

DeKalb County Government

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



Meeting Minutes

Tuesday, October 1, 2019

9:00 AM

Manuel J. Maloof Auditorium

Special Called Meeting

*Commissioner Jeff Rader, Presiding Officer, District 2
Commissioner Steve Bradshaw, Deputy Presiding Officer, District 4*

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 Loraine Cochran-Johnson, Super District 7

Present 6 - Commissioner Nancy Jester, Commissioner Jeff Rader,
 Commissioner Larry Johnson, Commissioner Steve Bradshaw,
 Commissioner Mereda Davis Johnson, and Commissioner Lorraine
 Cochran-Johnson

Absent 1 - Commissioner Kathie Gannon

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

Work Session

I. Committee of the Whole

A. Committee Report

B. DeKalb County Census Update

C. Decide DeKalb Development Authority Quarterly Update

D. Review of the Proposed Executive Agenda for October 8, 2019

E. Review of Board of Commissioners Preliminary Agenda

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

G. Items Previously Heard

II. Special Call Meeting

2019-4456 Commission District(s): All
 To Convene an Executive Session Meeting
MOTION was made by Commissioner Lorraine Cochran-Johnson, seconded by Commissioner Larry Johnson, that this agenda item be approved to convene a Special Called Meeting. Commissioner Kathie Gannon was absent from the meeting. Commissioner Mereda Davis Johnson left the meeting at approximately 10:15 a.m. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 5 - Commissioner Nancy Jester, Commissioner Jeff Rader, Commissioner Larry Johnson, Commissioner Steve Bradshaw, and Commissioner Lorraine Cochran-Johnson

Absent: 2 - Commissioner Mereda Davis Johnson, and
Commissioner Kathie Gannon

2019-4457

Commission District(s): All

To Convene an Executive Session Meeting

MOTION was made by Commissioner Steve Bradshaw, seconded by Commissioner Larry Johnson, that this agenda item be approved to adjourn the Executive Session Meeting. Commissioners Kathie Gannon and Mereda Davis Johnson were absent from the meeting. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 5 - Commissioner Nancy Jester, Commissioner Jeff Rader, Commissioner Larry Johnson, Commissioner Steve Bradshaw, and Commissioner Lorraine Cochran-Johnson

Absent: 2 - Commissioner Mereda Davis Johnson, and
Commissioner Kathie Gannon

2019-4458

Commission District(s): All

To Adjourn an Executive Session Meeting

MOTION was made by Commissioner Nancy Jester, seconded by Commissioner Steve Bradshaw, that this agenda item be approved to convene the Executive Session Meeting. Commissioners Kathie Gannon and Mereda Davis Johnson were absent from the meeting. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 5 - Commissioner Nancy Jester, Commissioner Jeff Rader, Commissioner Larry Johnson, Commissioner Steve Bradshaw, and Commissioner Lorraine Cochran-Johnson

Absent: 2 - Commissioner Mereda Davis Johnson, and
Commissioner Kathie Gannon

2019-4459

Commission District(s): All

Proposed settlement of all attorneys' fees and expenses claims related to litigation filed by Daisy Abdur-Rahman and Ryan Petty arising from their employment terminations in 2005, currently pending before the Eleventh Circuit Court of Appeals and the U.S. Department of Labor's Administrative Review Board.

MOTION was made by Lorraine Cochran-Johnson, seconded by Steve Bradshaw, that this agenda item to approve a total payment of \$997,500 (nine hundred ninety-seven thousand five hundred dollars), to be paid in three installments, to resolve all claims for attorneys' fees and expenses related to the litigation between Daisy Abdur-Rahman, Ryan Petty and DeKalb County arising from Abdur-Rahman and Petty's 2005 terminations from employment. To resolve these claims, the County will pay the attorneys for Abdur-Rahman and Petty \$100,00 in November 2019, \$448,750 in the second half of February 2020, and \$448,750 in the first half of January 2021, in return for and conditioned on withdrawal or dismissal with prejudice by Abdur-Rahman, Petty and their attorneys of all claims for attorneys' fees and expenses related to this litigation, and execution by Abdur-Rahman, Petty and their attorneys of a settlement agreement satisfactory to the County Attorney. The County Attorney or her designee is authorized to execute the settlement agreement after its effective date. Commissioners Kathie Gannon and Mereda Davis Johnson were absent from the meeting. The motion carried by the following vote:

- Yes:** 5 - Commissioner Nancy Jester, Commissioner Jeff Rader, Commissioner Larry Johnson, Commissioner Steve Bradshaw, and Commissioner Lorraine Cochran-Johnson
- Absent:** 2 - Commissioner Mereda Davis Johnson, and Commissioner Kathie Gannon

ADJOURNMENT:

There being no further official business, MOTION was made by Commissioner Nancy Jester and seconded by Commissioner Larry Johnson to adjourn the October 1, 2019 Special Called Meeting at 11:30 a.m. Commissioners Kathie Gannon and Mereda Davis Johnson were absent from the meeting. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 5 - Commissioner Nancy Jester, Commissioner Jeff Rader, Commissioner Larry Johnson, Commissioner Steve Bradshaw, and Commissioner Lorraine Cochran-Johnson

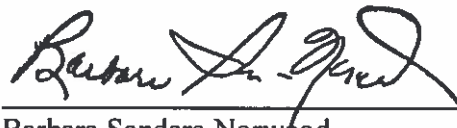
Absent: 2 - Commissioner Mereda Davis Johnson, and Commissioner Kathie Gannon



Jeff Rader
Presiding Officer



Michael Thurmond
Chief Executive Officer



Barbara Sanders-Norwood
County Clerk