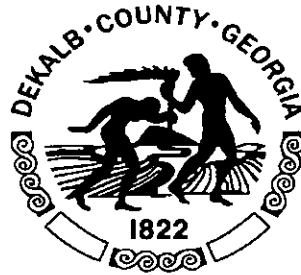


DeKalb County Government

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



Meeting Minutes

Tuesday, April 18, 2017

9:00 AM

Maloof Auditorium

Special Called Meeting

*Commissioner Kathie Gannon, Presiding Officer, Super District 6
Commissioner Jeff Rader, Deputy Presiding Officer, District 2*

*Commissioner Nancy Jester, District 1
Commissioner Jeff Rader, District 2
Commissioner Larry Johnson, District 3
Commissioner Steve Bradshaw, District 4
Commissioner Mereda Davis Johnson, District 5
Commissioner Kathie Gannon, Super District 6
Commissioner Gregory Adams, Super District 7*

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

Administration: Michael Thurmond, CEO, Zachary Williams, Executive Assistant/ Chief Operating Office, Barbara Sanders-Norwood, County Clerk, O.V. Brantley, County Attorney, Viviane Ernstes, Deputy County Attorney, Dianne McNabb, Interim Finance Director

POST AGENDA/PRELIMINARY MINUTES: The Official Minutes of this meeting are tentative and have neither been ratified, nor approved, by the Board of Commissioners; and this Post-Agenda/Preliminary Minutes is not binding on the County or on any officer thereof.

Work Session

I. Committee of the Whole

A Committee Reports

B Quarterly IGA Update -Decide DeKalb Development Authority

C Internal Auditor Annual Work Plan

D Review of the Proposed Executive Agenda for April 25, 2017

II. Special Call Meeting

2017-0308 To Convene a Special Called Meeting
MOTION was made by Mereda Davis Johnson, seconded by Steve R Bradshaw, that this agenda item be approved.
The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 7 - Commissioner Jester, Commissioner Rader, Commissioner Johnson, Commissioner Bradshaw, Commissioner Davis Johnson, Commissioner Gannon, and Commissioner Adams

2017-0307 To Convene an Executive Session Meeting
MOTION was made by Jeff Rader, seconded by Nancy Jester, that this agenda item be approved.
The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 7 - Commissioner Jester, Commissioner Rader, Commissioner Johnson, Commissioner Bradshaw, Commissioner Davis Johnson, Commissioner Gannon, and Commissioner Adams

2017-0309 To Adjourn an Executive Session Meeting

MOTION was made by Jeff Rader, seconded by Nancy Jester, that this agenda item be approved.

The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 7 - Commissioner Jester, Commissioner Rader, Commissioner Johnson, Commissioner Bradshaw, Commissioner Davis Johnson, Commissioner Gannon, and Commissioner Adams

2017-0311 Commission District(s): ALL

Proposed settlement of Alice Bradford's workers' compensation claim against DeKalb County.

MOTION was made by Steve R Bradshaw, seconded by Nancy Jester, that this agenda item be approved to authorize a total payment of one hundred twenty thousand dollars (\$120,000) to settle a workers' compensation claim filed by Alice Bradford against DeKalb County, such payment to be made only after receipt of any necessary state approval and an appropriate release from Ms. Bradford.

The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 7 - Commissioner Jester, Commissioner Rader, Commissioner Johnson, Commissioner Bradshaw, Commissioner Davis Johnson, Commissioner Gannon, and Commissioner Adams

2017-0339 Commission District(s): ALL
Proposed Settlement of Burrell Ellis Demand for Reimbursement
MOTION was made by Mereda Davis Johnson, seconded by Gregory Adams, that this agenda item be approved for a payment in the amount of Seven Hundred Fifty-five Thousand Five Hundred Sixty-one Dollars and 98 cents (\$755,561.98) to reimburse former Chief Executive Officer Burrell Ellis, as authorized by O.C.G.A. 45-9-21(c) to settle his claim for reimbursement in return for (1) his execution of a release and waiver of all claims; and (2) a stipulation that all donors be reimbursed the amounts paid to the legal defense fund or defense counsel within thirty (30) days of Ellis' receipt of funds or Ellis shall return such funds to the county within forty-five (45) days. The release, waiver and stipulation of all claims shall be in a form satisfactory to the County Attorney. Authorize the County Attorney or her designee to execute the settlement agreement. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 5 - Commissioner Gannon, Commissioner Davis Johnson, Commissioner Johnson, Commissioner Adams, and Commissioner Bradshaw

No: 2 - Commissioner Rader, and Commissioner Jester

2017-0312 Commission District(s): ALL
Proposed settlement of lawsuit filed by James Brown and Stephen Golden against DeKalb County
MOTION was made by Jeff Rader, seconded by Nancy Jester, that this agenda item be approved for a total payment of \$125,000.00 to settle the lawsuit filed by James Brown and Stephen Golden against DeKalb County, Civil Action No. 15CV-4851 in the Superior Court of DeKalb County, Georgia. To resolve this lawsuit, the County will pay the total sum of \$125,000.00 to Mr. Brown, Mr. Golden and their counsel, in return for Plaintiffs' dismissal with prejudice of the lawsuit and the execution of a release and waiver acceptable to the County Attorney. The County Attorney or her designee is authorized to execute the settlement agreement. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 7 - Commissioner Jester, Commissioner Rader, Commissioner Johnson, Commissioner Bradshaw, Commissioner Davis Johnson, Commissioner Gannon, and Commissioner Adams

2017-0310 Commission District(s): ALL
Authorize Execution of Option Agreement in real estate acquisition number 03-21-17.1

MOTION was made by Larry Johnson, seconded by Nancy Jester, that this agenda item be approved to authorize the Chief Executive Office to perform due diligence and to execute an option to purchase property identified as project 03-21-17.1, in an amount not to exceed \$135,000, including the cost of due diligence, funded from 2001 Park Bond Acquisition Funds - District 3, and to execute all necessary documents.

The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 7 - Commissioner Jester, Commissioner Rader, Commissioner Johnson, Commissioner Bradshaw, Commissioner Davis Johnson, Commissioner Gannon, and Commissioner Adams

2017-0313 Commission District(s): ALL
Proposed Settlement of Lawsuit Filed by Joel and Kimberly Easley against DeKalb County, Civil Action No. 17A62977 in the State Court of DeKalb County.

MOTION was made by Gregory Adams, seconded by Jeff Rader, that this agenda item be approved for a total payment of \$150,000 to settle the lawsuit filed by Plaintiffs Joel & Kimberly Easley against DeKalb County, Civil Action No. 17A62977 in the State Court of DeKalb County, Georgia. To resolve this lawsuit, the County will pay the total sum of \$150,000 to the Easleys and their counsel in return for the Easleys' dismissal with prejudice of their lawsuit and execution of a release and waiver of claims acceptable to the County Attorney. The County Attorney or her designee is authorized to execute the settlement documents.

The motion carried by the following vote:

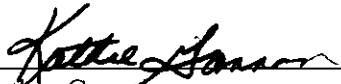
Yes: 7 - Commissioner Jester, Commissioner Rader, Commissioner Johnson, Commissioner Bradshaw, Commissioner Davis Johnson, Commissioner Gannon, and Commissioner Adams

2017-0306 To Adjourn a Special Called Meeting
MOTION was made by Steve R Bradshaw, seconded by Mereda Davis Johnson, that this agenda item be approved.
The motion carried by the following vote:

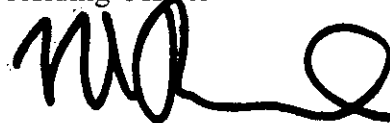
Yes: 7 - Commissioner Jester, Commissioner Rader,
Commissioner Johnson, Commissioner Bradshaw,
Commissioner Davis Johnson, Commissioner
Gannon, and Commissioner Adams

ADJOURNMENT:


There being no further official business, MOTION was made by Commissioner Jeff Rader and seconded by Commissioner Nancy Jester to adjourn the April 18, 2017 Committee of the Whole meeting at 12:05 p.m.



Kathie Gannon
Presiding Officer



Michael Thurmond
Chief Executive Officer



Barbara Sanders-Norwood
County Clerk