

BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

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Charles W. Oddo



FAYETTE COUNTY, GEORGIA

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Tameca P. Smith, County Clerk
Marlena Edwards, Chief Deputy County Clerk

140 Stonewall Avenue West
Public Meeting Room
Fayetteville, GA 30214

ACTION AGENDA

February 13, 2025
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 February 13, 2025 Board of Commissioners meeting to order at 5:02 p.m. A quorum of the Board was present.

Invocation and Pledge of Allegiance by Commissioner Eric Maxwell

Commissioner Eric Maxwell offered the invocation and led the audience in the Pledge of Allegiance

Acceptance of Agenda

Vice Chairman Edward Gibbons moved to accept the agenda as written except for item #5. Commissioner Charles Oddo seconded. The motion passed 5-0

PROCLAMATION/RECOGNITION:

- 1. Presentation by Fayette County's auditing firm, Nichols, Cauley & Associates, LLC, of the results of the Fiscal Year 2024 annual audit.**

Gregory Chapman with Nichols, Cauley & Associates, LLC provided the Board with a brief outline of the results of the Fiscal Year 2024 annual audit

PUBLIC HEARING:

PUBLIC COMMENT:

Speakers will be given a five (5) minute maximum time limit to speak before the Board of Commissioners about various topics, issues, and concerns. Speakers must direct comments to the Board. Responses are reserved at the discretion of the Board.

CONSENT AGENDA:

Commissioner Oddo moved to approve the Consent Agenda. Vice Chairman Gibbons seconded. The motion passed 5-0.

- 2. Approval of the annual Budget Calendar for Fiscal Year 2026, which begins July 1, 2025 and ends June 30, 2026.**

3. **Approval of a FY23 Byrne State Crisis Intervention Specialized Court-Based Program Solicitation grant award for a DUI Accountability Court Peer Support Specialist, in the amount of \$5,220, with no match.**
4. **Approval of the January 23, 2025, Board of Commissioners Meeting Minutes.**

OLD BUSINESS

5. **Request to amend Fayette County Code, Chapter 104 - Development Regulations, Article VII. Watershed Protection. This item was tabled at the January 23, 2025 Board Meeting.**

This item was pulled from the agenda

NEW BUSINESS:

6. **Request to approve the updated plans related to the Animal Control building external upgrades for 2023 SPLOST R23AF (Walking Trails and Livestock Building), along with approval to reallocate \$1.2M of 2023 SPLOST to fund the estimated project costs.to approval updated plans related to the Animal Control building external upgrades for 2023 SPLOST R23AF (Walking Trails and Livestock Building), along with approval to reallocate \$1.2M of 2023 SPLOST to fund the estimated project costs.**

Vice Chairman Gibbons moved to approve the updated plans related to the Animal Control building external upgrades for 2023 SPLOST R23AF (Walking Trails and Livestock Building), along with approval to reallocate \$1.2M of 2023 SPLOST to fund the estimated project costs.to approval updated plans related to the Animal Control building external upgrades for 2023 SPLOST R23AF (Walking Trails and Livestock Building), along with approval to reallocate \$1.2M of 2023 SPLOST to fund the estimated project costs. Commissioner Oddo seconded. The motion passed 5-0.

7. **Request to award Contract #2506-P in the amount of \$1,047,500.00 to MEJA Construction as the Fayette County Multi-Use Recreational Building Construction Manager at Risk.**

Vice Chairman Gibbons moved to approve Contract #2506-P in the amount of \$1,047,500.00 to MEJA Construction as the Fayette County Multi-Use Recreational Building Construction Manager at Risk. Commissioner Oddo seconded. The motion passed 5-0.

8. **Request to accept the FEMA/GEMA (Federal Emergency Management Agency/Georgia Emergency Management Agency) Hazard Mitigation Grant to replace the emergency generator for the Crosstown Water Treatment Plant with a total project cost of \$ 4,156,907.26.**

Vice Chairman Gibbons moved to approve to accept the FEMA/GEMA (Federal Emergency Management Agency/Georgia Emergency Management Agency) Hazard Mitigation Grant to replace the emergency generator for the Crosstown Water Treatment Plant with a total project cost of \$ 4,156,907.26. Commissioner Oddo seconded the motion passed 5-0.

9. **Request to approve the Planning Commission Selection Committee's recommendation to reappoint James Oliver to fill an open term expiring December 31, 2027.**

Commissioner Oddo moved to approve the Planning Commission Selection Committee's recommendation to reappoint James Oliver to fill an open term expiring December 31, 2027. Vice Chairman Gibbons seconded. The motion passed 5-0.

10. Request to approve the Zoning Board of Appeals Selection Committee's recommendation to appoint Kyle McCormick to fill an open term expiring December 31, 2027.

Vice Chairman Gibbons moved to approve the Zoning Board of Appeals Selection Committee's recommendation to appoint Kyle McCormick to fill an open term expiring December 31, 2027. Commissioner Oddo seconded. The motion passed 5-0.

ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORTS:

ATTORNEY'S REPORTS:

Notice of Executive Session: County Dennis Davenport stated that there were eleven items for Executive Session. Five items involving real estate acquisition, three items involving threatened litigation, two items involving pending litigation and the review of the January 23, 2025 Executive Session Minutes.

COMMISSIONERS' REPORTS:

Vice Chairman Gibbons, Commissioner Rousseau, Commissioner Maxwell and Chairman Hearn made comments.

EXECUTIVE SESSION:

Five items involving real estate acquisition, three items involving threatened litigation, two items involving pending litigation and the review of the January 23, 2025 Executive Session Minutes. Commissioner Oddo moved to go into Executive Session. Vice Chairman Gibbons seconded. The motion passed 5-0.

The Board recessed into Executive Session at 6:39 p.m. and returned to Official Session at 7:55 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. Vice Chairman Gibbons seconded. The motion passed 5-0.

Approval of the January 23, 2025 Executive Session Minutes: Commissioner Oddo moved to approve January 23, 2025 Executive Session Minutes. Vice Chairman Gibbons seconded the motion. The motion passed 5-0.

ADJOURNMENT:

Commissioner Oddo moved to adjourn the February 13, 2025 Board of Commissioners meeting. Vice Chairman Gibbons seconded. The motion passed 5-0.

The February, 2025 Board of Commissioners meeting adjourned at 7:56 p.m.

Marlena M. Edwards, Chief Deputy County Clerk

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 27th day of February 2025. Attachments are available upon request at the County Clerk's Office.

Marlena Edwards, Chief Deputy County Clerk