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140 Stonewall Avenue West
Public Meeting Room
Fayetteville, GA 30214

MINUTES

June 25, 2026
5:00 p.m.

Welcome to the meeting of your Fayette County Board of Commissioners. Your participation in County government is appreciated. All regularly scheduled Board meetings are open to the public and are held on the 2nd and 4th Thursday of each month at 5:00 p.m.

OFFICIAL SESSION:

Call to Order

Chairman Lee Hearn called the June 25, 2026, Board of Commissioners meeting to order at 5:01 p.m. A quorum of the Board was present. Vice Chairman Gibbons and Commissioner Maxwell were absent.

Invocation and Pledge of Allegiance by Commissioner Charles Oddo

Commissioner Charles Oddo gave the Invocation and led the audience in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Acceptance of Agenda

Commissioner Charles Oddo moved to approve the agenda as presented. Commissioner Charles Rousseau seconded. The motion passed 3-0. Vice Chairman Gibbons and Commissioner Maxwell were absent.

PROCLAMATION/RECOGNITION:

1. **Recognition of the Fayette County State Court Summer Interns.**

State Court Judge Jason Thompson recognized State Court law school student interns. Fayette County State Court had the opportunity to host several internships during the 2025-2026 school year. Judge Thompson acknowledged the hard work and dedication of High School students: Chole Keeley, Umu King, Madison Meeks, Hastee Mehdipour, Valeria Suarez, Shealyn; College students: Olivia Avevedo, Mclaine Arnold, Ciana Bruce, Henry Crozier, Andres Davila Echeverri, Mackenzie Guillou, Andrew Martindale, Reagan Marvel, Godswill Maxwell, Ava Newell, Sydney Oates, Juhi Patelm Anna Grace Scott; and Law School students Alexander Paparo, Jeremy Salguero, and Nia Tchaykov.

PUBLIC HEARING:

2. **Second of two Public Hearings on Fayette County's proposed annual budget for Fiscal Year 2027 which begins on July 1, 2026 and ends June 30, 2027, and approval of Resolution 2026-13 to adopt the Fiscal Year 2027 Annual Budget.**

Fayette County Chief Financial Officer Sheryl Weinmann began the 2nd Public Hearing on Fayette County's proposed annual budget for Fiscal Year 2027 by providing the Board with the estimated fund balance for FY2026 financial projection which was $30.89M. Ms. Weinman stated that she would review FY2027 proposed budget items, majority of which had been discussed in previous meetings but needed further analysis and approval. She noted that as of June 11th the positive net impact to the General Fund's fund balance was approximately $482K.

Budget Discussion item #1

Ms. Weinman continued stating that Budget Discussion item #1 was consideration of an increase for the Board of Commissioners (BOC) which was a discussion continuation from the June 11th BOC meeting. She presented Option 1 which was a $2,500 base rate increase with an estimated six-month FY2027 impact of $8,622.66, and a full-year impact $17,245.33. She noted that these figures and totals included longevity pay, certification supplements, and COLAs. Ms. Weinmann explained that the earliest possible effective date would be January 1, 2027, because all changes would need to be included in the legislative package and presented to the local delegation. She continued stating that Option 2 was a $5,000 base rate increase with an estimated six-month FY2027 impact of $17,245.33 and a full-year impact $34,490.65.

County Administrator Mr. Rapson stated that the Board would need to make a vote on either option 1 or 2 providing a dollar amount. This would then be drafted to be included in the legislative package to be presented to the local delegation in November.

Chairman Hearn noted that the reason for the Board needing to go through this process was because the Board of Commissioners' pay had been uncoupled from the Superior Court Judges salary.

Ms. Rapson stated that House Bill 85 uncoupled the salary of the Board of Commissioners, the State Court Judge as well as the Solicitor General from the Superior Court Judges' salary. He noted that the Board had already taken local delegation action regarding both the State Court Judge and Solicitor General salaries leaving the elected positions, County Commissioners unratified. Mr. Rapson stated the as a result, the Board of Commissioners' salaries had been left frozen.

Commissioner Rousseau moved to approve option 1, $2,500 base rate increase for the Board of Commissioners. Chairman Hearn seconded.

Commissioner Oddo stated that while this discussion was somewhat uncomfortable it was important. He noted that the commissioners' pay had previously been tied to Superior Court Judge pay allowing for regular review and the potential increases. Commissioner Oddo stated that the appropriate compensation would help attract qualified future leaders. With that in mind, he was willing to support this rate increase.

Chairman Hearn stated that he felt this was a good step and increasing the pay would help attract better candidates and good leaders in the community would like to serve in the future.

Mr. Rapson noted that House Bill 85 reflected a distinction between commissioner and chairman compensation, including a chairman differential of approximately $6,200 due to added responsibilities. He wanted to ensure that the Board was aware this would be included in legislative package as part of this rate increase request.

Commissioner Rousseau moved to option 1, $2,500 base rate increase for the Board of Commissioners. Chairman Hearn seconded. The motion passed 3-0. Vice Chairman Gibbons and Commissioner Maxwell were absent.

Ms. Weinmann noted that the budget summary and Resolution would be updated to reflect the correct numbers based on the this vote.

Budget Discussion item #2

Ms. Weinman stated that Budget Discussion item #2 was an increase for the UGA Cooperative Extension contract to include a 1.04% proposed merit, including salary, FICA/Medicare, and Retirement. She noted that the increase was only related to the County portion of funding and totaled $1,916.

Commissioner Rousseau moved to approve staff recommendation for a merit increase for the UGA Cooperative Extension. Commissioner Oddo seconded. The motion passed 3-0. Vice Chairman Gibbons and Commissioner Maxwell were absent.

<u>Budget Discussion item #3</u>
Ms. Weinmann stated that this item proposed a 5% increase to Fayette County Board members' rate. This included the Board of Assessors, Board of Equalization, Zoning Board of Appeals, and Planning Commission. She noted that some of these were paid per meeting or based on hours and upon review it was determined that the estimated annual impact of the 5% rate increase would be approximately $2,372.

Commissioner Rousseau moved to approve the 5% rate increase for the Fayette County Board members' to include Board of Assessors, Board of Equalization, Zoning Board of Appeals, and Planning Commission. Commissioner Oddo seconded. The motion passed 3-0. Vice Chairman Gibbons and Commissioner Maxwell were absent.

Ms. Weinmann concluded the presentation with the following budget highlights:

- Millage Rate remains at 3.763
- General Fund impact from maintenance & operations is positive
- Proposed Budget increases General Fund Balance $461,210 [plus approximately $8,600 based on changes made but not yet reflected due to previous vote]
- Funds Rolling 5 Year Capital Improvement Program of $3,931,434
- Changes in Personnel levels protect the existing outstanding service delivery to our citizens
- Budget continues to maintain the commitment to balance current year revenues with current year expenses.
- Maintains Employee Benefits – Medical/Dental/Vision & Retirement
- County-Wide departmental cooperation continues to yield positive results.

Ms. Weinmann asked the Board to adopt the Fiscal Year 2027 Budget and to approve Resolution 2026-13.

Clerk of Courts Shelia Studdard thanked the Board and stated that, in her 26 years as clerk, this was the first time the Board of Equalization had received an increase. She noted that it would be greatly appreciated.

No one spoke in opposition.

Commissioner Rousseau thanked staff for their hard work and due diligence, acknowledging that this was a difficult budget year.

Chairman Hearn also relayed a kudos to the Finance Office with a special thank you to Sergio Acevedo Fayette County Budget Manager.

Commissioner Rousseau moved to approve Fayette County's proposed annual budget for Fiscal Year 2027 which begins on July 1, 2026, and ends June 30, 2027, and approval of Resolution 2026-13 to adopt the Fiscal Year 2027 Annual Budget. Chairman Hearn seconded. The motion passed 3-0. Vice Chairman Gibbons and Commissioner Maxwell were absent.

Planning and Zoning Director Deborah Bell read the Introduction to Public Hearings.

3. **Consideration of Petition 1381-26, Wright Chancey McBride, LLC, Owner and Rod Wright, Agent, requesting to rezone Parcel No. 0448 034 (8.227 acres), from A-R (Agriculture-Residential) to R-80 (Single-Family Residential); property located in Land Lots 249 of the 4th District and fronts McBride Road. This item was tabled at the May 28, 2026, Board of Commissioners meeting.**

The Petitioner agreed to move forward with this petition with less than a full Board present.

Ms. Bell stated that this item requested to rezone Parcel 0448 034 from A-R to R-80. The lot is a legal lot of record. She noted that it met or exceeded all requirements of the R-80 zoning district. Ms. Bell stated that the Future Land Use Map designates this area as Rural Residential-3, which has a 3-acre minimum parcel size, so request to rezone to R-80, which has a 3-acre minimum lot size, was consistent the Future Land Use Map and the Comprehensive Plan. Ms. Bell stated that both staff and the Planning Commission recommended approval with one condition:

1. The owner /developer shall dedicate land to Fayette County as needed to provide a minimum of 40-ft of right of way as measured from the existing centerline of McBride Road within 90 days.

Rod Wright, Petitioner, asked for favorable approval of Petition 1381-26, Wright Chancey McBride, LLC, Owner and Rod Wright, Agent, requesting to rezone Parcel No. 0448 034 (8.227 acres), from A-R to R-80. He noted that he accepted the condition as presented by Ms. Bell.

No one spoke in favor or opposition.

Commissioner Oddo moved to approve Petition 1381-26, Wright Chancey McBride, LLC, Owner and Rod Wright, Agent, requesting to rezone Parcel No. 0448 034 (8.227 acres), from A-R (Agriculture-Residential) to R-80 (Single-Family Residential); property located in Land Lots 249 of the 4th District and fronts McBride Road with one (1) condition. Chairman Hearn seconded. The motion passed 3-0. Vice Chairman Gibbons and Commissioner Maxwell were absent.

4. **Consideration of Petition 1382-26, Linda Waites, Owner, and Michele Hoff, Agent, requesting to rezone Parcel No. 0903 007 (54.46 acres) from R-70 (Single-Family Residential) to A-R (Agricultural-Residential); property located in Land Lot 6 of the 9th District and fronts on Milam Road.**

Commissioner Oddo moved to table this item to the July 23rd BOC Meeting. Commissioner Rousseau seconded. The motion passed 3-0. Vice Chairman Gibbons and Commissioner Maxwell were absent.

5. **Consideration of Petition 1383-26, Charles E. Harp Estate, Owner, and Julie Harp, Agent, requesting to rezone Parcel No. 044701 009 (2.34 acres) from A-R (Agriculture-Residential) Single Family to R-70 (Single-Family Residential); property located in Land Lot 247 of the 4th District and fronts SR 92 and Inman Road.**

The Petitioner agreed to move forward with this petition with less than a full Board present.

Ms. Bell stated that this item was a request to rezone Parcel No. 044701 009 (2.34 acres) from A-R (Agriculture-Residential) Single Family to R-70. She noted that this lot was a legal, nonconforming lot. Although the lot does not meet the dimensional requirements under current A-R zoning, it would meet or exceed the requirements of the R-70 zoning district. The Future Land Use Map designates this area as Rural Residential-2, which has a 2-acre minimum parcel size. The request to rezone R-70 was consistent with the Future Land Use Map & Comp Plan. Ms. Bell stated that both staff and the Planning Commission recommended approval with two conditions:

1. The owner /developer shall dedicate land to Fayette County as needed to provide a minimum of 50-ft of right of way as measured from the existing centerline of Inman Road within 90 days of this rezoning request. Environmental Management Department will approve the required warranty/ quitclaim deeds prior to Final Plat of the property.

2. The current driveway along Inman Road does not meet the current access standards and will need to be relocated when the property is developed.

Ms. Julie Harp asked for the Board's favorable approval of Petition 1383-26, Charles E. Harp Estate, Owner, and Julie Harp, Agent, requesting to rezone Parcel No. 044701 009 (2.34 acres) from A-R (Agriculture-Residential) Single Family to R-70 (Single-Family Residential); property located in Land Lot 247 of the 4th District and fronts SR 92 and Inman Road. She accepted the outlined conditions.

No one spoke in favor or opposition.

Commissioner Oddo moved to approve Petition 1383-26, Charles E. Harp Estate, Owner, and Julie Harp, Agent, requesting to rezone Parcel No. 044701 009 (2.34 acres) from A-R (Agriculture-Residential) Single Family to R-70 (Single-Family Residential); property located in Land Lot 247 of the 4th District and fronts SR 92 and Inman Road with two (2) conditions. Chairman Hearn seconded. The motion passed 3-0. Vice Chairman Gibbons and Commissioner Maxwell were absent.

PUBLIC COMMENT:

Mr. Douglas Brantley Jr. of Fayetteville addressed the Board regarding a long-standing sinkhole and flooding issue on his property. He relayed concerns regardig damage to his lower driveway *allegedly* caused by the county. He also asked the Board to reconsider its offer regarding purchasing his property and urged the Board to address the situation before someone was seriously hurt.

CONSENT AGENDA:
Commissioner Oddo moved to approve the Consent Agenda. Commissioner Rousseau seconded. The motion passed 3-0. Vice Chairman Gibbons and Commissioner Maxwell were absent.

6. **Approval of the Intergovernmental Agreement (IGA) for the Provision of Inmate Services between Fayette County, City of Fayetteville, Town of Tyrone, and the City of Peachtree City, related to the Daily Inmate Rate calculations effective July 1, 2026.**

7. **Acceptance of the Certificate of Completion for the December 11, 2026 Fayette Beautification Project Agreement with Georgia Power for landscaping/beautifying roadway islands along Veterans Parkway and construction of Whitewater Creek Nature Area.**

8. **Approval of the May 13, 2026, Board Retreat Minutes.**

9. **Approval of the June 11, 2026, Board of Commissioners Meeting Minutes.**

OLD BUSINESS: None
NEW BUSINESS:

10. **Request to approve a recommendation from the Selection Committee, comprised of Commissioners Lee Hearn and Edward Gibbons to reappoint Darryl Hicks to the Fayette County Development Authority to fulfill a four-year term beginning April 10, 2026 and expiring April 9, 2030.**

Chairman Hearn moved to approve to reappoint Darryl Hicks to the Fayette County Development Authority to fulfill a four-year term beginning April 10, 2026 and expiring April 9, 2030. Commissioner Rousseau seconded. The motion passed 3-0. Vice Chairman Gibbons and Commissioner Maxwell were absent.

11. **Request to approve a recommendation from the Selection Committee, comprised of Commissioners Lee Hearn and Edward Gibbons to reappoint Dr. Luis Matta to the Fayette County Development Authority to fulfill a four-year term beginning April 10, 2026 and expiring April 9, 2030.**

Chairman Hearn moved to approve to reappoint Dr. Luis Matta to the Fayette County Development Authority to fulfill a four-year term beginning April 10, 2026 and expiring April 9, 2030. Commissioner Oddo seconded. The motion passed 3-0. Vice Chairman Gibbons and Commissioner Maxwell were absent.

12. Request to approve a recommendation from the Selection Committee, comprised of Commissioners Lee Hearn and Edward Gibbons to appoint Thomas Gray to the Fayette County Development Authority to fulfill a four-year term beginning April 10, 2026 and expiring April 9, 2030.

Chairman Hearn moved to appoint Thomas Gray to the Fayette County Development Authority to fulfill a four-year term beginning April 10, 2026 and expiring April 9, 2030. Commissioner Oddo seconded. The motion passed 3-0. Vice Chairman Gibbons and Commissioner Maxwell were absent.

13. Request to approve a recommendation from the Selection Committee, comprised of Commissioners Lee Hearn and Edward Gibbons to appoint Addison Lester III to the Fayette County Development Authority to fulfill a four-year term beginning April 10, 2026 and expiring April 9, 2030.

Chairman Hearn moved to appoint Addison Lester III to the Fayette County Development Authority to fulfill a four-year term beginning April 10, 2026 and expiring April 9, 2030. Commissioner Oddo seconded. The motion passed 3-0. Vice Chairman Gibbons and Commissioner Maxwell were absent.

Chairman Hearn noted that Mr. Lester was his mother's first cousin in an effort to be transparent.

14. Request to approve an Amendment to Subgrant Agreement with the Atlanta Regional Commission (ARC) for the 2026 Comprehensive Transportation Plan (CTP) update in the amount of $192,000 federal and $72,225.43 local match for a total amount of $264,225.43.

Paola Kimball, Transportation Engineer, stated that this item was seeking approval of an Amendment to Subgrant Agreement with the Atlanta Regional Commission (ARC) for the 2026 Comprehensive Transportation Plan. She noted that on December 12, 2024, the Board of Commissioners (BOC) approved a Subgrant Agreement with ARC to update Fayette County's Comprehensive Transportation Plan. On December 11, 2025, the Board approved the consult contract, and this amendment reflected that contract. Ms. Kimball stated that the total amount of the project was $264,225.43, the local match was $72,225.43 and the federal amount was $192,000.

Commissioner Rousseau moved to approve Amendment to Subgrant Agreement with the Atlanta Regional Commission (ARC) for the 2026 Comprehensive Transportation Plan (CTP) update in the amount of $192,000 federal and $72,225.43 local match for a total amount of $264,225.43. Commissioner Oddo seconded. Vice Chairman Gibbons and Commissioner Maxwell were absent.

Chairman Hearn asked if this was included in the Budget.

Mr. Rapson stated yes, 100%.

Commissioner Rousseau moved to approve Amendment to Subgrant Agreement with the Atlanta Regional Commission (ARC) for the 2026 Comprehensive Transportation Plan (CTP) update in the amount of $192,000 federal and $72,225.43 local match for a total amount of $264,225.43. Commissioner Oddo seconded. The motion passed 3-0. Vice Chairman Gibbons and Commissioner Maxwell were absent.

15. Request to award Contract #26124-S: Siemens Industry Inc. for the maintenance of the building Automation equipment and software within the Justice Center, Jail, Jail Annex, and Library for a three (3) year period in the amount of $271,676.

Building and Grounds Director, Josh Wilson, stated that this item was seeking approval to award Contract #26124-S: Siemens Industry Inc. for the maintenance of the building Automation equipment and software within the Justice Center, Jail, Jail Annex, and Library for a three (3) year period in the amount of $271,676.

Commissioner Rousseau asked if this was an annual renewal or a three-year renewal.

Mr. Rapson stated that this was a three-year renewal, but staff would be reviewing it in the next year.

Commissioner Oddo asked what this software was for.

Mr. Wilson stated that this was the automation software and equipment for the HVAC units in several of the County's buildings. It advised on equipment issues and service and maintenance needs. This helped maintain more energy-efficient buildings.

Commissioner Oddo moved to approve to award Contract #26124-S: Siemens Industry Inc. for the maintenance of the building Automation equipment and software within the Justice Center, Jail, Jail Annex, and Library for a three (3) year period in the amount of $271,676. Chairman Hearn seconded. The motion passed 3-0. Vice Chairman Gibbons and Commissioner Maxwell were absent.

16. **Request to approve Contract #1477-S: Carbyne Public Safety Ecosystem, renewal five of six, in the amount of $290,000.**

Mr. Rapson stated that this item was seeking Board approval for Contract #1477-S: Carbyne Public Safety Ecosystem, renewal five of six, in the amount of $290,000. The contract renewal provided maintenance and support to ensure continued operation of the system. Mr. Rapson added that the Carbyne system enabled enhanced location accuracy and real-time video.

Commissioner Oddo moved to approve Contract #1477-S: Carbyne Public Safety Ecosystem, renewal five of six, in the amount of $290,000. Commissioner Rousseau seconded. The motion passed 3-0. Vice Chairman Gibbons and Commissioner Maxwell were absent.

17. **Request to award Contract #2596-B, Renewal #1 to C.W. Matthews Inc. for annual asphalt delivery in the not-to-exceed amount of $450,000.00.**

Roads Director Steve Hoffman stated that this item was requesting to award Contract #2596-B, Renewal #1 to C.W. Matthews Inc. for annual asphalt delivery in the not-to-exceed amount of $450,000.00.

Commissioner Oddo moved to award Contract #2596-B, Renewal #1 to C.W. Matthews Inc. for annual asphalt delivery in the not-to-exceed amount of $450,000.00. Commissioner Rousseau seconded. The motion passed 3-0.

Chairman Hearn asked what the asphalt would be used for.

Mr. Hoffman stated that it would be used for in-house paving, patching, and resurfacing.

Commissioner Oddo moved to award Contract #2596-B, Renewal #1 to C.W. Matthews Inc. for annual asphalt delivery in the not-to-exceed amount of $450,000.00. Commissioner Rousseau seconded. The motion passed 3-0. Vice Chairman Gibbons and Commissioner Maxwell were absent.

18. **Request to award Contract 2563-B, Annual Contract for Water Distribution and Stormwater Infrastructure Annual On-Call Contract for Fiscal Year 2027 for renewal 1, Shockley Plumbing, with a not-to-exceed or fixed prices established for each project as assigned.**

Water System Director Vanessa Tigert stated that this item was seeking approval to Contract 2563-B, Annual Contract for Water Distribution and Stormwater Infrastructure Annual On-Call Contract for Fiscal Year 2027 for renewal 1, Shockley Plumbing, with a not-to-exceed or fixed prices established for each project as assigned.

Commissioner Rousseau asked if some of the asphalt projects could be done in-house for a cheaper price.

Mr. Rapson stated that if available Mr. Hoffman's crew could step in and perform some of the on-call projects in-house. However, this would be case-by-case and based on workload.

Commissioner Rousseau moved to award Contract 2563-B, Annual Contract for Water Distribution and Stormwater Infrastructure Annual On-Call Contract for Fiscal Year 2027 for renewal 1, Shockley Plumbing, with a not-to-exceed or fixed prices established for each project as assigned. Commissioner Oddo seconded. The motion passed 5-0.

19. **Request to award Contract #2558-P, Elevated Water Storage Tank Maintenance for Fiscal Year 2027 to American Tank Maintenance, with a not-to-exceed amount of $659,907 for renewal 1.**

Ms. Tigert stated that this item was seeking approval of Contract #2558-P, Elevated Water Storage Tank Maintenance for Fiscal Year 2027 to American Tank Maintenance, with a not-to-exceed amount of $659,907 for renewal 1.

Chairman Hearn stated that this would be for maintenance for both inside and outside the Water Storage Tank.

Ms. Tigert stated that was correct as well as required inspection.

Commissioner Oddo moved to award Contract #2558-P, Elevated Water Storage Tank Maintenance for Fiscal Year 2027 to American Tank Maintenance, with a not-to-exceed amount of $659,907 for renewal 1. Rousseau seconded. The motion passed 3-0. Vice Chairman Gibbons and Commissioner Maxwell were absent.

20. **Request to approve Contract #2550-B: Water Treatment Chemicals Renewal 1 for Brenntag Mid-South, Inc. and Chemtrade Chemicals US LLC for a total not- to-exceed amount of $514,933.**

Ms. Tigert stated that this item was seeking approval of Contract #2550-B: Water Treatment Chemicals Renewal 1 for Brenntag Mid-South, Inc. and Chemtrade Chemicals US LLC for a total not- to-exceed amount of $514,933.

Commissioner Oddo moved to approve Contract #2550-B: Water Treatment Chemicals Renewal 1 for Brenntag Mid-South, Inc. and Chemtrade Chemicals US LLC for a total not- to-exceed amount of $514,933. Commissioner Rousseau seconded. The motion passed 3-0. Vice Chairman Gibbons and Commissioner Maxwell were absent.

21. **Request to award of Contract #26139-S, State Court Appointed Counsel, to Lister, Holt, & Dennis, LLC to provide services to indigent defendants, in the amount of $756,000.00.**

Mr. Rapson stated that this item was seeking Board approval to award Contract #26139-S, State Court Appointed Counsel, to Lister, Holt, & Dennis, LLC to provide services to indigent defendants, in the amount of $756,000.00.

Commissioner Hearn noted that Judge Thompson was pleased with the service provided by Lister, Holt, & Dennis, LLC.

Commissioner Oddo moved to approve Contract #26139-S, State Court Appointed Counsel, to Lister, Holt, & Dennis, LLC to provide services to indigent defendants, in the amount of $756,000.00. Chairman Hearn seconded. The motion passed 3-0. Vice Chairman Gibbons and Commissioner Maxwell were absent.

ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORTS:

A: Contract 2378-S: Water System Engineer of Record; Task Order 26-12: Trilith Booster PS Construction
B: Contract 26143-A: Royal Condos at Hwy 54 Vault and Tie In

Hot Projects
Mr. Rapson stated that he provided the Board the Hot Topics with updates to the Parks and Recreation Multi-Use Facility, Darren Drive culvert replacement, Cross Creek culvert replacement, Brandon Mill Circle culvert replacement, Justice Center buildout, Kenwood Road and Morning Creek Bridge, and the Crosstown Generator Project.

Fourth of July Holiday
Mr. Rapson advised that the Administrative Complex would be going to minimum staff on Thursday July 2nd in anticipation of the July 3rd holiday.

ATTORNEY'S REPORTS:

Notice of Executive Session: County Dennis Davenport stated that there were two items for Executive Session. One item involving threatened litigation and the review of the June 11, 2026 Executive Session Minutes.

COMMISSIONERS' REPORTS:

Commissioner Rousseau

Commissioner Rousseau commended Chief Miller, Anita Godbee, and the McIntosh Community Service Board for assisting a resident who had been using a park for shelter and for helping connect the person with resources without requiring a law-enforcement response. He noted that Fayette County had pockets of poverty and residents living in cars, and he emphasized the importance of connecting people to assistance before situations led to courts or jails. He also asked staff to follow up on Mr. Brantley's driveway concern and requested an update on recycling after receiving additional resident inquiries.

Commissioner Oddo

Commissioner Oddo reflected on the upcoming 250th anniversary of the nation and stated that it was a privilege to serve as a commissioner during that milestone. He said the country was imperfect and had made mistakes, but he emphasized the nation's progress, sacrifices, liberty, and role in the world. He encouraged residents to proudly wave the American flag for the Fourth of July and to feel good about being Americans. He also congratulated Sergio on his retirement and noted that July 4 marked his 24th wedding anniversary with his wife.

Chairman Hearn

Chairman Hearn Chairman Hearn also thanked staff for their work on the budget and said it was a privilege to live in the country, live in Fayette County, and serve on the Board.

EXECUTIVE SESSION:

One item involving threatened litigation and the review of the June 11, 2026 Executive Session Minutes.

Commissioner Oddo moved to go into Executive Session. Commissioner Rousseau seconded. The motion passed 3-0. Vice Chairman Gibbons and Commissioner Maxwell were absent.

The Board recessed into Executive Session at 6:14 p.m. and returned to Official Session at 6:24 p.m.

Return to Official Session and Approval to Sign the Executive Session Affidavit: Commissioner Oddo moved to return to Official Session and for the Chairman to sign the Executive Session Affidavit. Commissioner Rousseau seconded. The motion passed 3-0. Vice Chairman Gibbons and Commissioner Maxwell were absent.

Approval of the June 26, 2026 Executive Session Minutes: Commissioner Oddo moved to approve June 26, 2026 Executive Session Minutes. Commissioner Rousseau seconded the motion. The motion passed 3-0. Vice Chairman Gibbons and Commissioner Maxwell were absent.

ADJOURNMENT:

Commissioner Oddo moved to adjourn the June 25, 2026, Board of Commissioners meeting. Chairman Hearn seconded. The motion passed 3-0. Vice Chairman Gibbons and Commissioner Maxwell were absent.

The June 25, 2026 Board of Commissioners meeting adjourned at 6:24 p.m.

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Marlena Edwards, Chief Deputy County Clerk

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Lee Hearn, Chairman

The foregoing minutes were duly approved at an official meeting of the Board of Commissioners of Fayette County, Georgia, held on the 9th day of July 2026. Attachments are available upon request at the County Clerk's Office.

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Marlena Edwards, Chief Deputy County Clerk