



**Community and Emergency Services Committee Meeting
Minutes for Tuesday, September 27, 2022 at 8:30 AM
Evans Government Center Auditorium, Evans, Georgia**

Present at the meeting included:

Dewey G. Galeas, Chairman
Gary L. Richardson, Vice Chairman
Commissioner Donald Skinner, Sr.
County Manager Scott Johnson
Deputy County Manager Matt Schlachter
County Attorney Chris Driver
County Clerk Patrice R. Crawley

Douglas R. Duncan, Jr., Member was not present.

Division Directors:

Leanne Reece - Internal Services
Kyle Titus - Engineering Services
Scott Sterling - Planning Services
John Luton - Community Services
Chief Jeremy Wallen - Fire Services
Stacey Gordon - Water Utility Services
Michael Blanchard - Technology Services
County Staff

Members of the Media and Public

A. CALL TO ORDER

Chairman Galeas called the meeting to order at 8:30 a.m.

B. INVOCATION

Chairman Galeas gave the invocation.

C. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

County Manager Johnson led in the Pledge to the American Flag.

D. ROLL CALL / QUORUM

Chairman Galeas declared a quorum with two members of the committee present.

E. APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING

(E1) August 23, 2022

Vice Chairman Richardson made a motion to approve the minutes of the August 23, 2022 Community and Emergency Services Committee meeting as presented. Chairman Galeas seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

F. APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

G. PRESENTATION

(G1) Introduction of Lauren Luoma, the new Columbia County 4-H agent

Tripp Williams with Columbia County UGA Extension Office introduced Lauren Luoma the new county 4-H agent.

(G2) Priscilla Bence to speak concerning the placement of books in the County libraries

Priscilla Bence expressed her concerns about the placement of books in the libraries.

H. CONSENT AGENDA

I. DEBATE AGENDA

(I1) New Business

(I1a) Community Services

(I1a1) Animal Services Donations

Approved forwarding to the October 04, 2022 Board of Commissioners consent agenda the acceptance of \$500 from Deborah Rabe and \$100 from K&S Alterations to Animal Services for the shelter and spay/neuter of animals.

(I1a2) Service Agreement with the City of Harlem Oliver Hardy Festival

Approved forwarding to the October 04, 2022 Board of Commissioners consent agenda the Service Agreement with the City of Harlem Oliver Hardy Festival.

(I1a3) The Family Y Steiner Branch Lease Agreement

Approved forwarding to the October 04, 2022 Board of Commissioners consent agenda a Lease Agreement with The Family Y for the Steiner Branch.

(I1b) Other Committees

(I2) Items Added at the Meeting

J. LEGAL MATTERS

K. STAFF REPORTS

(K1) Fire and Emergency Services

(K1a) Fire Response Summary Report

Chief Wallen presented the Fire Response Summary Report.

(K1b) Fire Response Monthly Report

Chief Wallen presented the Fire Response Monthly Report.

(K1c) Year to Date Budget Report

Chief Wallen presented the Fire Services Year to Date Budget Report.

L. COMMISSIONERS' AND PUBLIC COMMENTS AND PARTICIPATION

M. EXECUTIVE SESSION

N. ADJOURNMENT

At 8:51 a.m. Chairman Galeas adjourned the meeting.

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