



**Community and Emergency Services Committee Meeting
Minutes for Tuesday, February 27, 2024 at 8:30 AM
Evans Government Center Auditorium, Evans, Georgia**

Present at the meeting included:

Alison G. Couch, Chairman
Connie M. Melear., Vice Chairman
Douglas R. Duncan, Jr., Member
Commissioner Donald Skinner, Sr.
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 - Internal Services
Paul Scarbary - Development 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 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 to the American Flag.

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) December 12, 2023

Vice Chairman Melear made a motion to approve the minutes of the December 12, 2023 Community and Emergency Services Committee meeting as presented. Member Duncan 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) County Manager

(I1a1) Proclamation in Remembrance of Al Dempsey

Approved forwarding to the March 05, 2024 Board of Commissioners Consent Agenda a Proclamation in Remembrance of Al Dempsey.

(I1a2) Purchase of Vehicles

Approved forwarding to the March 05, 2024 Board of Commissioners Consent Agenda the purchase of six Ram 2500, three Ram 4500, one Ram 1500, two Ram 5500 from Thomson Dodge, two Dodge Chargers from Jacky Jones Chrysler and six GMC 3500 Sierra, one Ford F-550 from Alan Jay Auto Group for the total amount of \$1,184,923.

(I1a3) Appointment of William Speer to the Library Boards

Approved forwarding to the March 05, 2024 Board of Commissioners Consent Agenda the appointment of

William Speer to the Library Board of Trustees and Greater Clark Hill Regional Library Board to fill the unexpired term of Russell Wilder ending December 31, 2024.

(I1b) Community Services

(I1b1) Purchase of Christmas light displays from LED Holiday Light Displays, Inc. for Evans Towne Center Park

Approved forwarding to the March 05, 2024 Board of Commissioners Consent Agenda the purchase of Christmas light displays from LED Holiday Light Displays, Inc. in the amount of \$63,000; 2242200.533080.

(I1b2) USSSA Baseball 2024 Tournament Hosting Agreement with Gameday JJ, LLC

Approved forwarding to the March 05, 2024 Board of Commissioners Consent Agenda the USSSA Baseball 2024 Hosting Agreement with Gameday JJ, LLC in the amount of \$5,000; 2242200.533081.

(I1b3) Resolution 24-10 Establishing Rental Fees for The Market

Approved forwarding to the March 05, 2024 Board of Commissioners Debate Agenda Resolution Number 24-10 Fee Schedule for The Market.

(I1c) 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 Year to Date Budget Report.

L. COMMISSIONERS' AND PUBLIC COMMENTS AND PARTICIPATION

(L1) Vince Broderick to discuss feral swine that are affecting multiple neighborhoods in Columbia County.

Vince Broderick discussed how the feral swine are affecting multiple neighborhoods in Columbia County.

M. EXECUTIVE SESSION

N. ADJOURNMENT

Chairman Couch adjourned the meeting at 8:53 a.m.



Alison G. Couch, Chairman



Patrice R. Crawley, County Clerk