



**Community and Emergency Services Committee Meeting
Minutes for Tuesday, November 28, 2023 at 8:30 AM
Evans Government Center Auditorium, Evans, Georgia**

Present at the meeting included:

Alison G. Couch, Chairman
Gary L. Richardson, Vice Chairman
Douglas R. Duncan, Jr., Member
Commissioner Don Skinner, Sr.
Commissioner Connie Melear
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:

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

B. INVOCATION

Chairman Couch gave the invocation.

C. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

County Manager Johnson led the Pledge of Allegiance.

D. ROLL CALL / QUORUM

Chairman Couch declared a quorum with three members of the committee present.

E. APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING

(E1) October 24, 2023

Member Duncan made a motion to approve the minutes of the October 24, 2023 Community and Emergency Services Committee meeting as presented. Vice Chairman Richardson seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

F. APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

Chairman Couch presented the agenda.

G. PRESENTATION

H. CONSENT AGENDA

I. DEBATE AGENDA

(I1) New Business

(I1a) Community Services

(I1a1) Animal Services Donations

Approved forwarding to the December 05, 2023 Board of Commissioners Consent Agenda the acceptance of donations in the amount of \$2,450 to Columbia County Animal Services for the spay/neuter and medical needs of animals in their care; 2250301.433019.01713.

(I1a2) Tournament Agreement with Major League Fishing (MLFLW) Phoenix Bass Fishing League (BFL)

Approved forwarding to the December 05, 2023 Board of Commissioners Consent Agenda the Tournament Agreement with Major League Fishing Phoenix Bass Fishing League in the amount of \$10,000; 2242200.533080.

(I1a3) Agreement with UTP Productions, Inc. to Contract with Union Stagehand Employees for Concert and Theatrical Productions at the Columbia County Performing Arts Center.

Approved forwarding to the December 05, 2023 Board of Commissioners Debate Agenda an agreement with UTP Productions, Inc. to contract with Union Stagehand Employees for Concert and Theatrical Productions at the Columbia County Performing Arts Center.

(I1a4) Independent Contractor Agreement with Southern Asphalt, LLC for Paving of Wildwood Park Campground Roadways

Approved forwarding to the December 05, 2023 Board of Commissioners Consent Agenda an Independent Contractor Agreement with Southern Asphalt, LLC for paving of Wildwood Park campground roadways in the amount of \$176,900; 71103.13.015.

(I1a5) Tournament Agreement with GA Bulls Soccer Club

Approved forwarding to the December 05, 2023 Board of Commissioners Consent Agenda a Tournament Agreement with GA Bulls Soccer Club in the amount of \$30,000; 2242200.533080.

(I1a6) Agreement with Event Staffing Specialists, LLC

Approved forwarding to the December 05, 2023 Board of Commissioners Consent Agenda an agreement with Event Staffing Specialists, LLC.

(I1a7) Independent Contractor Agreement with Bliss Products and Services, Inc. for Purchase and Installation of Playground at Wildwood Park Area 1 Campground

Approved forwarding to the December 05, 2023 Board of Commissioners Consent Agenda an Independent Contractor Agreement with Bliss Products and Services, Inc. for the purchase and installation of a playground at Wildwood Park area 1 campground in the amount of \$94,238.25; 71103.13.015 & 22140.32.015.

(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

Chairman Couch adjourned the meeting at 8:56 a.m.



Alison G. Couch, Chairman



Patrice R. Crawley, County Clerk