



AGENDA

DOUGLAS COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

Tuesday, May 20, 2025

6:00 PM -- CITIZENS HALL

COMMISSION MEETING

CALL TO ORDER

INVOCATION - Russell Tisone - Chief Code Enforcement Officer

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.

AGENDA ADOPTION

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

1. Commission Meeting Minutes of May 6, 2025.
2. Work Session Minutes of May 5, 2025.
3. Executive Session Minutes of May 5, 2025 and May 12, 2025.
4. Special Called Meeting of May 12, 2025.

FINANCIAL REPORT

5. Acceptance of Financial Report for the month of April 2025. ()

PROCLAMATIONS

6. Proclaiming the month of May 2025 as National Treatment Court Month in Douglas County.

NEW BUSINESS

7. Board Appointment to the Board of Assessors.
8. Reappointment of Evelyn Fitzgerald to the Animal Control Advisory Board representing District 2 effective June 4, 2025.

9. Appointment of Vanessa Livingston to the Douglas County Paratransit Committee effective immediately
10. Reappointment of Tracy Crooks to the Library Board effective June 30, 2025.
11. Approval to purchase a software module from Central Square in the amount not to exceed \$65,000 to facilitate the integration of the Douglas County 911 and Douglas County Sheriff's Office Computer-Aided Dispatch (CAD) systems to be funded through the Fund Balance and authorize the Chairman to sign all related documents pending final legal review.

CONSENT AGENDA

12. Approval to accept \$4,000 added to the State DUI/Drug Court grant A25-8-009 to be used for technology expenses and amend the budget.
13. Approval to accept \$4,000 to be added to the Felony Drug Court Grant J25-8-020 to be used to purchase technology items solely for Accountability Court use and amend the budget.
14. Approval to accept \$4000 to be added to the Felony Hope Court Grant J25-8-085 to be used to purchase technology items solely for Accountability Court use and amend the budget.
15. Approval to accept \$4,000 added to the CHANCE Court grant A25-8-037 to be used for technology expenses and amend the budget.
16. Approval to accept \$4,000 added to the Family Treatment Court grant J25-8-116 to be used for technology expenses and amend the budget.
17. Approval of a Resolution regarding the Chief Judge and Superior Court Presiding Judge's fringe benefits and authorize the Chairman to sign all related documents pending final legal review.
18. Approval of a Car Allowance Agreement for Andrea Moldavan, Chief Assistant Solicitor, in the amount of \$250 per pay period and authorize the Chairman to sign all related documents pending final legal review. (Name change only)
19. Approval of an agreement with West Georgia Regional Library System to sublease space for the temporary location of the Douglas County Public Library while the Library is closed for renovation and authorize the Chairman to sign all related documents pending final legal review.
20. Approval of Atlantic Coast Consulting Task Order 2025-05 for general consulting services for trench 8 base grade staking and verification in the amount of \$5,500 to be funded by the Landfill's budget and authorize the Chairman to sign all related documents pending final legal review.
21. Authority to proceed as discussed in Executive Session with regard to Southeastern Engineering, Inc.
22. Approval to accept donation of approximately 767 acres from TPL/Laura Richards and to pay the Trust for Public Lands up to \$30,000 out of the general fund to cover closing cost and due diligence expenses; and approval to forego collection of taxes of property owned by Douglas County and authorize the Chairman to sign all related documents pending final legal review.

23. Approval of an intergovernmental agreement with DDCWSA regarding acquisition of property for the expansion of the Dog River Reservoir where the DDCWSA is seeking to obtain 200.01 acres from Douglas County Board of Commissioners at a minimum purchase price of \$1,519,957.50 and to accept the funds into the general fund as unrestricted funds and authorize the Chairman to sign all related documents pending final legal review.
24. Approval to acquire Right of Way & Easements in connection with the SR 166 @ Chapel Hill Road Roundabout Project, for an amount not to exceed \$97,690.80, to be funded from SPLOST 2022 funds, and enter into an acquisition contract with Georgia Department of Transportation and authorize the Chairman to sign all related documents pending final legal review.

APPROVAL OF EXPENSES

25. Approval of Chairman Dr. Romona Jackson Jones' reimbursable expenses for the month of April 2025 in the amount of \$377.30 (ACCG Training).
26. Approval of Commissioner Henry Mitchell III reimbursable expenses for the month of April 2025 in the amount of \$387.70 (ACCG Training).

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Save the date for District 1 Commissioner Henry Mitchell, III's next Coffee and Conversation. The event will be held on June 7, 2025, from 10:00 a.m.-noon at Woodie Fite Senior Center. Commissioner Mitchell will team with community partners to discuss the importance of Empowering the Mind. It promises to be an enlightening conversation. We look forward to seeing you there.

Join us on May 28th at 6:30 p.m. right here in Citizens Hall for a graduation celebration honoring our recent Citizens Academy class.

Citizens Academy is a 10-week comprehensive and interactive program created to provide residents of Douglas County with a deeper, more nuanced understanding of how local government works and the critical role it plays in shaping our community. This unique educational experience offers participants a behind-the-scenes look at the county's operations, services, and decision-making processes.

We look forward to celebrating our graduates with you and sharing more information about our program and other opportunities to engage with your local government. For more information, email constituentservices@douglascountyga.gov.

Get ready for The Great Shredding Event presented by Keep Douglas County Beautiful!

This year's event will be held on Saturday, May 31st from 9 AM to 12 PM (or until dumpsters are full) at the Douglas County Courthouse.

Bring all your unwanted documents, free from staples and paper clips! Let's keep our community clean and secure together!

Sign up today for Alert Douglas, the County's new Emergency Notification System, replacing CodeRED.

This system will allow us to send real-time alerts and critical information directly to your phone, email, or text, helping you stay informed and prepared during emergencies. Please note, even if you previously signed up for CodeRED, you must register for Alert Douglas to receive notifications.

To register, download the SMART911 app from your mobile device, or visit the county website: www.douglascountyga.gov and follow the link at the top of the home page.

During registration, you can:

- Choose how you want to receive alerts (call, text, email)
- Share helpful info with first responders (optional)
- Customize your preferences for weather alerts and more

If you have questions or need assistance signing up, please contact the Douglas County Emergency Management Agency at dcema@douglascountyga.gov or call 770-949-3007.

The Cobb and Douglas Public Health Department is offering a Septic System Pump/Repair program for income-sensitive individuals. Eligible primary homeowners who participate in the project will receive a subsidy paid directly to the service provider to complete their septic tank pumping, or for repairs, as necessary, to connect to the local sewer. To more information about eligibility or other program details visit: www.cobbanddouglaspublichealth.org

EXECUTIVE SESSION

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