



MCDUFFIE COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
Regular Session Meeting
Tuesday, May 20, 2025 at 6:30 PM
Government Complex Commissioner Room
REVISED MINUTES

COMMISSIONERS PRESENT:
Chase Beggs, Chairman
Sammie Wilson Sr., Vice Chairman
Bill Jopling, Commissioner
Fredrick Favors, Commissioner
Steven Hollimon, Commissioner

COUNTY REPRESENTATION:
David Crawley, County Manager
Lori Ducey, Interim County Clerk
Ruthie Thomas, HR Director
Pam Workman, Finance Director
Robert Spurlin, IT Director

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WELCOME & CALL TO ORDER

Chairman Beggs

INVOCATION & PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Commissioner Fredrick Favors offered the invocation followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

PUBLIC INPUT

1. Jason Cranford: Concerned with Conditions at Sweetwater Park
2. Waldo Massey: Appreciative of local government working together to get stuff done.
3. Gail Fullbright: Concern about conditions of Old Salem Road.

Chairman Beggs opened the floor for a motion to approve the current agenda. A motion was made by Vice Chairman Wilson to approve the current agenda and seconded by commissioner Holliman and passed unanimously.

Chairman Beggs opened the floor for a motion to approve the current minutes as a set. Commissioner Holliman motioned to approve the minutes as a set. Commissioner Favors seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

APPROVALS

Agenda	Current	
Minutes	Work Session	May 5, 2025
	Executive Session	May 5, 2025
	Regular Session	May 7, 2025
	Executive Session	May 7, 2025

INFORMATION & ANNOUNCEMENT

- Trevor Welcher gave updates on the park to include the fact that they are still accepting bids on renovations for the Also announced the Recreation Advisory Board will be a meeting on June 4, 2025 at 12PM at the Government Center to discuss the future plans for Thomson Baseball.

APPOINTMENT/REAPPOINTMENT None

OLD BUSINESS None

NEW BUSINESS

1. **Consideration to approve Application for Commercial Subdivision, Dearing, Georgia, for the purpose of division of property for multiple commercial uses: planning commission has already approved based in 2 conditions.**

Chairman Beggs opened the floor for a motion, Commissioner Holliman made the motion to approve, Commissioner Jopling seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

2. **Consideration to approve the Presentation of the Proclamation declaring May 18-May 24 as National EMS week.**

Chairman Beggs opened the floor for a motion, Vice Chairman Wilson made the motion to approve, Commissioner Jopling seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

3. **Consideration to approve Memorandum of Understanding for the Thomson-McDuffie Archway Partnership.** Chairman Beggs opened the floor for a motion, Commissioner Jopling made the motion to approve, Vice Chairman Wilson seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

4. **Consideration to approve Freedom Blast to be held June, 27, 2025.**

Chairman Beggs opened the floor for motion. Vice chairman Wilson made the motion to approve. Commissioner Jopling seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

5. Consideration to approve Fire Work Display at Sweetwater Park using a Special Event Permit.

Chairman Beggs opened the floor for motion. Commissioner Favors made the motion to approve. Commissioner Hollimon seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

6. Consideration to approve Field Usage for a family gathering across from the brickyard.

Chairman Beggs opened the floor for a motion. Commissioner Jopling made the motion to approve. Vice chair Wilson seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

7. Consideration to Approve Indemnification Agreement with DOT for the School Drive Project.

Chairman Beggs opened the floor for a motion. Commissioner Favors made the motion to approve. Commissioner Jopling seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

8. Consideration to Approve 2025 Road Repair and Resurfacing Projects.

Chairman Beggs opened the floor for motion. Roll Call Vote Motion was made by Vice Chair Wison. Request for Roll Call Vote was seconded by Favors.

Commissioner Jopling voted Yes, Vice Chairman Wilson Voted No, Chairmen Beggs Voted Yes, Commissioner Holliman voted Yes, Commissioner Favors voted No.

9. Consideration to Approve Section 5311 Transit Grant with the Georgia Department of Transportation.

Chairman Beggs opened the floor for motion. Commissioner Jopling made the motion to approve. Vice chair Wilson seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

10. Monthly Budget Report

Report was read by David Crawley

11. Monthly Finance Report

Report was read by Pam Workman

EXECUTIVE SESSION - Personnel & Property Acquisition

Enter: Vice Chairman Wilson made the motion to enter Executive Session at 7:20pm. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Jopling and passed unanimously.

Exit: Commissioner Jopling made the motion to exit Executive Session and return to Regular Session at 8:20pm. The motion was seconded by Vice Chairman Wilson and passed unanimously.

REGULAR SESSION CONTINUED

Chairman Beggs asked to add three more agenda items. The motion was made by Commissioner Hollimon. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Jopling and passed unanimously.

12. David Cummings-Vote to not appeal

Commissioner Hollimon made the motion to approve. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Jopling and passed unanimously.

13. David Headley Contract

Chairman Beggs opened the floor to make a motion to hire David Headley as Interim County Manager. Vice Chairman Wilson made the motion to approve this contract. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Favors and passed unanimously.

14. Property Acquisition

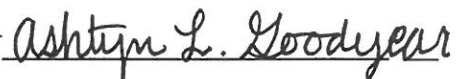
Commissioner Jopling made the motion to approve property acquisition for 6 acres on Warrenton Hwy, for the GA Forestry Commission. The motion was seconded by Vice Chairman Wilson and passed unanimously.

ADJOURNMENT

A motion was made by Wilson to adjourn the meeting and seconded by Hollimon and passed unanimously.



Chase Beggs, Chairman

ATTEST 

Ashtyn L. Goodyear, County Clerk