Management and Internal Services Committee Meeting
Minutes for Tuesday, August 12, 2025 at 8:30 AM
Evans Government Center Auditorium, Evans, Georgia

Present at the meeting included:
Connie M. Melear, Chairman
James E. Allen, III, Vice Chairman
Douglas R. Duncan, Jr., Member
Commissioner Alison Couch
Commissioner Michael Carraway
County Manager Scott Johnson
Deputy County Manager Glenn Kennedy
Deputy County Manager Matt Schlachter
County Attorney Chris Driver
County Clerk Patrice R. Crawley

Division Directors:
Leanne Reece - Financial Services
Paul Scarbary - Development Services
Kyle Titus - Engineering Services
Scott Sterling - Planning Services
John Luton - Community Services
Chief Jeremy Wallen - Fire Services
Michael Blanchard - Technology Services
Steven Prather – Facility Services
County Staff

Members of the Media and Public

A. CALL TO ORDER
Chair Melear called the meeting to order at 8:30 a.m.

B. INVOCATION
Chair Melear gave the invocation.

C. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE
County Manager Johnson led the pledge to the American Flag.

D. ROLL CALL / QUORUM
Chair Melear declared a quorum with three members of the committee present.

E. APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING

(E1) July 08, 2025
Member Duncan made a motion to approve July 08, 2025 minutes of the Management and Internal Services Committee. Vice Chair Allen seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

F. APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

(F1) The Addition of Item I2a
County Manager Johnson requested to add Item I2a the appointment of Russell Wilder to fulfill the unexpired term of Jim Steed on Planning Commission. Chair Melear presented the agenda with the requested addition.

G. PRESENTATION

H. CONSENT AGENDA

I. DEBATE AGENDA

(I1) New Business

(I1a) County Manager

(I1a1) FY26 Criminal Juvenile Coordinating Council Incentive Grant Award
Approved forwarding to the August 19, 2025 Board of Commissioners Consent Agenda the acceptance of the Fiscal Year 26 Criminal Juvenile Coordinating Council incentive grant in the amount of $163,992.

(I1a2) Resolution Number 25-27 Granting Temporary Tax Relief Authorized by House Bill 223
Approved forwarding to the August 19, 2025 Board of Commissioners Consent Agenda Resolution Number 25-27 Granting Temporary Tax Relief authorized by House Bill 223.

(I1a3) Purchase of Replacement Weapons for Columbia County Sheriff's Office
Approved forwarding to the August 19, 2025 Board of Commissioners Consent Agenda the purchase of replacement weapons for the Sheriff's Office in the amount of $762,975.50; 3503550.544001.35504.

(I1b) Financial Services

(I1b1) ACCG Safety Incentive Discount Program: 2026 Policy Year
Approved forwarding to the August 19, 2025 Board of Commissioners Consent Agenda the verification form for the ACCG Safety Incentive Discount Program for 2026.

(I1b2) Use of Mission Square 401(a) Forfeiture Assets
Approved forwarding to the August 19, 2025 Board of Commissioners Consent Agenda the use of Mission Square 401(a) Forfeiture Assets for each pay period beginning August 24, 2025, for an amount not to exceed $1 million and the transfer of $1 million into the medical plan fund.

(I1c) Technology Services

(I1c1) Annual Support Agreement and License Agreement for iasWorld Software Payment 2025-2026
Approved forwarding to the August 19, 2025 Board of Commissioners Consent Agenda the Annual Support Agreement and License Agreement for iasWorld Software payment 2025-2026 in the amount of $192,685; 1011005.533035.

(I1c2) Agreement with CoreSite for Lease of Co-Location Space
Approved forwarding to the August 19, 2025 Board of Commissioners Consent Agenda an agreement with CoreSite for lease of co-location space in the amount of $28,500; 5515530.533035.

(I1c3) Agreement with ROK Technologies for GIS Infrastructure
Approved forwarding to the August 19, 2025 Board of Commissioners Consent Agenda agreement with ROK Technologies for GIS Infrastructure in the amount of $226,040; 6516500.533035.

(I1d) Facility Services

(I1d1) Award BID#2025012-BID3289 and Contract to RW Allen Construction for the Construction of the Performing Arts Center Support Facility
Approved forwarding to the August 19, 2025 Board of Commissioners Debate Agenda awarding bid and contract to RW Allen Construction for the construction of the Performing Arts Center Support Facility in the amount of $9,684,000; 24180.34.015.

(I1d2) Change Order #003 with Kuhlke Construction for the Columbia County Fire Rescue #2 Replacement Project
Approved forwarding to the August 19, 2025 Board of Commissioners Consent Agenda change order number 003 with Kuhlke Construction for Fire Station Number 2 replacement project in the amount of $44,364.57 with an additional 87 days added to the contract time; 22620.32.015.

(I1d3) Independent Contractors Agreement with Trane U.S. Inc. for Tax Commissioner's side of Building 'C' HVAC Retro
Approved forwarding to the August 19, 2025 Board of Commissioners Consent Agenda an Independent Contractors Agreement with Trane U.S. Inc. for the Tax Commissioner's side of Building C HVAC retro project in the amount of $249,383; 28210.38.015.

(I1e) Other Committees

(I2) Items Added at the Meeting

(I2a) The Appointment of Russell Wilder to Fulfill the Unexpired Term of Jim Steed, District 2 on the Planning Commission
Approved forwarding to the August 19, 2025 Board of Commissioners Consent Agenda the appointment of Russell Wilder to fulfill the unexpired term of Jim Steed, District 2 Planning Commission.

J. LEGAL MATTERS

K. STAFF REPORTS

(K1) Financial Services

(K1a) Year to Date Budget Report

Finance Director Reece presented the year to date budget report as information.

(K1b) SPLOST Update

Finance Director Reece presented the SPLOST update as information.

(K1c) Investment Report

Finance Director Reece presented the investment report as information.

L. COMMISSIONERS' AND PUBLIC COMMENTS

County Manager Johnson stated that the Committee was reviewing information concerning C3 AI for property appraisal assistance for the Board of Assessors and will be putting the information on an upcoming Commission Meeting.

M. EXECUTIVE SESSION

N. ADJOURNMENT

Chair Melear adjourned the meeting at 8:52 a.m.

Connie M. Melear, Chairman

Patrice R. Crawley, County Clerk