



MINUTES

**STATE OF GEORGIA
BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
COUNTY OF DOUGLAS**

January 19, 2021

CALL TO ORDER

Members Present

Romona Jackson Jones, Kelly Robinson,
Henry Mitchell, Ann Jones Guider, Tarenia
Carthan, Ken Bernard, Lisa Watson,
Jennifer Moore

Members Absent

INVOCATION - Pastor Robert S. King, Golden Memorial United Methodist Church
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PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

PUBLIC COMMENT

Public Comment allows the board the opportunity to listen to the public.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Chairman asked if there were any additions, corrections or deletions to the minutes.
Being none they were approved.

1. Commission Meeting Minutes of January 5, 2021.
2. Work Session Minutes of January 14, 2021.
3. Executive Session Minutes of January 4, 2021.
6. Authorization to approve a Contract Extension with Spireon for the Douglas County Sheriffs' Office for the equipment in inmate work crew vans and authorize the Chairman to sign all related documents subject to final legal review.

TARENIA CARTHAN MOTIONED TO TABLE THE SPIREON AGREEMENT.
KELLY ROBINSON SECONDED THE MOTION.
MOTION CARRIES 5-0.

NEW BUSINESS

4. Appointment of Nick Slappy and reappointment of Shandron Pemberton to the Douglas County Development Authority effective February 1, 2021.

TARENIA CARTHAN MOTIONED TO APPROVE THE APPOINTMENTS.

KELLY ROBINSON SECONDED THE MOTION.

MOTION CARRIES 5-0.

BUSINESS

8. Approval of a Memorandum of Agreement with Cobb & Douglas Public Health for COVID-19 response funding and authorize the Chairman to sign all related documents, subject to final legal review.

Legal - The only change was from \$1M to a potential of \$1.5M. Kelly Robinson - 1st \$400 -500K is for reimbursement for already spent. The second \$500K was to be for vaccines. Asked how many people have been vaccinated in Douglas County and have we received the cooler yet? Where was the support from Public Health? Seeing too much concentration in Cobb.

Jason Milhollin - There was an issue with our application on state level so we could not order. We were able to start vaccinating at Cobb Fire in the mean time. We have started vaccinated here now. Lisa Crossman has been a great support.

Henry Mitchell - asked if Lisa Crossman was ok with the revised agreement.

Jennifer Moore - worked with Ms. Crossman and she was ok with the revised agreement.

ANN JONES GUIDER MOTIONED TO APPROVE THE AGREEMENT.

ROMONA JACKSON JONES SECONDED THE MOTION.

MOTION CARRIES 3-2 (KELLY ROBINSON AND HENRY MITCHELL OPPOSED)

CONSENT AGENDA

5. Authorization to approve the 2021 annual contract with the West Georgia Regional Library System for providing shared services in the amount of \$40,000 and library materials, computers, and software in the amount of \$150,000 for the Douglas County Public Libraries (total amount of \$190,000) and authorize the Chairman to sign all related documents subject to final legal review.

Lindy Moore - \$40K is for shared services - extension services between the schools - software, etc. \$150K is for books and materials. There are 3 libraries currently (D2, D1, D4). Tarenia Carthan - would this amount change if we bring another Library?

Lindy - the amounts would need to increase. We are asking for our Delegation to advocate for a new library. Lindy - that part of the county could definitely benefit for a library in the Chapel Hill area.

7. Authorization to renew Agreement with Business Watch International (BWI) for the Douglas County Sheriff's Office for RAPID system (Regional Automated Property Information Database) and authorize the Chairman to sign all related documents pending legal review.
9. Approval of a Memorandum of Understanding with the Douglas County Community Services Board for behavioral health and substance use services and authorize the Chairman to sign all related documents, subject to final legal review.
10. Approval of a Memorandum of Understanding with the Douglas County Community Services Board for veterans housing and authorize the Chairman to sign all related documents, subject to final legal review.

Will be paid in 3 installments. Reports will be provided to the County prior to payments. MOU is effective 1/1/21 - until funds are exhausted or 6/1/2022. CSB is rehabbing property (Veterans Village) being used. Goal is to provide housing in the community. Legal - understands it to be a CSB entity and funds are being used to rehab the property.

11. Resolution to Adopt the 2021 Douglas County State and Federal Legislative Agenda.

APPROVAL OF EXPENSES

Ann Guider - some receipts are incomplete. Could we table this for the next meeting until receipts are provided.

ANN GUIDER MADE A MOTION TO TABLE THE EXPENSES

CHAIRMAN JONES SECONDED THE MOTION

Chairman - We have no airtight check and balance in place. David Corbin will work with Chairman on the process.

Carthan - need clarity. We all took an oath. Some of us don't charge mileage, etc, but others have the right to do so. Do agree with making something more concrete. Kelly Robinson - we do have policies. Anything less than \$20, we don't have to have a receipt.

Tarenia Carthan - Gift cards were given to CVS for the Senior Prescription Program.

Mitchell - baffled - all commissioners have to answer to the general public. Ken - 1st issue is the individual/ethics; Any requirements from Finance for audit purposes; BOC expenses is broad. David Corbin - bottom line is what finance needs for auditing purposes. Jennifer Hallman - there is not a formal policy regarding specific BOC expenses. Finance require receipts. If lost receipts, we determine if its taxable or not. A formal policy would help if there is a questionable/valid expense. We have to have a receipt for credit card expenses. Auditors are looking for receipts which is a back up for the auditors.

MOTION FAILS 1-3-1 (KELLY ROBINSON, HENRY MITCHELL AND TARENIA CARTHAN OPPOSED, CHAIRMAN JONES ABSTAINED) TARENIA CARTHAN MOTIONED TO your text here.

TARENIA CARTHAN MOTIONED TO APPROVE THE EXPENSES.

KELLY ROBINSON SECONDED THE MOTION.

Tarenia Carthan - asked if any her receipts were missing? Lisa Watson stated no.

Henry Mitchell asked if any of his receipts were missing? Lisa Watson stated no.

Chairman Jones asked if any receipts are missing for any commissioner. Lisa Watson stated there were some receipts missing from one commissioner.

Kelly Robinson - a correction was sent over, did it get updated in the dropbox? Lisa - did not update the dropbox due to some receipts still missing. Kelly Robinson - we got them in.

MOTION CARRIES 3-0-2 (CHAIRMAN JONES AND ANN GUIDER ABSTAINED).

Chairman - will start sending to Finance 1st to make sure all receipts are in place prior to placing on the agenda.

12. Approval of Vice Chairman Robinson's expenses for the month of December 2020 in the total amount of \$405.43 (local expenses).

13. Approval of Commissioner Mitchell's expenses for the month of December 2020 in the total amount of \$130.85 (local expenses).

14. Approval of Commissioner Carthan's expenses for the month of December 2020 in the total amount of \$290.00 (local expenses).

15. Approval of Commissioner Guider's expenses for the month of December 2021 in the total amount of \$10.93 (local expenses).

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Miguel Valentin - variable message boards. in process of getting them lined up and distributed along the county so citizens will know where they can get tested.
Health center on Selman drive is making appointments. working on a mass location for the entire county.

Commissioner Kelly Robinson will host 4th annual "How to do Business with Douglas County" on Thursday, January 28, 2021 at 6:30 pm via the Douglas County External Affairs Facebook page. For more information contact tstewartstanley@co.douglas.ga.us

American Red Cross is hosting a Douglas County Community Blood Drive on Thursday, January 28, 2021 from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. at Hunter Park Community Center- Ballroom, 8830 Gurley Road. Donors are asked to schedule an appointment prior to arriving at the drive and are required to wear a face covering or mask while at the drive, in alignment with CDC guidance. Visit redcrossblood.org, locate "find a drive" and enter the sponsor code: dcchc. Call 1-800-733-2767 for questions.

Free COVID-19 Testing is still being offered at Deer Lick Park, 2171 Mack Rd, Douglasville, Ga. Drive-Thru Testing Monday-Friday, 8a-4p and Saturday, 8a-1p. No appointment is necessary. For more information, visit douglasvillecovid.com or call 678-909-4909.

EXECUTIVE SESSION**RECONVENE AS NECESSARY****ADJOURN**

WITH REGARDS TO ALL MOTIONS PASSED, THE FOLLOWING APPLIES:
TO WHATEVER EXTENT THIS RESOLUTION (MOTION AND ORDINANCE)
AFFECTS COUNTY REVENUES AND/OR EXPENDITURES THEN THE OFFICIAL
COUNTY BUDGET IS HEREBY AMENDED TO GIVE EFFECT TO THIS
RESOLUTION (MOTION AND ORDINANCE).

RESPECTFULLY,

DR. ROMONA JACKSON JONES, CHAIRMAN

HENRY MITCHELL III, MEMBER

KELLY ROBINSON, VICE CHAIRMAN

TARENIA CARTHAN, MEMBER

ANN JONES GUIDER, MEMBER

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LISA WATSON, COUNTY CLERK