

## BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

Lee Hearn, Chairman  
Edward Gibbons, Vice Chairman  
Eric K. Maxwell  
Charles W. Oddo  
Charles D. Rousseau



## FAYETTE COUNTY, GEORGIA

Steve Rapson, County Administrator  
Dennis A. Davenport, County Attorney  
Tameca P. Smith, County Clerk  
Marlena Edwards, Chief Deputy County Clerk

140 Stonewall Avenue West  
Public Meeting Room  
Fayetteville, GA 30214

## MINUTES

February 25, 2021

6:30 p.m.

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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 2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Thursday of each month at 6:30 p.m.

### Call to Order

Chairman Lee Hearn called the February 25, 2021 Board of Commissioners meeting to order at 6:30 p.m. A quorum of the Board was present. Commissioner Charles Rousseau attended the meeting virtually via Microsoft Teams as allowed during the pandemic.

### Invocation and Pledge of Allegiance by Chairman Lee Hearn

Chairman Lee Hearn offered the Invocation and led the Board and audience in the Pledge of Allegiance.

### Acceptance of Agenda

Commissioner Charles Oddo moved to accept the agenda as written. Vice Chairman Edward Gibbons seconded. The motion passed 5-0.

### PROCLAMATION/RECOGNITION:

### PUBLIC HEARING:

1. **Consideration of staff's request to adopt Resolution 2021-03 pertaining to the "Fayette County 2020 Annual Report on Fire Services Impact Fees, including Comprehensive Plan Amendments for Updates to the Capital Improvements Element and Community Work Program (FY2021- FY2025)" and to transmit the document to the Atlanta Regional Commission and the Department of Community Affairs for Regional and State review prior to adoption.**

*Community Development Director Pete Frisina read the Introduction to Public Hearings. Mr. Frisina stated the meeting was unique in that it was being held during a time declared as a State of Public Emergency due to COVID-19 (coronavirus). In the abundance of caution concerning the COVID-19 (coronavirus), the meeting would be livestreamed, and the call-in number 770-305-5277 would be available for those who wanted to make public comment on any of the items during the public hearings portion of the meeting.*

Pete Frisina stated that being considered before the Board was the Fayette County 2020 Annual Report on Fire Services Impact Fees. He continued that the total fees collected for fiscal year 2020 was \$112,942.40 compared to \$109,770.53 that was collected in fees last year. Mr. Frisina stated that the surrounding jurisdictions were also holding their 2020 Annual Report on Fire Services Impact Fees public hearings. He brought the Boards' attention to page 10 of the agenda packet, stating that there was approximately \$7 million being collected in impact fee to pay for improvement to fire services. Mr. Frisina stated that the goal of

this item was to adopt Resolution 2021-03 which would approve the transmittal of the Fayette County 2020 Annual Report on Fire Services Impact Fees to the Atlanta Regional Commission and the Department of Community Affairs for Regional and State review. He stated that once final approval was received the Board would adopt the 2020 Annual Report on Fire Services Impact Fees along with the surrounding jurisdictions by June 30, 2021.

No one spoke in favor or opposition

Commissioner Rousseau asked the County Administrator if any trends had been noticed when gathering and analyzing the data used to comprise the Fayette County 2020 Annual Report on Fire Services Impact Fees.

County Administrator Steve Rapson stated not at this time. He stated that the numbers were based on housing development, which was expected to increase; and was reflective of what had been seen over the last two years.

Mr. Frisina expressed his appreciation for both the Finance Department and the Fire Department, who analyzed and gathered the data used to comprise the Fayette County 2020 Annual Report on Fire Services Impact Fees.

Vice Chairman Gibbons moved to approve staff's request to adopt Resolution 2021-03 pertaining to the "Fayette County 2020 Annual Report on Fire Services Impact Fees, including Comprehensive Plan Amendments for Updates to the Capital Improvements Element and Community Work Program (FY2021- FY2025)" and to transmit the document to the Atlanta Regional Commission and the Department of Community Affairs for Regional and State review prior to adoption. Commissioner Oddo seconded. The motion passed 5-0.

#### **PUBLIC COMMENT:**

#### **CONSENT AGENDA:**

Commissioner Oddo moved to accept the Consent Agenda as written, with the exception of item #4. Vice Chairman Gibbons seconded. The motion passed 5-0.

- 2. Approval of staff's request for the Board of Commissioners to establish the annual Budget Calendar for Fiscal Year 2022, which begins July 1, 2021 and ends June 30, 2022.**
- 3. Approval and signature of Georgia County Internship Program Grant Agreement from the Association County Commissioners of Georgia (ACCG) Civic Affairs Foundation, Inc.**
- 4. Approval of the February 11, 2021 Board of Commissioners Meeting Minutes.**

County Attorney Dennis Davenport advised the Board that the appointment term date range listed for items #6 and item #7 of the February 11, 2021 Board of Commissioners Meeting Minutes needed to be corrected. Mr. Davenport stated that the terms for each appointment were for four (4) years but was approved at the February 11, 2021 Board meeting and listed in the minutes as five-year terms. He stated that the correct term dates were beginning January 1, 2021 and expiring December 31, 2024, which should be properly reflected in the minutes. Mr. Davenport stated that the appointees were notified of their correct term dates.

Commissioner Oddo moved to approve the February 11, 2021 Board of Commissioners Meeting Minutes with noted changes as outlined by the County Attorney. Vice Chairman Gibbons seconded. The motion passed 5-0.

#### **OLD BUSINESS:**

#### **NEW BUSINESS:**

- 5. Consideration of a recommendation of the Selection Committee, composed of Commissioner Charles Rousseau and Commissioner Charles Oddo, to appoint Doris Adhuze to the Region Six Mental Health, Developmental**

**Disabilities, and Addictive Diseases Regional Advisory Council for a term beginning October 1, 2020 and expiring September 30, 2023.**

Doris Adhuze thanked the Board for their consideration and the opportunity to serve on the Region Six Mental Health, Developmental Disabilities, and Addictive Diseases Regional Advisory Council.

Commissioner Oddo stated that everyone who applied were excellent candidates and expressed his appreciation for all who wanted to serve and applied.

Commissioner Rousseau moved to approve, to appoint Doris Adhuze to the Region Six Mental Health, Developmental Disabilities, and Addictive Diseases Regional Advisory Council for a term beginning October 1, 2020 and expiring September 30, 2023. Commissioner Oddo seconded. The motion passed 5-0.

**ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORTS:**

**Contract #1431-P: Transportation engineer of Record; Task Order #48: Brogdon & New Hope Roundabout CEI Services**

Mr. Rapson informed the Board of the Transportation Engineer of Record for Task Order #48- Brogdon & New Hope Roundabout.

County Administrator Steve Rapson advised that an updated "Hot Projects" listing was sent out via email to the Board to keep them abreast of the status of various projects throughout the county. He highlighted the Kenwood Road culvert replacement, Mercedes Trail culvert replacement, and Fire Station #2, and Starr's Mill Tunnel path. Mr. Rapson also advised that arrangements would be forthcoming regarding the Fire Station #2 ribbon cutting ceremony in mid-March.

**ATTORNEY'S REPORTS:**

**Notice of Executive Session:** County Attorney Dennis Davenport stated there were three items for executive session. There were two items of threatened litigation and the review of the February 11, 2021 Executive Session Minutes for consideration in Executive Session.

**COMMISSIONERS' REPORTS:**

**Commissioner Rousseau**

Commissioner Rousseau thanked staff, particularly Community Development Director Pete Frisina, who recently participated in a community association meeting to discuss county zoning issues.

Commissioner Rousseau expressed his appreciation for the Fayette County Health Department who also have participated in a few virtual community meetings over the past few weeks, providing very pertinent information to the citizens of Fayette County.

Commissioner Rousseau advised that the Governor had established a new website where residents could register for the COVID-19 vaccine, whether an individual was in the 1A vaccine distribution category or not. Commissioner Rousseau stated that the website was [myvaccinegeorgia.com](http://myvaccinegeorgia.com). Commissioner Rousseau encouraged all to use the new website but be patient as the vaccine begins being distribution.

**EXECUTIVE SESSION:**

**Two items of threatened litigation and the review of the February 11, 2021 Executive Session Minutes for consideration in Executive Session.**

Commissioner Oddo moved to go into Executive Session. Commissioner Maxwell seconded. The motion passed 5-0.

The Board recessed into Executive Session at 6:47 p.m. and returned to Official Session at 7:07 p.m.

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

**Approval of the February 11, 2021 Executive Session Minutes:** Commissioner Oddo moved to approve the February 11, 2021 Executive Session Minutes. Vice Chairman Gibbons seconded the motion. The motion passed 5-0.

**ADJOURNMENT:**

Vice Chairman Gibbons moved to adjourn the February 25, 2021 Board of Commissioners meeting. Commissioner Oddo seconded the motion. The motion passed 5-0.

The February 25, 2021 Board of Commissioners meeting adjourned at 7:08 p.m.

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Marlena M. Edwards, Chief Deputy County Clerk

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Lee Hearn, Chairman

The foregoing minutes were duly approved at an official meeting of the Board of Commissioners of Fayette County, Georgia, held on the 25<sup>th</sup> day of March 2021

Referenced attachments are available upon request at the County Clerk's Office.

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Marlena Edwards, Deputy County Clerk