

Minutes

Board of Commissioners Called Meeting

Tuesday, November 18, 2025 at 5:30 p.m.

Assembly Hall - 901 Main Street, Conyers, Georgia 30012

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1. Call to Order: Chair Van Ness called this meeting to order at 5:30 p.m. for the purpose of the items on the agenda. The agenda is attached hereto and is hereby made a part of these minutes. The full Board was present.

2. Presentation of Colors: Boy Scouts - Yellow River District, Atlanta Area Council, Scouting America and Pledge of Allegiance

3. Special Recognitions and Presentations:

- A. Purple Heart Designated County Proclamation
- B. Boys & Girls Clubs of Metro Atlanta Presentation
- C. Retired Educators Day Proclamation

4. Public Comment: Mary Boysworth

5. Approval of the Agenda: Chair Van Ness made a motion to amend the agenda to add item 2025-577, a contract for Georgia Strategy Group; there was not a second motion, so the motion failed. Another motion was made by Commissioner Williams, seconded by Commissioner Smith, and was passed unanimously to approve the agenda as published.

6. Approval of the Minutes: November 10, 2025: A motion was made by Commissioner Smith, seconded by Commissioner Williams, and was passed unanimously to approve the minutes as presented.

7. Unfinished Business:

2025-555: An Ordinance to Make and Provide Appropriations for the Period Beginning January 1, 2026 and Ending December 31, 2026; To Make and Provide Such Appropriations for the Operations of the Rockdale County Government, Its Departments, Boards and Other Agencies and Funds, Including All Elected County Officers and Their Employees; To Provide for the Control and Administration of All Funds of Such Agencies from All Sources; To Provide an Effective Date; To Repeal Conflicting Ordinances and Resolutions; And For Other Purposes – Second Reading: After some discussion by the Board, a motion was made by Commissioner Williams, seconded by Commissioner Smith, and was passed unanimously to defer this ordinance until the next Board of Commissioners meeting.

8. New Business:

2025-563: Hussey, Gay, Bell & DeYoung, Inc., Consulting Engineers – Transportation – Continue Phases 1 – 9 of Sigman Road Widening Project – Change Order No. 2 to C-2023-160 – Add Additional Fee and Scope of Project - \$1,593,721.23 – One (1) Year – SPLOST Funded

2025-564: Covington Fire Department and Newton County Fire Rescue – Fire Rescue – Memorandum of Understanding to Utilize Public Safety Training Facility – No Cost – 11/10/25 – 12/4/25: A motion was made by Commissioner Williams, seconded by Chair Van Ness, and was passed unanimously to approve items 2025-563 and 2025-564.

2025-565: Alliant Insurance Services, Inc. – Human Resources – Benefits Broker Contract – One (1) Year with Option to Renew Two (2) Additional One-Year Terms – No Cost to County

2025-566: Troy University – Human Resources – Memorandum of Understanding for Educational Partnerships - Providing Tuition Discounts for County Employees – No Charge to the County – Until Terminated by Either Party

2025-567: Arborserv, Inc. – General Services – Grinding of Bulk Piles of Tree and Yard Debris – On-Call Unit Price – One (1) Year with Option to Renew Two (2) Additional One-Year Periods – Various Funding Accounts – Budgeted Item

2025-568: P.E. Structures & Associates, LLC – General Services – Wheeler Park Sitework – Grinder Pump and Additional Grading – Change Order No. 1 to C-2025-47 - \$96,265 – Additional 90 Days – SPLOST Funded – Budgeted Item

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2025-569: Crown Castle – Water Resources – Tower Site Lease at 2406 Tatum Road NE (874037) – Change Order No. 4 to C-2021-06 – Rent Escalation – Cost to County – Increase Monthly Rate by 3% from \$585.27/Month to \$602.83/Month

2025-570: Crown Castle – Emergency Management Agency (EMA) – Tower Site Lease at 2120 Farmer Road (871253) – Change Order No. 2 to C-2022-178 – Rent Escalation – Increase Monthly Rate by 5% from \$1,151.83/Month to \$1,209.42/Month – Revenue

2025-571: Magnet Forensics, LLC – Technology Services – 2026 Renewal Agreement for Software - AXIOM Term License - \$6,720 – 1/1/26 – 12/31/26 – General Fund – Budgeted Item

2025-572: Info-Tech Research Group – Technology Services – Enterprise Resource Planning (ERP) Strategy Workshop – Signature Only Agreement – One-Time Event

2025-573: Requisition – Technology Services – KnowBe4 – Security Awareness Training - \$27,216 – General Fund – Budgeted Item

2025-574: Requisition – Fire Rescue – AllSource Enterprises, LLC dba Safe Industries – Trench, Confined Spaces and Other Rescue Equipment for Firefighter Operations - \$57,722 – General Fund – Budgeted Item

2025-576: Requisition – General Services – Ironhide Seating Restoration, Inc. dba Playground Rescue – Paint and Restore Plastic Pieces on Existing Playground at Johnson Park - \$30,250 – Impact Fee Funded – Budgeted Item:

A motion was made by Chair Van Ness, seconded by Commissioner Williams, and was passed unanimously to approve items 2025-565 through 2025-574 and item 2025-576 as presented.

2025-575: Requisition – General Services – Southeastern Security Professionals – Badge Access Control System at RWR Water Treatment Plant, 3090 Gees Mill Road - \$39,310.61 – Water Enterprise Fund – Budgeted Item:

After a brief discussion and explanation from Director Andrew Hammer, General Services, a motion was made by Commissioner Smith, seconded by Commissioner Williams, and was passed unanimously to approve this requisition as presented.

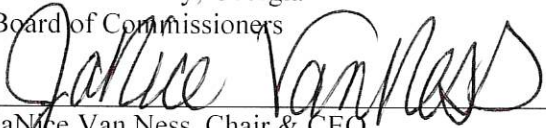
9. Board Comment: Chair Van Ness asked County Attorney, M. Qader A Baig, to explain the process of contracts and the handling of termination of contracts in general. She also wished everyone a Happy Thanksgiving. She also let everyone know that there will be a turkey give-away on Saturday, November 22, 2025 at Springfield Baptist Church. Commissioner Williams congratulated the Parks and Recreation department on an outstanding Autumn Festival Event over the weekend. She also said that she and City Councilwoman-Elect, Sherri Washington, will be hosting a Winter Coat Drive from November 18, 2025 to December 20, 2025. Commissioner Smith congratulated the new Associate Probate Judge, Katherine Thompson. She also reminded everyone of the Constituent Liaison Services at the Library on Fridays from 10 – 12.

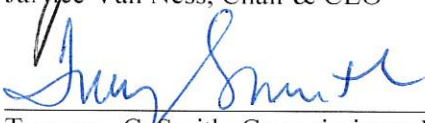
10. Executive Session: None.

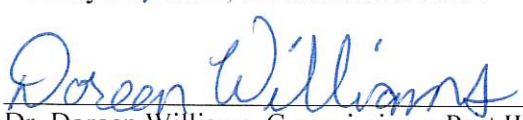
11. Adjournment: There being no further business, Chair Van Ness adjourned this meeting at 6:45 p.m.

Approved this 2nd Day of December 2025.

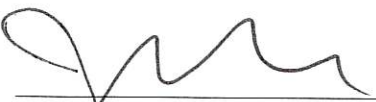
Rockdale County, Georgia
Board of Commissioners


Janice Van Ness, Chair & CEO


Tuwanya C. Smith, Commissioner Post I


Dr. Doreen Williams, Commissioner Post II

ATTEST:


Jennifer O. Rutledge, County Clerk/
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