



The McDuffie County Board of Commissioners held a Regular Commission Meeting  
Wednesday Morning, March 1, 2023, 10:00 am  
Government Center Meeting Room

**COMMISSIONERS PRESENT:**

Charles G. Newton, Chairman  
Sammie Wilson, Vice Chairman  
Gloria Thompson, Commissioner  
Frederick Favors, Commissioner  
Bill Jopling, Commissioner

**COUNTY REPRESENTATION:**

David Crawley, County Manager  
Pam Workman, Finance Director  
Nikki Milburn, County Clerk  
Jason Smith, Community Development  
Allison Eaddy, UGA Extension  
Robert Spurlin, IT Director  
Paul Johnson, Coroner  
Ruthie Thomas, HR Director

**MEDIA:** McDuffie Progress

**Others:** 1

**CALL TO ORDER**

Vice Chairman Wilson called the meeting to order at 10:00 am, acknowledged a quorum of commissioners present and welcomed everyone in attendance.

**INVOCATION & PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

Commissioner Favors offered the invocation followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

**APPROVALS**

**Agenda (Current)**

Chairman Newton asked if there were any corrections to the current agenda or minutes.

Chairman Newton asked if there were any additions or correction to this agenda. David asked if #4 could be added to discuss solid waste collection.

Commissioner Thompson made the motion to approve the current agenda with the addition of #4 and was seconded by Vice Chairman Wilson and passed unanimously.

**Minutes**

**Regular Meeting-** February 21, 2023

**Executive Session-** February 21, 2023

Commissioner Thompson made the motion to approve the minutes as written. The motion was seconded by Vice Chairman Wilson and passed unanimously.

**INFORMATION & ANNOUNCEMENTS**

1. Shop with Soul: March 18<sup>th</sup>, 2:30pm-7pm at the Depot.
2. ACCG Conference: April 27<sup>th</sup>-30<sup>th</sup> in Savannah.

## **APPOINTMENTS/REAPPOINTMENTS**

### **1. Consideration to Approve Reappointment of Members to IDA Board.**

Commissioner Jopling made the motion to approve the reappointment of Gloria Thompson and Kevin Hyman to the IDA Board. The motion was seconded by Vice Chairman Wilson and passed unanimously.

## **OLD BUSINESS**

None

## **NEW BUSINESS**

### **1. Consideration to Approve Amendment of County Holidays.**

David presented the board with a list of the county holidays verses the state holiday list. He advised that per the discussion at the work session, he just wanted to the board to be able to compare the list. The board discussed removing the floating holiday from the county list in order to add Juneteenth. The board was not in favor of adding additional days off and would rather remove the floating, which creates problems for the admins and add a single day.

Vice Chairman Wilson made the motion to approve adding Juneteenth as a county holiday and removing the floating holiday. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Favors. Vice Chairman Wilson asked for a roll call vote after additional discussion from the board.

#### **Roll Call**

**Wilson- Yay**

**Thompson-Yay**

**Favors- Yay**

**Jopling- Yay**

**Newton- Yay**

### **2. Consideration to Approve Budget Amendments.**

Chairman Newton advised that budget amendments were presented at the previous work session. Pam advised that these are the year end amendments to adjust budget in preparation for annual audit.

Vice Chairman Wilson made the motion to approve the budget amendments. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Jopling and passed unanimously.

### **3. Consideration to Approve ACO Report for February 2023.**

David presented the ACO Report for February 2023. There was a decrease of \$635.72 to the property tax digest from appeals being settled by tax assessor's office. There was no change to the mobile home digest.

Commissioner Jopling made the motion to approve ACO Report for February 2023. The motion was seconded by Vice Chairman Wilson and passed unanimously.

### **4. Discussion Concerning Solid Waste Collection.**

David advised that the office has been inundated with calls from citizens the last week regarding the problems with a particular trash company. He advised that customers continue to not receive services and trash is now ending up in the ditches and roads all over the county from overflowing trash bins at the roads. David advised that he would like to create an ordinance that would place fines for waste services when they aren't getting their customers as they are contracted to do. He believes that this would help solve some of the problems.

The board agreed this would be a good next step in the waste collection problems.

**EXECUTIVE SESSION- Pending Litigation  
Personnel**

**Enter:** Vice Chairman Wilson made the motion to enter executive session at 10:18am. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Thompson and passed unanimously.

**Exit:** Commissioner Thompson made the motion to exit executive session and return to regular meeting at 10:56am. The motion was seconded by Vice Chairman Wilson and passed unanimously.

**Action:** Commissioner Favors made the motion to grant the appeal for terminated employee. The motion was seconded by Vice Chairman Wilson. Commissioner Thompson and Chairman Newton opposed granting the appeal.

**ADJOURNMENT**

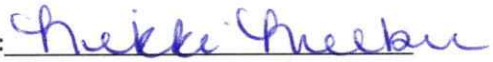
A motion was made by Vice Chairman Wilson to adjourn the regular meeting at 10:57 am, seconded by Commissioner Thompson and passed unanimously.

**MCDUFFIE COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS**



Charles G. Newton, IV, Chairman

ATTEST:



Nikki Milburn, County Clerk