



# DADE COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS WORKSHOP MEETING

Thursday, March 5, 2020  
6:00 p.m.

Board of Commissioners' Public Meeting Room ~ Suite 259  
Dade County Government Administrative Building  
71 Case Avenue  
Trenton, Georgia 30752

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## MINUTES

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### CALL TO ORDER

Chairperson/County Executive Ted M. Rumley called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

### ROLL CALL COMMISSIONERS

Ted Rumley, Chairperson/County Executive	<b>ABSENT</b>
Robert Goff, Vice Chairman/Commissioner (District 3)	<b>PRESENT</b>
Lamar Lowery, Commissioner (District 1)	<b>PRESENT</b>
Phillip Hartline, Commissioner (District 2)	<b>PRESENT</b>
Allan Bradford, Commissioner (District 4)	<b>PRESENT</b>

### COUNTY STAFF

Robin Rogers, County Attorney	<b>PRESENT</b>
Don Townsend, Clerk to the Board of Commissioners	<b>PRESENT</b>
Rebecca Jones, Deputy Clerk	<b>PRESENT</b>

## **WORKSHOP**

1. Approval of agenda (ADOPTED AS PRESENTED ~ APPROVED UPON ADOPTION OF THE CONSENT AGENDA)

The Vice Chairman called for any changes to the workshop or regular agenda. Hearing none Vice Chairman Goff called for approval of the agenda by polling each Commissioner whereas the board unanimously agreed to add the agenda as presented to the consent agenda for final approval during the regular meeting.

2. Approval of previous meeting(s) minutes (SPREAD ON THE MINUTES UPON ADOPTION OF THE CONSENT AGENDA)

The Vice Chairman announced the reading of the minutes from the February 6, 2020 workshop and regular meetings was not necessary since all commissioners were provided an electronic copy of the minutes in advance of this evening's meeting. The minutes are public record and available for review during normal business hours in the Office of County Clerk located inside the Dade County Commission office in the Administrative building. Vice Chairman Goff called for approval of the minutes by polling each Commissioner whereas the board unanimously agreed to add all minutes being considered to the consent agenda for final approval during the regular meeting.

3. Review Personnel Status Report (SPREAD ON THE MINUTES UPON ADOPTION OF THE CONSENT AGENDA)

Vice Chairman Goff called for questions or any changes pertaining to the personnel status report. Hearing none Vice Chairman Goff called for approval of the personnel status report by polling each Commissioner whereas the board unanimously agreed to add this report to the consent agenda for final approval during the regular meeting.

4. Board Appointments and/or Proclamations (APPROVED UPON ADOPTION OF THE CONSENT AGENDA)

Vice Chairman Goff called for any proclamations. Vice Chairman Goff proclaimed the month of March 2020 as "Save Your Vision Month" in Georgia. Vice Chairman Goff called for any questions. Hearing none Vice Chairman Goff called for approval of this proclamation by polling each Commissioner whereas the board unanimously agreed to add the proclamation to the consent agenda for final approval during the regular meeting. A copy of this proclamation is attached to these minutes and made a part of the official record.

Vice Chairman Goff called for any proclamations. Vice Chairman Goff proclaimed the month of March 2020 as "Social Workers Month" in Georgia. Vice Chairman Goff called for any questions. Hearing none Vice Chairman Goff called for approval of this proclamation by polling each Commissioner whereas the board unanimously agreed to add the proclamation to the consent agenda for final approval during the regular meeting. A copy of this proclamation is attached to these minutes and made a part of the official record.

Vice Chairman Goff called for any proclamations. Vice Chairman Goff proclaimed the month of March 2020 as “Intellectual Development Disabilities Awareness Month” in Georgia. Vice Chairman Goff called for any questions. Hearing none Vice Chairman Goff called for approval of this proclamation by polling each Commissioner whereas the board unanimously agreed to add the proclamation to the consent agenda for final approval during the regular meeting. A copy of this proclamation is attached to these minutes and made a part of the official record.

5. Approval of SPLOST / Capital Equipment (if any)

a. 2020 S13 Transit Van – Extension Office – (APPROVED UPON ADOPTION OF THE CONSENT AGENDA)

Mrs. Sarah Dyer, County Extension Coordinator for Dade County’s UGA Extension Agency petitioned the Commission for the purchase of a 2020 15 passenger double rear wheels passenger van for the total amount of \$38,013.85 from Prater Ford, Calhoun, Georgia upon accepting the lowest and best proposal submitted from a total of three bids received. Vice Chairman Goff called for approval of this SPLOST expense by polling each Commissioner whereas the board unanimously agreed to add this expense to the consent agenda for final approval during the regular meeting.

6. Ordinance No. 03-05-20 – Permit Heavy Industry and Land Use (REMOVED FROM THE CONSENT AGENDA)

Vice Chairman Goff recommended passage of Ordinance No. 03-05-20 to permit heavy industry and land use. Vice Chairman Goff called for any questions. Commissioner Lamar Lowery recommended this item be removed from the consent agenda and vote on separately at the regular meeting. Hearing no further objection to the request, Vice Chairman Goff so ordered the item be placed under new business of the regular meeting agenda. No other official action was taken or required.

7. Resolution (R-13-20) – Declaring Dade County to be a Second Amendment Sanctuary County (APPROVED UPON ADOPTION OF THE CONSENT AGENDA)

Vice Chairman Goff read allowed the entire resolution as requested by Commissioner Lamar Lowery. Vice Chairman recommended passage of resolution (R-13-20) to declare Dade County, GA to be a “Second Amendment Sanctuary County”. Vice Chairman Goff called for any questions. Hearing none Vice Chairman Goff called for approval of resolution (R-13-20) by polling each Commissioner whereas the board unanimously agreed to add the resolution to the consent agenda for final approval during the regular meeting. A copy of this resolution is attached to these minutes and made a part of the official record.

8. Resolution (R-14-20) – Authorizing volunteers and elected officials’ workers’ compensation coverage (APPROVED UPON ADOPTION OF THE CONSENT AGENDA)

Vice Chairman Goff recommended passage of resolution (R-14-20) authorizing volunteers and elected officials to be covered by the ACCG – Group Self-Insurance Workers’ Compensation Fund. Vice Chairman Goff called for any questions. The Board discussed the resolution. Vice Chairman Goff called for approval of resolution (R-14-20) by polling each Commissioner whereas the board

unanimously agreed to add the resolution to the consent agenda for final approval during the regular meeting. A copy of this resolution is attached to these minutes and made a part of the official record.

9. Notice of Joint Governmental Work Session – Thursday, March 26, 2020 at 6:00 p.m. (INFORMATION ONLY)

No official poll was taken. Presently, no other official action was required to be taken.

10. Demonstration of new GA election equipment and ballot marking devices (INFORMATION ONLY)

No official poll was taken. Presently, no other official action was required to be taken.

11. FY-2021 Budget Planning Cycle (INFORMATION ONLY)

No official poll was taken. Presently, no other official action was required to be taken.

12. Public input at meetings and publication of agenda items (INFORMATION ONLY)

Commissioner's noted this agenda item was added from the public comments section made during our last regular commission meeting held on February 6, 2020. Vice Chairman stated is has been recommended this board consider moving the public participation from the end of our regular meeting to the beginning of the workshop meeting. Also, it was recommended by the public that all agenda items, namely proposed resolutions be made available to the public prior to the meeting's commencement so the public may comment on those proposed agenda items at the work session. Commissioner's had varying comments about both proposals, however no official consensus was agreed upon at this evening's meeting. Vice Chairman Goff recommended this matter be tabled for further discussion at such time the Chairman may pick this item up from the table for future discussion or consideration. No official poll was taken. Presently, no other official action was required to be taken.

Vice Chairman Goff called for any additional business to come before the Commission during the work session, hearing none the Vice Chair recessed the workshop meeting at 8:03 p.m. prepare for the regular meeting to begin.

Respectfully submitted as recorded,

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Don Townsend, Clerk to the Commission

Attest:

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Rebecca Jones, Deputy Clerk



# DADE COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS REGULAR MEETING

**Thursday, March 5, 2020**

7:00 p.m. (or following recess from Work Session)

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### **CALL TO ORDER**

Vice Chairman/Commissioner (District 3) Robert Goff called the meeting to order at 7:03 p.m.

### **ROLL CALL ~ COMMISSIONERS**

Ted Rumley, Chairperson/County Executive	<b>ABSENT</b>
Robert Goff, Vice Chairman/Commissioner (District 3)	<b>PRESENT</b>
Lamar Lowery, Commissioner (District 1)	<b>PRESENT</b>
Phillip Hartline, Commissioner (District 2)	<b>PRESENT</b>
Allan Bradford, Commissioner (District 4)	<b>PRESENT</b>

The Vice Chairman announced a quorum of Commissioners present, and therefore a legal meeting was called to order and in session.

### **COUNTY STAFF**

Robin Rogers, County Attorney	<b>PRESENT</b>
Don Townsend, Clerk to the Board of Commissioners	<b>PRESENT</b>
Rebecca Jones, Deputy Clerk	<b>PRESENT</b>

## **INVOCATION**

Mr. Don Townsend, Clerk to the Board of Commissioners

## **PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

Recited in unison

## **ADMINISTRATIVE REPORTS**

*The following monthly reports are verbally made at each regular monthly commission meeting by each respective Commissioner. Comments made and/or administrative reports are not transcribed nor made a part of this record.*

Commissioner's reports were provided:

- Lamar Lowery reported information regarding the following departments:
  - Animal Control
  - Board of Assessor & Equalization
  - Budget
  - Building and Property
  - Building Maintenance
  - Emergency Services ~ E-911, EMS, EMA
  - Fire Departments – North Dade & Trenton
  - Maintenance Shop
  - Roads – District 1
- Phillip Hartline reported information regarding the following departments:
  - Alcoholic Beverage Control
  - Budget
  - Code Enforcement
  - Extension Agency (UGA Extension/4-H)
  - Fire Departments – Davis & New Home
  - Parks & Recreation
  - Public Transportation
  - Roads – District 2
  - Soil Conservation
- Robert Goff reported information regarding the following departments:
  - Board of Elections
  - Budget
  - Communications & Marketing
  - Financial
  - Fire Departments – South Dade
  - Information Technology (Network)
  - Human Resources
  - Roads – District 3
  - Senior Citizens Center
- Allan Bradford reported information regarding the following departments:
  - Budget
  - Department of Family Children Services
  - Fire Departments – New Salem & West Brow
  - Historic Preservation
  - Public Health
  - Public Library
  - Roads – District 4
  - Sanitation
  - Transfer Station & Recycling Center

## **COUNTY EXECUTIVE'S REPORT**

- Ted Rumley provided a State of County monthly report:
  - Administration
  - Board Appointments
  - Budget
  - City of Trenton liaison
  - Constitutional Officers' liaison
  - Courts & Judicial Administration
  - Department of Juvenile Justice
  - Economic Development
  - Fire Administration & Departments
  - Historic Preservation Commission
  - Legislative Affairs (Georgia General Assembly)
  - Public Works

## **APPEARANCES**

- Mrs. Marshana Sharp – Dade County Public Library
- Mrs. Sarah Dyer – UGA Extension Dade County

## **FISCAL REPORTS**

Mr. Don Townsend, Chief Financial Officer verbally reported the financial status of Dade County and filed a monthly financial report with each Commissioner. A copy of this report is attached to these minutes and made a part of the official record.

### Adoption of the Financial Report (Adopted)

**Motion made by:** Commissioner Allan Bradford  
**Seconded by:** Commissioner Phillip Hartling  
**Those voting in favor:** 4 – Bradford, Goff, Hartline, Lowery  
**Those opposed:** 0 – N/A  
**Decision:** Passed by unanimous vote

## **LEGAL MATTERS**

Mr. Robin Rogers, County Attorney noted no official actions to be reported.

## **UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

There was no unfinished business to discuss or take action upon.

## **NEW BUSINESS**

## **CONSENT AGENDA**

*All matters listed on the Consent Agenda are considered routine by the County Commission and will be enacted by one motion. No separate discussion will take place on these items. If discussion of any Consent Agenda item is desired, the item will be moved to the Regular Meeting Agenda under New Business for separate consideration.*

Adoption of the Consent Agenda

**Motion made by:** Commissioner Phillip Hartline  
**Seconded by:** Commissioner Lamar Lowery  
**Those voting in favor:** 4 – Bradford, Goff, Hartline, Lowery  
**Those opposed:** 0 – N/A  
**Decision:** Passed by unanimous vote

Ordinance No. 03-05-20 – Permit Heavy Industry and Land Use

**Motion made by:** Commissioner Lamar Lowery  
**Seconded by:** Commissioner Allan Bradford  
**Those voting in favor:** 4 – Bradford, Goff, Hartline, Lowery  
**Those opposed:** 0 – N/A  
**Decision:** Passed by unanimous vote

**CITIZENS' PARTICIPATION**

- None

**EXECUTIVE SESSION**

No Executive Session was required.

**ADJOURNMENT**

**Motion made by:** Commissioner Allan Bradford  
**Seconded by:** Commissioner Lamar Lowery  
**Those voting in favor:** 4 – Bradford, Goff, Hartline, Lowery  
**Those opposed:** 0 – N/A  
**Decision:** Passed by unanimous vote

There being no further business Vice Chairman Goff gaveled the meeting adjourned at 8:04 p.m.

Respectfully submitted as recorded,

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Don Townsend, Clerk to the Commission

Attest:

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Rebecca Jones, Deputy Clerk