Cochran-Johnson

[2022-1611](#)

Commission District(s): All

Proposed approval of two lease forms for certain property located at 2660 Osborne Road, Atlanta, Georgia, 30319, tax parcel identification number 18 240 04 067, as part of the settlement of the City of Brookhaven's lawsuit against DeKalb County, Civil Action No. 21CV1143 in the Superior Court of DeKalb County. One of the lease forms is for a ground lease between Brookhaven as lessor and DeKalb County as lessee; the other is for a sublease between DeKalb County as sublessor and the DeKalb Community Service Board (CSB) as sublessee. These leases are intended to go into effect at the time of the County's transfer to Brookhaven of the 2660 Osborne Road property upon which the CSB operates a facility providing intellectual and developmental disability services, and upon which the CSB will continue to provide such services after the transfer of such property.

MOTION was made by Jeff Rader, seconded by Ted Terry, that this agenda item be deferred to the next meeting, until May 10, 2022 for Decision Only. Commissioner Lorraine Cochran-Johnson was absent from the meeting. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 6 - Commissioner Robert Patrick, Commissioner Jeff Rader, Commissioner Larry Johnson, Commissioner Steve Bradshaw, Commissioner Mereda Davis Johnson, and Commissioner Ted Terry

Absent: 1 - Commissioner Lorraine Cochran-Johnson

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ADJOURNMENT:

There being no further official business, MOTION was made by Larry Johnson, seconded by Jeff Rader, that this agenda item be approved to adjourn the May 3, 2022 Special Called Meeting at 10:45 a.m. Commissioner Lorraine Cochran-Johnson was absent from the meeting. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 6 - Commissioner Robert Patrick, Commissioner Jeff Rader, Commissioner Larry Johnson, Commissioner Steve Bradshaw, Commissioner Mereda Davis Johnson, and Commissioner Ted Terry

Absent: 1 - Commissioner Lorraine Cochran-Johnson



Robert Patrick
Presiding Officer



Michael Thurmond
Chief Executive Officer



[Barbara Sanders \(Jul 13, 2022 18:26 EDT\)](#)

Barbara Sanders-Norwood
County Clerk