



MINUTES

**STATE OF GEORGIA
BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
COUNTY OF DOUGLAS
CITIZENS HALL, COURTHOUSE**

October 3, 2023

CALL TO ORDER

Members Present

Tarenia Carthan, Ricky Dobbs, Phil Miller,
Kelly Robinson, Mark Alcaez, Lisa Watson,
Michael Coleman, Sherri Mathis, David Corbin,
Tiffany Stewart-Stanley

Members Absent

AGENDA ADOPTION

Chairman asked if there were any changes that need to be made to the minutes. Being none they were approved.

INVOCATION - Alan Clayton, Sheriff's Department

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

PUBLIC COMMENT

Public Comment allows the Board the opportunity to listen to the public. The public is invited to participate in the Work Sessions and the Commission Meetings by registering in Citizens Hall at least ten (10) minutes prior to the start of the meeting. Please include your name, email address, phone # and topic. As a reminder, Comments at the Work Session may be made regarding any item of public interest. Comments at the Commission Meeting must be germane to the agenda. For more information, contact the County Clerk, Lisa Watson, lwatson@douglascountyga.gov or 770-920-7416.

PRESENTATIONS

- Douglas County DUI/Drug Court recognition - Model DUI Court. **(Judge Eddie Barker)**

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 September 19, 2023.
2. Work Session Meeting Minutes of September 18, 2023.
3. Executive Session Minutes of September 18, 2023.

PROCLAMATIONS

4. Proclaiming the month of October 2023 as Breast Cancer Awareness month in Douglas County.

VC Carthan thanked Ms. Grissom. Asked Citizens to look into the various programs such as Gertrude's House in the County.

TARENIA CARTHAN MOTIONED TO APPROVE THE PROCLAMATION.

MARK ALCAREZ SECONDED THE MOTION.

MOTION CARRIES 5-0.

5. Proclaiming the week of October 8 - 14, 2023 as Fire Prevention Week in Douglas County. **(Dr. Miles Allen)**

MARK ALCAREZ MOTIONED TO APPROVE THE PROCLAMATION.

TARENIA CARTHAN SECONDED THE MOTION.

MOTION CARRIES 5-0.

6. Proclaiming the month of October 2023 as Disability Employment Awareness Month in Douglas County. **(Jasmine Moore)**

Jasmine Moore is representing Grateful Hands, Inc. Breezy Straten, VP Elevate Douglas. Joe Palini ??, Bobby Dobbs Institute.

KELLY ROBINSON MOTIONED TO APPROVE THE PROCLAMATION.

MARK ALCAREZ SECONDED THE MOTION.

MOTION CARRIES 5-0.

BUSINESS ITEMS

7. Approval of the 2024 Douglas County Employee Benefit offerings as recommended by the Benefits Committee and authorize the Chairman to sign all related documents pending final legal review. **(Danielle Nichols)**

MSI - (Name)

INSERT PRESENTATION

VC Carthan - Know the cost providers. MSI - must use "Know the Cost" provider to benefit from the no-cost. Life Insurance - moved to Met-life a few years back. Health questions. MSI - no questions if keeping the guaranteed amount.

KR - customer service. how do we evaluate? why change? MetLife has had customer service challenges during COVID. One Life -

Goes into effect 2024. MSI will generate open enrollment packages to each employee. provide enrollment platform online, also onsite counselors. Will rollout in the coming weeks. enrollment time is 30 days. Carthan - should include employees from different departments on committee or have a survey so we can be aware of any issues.

MARK ALCAREZ MOTIONED TO APPROVE THE EMPLOYEE BENEFIT OFFERINGS AS RECOMMENDED BY THE BENEFITS COMMITTEE.

TARENIA CARTHAN SECONDED THE MOTION.

MOTION CARRIES 4-0 (KELLY ROBINSON ABSTAINED).

12. Certificate of Preliminary Plat Approval for Walters Creek Subdivision.

MARK ALCAREZ MOTIONED TO REMOVE ITEM #12 (CERTIFICATE OF PRELIMINARY PLAT) FROM CONSENT AGENDA.

KELLY ROBINSON SECONDED THE MOTION.

MOTION CARRIES 5-0.

Agenda Item not approved due to lack of motion.

CONSENT AGENDA

MARK ALCAREZ MOTIONED TO APPROVE THE CONSENT AGENDA (ITEMS 8-14 WITH THE REMOVAL OF #12).

TARENIA CARTHAN SECONDED THE MOTION.

MOTION CARRIES 5-0.

- 8.** Authorization to accept a Federal Transit Administration grant (GA-2023- 030-000) FY21 section 5307 funds apportioned to Douglas County in the amount of \$1,169,481 and FY21 5339 funds in the amount of \$250,000 with a 20% match required to be funded through the Connect Douglas Budget, amend the budget as needed and authorize the Chairman to sign all related documents pending final legal review.
- 9.** Authorization to accept the ACCG Group Health Benefits Program Health Promotion Grant in the amount of \$6,000; two increments of \$3,000 each with no match, amend the budget and authorize the Chairman to sign all related documents pending final legal review.
- 10.** Authorization to enter into a Memorandum of Agreement (MOA) between Douglas County Fire/EMS Department and RightSite Health, Inc. for non-emergency telehealth services at no cost to the county and authorize the Chairman to sign all related documents pending final legal review.
- 11.** Approval of a 12-month contract with Owens Security System to provide security for the Board of Elections' annexed locations located at 6381 Katherine Street Suite B and Suite D with a one-time upfront fee of \$199.00 and monthly fees of \$39.99 and \$36.99 for a monthly total of \$76.98 to be funded through the Elections Department budget and authorize the Chairman to sign all related documents pending final legal review.
- 13.** Approval of a contract with ROK Technology for GIS Cloud Hosting services in the amount of \$95,670.00 to be funded through the previously approved 2022 ARPA Technology projects as recommended by the Technology Committee and authorize the Chairman to sign all related documents pending final legal review.
- 14.** Authorization to approve the 2024 schedule for Work Sessions, Commission Meetings, Planning & Zoning Board Meetings, and Variance Hearings.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

On behalf of Vice-Chairman and District 3 Commissioner, Tarenia Carthan, all women (county employees only) ages 35 and above are eligible to receive a free mammogram screening on Tuesday, October 31, 2023. Quantum Radiology will administer the screenings from 8am-3pm in front of the Courthouse entrance. Please schedule your screening exam by registering at the following link:
<https://douglascounty.mymammo.net/>.

In honor of Hispanic Heritage month, the third-floor art gallery has been filled with vivid, bright, and vibrant paintings by multiple Hispanic artists. The exhibit entitled “Nuestra Identidad Nuestra Cultura” Our Identity Our Culture” is on display now until October 15th, 2023. Join us for the artist chat on October 6th, 2023 at 6:00pm where you can meet the artists and learn more about their work. For more information, contact Wendy Caudle at kcaudle@douglascountyga.gov

The annual blood drive will be held on October 11th, 2023. In Citizen’s Hall from 9:00 a.m. to 1:00p.m. For more information contact Felicia Turner at fturner@douglascountyga.gov

And...it’s time to celebrate Douglas County’s rich history! Join us on October 17th, 2023, for a Founders’ Day celebration commemorating Douglas County’s 153rd anniversary. The day will feature walking tours and a scavenger hunt at the Douglas County Museum of History and Art from 10:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. There will also be a brief program in the Courthouse Art Gallery at 5:00 p.m. which will be followed by a proclamation during the Board of Commissioners meeting at 6:00 p.m. For more information, contact Wendy Caudle in the Office of Constituent Services at Kcaudle@douglascountyga.gov

Keep Douglas County Beautiful presents “Adopt a Spot”. You can adopt any eligible spot in Douglas County to beautify, reduce waste and prevent litter. For more information contact Image Stewart, istewart@douglascountyga.gov

The Probate Office will be open on Saturday October 7, 2023 from 9:00 am - 3:00 pm for all probate services.

Winter Wonderland Weddings officiated by Judge Christina J. Peterson. The Douglas County Probate Court is hosting a complimentary Group Wedding Ceremony with a reception to follow. All participants must be a resident of Douglas County. To register, please email swallace@douglascountyga.gov This will be on December 12th at 12:00 pm in Citizens Hall, 8700 Hospital Drive, Douglasville GA 30134. The ceremony is open to the public.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

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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,

PHIL D. MILLER, CHAIRMAN

RICKY DOBBS, JR., MEMBER

KELLY ROBINSON, MEMBER

TARENIA CARTHAN, VICE CHAIRMAN

MARK ALCAREZ, MEMBER

LISA WATSON, COUNTY CLERK