



**Board of Commissioners
Regular Commission Meeting
MINUTES**

Tuesday, January 28, 2025 at 6:30 PM
Government Complex Commissioner
Room

COMMISSIONERS PRESENT:

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

COUNTY REPRESENTATION:

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

**MEDIA: McDuffie Progress
Members of the Public**

PUBLIC HEARING

1. **Consideration to approve a special exception for solar use on Warrenton Highway and Superior Way (Parcel numbers 00310016 and 00310057B00)**

The floor was opened for the public hearing.

- **Mr. Charles Wallace** expressed concerns about ensuring the solar farm does not encroach on city development areas.
- **Mr. James Farr** asked for confirmation that there is a buffer between the road and the solar farm.
- **Mr. Will Jernigan** spoke on behalf of the solar farm company.

No further public comments were made, and the hearing was closed.

WELCOME & CALL TO ORDER - Chairman Beggs

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

INVOCATION & PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

PUBLIC INPUT

Ms. Becky Craven addressed the Board of Commissioners regarding debris removal. She expressed concerns about the ongoing debris in certain areas and requested clarification on the timeline for removal.

The Board acknowledged her concerns and assured her that the issue would be looked into promptly. No further public comments were made.

APPROVALS

2. **Agenda - Current**

Chairman Beggs called for a motion. Commissioner Hollimon made the motion to

approve with the correction to remove the Executive Session, and Vice Chair Wilson seconded. The motion passed unanimously.

3. Minutes

a. Work Session, Monday, January 6, 2025 6:30 p.m.

b. Regular Session, Wednesday, January 8, 2025 10:00 a.m.

c. Executive Session, Wednesday, January 8, 2025 10:00 a.m.

Chairman Beggs called for a motion. Commissioner Hollimon made the motion to approve the set of minutes, and Commissioner Jopling seconded. The motion passed unanimously.

INFORMATION & ANNOUNCEMENTS

4. Georgia Clerk Education Institute Spring 2025 Conference, February 2-4, 2025

APPOINTMENT/REAPPOINTMENT

5. Consideration of the Reappointment of Jamie Alfriend to the Industrial Development Authority.

Chairman Beggs called for a motion. Commissioner Jopling made the motion to approve the reappointment and Commissioner Hollimon seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

6. Consideration of the Appointment or Reappointment for the Thomson-McDuffie Recreation Advisory Board.

Chairman Beggs called for a motion to approve the appointment of Becky Craven and Duane Bohler. Commissioner Wilson made the motion to approve the item. The item was seconded by Commissioner Hollimon. The motion passed unanimously.

OLD BUSINESS

NEW BUSINESS

7. Consideration to approve a special exception for solar use on Warrenton Highway and Superior Way (Parcel numbers 00310016 and 00310057B00)

Chairman Beggs called for a motion. Commissioner Jopling made the motion to approve the item, and Vice Chair Wilson seconded the motion. The motion passed, with Chairman Beggs abstaining from the vote.

8. Consideration to Approve the 2025 LMIG Resurfacing Project List.

Chairman Beggs called for a motion. Vice Chair Wilson made the motion to approve the item, and Commissioner Jopling seconded. The motion passed unanimously.

9. Consideration to Approve Resolution 25-1 Agreement for Funding of Prosecution Based Victims of Crime Act (VOCA) Program.

Chairman Beggs called for a motion. Commissioner Jopling made the motion to approve the item, and Vice Chair Wilson seconded. The motion passed unanimously.

10. Consideration to Approve the Agreement for the ACCG Summer 2025 Georgia County Internship Program (GCIP).

Chairman Beggs called for a motion. Vice Chair Wilson made the motion to approve the item, and Commissioner Jopling seconded. The motion passed unanimously.

11. Monthly Budget Report

County Manager Crawley provided the budget report.

12. Monthly Financial Report

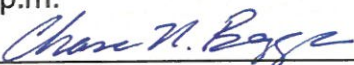
Pam Workman, Finance Director, provided the financial report.

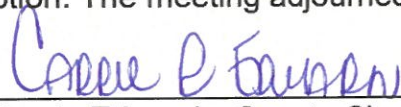
EXECUTIVE SESSION - Pending Litigation

The Executive Session was removed from the agenda.

ADJOURNMENT

Chairman Beggs opened the floor for motion. Commissioner Jopling made a motion to approve, and Vice Chair Wilson seconded the motion. The meeting adjourned at 7:18 p.m.


Chase Beggs, Chairman


Carrie Edwards, County Clerk

