



**Columbia County Board of Commissioners Meeting
Minutes for Tuesday October 18, 2022 at 6:00 PM
Evans Government Center Auditorium, Evans, Georgia**

Present at the meeting included:

Chairman Douglas R. Duncan, Jr.
Vice Chairman Gary L. Richardson
Commissioner Connie M. Melear
Commissioner Donald Skinner, Sr.
Commissioner Dewey G. Galeas
County Manager Scott Johnson
County Attorney Chris Driver
County Clerk Patrice R. Crawley

Division Directors:
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
County Staff

Members of the Media and Public

A. CALL TO ORDER

Chairman Duncan called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

B. INVOCATION

Commissioner Galeas gave the invocation.

C. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

County Manager Johnson led the pledge to the American Flag.

D. ROLL CALL / QUORUM

Chairman Duncan declared a quorum with five Commissioners present.

E. APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING

(E1) October 04, 2022

Commissioner Melear made a motion to approve the minutes of the October 04, 2022 Board of Commissioners meeting as presented. Commissioner Skinner seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

F. PRESENTATION AND APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

Chairman Duncan presented the October 18, 2022 Agenda.

G. SPECIAL RECOGNITION, PRESENTATION, AND / OR DECLARATION

(G1) Presentation

Chairman Duncan recognized the Youth Leadership Student who was attending the meeting.

(G1a) Domestic Violence Awareness Month Proclamation

Commissioner Galeas presented a proclamation to SafeHomes of Augusta Development Director Jennifer Frantom and Outreach Coordinator Hannah Meagher proclaiming the month of October as Domestic Violence Awareness month.

(G1b) Community Planning Month Proclamation

Commissioner Skinner presented a proclamation to Planning Director Sterling proclaiming the month of October as Community Planning month in Columbia County.

H. CONSENT AGENDA

In accordance with Columbia County Code of Ordinance Section 2-81(6), the following items were voted on collectively. Commissioner Melear made a motion to approve the consent agenda as presented. Commissioner Skinner seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

(H1) Management and Internal Services Committee

(H1a) Domestic Violence Awareness Month Proclamation

Approved the Proclamation proclaiming October as Domestic Violence Awareness Month.

(H1b) Contract with CorrectHealth for Inmate Medical Services

Approved awarding the bid to CorrectHealth for inmate medical services and for the Sheriff to enter into a contract in the amount of \$869,236.33; 1011312.533035.

(H1c) Purchase of two Easton 16kVA 1 Phase UPS Systems

Approved the purchase of two Easton 16kVA 1 Phase UPS systems from United Power & Battery in the amount of \$60,740; 2112313.601090.

(H1d) December 2022 Committee Meetings

Approved to hold all December 2022 Committee meetings on Tuesday, December 13, 2022.

(H1e) Service Agreements with Concerned Women, Inc. and I Care4, Inc.

Approved the Service Agreements with Concerned Women, Inc. and I Care4, Inc.

(H1f) Fiscal Year 21/22 Required Budget Adjustment for Audit

Approved the budget adjustment for Fiscal Year 21/22.

(H1g) GDOT FY 2024 5311 Rural Transportation Program Application

Approved the Georgia Department of Transportation Fiscal Year 2024 Section 5311 Rural Transportation Program application and contract with authorization to submit payment in the amount of \$25,000 representing the required 10% local match of the purchase of 2 new shuttle vans with lifts and for the Chairman to sign the final contract once approved.

(H1h) Amendment to Comprehensive Policy Number 705.1 Hardware Sanitization

Approved the amendment to Comprehensive Policy Number 705.1 Hardware Sanitization.

(H1i) Amendment to Comprehensive Policy Number 707.10 Acceptable Use

Approved the amendment to Comprehensive Policy Number 707.10 Acceptable Use.

(H1j) Addendum to Agreement with Pictometry International for Digital Orthophotography

Approved the addendum to the agreement with Pictometry International for Digital Orthophotography.

(H1k) Justice Center Courtroom Audio-Visual Solution Agreement with Conference Technologies, Inc.

Approved an agreement with Conference Technologies, Inc. for the Justice Center Audio Visual Solution in the amount of \$332,701; 3503550.601090.35523.

(H1l) Purchase of Security and Traffic Cameras from ASAP Security Services

Approved the purchase of security and traffic cameras from ASAP Security Services in the amount of \$302,359.73; 3523552.544035.35204.

(H2) Development and Planning Services Committee

(H2a) Community Planning Month Proclamation

Approved a Proclamation proclaiming the month of October as Community Planning month in Columbia County.

I. DEBATE AGENDA

(I1) New Business

(I1a) Development and Planning Services Committee

(I1a1) RZ22-10-01, Major PUD Revision, Tax Map 059 Parcel 138S, 56.52 +/- acres, located at 0 Georgia Pine trail, currently zoned PUD (Planned Unit Development).

Keith Lawrence explained the reason for the request for the revision. Commissioner Skinner made a motion to approve the request for a major revision to the current PUD zoning for the property located at Tax Map 059 Parcel 138S in order to revise the buffer requirements for the site subject to the following conditions:

Conditions:

Planning:

1. A 10-foot structural buffer shall be provided along the rear lot line of the lots along the western property line of the subject parcel. The final plat shall clearly state that the trees and fence within this buffer may not be removed, and shall specify if the homeowner or the HOA is to be responsible for maintenance of this buffer.

2. The requirement for a 10-foot setback from the edge of the buffer is waived for the lots along the western property line only.

Vice Chairman Richardson seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

(I1a2) Ancillary Dwelling, Tax Map 024 Parcel 061C, 3.04 +/- acres, located at 6440 Washington Road, and currently zoned R-A (Residential Agricultural).

Commissioner Melear made a motion to approve the request to exceed 1,800 square feet in size for an ancillary dwelling on the property located at Tax Map 024 Parcel 061C. Vice Chairman Richardson seconded the motion. Chairman Duncan, Vice Chairman Richardson and Commissioners Melear and Galeas approved the motion. Commissioner Skinner abstained from the motion. The motion carried.

J. LEGAL MATTERS

K. REQUESTS FOR REVIEW BY COMMITTEE

L. PUBLIC COMMENTS AND PARTICIPATION

Chris Slate wanted to thank the Commissioners for the great job the Board of Elections was doing and how fantastic the Sheriff's Department was.

M. EXECUTIVE SESSION

(M1) Property

(M1a) Wayne & Terri Parker parcel 065033, Stephen & Molly Clifton parcel 065032, Mary Wendt parcel 065A082, Julie & Frank Mazur parcel 071002L and Columbia County Board of Education parcel 071012A to obtain right of way and/or easements for the Hardy McManus Road widening

project

Vice Chairman Richardson made a motion to approve \$22,000 to Wayne & Terri Parker parcel 065033, \$36,700 to Stephen & Molly Clifton parcel 065032, \$500 to Mary Wendt parcel 065A082, \$17,300 to Julie & Frank Mazur parcel 071002L, \$20,300 to Columbia County Board of Education parcel 071012A to obtain right of way and/or easements for the Hardy McManus Road widening project. Commissioner Melear seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

(M1b) Deere and Company parcels 069001C and 069001C to obtain right of way and/or easements for the Horizon South Parkway Road widening project

Vice Chairman Richardson made a motion to approve \$5,900 to Deere and Company parcel 069001C and \$119,100 to Deere and Company parcel 069001C to obtain right of way and/or easements for the Horizon South Parkway Road widening project. Commissioner Galeas seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

(M1c) Agreement of Purchase and Sale with Charles and Hannelore Garner for parcels 082E015 and 082E015A.

Vice Chairman Richardson made a motion to approve the Agreement of Purchase and Sale for Charles and Hannelore Garner for parcels 082E015 and 082E015A. Commissioner Melear seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

N. ADJOURNMENT

At 6:14 p.m. Commissioner Galeas made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Vice Chairman Richardson seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

Signature on File

Douglas R. Duncan, Jr., Chairman

Signature on File

Patrice R. Crawley, County Clerk