Welcome to the meeting of your Fayette County Board of Commissioners. Your participation in County government is appreciated. All regularly scheduled Board meetings are open to the public and are held on the 2nd and 4th Thursday of each month at 6:30 p.m.

Call to Order
Chairman Randy Ognio called the September 26, 2019 Board of Commissioners meeting to order at 6:30 p.m. A quorum of the Board was present.

Invocation and Pledge of Allegiance by Chairman Randy Ognio
Chairman Randy Ognio offered the Invocation and led the Board and audience in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Acceptance of Agenda
Vice-Chairman Charles Oddo moved to accept the agenda as written. Commissioner Rousseau seconded. The motion passed 5-0.

PROCLAMATION/RECOGNITION:

PUBLIC HEARING:

CONSENT AGENDA:
Commissioner Maxwell moved to accept the Consent Agenda with the exception of items #2 and #5. Vice-Chairman Oddo seconded. The motion passed 5-0.

1. Approval of staff’s recommendation to adopt final supplemental budget adjustments for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2019, and authorization to adjust and close capital projects moving remaining funds to project contingency.

2. Approval to maintain vehicle #23109; 2009 Chevy medic unit in the fleet and designate vehicle #23336; 2006 Chevy as surplus and approve this unit for disposal through established procedures as a part of the vehicle replacement program.

   Commissioner Rousseau asked as clarification if vehicle #23336; 2006 Chevy would in fact be classified as surplus.

   County Administrator Steve Rapson confirmed that vehicle #23109 would be designated as a surplus vehicle upon Board approval.
Commissioner Rousseau moved to approve to maintain vehicle #23109; 2009 Chevy medic unit in the fleet and designate vehicle #23336; 2006 Chevy as surplus and approve this unit for disposal through established procedures as a part of the vehicle replacement program. Vice-Chairman Oddo seconded. The motion passed 5-0.

3. Approval of Georgia Department of Transportation's (GDOT) supplemental agreement to the Project Framework Agreement for PI 0012878 - Fayetteville Multi-Use Path and Bridge project and approval for the Chairman to sign supplemental agreement No. 1 and associated paperwork.

4. Acknowledgment of Sheriff Barry H. Babb’s decision to dispose/trade two-hundred-forty-nine (249) weapons in the purchase of new comparable replacement weapons and the decision to dispose of two (2) Glock 9mm handguns.

5. Approval of the revisions to the Parks and Recreation Policy and Procedures Manual as presented by the Recreation Commission; effective beginning the 2019 Sport Season.

Chairman Ognio stated that he had a concern regarding a statement outlined in the Fayette County Parks and Recreation Code of Conduct on page 60, which stated that: “As a Fayette County Parks and Recreation staff member, volunteer, official, or contracted employee I will be housed in an overnight setting in separate sleeping area form children when possible. If this is not possible, parent/guardian should be furnished a letter explaining the situation and informing the parent/guardian that his/her child will be housed with an adult in the same room but in separate beds”. Chairman Ognio stated that he felt the County needed to require that said letter, be signed and returned to Fayette County Parks and Recreation as documentation of parent(s) acknowledgement and approval.

Fayette County Parks and Recreation Director Anita Godbee suggested adding language that would state Fayette County Parks and Recreation would be furnished a letter signed by the parent explaining the applicable situation.

Chairman Ognio move to approve (with added language stating that parent(s) would have to sign and return consent form). Commissioner Maxwell seconded. The motion passed 5-0.

6. Approval of the September 12, 2019 Board of Commissioners Meeting Minutes.

OLD BUSINESS:

NEW BUSINESS:

7. Consideration of the Public Facilities Authority Selection Committee's recommendation to appoint Alice Reeves to the Public Facilities Authority for a term beginning July 24, 2019 and expiring July 23, 2020.

Commissioner Rousseau stated that he was in objection of the nomination of Alice Reeves to the Public Facilities Authority. He continued stating that his objection was based upon the fact that the full interview panel was not present at the time of the interview thus skewing the interviewees ranking, in addition to it not being wise or prudent to appoint family members of staff.

Commissioner Maxwell asked if there was a policy stating that family members could not be appointed to various Committees, Board, and/or Authorities established, overseen, or ratified, by the Board of Commissioners.

Commissioner Rousseau stated “no”, adding that that was not his assertion, however he did feel it was not wise and prudent nor best practices in his estimation to appoint family members of staff.
Commissioner Maxwell moved to approve the Public Facilities Authority Selection Committee's recommendation to appoint Alice Reeves to the Public Facilities Authority for a term beginning July 24, 2019 and expiring July 23, 2020. Commissioner Gibbons seconded. The motion passed 4-1, with Commissioner Rousseau voting in opposition.

8. **Consideration of the Public Facilities Authority Selection Committee's recommendation to appoint Edward Outlaw to the Public Facilities Authority for a term beginning July 24, 2019 and expiring July 23, 2020.**

Commissioner Rousseau advised the Board that Mr. Outlaw served as an Officer on his last campaign, and that although this does not preclude him from voting he wanted the Board to be aware.

Commissioner Gibbons moved to approve the Public Facilities Authority Selection Committee's recommendation to appoint Edward Outlaw to the Public Facilities Authority for a term beginning July 24, 2019 and expiring July 23, 2020. Vice-Chairman Oddo seconded. The motion passed 5-0.

9. **Consideration of the Public Facilities Authority Selection Committee's recommendation to appoint Thomas Gray to the Public Facilities Authority for a term beginning July 24, 2019 and expiring July 23, 2020.**

Vice-Chairman Oddo moved to approve the Public Facilities Authority Selection Committee's recommendation to appoint Thomas Gray to the Public Facilities Authority for a term beginning July 24, 2019 and expiring July 23, 2020. Commissioner Gibbons seconded. The motion passed 5-0.

10. **Consideration of staff's request for authorization to refinance the Fayette County Public Facilities Authority's Refunded Revenue Series 2011 Bonds with an outstanding principal amount of $23,970,000.**

Chief Financial Officer Mary Parrott introduced Stifel placement agent Andrew Tripp. Mrs. Parrott continued stating that the purpose of this item was to gain Board approval to move forward with refinancing the Fayette County Public Facilities Authority's Refunded Revenue Series 2011 Bonds. Mrs. Parrott stated that because of the current financial environment there was the opportunity for the County to save $2.3 million based upon interest rates. Mrs. Parrott stated that the current rate on the Bonds was 4.53% the new rate would be 2.1% which would be a significant difference and savings.

Commissioner Maxwell moved to approve staff's request for authorization to refinance the Fayette County Public Facilities Authority's Refunded Revenue Series 2011 Bonds with an outstanding principal amount of $23,970,000. Commissioner Gibbons seconded. The motion passed 5-0.

Chairman Ognio stated that the Board was provided additional information on the dais from both Stifel and Stephens Inc. a separate brokerage and investment banking firm, he added that as a part of the proposal from Stephens Inc. the savings would only be $1.7 million and the closing costs would be more. Chairman Ognio stated that the closing costed were not disclosed on the proposal provided by Stifel, and asked what the amount would be.

Mrs. Parrot stated that the closing cost was $195,000, she continued stated that the previous deal closing cost was $335,000. Mrs. Parrott stated that this deal would be a little different because it was a private placement which saves the County on the costs.

County Administrator Steve Rapson stated for citizen clarification that the purpose of this was to take the Bonds that the County currently holds and sell them then take the debt that the County has and privately place it with the bank. Mr. Rapson stated that the offer primarily stemmed from the relationship the County's adviser had with the Bank which equates to a savings for the County. Mr. Rapson also added that the second unsolicited proposal was received from Stephens Inc. which outlined a similar transaction with the same type of refunding, but the present value was only about $1.8 million compared to the $2.3 million with closing costs of about $100,000 more.
Chairman Ognio asked if he could offer an amendment to the motion to include approval to spend the $195,000 in closing cost which would cover legal fees, escrow, and underwriting costs.

Commissioner Maxwell asked County Attorney Dennis Davenport if the Board needed to add the closing cost to the motion.

Mr. Davenport stated that as part of the Bond Issuance the cost of issuance was built within the Bond Issuance itself and outlined in the transaction document, he added that the general authorization to proceed forward with the refinancing would include the costs as understood.

Chairman Ognio stated that because this was an expense he felt it beneficial to include and approve the closing cost amount.

Commissioner Maxwell amended his motion and moved to approve staff's request for authorization to refinance the Fayette County Public Facilities Authority's Refunded Revenue Series 2011 Bonds with an outstanding principal amount of $23,970,000 and to approve $195,000 for closing cost which included the legal fees, escrow, and underwriting costs. Commissioner Gibbons amended his second.

Commissioner Rousseau asked for clarification as to when the proposals were submitted.

Mr. Rapson stated that Stephens Inc. submitted their proposal about six days prior to the September 26, 2019 Board meeting, he added that Stifel submitted theirs about three prior, with the understanding that the bank would hold the rates for 30-days.

Commissioner Maxwell amended his motion and moved to approve staff's request for authorization to refinance the Fayette County Public Facilities Authority's Refunded Revenue Series 2011 Bonds with an outstanding principal amount of $23,970,000 and to approve $195,000 for closing cost which included the legal fees, escrow, and underwriting costs. Commissioner Gibbons amended his second. The motion passed 5-0.

11. Consideration of funding $1,000,000.00 capital for the design and building of a new modern animal shelter.

Commissioner Gibbons stated that that the goal for the Animal Shelter was a facility that meets current best practices of animal care and animal control.

Animal Shelter Director Jerry Collins stated yes that is the goal, he added that the current Animal Shelter was adequate however we needed a facility that is more modern, easier to clean which would assist in keeping down disease, and a facility the is more appealing to look and inviting for families looking to adopt.

Chairman Ognio stated for citizen clarification that this item’s purpose was only to place funds to the side for a future project.

Mr. Rapson stated that the project would immediately go out for design once those costs are received they would be presented to the Board for project approval.

Commissioner Gibbons moved to approve funding $1,000,000.00 capital for the design and building of a new modern animal shelter. Vice Chairman Oddo seconded. The motion passed 5-0.
11a. Consideration of funding $1,000,000.00 capital to the Fayette County Health Department toward a new building facility.

Mr. Rapson stated that the desire of the Fayette County Health Department was to establish a facility that would house the existing offices which include the Environmental Management Health Office, the Health Department, and the WIC Office together. He added that the goal is to have the Fayette County Health Department build a new building. Mr. Rapson stated that as of September 26, 2019 the Health Department had acquired a design and some possible site locations. Mr. Rapson stated that one discussion was to co-locate those offices at the Justice Center since parking and sewer was already established. Mr. Rapson stated that currently the estimates would be between $5,000,000 and $8,000,000 building, of which the Health Department doesn’t have costs for yet. Mr. Rapson stated that the County would reserve funding of $1,000,000.00 in capital in its Fund Balance designated to the Fayette County Health Department toward a new building facility while they collect the remaining funding.

Commissioner Maxwell asked how item 11a ended up on the agenda, he continued stating that it was no included on the agenda that was posted to the County website and sent to the Board for review on Friday October 20th.

Chairman Ognio stated that item 11a had been discussed at pre-agenda, but pulled awaiting additional information. Chairman Ognio stated that upon further consideration and discussion it was decided that since consideration for funding $1,000,000.00 capital for the design and building of a new modern animal shelter would be discussed with limited information 11a could also be added for consideration and approval.

Commissioner Maxwell stated that there was a procedure and applicable deadlines in place to add items to the Fayette County Board of Commissioner meeting agenda. He added that item 11a was not added to the agenda according to procedure. Commissioner Maxwell added that although he did receive an email on Monday stating that the agenda had been revised the citizens do not receive that same courtesy. Commissioner Maxwell stated that he is not against building a Health Department Office, however he stated he was in favor of the policy and adhering to it.

Mr. Rapson stated that the County’s practice had been that the agenda released on Friday was the approved agenda; however modification are allowed. He added stating that his intent was to place item 11a on the dais for the Board raise it as an agenda item at the beginning of the Board of Commissioners Meeting which was consistent with what was done in the past.

Commissioner Gibbons stated that he was a follower of the rules, policy, regulation and procedure however he didn’t want the Board to get caught up in so rigidly following the policy that they lost sight of what was in the best interest of the citizens.

Vice-Chairman Oddo stated that he understood Commissioner Maxwell’s concerns however the best way to handle this issue was to discuss it amongst the Board and develop a formal policy debating it in a public forum was not best practices.

Commissioner Rousseau stated that in emergency situation the Board had in the past added agenda items to an agenda after the deadline had passed for Board review, discussion and approval. Commissioner Rousseau stated that he took responsibility for asking for this item, he added stating that it had been on the County Administrators agenda for a while. Commissioner Rousseau stated that he had been advocating and working with the Health Department for two years, he added that he would be remiss if he voted for a new animal shelter before he voted for human needs and care.

Commissioner Maxwell moved to table. The motion failed 2-3 with Vice-Chairman Oddo, Commissioner Gibbons, and Commissioner Rousseau voting I opposition.
Commissioner Rousseau moved to approve funding $1,000,000.00 capital to the Fayette County Health Department toward a new building facility. Commissioner Gibbons seconded. The motion passed 5-1, with Commissioner Maxwell voting in opposition.

12. Consideration of the Transportation Committee’s recommendation for Fayette County Public Works to develop four project applications in response to the Atlanta Regional Commission’s 2019 solicitation for Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) project funding proposals.

Public Works Director Phil Mallon advised the Board of staff’s recommendation for the Fayette County Public Works to develop project applications for submittal to receive grant funding in response to the Atlanta Regional Commission’s 2019 solicitation for Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) project funding proposals. He continued stating that the decisions made tonight would have significant ramification on which transportation project would advance. Mr. Mallon stated that upon Board project(s) approval, he would return at a later date to request the Board approve and sign off on a formal Resolution outlining the local match funding commitment.

Mr. Mallon stated that the Transportation Committee recommended four project applications be submitted, the realignment of State Route 279 with Corinth Road would provide direct connection between State Route SR 279 and the East Fayetteville Bypass, would eliminate one traffic signal, would correct the sharp curve on Corinth Road, and would provide new access to Kenwood Business Park, he added that this project would have substantial right-of-way impacts. Mr. Mallon advised that there was significant public support for this project.

Commissioner Maxwell asked if the portion of the new roadway ran through developed or undeveloped lots.

Mr. Mallon confirmed that it was a combination of undeveloped lots and about four to five homes that would have to be purchased by the County.

Mr. Mallon stated that the Banks Road Corridor improvement proposal was a capacity increase project which would widen the road to four traffic lanes, would provide additional turn lanes, would provide access management and intersection improvements to State Route 85 and Ellis Road, this project would also create paths and road geometry improvements.

Commissioner Maxwell asked if there were any homes that the County had to purchase.

Mr. Mallon stated, “No”.

Mr. Mallon continued stating that the third project suggestion was Tyrone Road-Capacity and intersection improvement project. Mr. Mallon stated that Tyrone Road needed capacity and intersection improvements from State Route 54 to Dogwood Trail this project, safety project, and would accommodate anticipated future growth in the area. Mr. Mallon stated that this proposal encompassed various options which included road widening at the Tyrone Road and State Route 54 Intersection, a potential traffic light and/or roundabout at the Tyrone Road Flat Creek Trail Intersection. Mr. Mallon stated that he felt based on the data and cost estimates this project would take the County out of the competitive range for Federal Assistance, he added that although he agreed that it was a needed project, it wasn’t the best candidate for this grant submittal.

Commissioner Maxwell asked if there were any homes that the County had to purchase at the Flat Creek intersection.

Mr. Mallon started that if it’s done in conjunction with a road widening, which is being proposed, then yes it probably would.
Mr. Mallon stated that the fourth proposal developed was a multi-jurisdictional roadway resurfacing, he added that this project was an efficient use of federal aid, had an 80/20 match and if approved would be Fayette County’s 4th federal-aid resurfacing project.

Chairman Ognio stated as clarification, that this item was to provide approval to develop project applications for grant funding through the Atlanta Regional Commission that may or may not be approved once reviewed, but all of the submitted projects upon approval by the Atlanta Regional Commission would require County match. Chairman Ognio asked in reference to the proposal for the Banks Road Corridor improvement if the City of Fayetteville had committed to providing funding match because a portion of the roadway within that project reside in the City of Fayetteville.

Mr. Mallon stated, “Yes”, he added that it was presented to City of Fayetteville City Counsel and they are in support of the project.

Commissioner Maxwell asked regarding the State Route 279 project, why the County would be involved in the State Road portion of the project.

Mr. Mallon stated that there was another component to the 279 project, which was a widening of 279 up to State Route 138, he continued stating that that project should be a Georgia Department of Transportation (GDOT) lead project. Mr. Mallon stated that he intended on providing Georgia Department of Transportation (GDOT) with the project information so that it would be on their radar as a future project. Mr. Mallon stated that the proposed realignment of State Route 279 with Corinth Road project equally affected Georgia Department of Transportation (GDOT) and the County as a function of the East Fayetteville Bypass and Corinth Road. Mr. Mallon stated that it was a known fact that if you want improvements at intersections along State Routes it takes local money to move those project forward.

Commissioner Maxwell acknowledged that one of the most difficult decisions he had to make in the past was to take someone’s home. Commissioner Maxwell stated he’d want to limit the need to have to do that as much as possible.

Commissioner Oddo asked Mr. Mallon could the Board approval all four projects.

Mr. Mallon stated, “Yes”, the Board could approve all four project however he stated that he felt it would be realistic to think the County would receive $26 million in funding. Mr. Mallon added that it would cause an issue of asking for more projects than the County would have local match for.

Commissioner Gibbons moved to approve staff’s recommendation for Fayette County Public Works to develop four project applications in response to the Atlanta Regional Commission's 2019 solicitation for Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) project funding proposals. Vice-Chairman Oddo seconded.

Commissioner Gibbons withdrew his motion.

Commissioner Gibbons moved to approve staff’s Committee’s recommendation for Fayette County Public Works to develop a project applications in response to the Atlanta Regional Commission's 2019 solicitation for Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) project funding proposals for the Realignment of SR 279 with Corinth Road with up to a 10% variance in cost allowance. Vice-Chairman Oddo seconded. The motion passed 4-1, with Commissioner Maxwell voting in opposition.

Commissioner Gibbons moved to approve staff’s recommendation for Fayette County Public Works to develop a project applications in response to the Atlanta Regional Commission's 2019 solicitation for Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) project funding proposals for Resurfacing with up to a 10% variance in cost allowance. Commissioner Maxwell seconded. The motion passed 5-0.
Commissioner Gibbons moved to approve staff’s Committee’s recommendation for Fayette County Public Works to develop a project applications in response to the Atlanta Regional Commission’s 2019 solicitation for Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) project funding proposals for Banks Road Corridor Improvements with up to a 10% variance in cost allowance. Commissioner Maxwell seconded. The motion passed 5-0.

13. Consideration of staff’s request to submit an application to the Georgia Transportation Infrastructure Bank (GTIB) Grant Program for $450,000 in grant funding assistance with the Redwine Road, Bernard Road, Peachtree Pkwy Roundabout (17TAL) transportation project.

Fayette County Transportation Engineer Joseph Robison stated that the Georgia Transportation Infrastructure Bank, had made available up to $25 million in loans and grants for transportation projects during the 2019 call for projects. He added that the application was for a grant. Mr. Robinson stated that staff had reviewed existing and possible future projects and had identified the Redwine, Bernhard Road and Peachtree Parkway Roundabout (17TAL) as a project that met the Georgia Transportation Infrastructure Bank (GTIB) funding criteria in terms of regional connectivity, was close to start of construction, includes innovative transportation solutions and had a high degree of feasibility. Mr. Robinson stated that a cost estimate generated by the Project Engineer, at the 80% completion level, put construction costs at $1,648,678.78.

Vice-Chairman Oddo moved to approve of staff’s request to submit an application to the Georgia Transportation Infrastructure Bank (GTIB) Grant Program for $450,000 in grant funding assistance with the Redwine Road, Bernard Road, Peachtree Pkwy Roundabout (17TAL) transportation project. Commissioner Gibbons seconded. The motion passed 5-0.

Chairman Ognio stated that he would like to publicly thank the Georgia Department of Transportation (GDOT) for funding the equipment for this project.

14. Consideration of staff’s request to submit application to the Georgia Transportation Infrastructure Bank (GTIB) Grant Program for funding assistance with the Veterans Parkway, State Route 92, Westbridge Road Intersection (R-5F) reconfiguration to traffic signal control ($150,000).

Fayette County Transportation Engineer Joseph Robison stated that the Veterans Parkway, State Route 92, Westbridge Road Intersection was an on-going project that was completed in July of 2018. Mr. Robinson stated that once the road was opened numerous complaints were received from the community in reference to the safety of the intersection. Mr. Robison stated that there had been 27 accidents there since the road was opened. Mr. Robison stated that initially Georgia Department of Transportation (GDOT) didn’t allow a County to put a traffic signal at the intersection, but only a stop control measure at the intersection, Mr. Robison added after analysis and traffic studies it was determined that the intersection did warrant a traffic signal. Mr. Robison advised the Board that they have received signal permit and encroachment permits for the intersection and that Georgia Department of Transportation (GDOT) had agreed to donate signal equipment, estimated to be close to $45,000.

Mr. Robison stated that the current budget totaled $727,717.74. A cost estimate generated by the project engineer, at the 80% plan completion level, puts construction costs at $599,129.62. Mr. Robinson stated that Georgia Department of Transportation (GDOT) this grant would comprise 25% of overall construction costs. Fayette County will cover the costs for design and right of way acquisition.

Mr. Robison stated that through the Georgia Transportation Infrastructure Bank, had made available up to $25 million in loans and grants for transportation projects during their 2019 call for projects. This application was for a grant. Mr. Robison stated that staff had reviewed existing and possible future projects and have identified this project (R-5F) as a project meets GTIB funding criteria in terms of regional connectivity, is close to start of construction and has a very high degree of feasibility.
Commissioner Gibbons moved to approve staff's request to submit an application to the Georgia Transportation Infrastructure Bank (GTIB) Grant Program for funding assistance with the Veterans Parkway, State Route 92, Westbridge Road Intersection (R-5F) reconfiguration to traffic signal control ($150,000). Commissioner Rousseau seconded. The motion passed 5-0.

Chairman Ognio stated that he would like to publicly thank the Georgia Department of Transportation (GDOT) for funding the equipment for this project.

15. Consideration of Ordinance 2019-06 to add provisions to the County's Code that would regulate the placement of wireless facilities and antennas, known as "small cells" in the county's rights-of-way.

Public Works Director Phil Mallon stated that this ordinance is in response to SB 66, which was passed by the General Assembly in March 2019 and significantly restricts the county's ability to regulate small cells in rights-of-way.

County Attorney Dennis Davenport stated that the reason for Board approval is because adopting the State Law provides the County with some flexibility and allows the County to charge a permit fee, he continued stating that the adoption of the Ordinance would allow the County to have little bit of internal regulations.

Commissioner Rousseau moved to approve Ordinance 2019-06 to add provisions to the County's Code that would regulate the placement of wireless facilities and antennas, known as "small cells" in the county's rights-of-way. Commissioner Gibbons seconded. The motion passed 5-0.

16. Consideration of the request from Chairman Randy Ognio to move Public Comments immediately after Public Hearings on the agenda.

Chairman Ognio stated that he would like for Public Comments to be moved to right after the Public Hearings, if there are no Public Hearings Public Comments would be directly after proclamations/recognitions during the Fayette County Board of Commissioners Meeting.

Commissioner Rousseau moved to approve request from Chairman Randy Ognio to move Public Comments immediately after Public Hearings on the agenda. Vice-Chairman Ognio seconded. The motion passed 5-0.

PUBLIC COMMENT:

ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORTS:

County Administrator Steve Rapson advised the Board that they needed a selection committee to appoint a replacement on the Board of Tax Assessor.

Chairman Ognio moved to appoint Commissioner Rousseau and Vice-Chairman Oddo to serve on the selection committee for the Board of Tax Assessor. Commissioner Gibbons seconded. The motion passed.

Mr. Rapson provided the Public Works "Hot" Project Update stating that:

Graves Road
Graves Road was opened to all traffic on Friday September 20th, 2019. Guardrail installation and final striping will complete this project by the first week of October 2019.

Dogwood Trail – no change
Dogwood Trail is currently closed to thru-traffic. Utility relocations are in progress and expected to be complete by the end of October 2019. Clearing and erosion control activities began this week and are expected to be complete by next week. Some of the drainage structures and smaller pipe have been delivered and are being stored onsite, the arch culvert structure will be delivered and installed in December 2019. The contractor’s current schedule shows the road opening in mid-February and a final completion in late February 2020.

**Starr’s Mill Tunnel (Robinson Road) Project**
Tunnel was moved to Robinson Rd based on input from the FCBOE and progress was delayed as staff finalized details with Peachtree City; staff anticipates construction in summer break of 2020.

The SPLOST referendum allocated $900,000 to the tunnel project. Fayette County and the Consultant have been negotiating scope and cost. A revised Task Order was received for County review on 9/26/19. Fayette County is requesting a pre-design field meeting with Peachtree and the Consultant.

**Kenwood School Project**
Paving, concrete work, final grading and grassing are complete, mulch will be finished 9/27/19. The striping contractor (Peek) planned to finish this work in stages starting this week and will be complete sometime next week. See pictures of the asphalt, concrete and grading.

**Swanson Road Paving Project**
Road Department crews have finished all items on the punch list, only thing left is to get some gradual rainfall for the seed to germinate.

**Redwine Road Timber Bridge**
Road Department has started replacing boards and the work is progressing without problem. Approximately 20% of the decking will be replaced. The work will be completed by end of October.

A. Quote #1699-A: Grass Cutting Services for Kiwanis & McCurry Parks – Contract Award
B. RFQ #1700-A: Extrication Equipment

**ATTORNEY’S REPORTS:**

Notice of Executive Session: County Attorney Dennis Davenport stated that there were three items involving real estate, one item of pending litigation, and the review of the Executive Session minutes for September 12, 2019.

**COMMISSIONERS’ REPORTS:**

Commissioner Rousseau expressed his appreciation to staff in the Public Works Department for their hard work and diligent effort and advised that the work they do does not gone unnoticed. Commissioner Rousseau commended Fayette County Clerk Tameca P. While who was recent appointment to the ACCG Lifelong Learning Academy Committee. Commissioner Rousseau reminded the Board and the public that he would be hosting his 3rd annual HOA Bootcamp on Oct. 5th from 10 a.m. - 2 p.m. at the Fayette County Administrative Office in the Public Meeting Room. Commissioner Rousseau concluded by sending his regards and condolences to the Pressburg family for their recent loss.

Chairman Ognio stated that the Atlanta Regional Commission is hosting a “Pop Up” Open House and invites the public to attend the closes event location to Fayette County was Jonesboro, Georgia at the Ark in Clayton County on October 9th from 5p.m -8 p.m.

**EXECUTIVE SESSION:**
Notice of Executive Session: County Attorney Dennis Davenport stated that there was three items handling real estate, one item of pending litigation, and the review of the Executive Session minutes for September 12, 2019. Vice-Chairman Oddo moved to go into Executive Session. Commissioner Gibbons seconded. The motion passed 5-0.

The Board recessed into Executive Session at 8:19 p.m. and returned to Official Session at 8:39 p.m.

Return to Official Session and Approval to Sign the Executive Session Affidavit: Chairman Ognio moved to return to Official Session and for the Chairman to sign the Executive Session Affidavit. Vice-Chairman Oddo seconded the motion. The motion passed 5-0.

Approval of the September 12, 2019 Executive Session Minutes: Chairman Ognio moved to approve the September 12, 2019 Executive Session Minutes. Vice Chairman Oddo seconded. The motion passed 5-0.

ADJOURNMENT:

Commissioner Gibbons moved to adjourn the September 26, 2019 Board of Commissioners meeting. Commissioner Rousseau seconded. The motion passed 5-0.

The September 26, 2019 Board of Commissioners meeting adjourned at 8:39 p.m.

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Marlena Edwards, Deputy County Clerk             Randy C. Ognio, Chairman

The foregoing minutes were duly approved at an official meeting of the Board of Commissioners of Fayette County, Georgia, held on the 10th day of October 2019. Referenced attachments are available upon request at the County Clerk’s Office.

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Marlena Edwards, Deputy County Clerk