Board of Commissioners
Regular Commission Meeting
MINUTES
Wednesday, January 8, 2025 at 10:00 AM
Government Complex Commissioner Room

COMMISSIONERS PRESENT:
Chase Beggs, Chairman
Sammie Wilson, Vice Chairman
Fred Favors, Commissioner
Steven Hollimon, Commissioner
William "Bill" Jopling, Commissioner

MEDIA: McDuffie Progress
Members of the Public

COUNTY REPRESENTATION:
David Crawley, County Manager
Carrie Edwards, County Clerk
Pam Workman, Finance Director
Jason Smith, Community Development Director
Stephen Sewell, Fire/EMC Chief

WELCOME & CALL TO ORDER - Chairman Beggs

Chairman Beggs called the meeting to order, acknowledged the quorum of commissioners present, and welcomed everyone in attendance.

INVOCATION & PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

APPROVALS

1. **Agenda - Current**

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

2. **Minutes**

a. **Regular Session Minutes | Tuesday, December 17, 2024**

b. **Executive Session | Tuesday, December 17, 2024**

Chairman Beggs opened the floor for a motion. Commissioner Favors made the motion to approve both sets of minutes. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Jopling. The motion carried unanimously.

INFORMATION & ANNOUNCEMENTS

3. **In observance of Martin Luther King, Jr. Day, McDuffie County Offices will be closed on Monday, January 20, 2025.**

Chairman Beggs requested a moment of remembrance for former President Jimmy Carter.

APPOINTMENT/REAPPOINTMENT

4. Consideration of the Reappointment of Carrie Edwards as County Clerk.

Chairman Beggs opened the floor for a motion to approve the agenda item. Commissioner Hollimon made a motion to approve, and Commissioner Jopling seconded the motion. Vice Chair Wilson requested a roll call vote on the motion. Carrie Edwards, County Clerk, conducted the roll call vote, and the results were as follows:

- Commissioner Favors: Yes
- Commissioner Hollimon: Yes
- Vice Chair Wilson: Yes
- Commissioner Jopling: Yes
- Chairman Beggs: Yes

The motion passed with 5-0.

5. Consideration of the Reappointment of Davis Dunaway as County Attorney.

Chairman Beggs opened the floor for a motion to approve the agenda item. Vice Chair Wilson requested a roll call vote on the motion. Carrie Edwards, County Clerk, conducted the roll call vote, and the results were as follows:

- Commissioner Favors: Yes
- Commissioner Hollimon: Yes
- Vice Chair Wilson: No
- Commissioner Jopling: Yes
- Chairman Beggs: Yes

The motion passed with 4-1.

6. Consideration by the Board of Commissioners to Re-Elect Sammie Wilson for Vice Chair for 2025.

Chairman Beggs opened the floor for a motion to approve the agenda item. Commissioner Hollimon made a motion to approve, and Commissioner Favors seconded the motion. Vice Chair Wilson requested a roll call vote on the motion. Carrie Edwards, County Clerk, conducted the roll call vote, and the results were as follows:

- Commissioner Favors: Yes
- Commissioner Hollimon: Yes
- Vice Chair Wilson: Abstain
- Commissioner Jopling: Yes
- Chairman Beggs: Yes

The motion passed with 4-0.

7. Consideration of the Appointment of Gina Timmerman, Clerk of Superior

Court, for Magistrate Court Clerk.

Chairman Beggs opened the floor for a motion to approve the agenda item. Commissioner Hollimon made a motion to approve and Vice Chair Wilson requested a roll call vote on the motion. Carrie Edwards, County Clerk, conducted the roll call vote, and the results were as follows:

- Commissioner Favors: Yes
- Commissioner Hollimon: Yes
- Vice Chair Wilson: Yes
- Commissioner Jopling: Yes
- Chairman Beggs: Yes

The motion passed with 5-0.

8. Consideration of the Reappointment of Marcellas Barr to the Industrial Development Authority.

Chairman Beggs opened the floor for a motion to approve the agenda item. Vice Chair Wilson made a motion to approve, and Commissioner Favors seconded the motion. Vice Chair Wilson requested a roll call vote on the motion. Carrie Edwards, County Clerk, conducted the roll call vote, and the results were as follows:

- Commissioner Favors: Yes
- Commissioner Hollimon: Yes
- Vice Chair Wilson: Yes
- Commissioner Jopling: Yes
- Chairman Beggs: Yes

The motion passed with 5-0.

9. Consideration of the Appointment of Felicia Grant and Melissa Connor to the DFCS Board.

Chairman Beggs opened the floor for a motion to approve the agenda item. Vice Chair Wilson made a motion to approve, and Commissioner Favors seconded the motion. Vice Chair Wilson requested a roll call vote on the motion. Carrie Edwards, County Clerk, conducted the roll call vote, and the results were as follows:

- Commissioner Favors: Yes
- Commissioner Hollimon: Yes
- Vice Chair Wilson: Yes
- Commissioner Jopling: Yes
- Chairman Beggs: Yes

The motion passed with 5-0.

OLD BUSINESS - None

NEW BUSINESS

10. Consideration of Approval for Addendum 4 to the Wrightsboro Road Sewer

Project.

Chairman Beggs opened the floor for a motion. Commissioner Favors made the motion to approve the agenda item. The motion was seconded by Vice Chair Wilson. The motion carried unanimously.

11. Consideration to Approve the ACO Report for December 2024.

Chairman Beggs opened the floor for a motion. Vice Chair Wilson made the motion to approve the agenda item. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Jopling. The motion carried unanimously.

EXECUTIVE SESSION - Pending Litigation and Security Services

Chairman Beggs opened the floor to enter into Executive Session. Vice Chair Wilson made the motion to approve. Commissioner Jopling seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously and the board entered into session at 10:21 a.m. to discuss pending litigation.

Chairman Beggs opened the floor to exit the Executive Session. Commissioner Jopling made the motion to approve. Vice Chair Wilson seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously and the board exited the session at 11:26 a.m. No action was taken.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 11:26 a.m.

Chase N. Beggs

Chase Beggs, Chairman

Carrie Edwards

Carrie Edwards, County Clerk