



Columbia County Board of Commissioners
Agenda for July 21, 2026 at 6:00 PM
Evans Government Center Auditorium, Evans, Georgia

Commissioners:

Chairman - Douglas R. Duncan, Jr.

District 1 - Connie M. Melear

District 2 – Jim M. Steed

District 3 – Michael W. Carraway

District 4 - Alison G. Couch

- A. CALL TO ORDER Chairman Duncan
- B. INVOCATION Commissioner Melear
- C. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE Chairman Duncan
- D. ROLL CALL / QUORUM Chairman Duncan
- E. APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING Chairman Duncan
 - 1. (E1) July 07, 2026

- F. PRESENTATION AND APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA Chairman Duncan

The Chairperson of the Board of Commissioners shall prepare and present the agenda for each meeting of the Board of Commissioners. Sec 2-81(4) Columbia County Code of Ordinances

- 1. Addition of Item I2a the reappointment of Mark Herbert, Rick Toole and Stan Shepherd to the Development Authority

- G. SPECIAL RECOGNITION, PRESENTATION, AND / OR DECLARATION Chairman Duncan

- H. CONSENT AGENDA Chairman Duncan

The Board, upon a motion and second, shall vote on the items on the consent agenda collectively. A vote on the consent agenda shall constitute a vote on each and every item listed thereon. Upon a vote of a majority of the members of the Board present and voting approving the consent agenda items, each and every item shall stand approved as if voted on individually. Section 2-81(6) Columbia County Code of Ordinances.

- 1. Management and Internal Services Committee Commissioner Couch
 - a. (H1a) Service Agreement with the Izzy Scott Foundation
 - b. (H1b) Georgia Indigent Defense Services Agreement for the Public Defender's Office
 - c. (H1c) Master Services Agreement with Pictometry International for Digital Orthophotography
 - d. (H1d) Implementation of Cisco Security Suite
 - e. (H1e) Microsoft Enterprise Agreement 2026-2029
 - f. (H1f) Allocate funding for the Columbia County Sheriff's Office to replace the Detention Center plumbing fixtures.
 - g. (H1g) Independent Contractor Agreement with WSP USA Inc. for the Special Inspections and Material Testing Services at Evans Towne Center Park and the Racquet Center
 - h. (H1h) Lighting Services Agreement with Georgia Power for the Evans Towne Center Park Ice Rink and Parking Lot

- 2. Development and Planning Services Committee Commissioner Melear

- a. (H2a) Purchase of Stream and Wetland Mitigation Credits from the Phinzy Swamp Mitigation Bank and Yam Grandy Mitigation Bank for the Hereford Farm Road Widening Project, PI# 0012865
- b. (H2b) Resolution 26-16 Concerning a Determination to Abandon and Sell a Portion of Morris Callaway Road
- c. (H2c) Acceptance of the 2026 LMIG Safety Action Plan Grant
- d. (H2d) Alcoholic Beverage License Mendoza's Mexican Grill LLC
- e. (H2e) Easement Encroachment Agreement for 801 Prairie Lane, Tax Map 072P Parcel 077
- f. (H2f) Easement Encroachment Agreement 3104 Wildflower Court, Tax Map 071 Parcel 178

I. DEBATE AGENDA

Chairman Duncan

The Chairman, after allowing sufficient time for debate and consideration, shall have the authority to call the question and when this is done, the question before the Board shall be immediately voted upon. Section 2-81(7) Columbia County Code of Ordinances.

1. New Business

Chairman Duncan

a. Development and Planning Services Committee

Commissioner Melear

- 1. (I1a1) VA26-07-01, Variance to Section 90-53 *List of lot and Structure Requirements*, 618 Millstone Drive, Tax Map 077 Parcel 599, 0.70 +/- acres, and currently zoned R-2 (Single Family Residential).
- 2. (I1a2) RZ26-07-01, Major PUD (Planned Unit Development) Revision, 500 Furys Ferry Road, Tax Map 078 Parcel 178, 11.16 +/- acres, and currently zoned PUD (Planned Unit Development).
- 3. (I1a3) RZ26-07-02, Change of Conditions, 4800 Columbia Road, Tax Map 068 Parcel 019C, 2.44 +/- acres and currently zoned C-2 (General Commercial).
- 4. (I1a4) Agreement to Participate in the Georgia Hospital Signing System

2. Items Added at the Meeting

- a. (I2a) Reappointment of Mark Herbert, Rick Toole and Stan Shepherd to the Development Authority

J. LEGAL MATTERS

County Attorney Driver

K. REQUESTS FOR REVIEW BY COMMITTEE

Chairman Duncan

L. PUBLIC COMMENTS

Chairman Duncan

Anyone desiring to speak before the Board is limited to five minutes and must fill out a request to speak form which should be given to the county clerk prior to the start of the meeting. Comments should provide relevant information regarding (their) position and should avoid being repetitious. If a group wishes to speak, one person must be designated to speak for the group. Please speak into the microphone and adjust as needed. You may view the video of the Board of Commissioners meeting on our website www.columbiacountyga.gov.

M. EXECUTIVE SESSION

Chairman Duncan

All portions of meetings held in executive session shall be held in accordance with the provisions of O.C.G.A. Section 50-14-1 through 50-14-4 to discuss exempt personnel matters, land acquisitions, pending or threatened lawsuits, and other matters as permitted by law.

N. ADJOURNMENT

Chairman Duncan

The next scheduled meeting is Tuesday, August 04, 2026 at 6:00 p.m. in the Auditorium of Building A at the Evans Government Center