

MINUTES OF DEKALB COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

March 21, 2017

9:00 a.m.

SPECIAL CALLED MEETING

STATE OF GEORGIA  
COUNTY OF DEKALB

A Special Called Meeting was convened Tuesday, March 21, 2017 at 9:00 a.m. in the Maloof Auditorium, 1300 Commerce Drive, Commissioner Kathie Gannon, Presided.

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

Administration: Michael Thurmond, CEO, Zachary Williams, Executive Assistant/Chief Operating Office

Staff Present: Barbara Sanders-Norwood, County Clerk, Dianne McNabb, Interim Finance Director  
O.V. Brantley, County Attorney, Viviane Ernstes, Deputy County Attorney

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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.

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Work Session

I. Committee of the Whole

- A. Committee Reports
- B. IT-Legislate Project Updates
- C. Review of the Proposed Executive Agenda for March 28, 2017

II. Special Call Meeting

- A. Executive Session
- B. Proposed settlement of claims alleged by Deborah Schneider against DeKalb County.

DEKALB COUNTY

ITEM NO.

BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

BUSINESS AGENDA / MINUTES

MEETING DATE: March 21, 2017

HEARING TYPE  
Preliminary

ACTION TYPE  
Resolution

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SUBJECT: To Convene a Special Called Meeting

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DEPARTMENT: County Clerk

PUBLIC HEARING:  YES  NO

ATTACHMENT:  YES  No

INFORMATION Barbara H. Sanders

CONTACT: County Clerk

PAGES:

PHONE NUMBER: (404) 371-2162

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PURPOSE:

To Convene a Special Called Meeting.

NEED/IMPACT:

To conduct the official business of the Board of Commissioners whereby a vote may be taken.

RECOMMENDATION(S):

As the Board desires

**FOR USE BY COMMISSION OFFICE/CLERK ONLY**

**ACTION:**

MOTION was made by Commissioner Rader, seconded by Commissioner Jester, and passed 7-0-0-0, to convene a Special Called Meeting.

ADOPTED: MAR 21 2017  
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CERTIFIED: MAR 21 2017  
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PRESIDING OFFICER  
DEKALB COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

  
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APPROVED: MAR 23 2017  
(DATE)

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CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER  
DEKALB COUNTY

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DEKALB COUNTY

VETO STATEMENT ATTACHED: \_\_\_\_\_

**MINUTES:**

For: Nancy Jester, Jeff Rader, Larry Johnson, Steve Bradshaw, Mereda Davis Johnson,  
Kathie Gannon, Gregory Adams

Against:

Abstain:

Absent:

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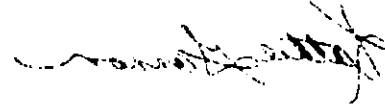
ACTION TYPE

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VIDEOGRAM

VIDEOGRAM

SUBJECT: To Convene an Executive Session Meeting



DEPARTMENT: County Clerk

PUBLIC HEARING:  YES  NO


ATTACHMENT:  YES  No

INFORMATION CONTACT: Barbara H. Sanders  
County Clerk

VIDEOGRAM

PAGES:

PHONE NUMBER: (404) 371-2162



PURPOSE:

To Convene an Executive Session Meeting

NEED/IMPACT:

To conduct business conducted in Executive Session.

RECOMMENDATION(S):

As the Board desires

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**ACTION:**

**MOTION** was made by Commissioner Rader, seconded by Commissioner Jester, and passed 7-0-0-0 to convene an Executive Session Meeting.

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MEETING DATE: March 21, 2017

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SUBJECT: To Adjourn an Executive Session Meeting

DEPARTMENT: County Clerk

PUBLIC HEARING:  YES  NO

ATTACHMENT:  YES  No

INFORMATION CONTACT: Barbara H. Sanders

County Clerk

PAGES:

PHONE NUMBER: 404/371-2162

PURPOSE:

To Adjourn an Executive Session Meeting



NEED/IMPACT:

To conclude all official business of the Board of Commissioners.

RECOMMENDATION(S):

As the Board desires

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**ACTION:**

**MOTION** was made by Commissioner Bradshaw, seconded by Commissioner Adams, and passed 7-0-0, to adjourn an Executive Session Meeting.

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DEKALB COUNTY

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MINUTES:

For: Nancy Jester, Jeff Rader, Larry Johnson Steve Bradshaw, Mereda Davis Johnson,  
Kathie Gannon, Gregory Adams

Against:

Abstain:

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BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS  
BUSINESS AGENDA / MINUTES  
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SUBJECT: Proposed settlement of claims alleged by Deborah Schneider against DeKalb County.

DEPARTMENT: Law

PUBLIC HEARING:  YES  NO

ATTACHMENT: YES  NO   
PAGES:  2

INFORMATION CONTACT: O.V. Brantley, County Attorney  
PHONE NUMBER: 404-371-3011

PURPOSE: To consider approving a one-time payment of \$22,500 to settle claims alleged by Deborah Schneider against DeKalb County.

NEED/IMPACT: Settlement would avoid litigation of the alleged claims and avoid litigation risks.

RECOMMENDATION(S):

Approve a one-time payment of \$22,500 to Deborah Schneider in return for her resignation in connection with retirement and her execution of a settlement agreement acceptable to the County Attorney. Authorize the County Attorney or her designee to execute the settlement agreement.





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**ACTION:**

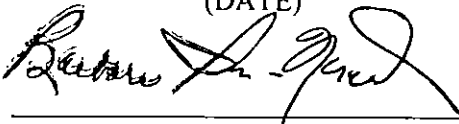
**MOTION** was made by Commissioner Jester and, seconded by Commissioner Adams, and passed 6-0-0 to move that the Board of Commissioners approve the total payment of \$22,500 to resolve claims alleged by Deborah Schneider against DeKalb County. **Commissioner Rader recused himself.**

To resolve these claims, the County will make a one-time payment of \$22,500 to Ms. Schneider in return for Ms. Schneider's resignation for retirement and Ms. Schneider's execution of a settlement agreement satisfactory to the County Attorney. The County Attorney or her designee is authorized to execute the settlement agreement for DeKalb County.

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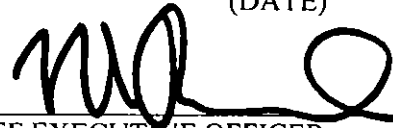
  
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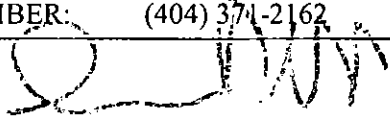


DEPARTMENT: County Clerk

PUBLIC HEARING:  YES  NO

ATTACHMENT:  YES  No  
  
PAGES:

INFORMATION: Barbara H. Sanders  
CONTACT: County Clerk  
PHONE NUMBER: (404) 374-2162



PURPOSE:

To Adjourn the Specially Called Meeting of the Board of Commissioners

NEED/IMPACT:

To conclude all official business of the Board of Commissioners.

RECOMMENDATION(S):

To officially adjourn the meeting of the Board of Commissioners.

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**ACTION:**

MOTION was made by Commissioner Jester, seconded by Commissioner Davis Johnson, and passed 7-0-0-0 to adjourn the Special Called Meeting.

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Absent:

ADJOURNMENT:

There being no further official business, MOTION was made by Commissioner Rader and seconded by Commissioner Davis Johnson to adjourn at 12:35 p.m.

  
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Presiding Officer

  
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Michael Thurmond  
Chief Executive Officer

  
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Barbara Sanders-Norwood  
County Clerk