



AGENDA

DOUGLAS COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

Tuesday, September 9, 2025

10:00 AM -- CITIZENS HALL

COMMISSION MEETING

CALL TO ORDER

INVOCATION - Pastor Josh Smith, Cowan Mill Church

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 August 19, 2025.
2. Work Session Meeting Minutes of August 18, 2025.
3. Executive Session Minutes of August 18, 2025 and August 19, 2025.
4. Special Called Meeting of August 19, 2025.

FINANCIAL REPORT

- Acceptance of monthly Financial/Budget Report for the month of July 2025. ()

PROCLAMATIONS

5. Proclaiming the month of September 2025 as Childhood Cancer Awareness Month in Douglas County. **(Casey Bethel)**
6. Proclaiming September 22, 2025 as American Business Women's Day in Douglas County. **(Tamekia Reid, Chapter President)**
7. Proclaiming the week of September 17 through 23, 2025 as Constitution Week in Douglas County. **(Lisa Meek)**

NEW BUSINESS

8. Certificate of Preliminary Plat Approval for Ansley Trails.
9. Authority for Chairman to obtain a quote for forensic audit services.
10. Authorization for the Chairman to sign an extension to the US Small Business Administration for the Business Incubator project with no impact to the budget pending final legal review.

CONSENT AGENDA

11. Approval of an application for the Emergency Management Performance Grant (EMPG) in the amount of \$79,442.00 to be used to fund a portion of the Emergency Management Directors' Salary each year; the Federal portion is \$39,721.00 with a local match of \$39,721.00, to be funded through Emergency Management salary budget and authorize the Chairman to sign all related documents pending final legal review.
12. Authorization for the Chairman to execute an employment contract with Brandon Bailey as an Assistant Public Defender for State Court to fill a vacant position already approved in the budget pending final legal review.
13. Approval of an agreement with Kraft Power to provide and install a transfer switch for the emergency generator at the Douglas County Courthouse, in the amount of \$32,500 to be funded by the General Fund (Fund Balance), amend the budget, waive the requirements for this item to go before the Finance Committee due to the emergency nature of this item and authorize the Chairman to sign all related documents pending final legal review.
14. Approval of an independent contractor agreement for Lauren Crosby to provide medication management duties in the role as a medication case manager for approximately 32 hours per week at \$30 per hour to be funded by the Opioid Abatement Grant and authorize the Chairman to sign all related documents pending final legal review.
15. Approval of a contract renewal with Joseph Bridgers as a housing/transportation case manager for the Superior Court Accountability Courts for approximately 32 hours per week at \$30 per hour to be funded by the Opioid Abatement Grant and authorize the Chairman to sign all related documents pending final legal review.
16. Approval of two grant funded surveillance officer agreements with Jeffrey Lentz and Jimmy Prince for the Felony Accountability Courts each to be funded by the Opioid Abatement Grant and CJCC Grant and authorize the Chairman to sign all related documents pending final legal review.
17. Approval to renew an annual agreement with Priority Dispatch Corporation, Q-Plus, Quality Performance Review in the amount of \$24,700.00 to be funded by the E-911 budget and authorize the Chairman to sign all related documents pending final legal review.
18. Approval of a janitorial contract with Parks Janitorial Service from October 1, 2025 through December 31, 2025 in the amount of \$3,600.00 for cleaning of the E-911 department, to be funded through the E-911 budget and authorize the Chairman to sign all related documents pending final legal review.

- 19.** Approval to accept Change Order #001 with Motorola Solutions for a credit in the amount of \$36,700.00 in connection with the back-up E-911 building monopole, and authorize the Chairman to sign all related documents pending final legal review.
- 20.** Approval of Contract Amendment with Batson Cook for the Selman Library Renovation Project for final design and updated construction requirements in the amount of \$2,032,996, to be funded by 2022 SPLOST funds and authorize the Chairman to sign all related documents pending final legal review.
- 21.** Approval of an Indemnification Agreement with Tanner Medical Center, Inc. in regard to a mobile Mammography screening event that will take place during our Annual Health and Wellness Festival on September 19, 2025, at Deer Lick Park at no cost to the County and authorize the Chairman to sign all related documents.
- 22.** Approval to enter into an agreement with Just Appraised for Deeds Platform solution in amount of \$45,000 to be funded from Board of Assessors budget and authorize the Chairman to sign all related documents pending final legal review.
- 23.** Approval of a Professional Services Contract with CDM Smith in the amount of \$36,814.00, pursuant to RFQ 23-019 for Independent Cost Estimate services for PI 0021205_Riverside Pkwy Trail, to be funded from DOT's budget and authorize the Chairman to sign all related documents pending final legal review.
- 24.** Approval to accept the quote obtained by Solicitation 25-021 and allow vendor to begin repair work for the Fire and EMS Headquarters building totaling \$64,373.11, and to accept the insurance check in the amount of \$45,862.32, allowing for a Records shelving expense to be subtracted from the insurance check in the amount of \$2,912.80, leaving the remaining insurance proceeds of \$42,949.52 with an additional amount of \$11,924.50 to be funded from Fire Department budget, and \$9,499.09 to be funded by Fund Balance, amend the budgets accordingly, waive the requirements for this item to go before the Finance Committee due to the emergency nature of this item, and authorize the Chairman to sign all related documents pending final legal review.
- 25.** Approval to increase EMS fees for service by 30% to align with increased costs for service and authorize the Chairman to sign all related documents pending final legal review.
- 26.** Approval to enter into a Sponsorship Agreement with Faithful Guardian Training Center to sponsor Paramedic tuition for five (5) students at a cost of \$5,200.00 per student to be funded by the Fire Department budget and authorize the Chairman to sign all related documents pending final legal review.
- 27.** Approval to enter into an Agreement with Brindlee Mountain Fire & Apparatus LLC for the sale of the 2022 Pierce Tanker Truck currently owned by Douglas County Fire Department for the amount of \$375,000.00 with proceeds from this sale being placed in the Fire Department's Budget, amend the budget and authorize the Chairman to sign all related documents pending final legal review.
- 28.** Approval to enter into a purchase agreement with Brindlee Mountain Fire & Apparatus LLC for a 2023 Pierce Aerial Ladder Truck in the amount of \$375,000.00 to be funded from the Fire Department budget, amend the budget and authorize the Chairman to sign all related documents pending final legal review.

29. Approval to purchase 38 dual-facing dash cameras and 13 patient compartment cameras for ambulances, along with associated license fees and installation costs from Samsara Inc. under their SourceWell contract in the amount of \$45,151.44 to be funded by the Fire Department Budget and authorize the Chairman to sign all related documents pending final legal review.
30. Approval of an MOU designating the Douglas County Chamber of Commerce as the official Destination Marketing Organization (DMO) for the purpose of receiving hotel/motel tax revenues in compliance with the Department of Community Affairs and authorize the Chairman to sign all related documents pending final legal review.
31. Approval to proceed as discussed on settlement with the County insurance company for the value of totaled DCSO vehicle in the amount of \$3,295.87.
32. Authorization to enter into a settlement agreement with SEI, Inc, as discussed in Executive session, to be funded by SPLOST 2016, and authorize the Chairman to sign all related documents pending final legal review.
33. Approval to vacate Camp Road Convenience Center as discussed in the executive session, and authorize the chairman to sign all related documents pending final legal review. (Parcel Number # 0115035000, Address: 8852 HWY 166, Winston, GA, 30187).
34. Authorization to acquire right of way from Tax ID 00680150015, in connection with SR 166 @ Chapel Hill Road Roundabout project, to be funded by SPLOST 2022 and authorize the Chairman to sign all related documents pending final legal review.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Congratulations to Chairman Dr. Romona Jackson Jones for two recent national committee appointments. Chairman Jones has been appointed to serve on the 2025–2026 National Association of Counties (NACo) Transportation Policy Steering Committee, which oversees matters related to federal transportation legislation, funding, and regulations, and their impact on county governments. Additionally, Chairman Jones has been appointed to the 2025–2026 NACo Veterans and Military Services Advisory Council. This council works to develop and highlight best practices, policies, and programs that enhance services and benefits for the nation's veterans, active-duty service members, and their families. We applaud Chairman Jones for this achievement and for her service to Douglas County.

Join us TODAY for the ribbon cutting and grand opening celebration of Douglas County's new Fire Station Number 9 located at 600 Douglas Hill Road in Lithia Springs. The ceremony will be held from 2:00-4:00 p.m. this afternoon. The public is invited and will have an opportunity to tour the new state-of-the-art, SPLOST-funded facility and learn more about how it will serve the community.

On Thursday, September 11, 2025, at 8:30 a.m., Douglas County Government will commemorate Patriot Day at the Douglas County Courthouse. This national observance honors the lives lost on September 11, 2001, and acknowledges the

service of our local first responders, active military, and veterans. Douglas County first responders, Commissioners, administration, and other guests will share meaningful reflections as we stand together in remembrance and gratitude. We look forward to seeing you there!

Join us for the first of four community engagement meetings on Wednesday, September 17, from 6:00–7:30 PM at the Lithia Springs Senior Center, located at 7301 Groovers Lake Road. Citizens are invited to drop in at their convenience between 6:00 and 7:30 p.m. to provide input regarding the strategic plan update at activity tables. Come ready to share your ideas as we craft a plan to guide the future growth and success of Douglas County. We look forward to seeing you there!

The countdown is on for this year's September Saturdays festival! This year, we're kicking things off on Saturday, September 20th at Boundary Waters Park, a brand-new location with all-new fun! Enjoy live music from local bands, a pumpkin patch, hayrides, food, and games. The day will end with a family movie under the stars! Then on Saturday, September 27th, join us back at the Douglas County Courthouse for the festival you know and love, packed with rides, vendors, prizes, live performances, and more!

EXECUTIVE SESSION

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