

DeKalb County Board of Ethics Regular Meeting

Thursday, July 18, 2024 6:00 p.m. Maloof Auditorium

Minutes

Board Members Present:

Tammy Greer, Board Chair Robert Dallas, Board Vice Chair James Scott Mathews, Board Secretary Thomas Clements George Ference Rosa Waymon Chiquita Wright

Alternate Members Present

Cathea Simelton-Treminio Jason Cecil

Board Staff Present:

Elisa Murphy, Ethics Officer Kristin Rodgers, Ethics Administrator Hakim Hilliard, General Counsel

County Technology Personnel Present:

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Agenda

I. Call to Order

Ethics Board Chair Tammy Greer called the public meeting to order at 6:01 p.m.

II. Adoption of Agenda

Motion: Board Member Mathews moved to adopt the July 18, 2024, Board of Ethics meeting agenda; Vice Chair Dallas seconded the motion. Board Member Chiquita Wright was absent from the vote. The motion passed by a 6-0 vote.

III. Administrative Items

A. Approval of the Minutes of the Regular Board Meeting of June 18, 2024

Prepared by: Kristin Rodgers, Ethics Administrator Edited by: Elisa Murphy, Ethics Officer

Motion: Board Member Waymon moved to approve the Minutes of the Regular Board Meeting of June 18, 2024; Board Member Clements seconded the motion. Board Member Chiquita Wright was absent from the vote. The motion passed by a 6-0 vote.

B. Ethics Officer's Monthly Report

Ethics Officer Murphy provided a monthly summary report.

IV. Preliminary Cases

A. 2024-8: Monique N. v. DeKalb County Sanitation Department

Ethics Officer Murphy presented the facts of this case and recommended dismissal due to a failure to correct defects in the complaint and because this matter does not appear to be an ethics issue.

Motion: Board Member Clements moved to dismiss this case; Board Member Ference seconded the motion. The motion passed by a 7-0 vote.

B. 2024-9: Gwendolyn Farris v. Alesia Brooks

Ethics Officer Murphy presented the facts of this case and recommended dismissal due to this matter not giving rise to an ethical violation or concern.

Motion: Board Member Clements moved to dismiss this case; Board Member Mathews seconded the motion. The motion passed by a 7-0 vote.

V. Public Comments

Mary Hinkle and Stephen Binney, both citizens of DeKalb County, made public comments.

VI. Comments from the Board of Ethics

Board Member Clements made comments.

VII. Executive Session to Discuss Pending Litigation and Personnel Issues

A. Motion to Convene an Executive Session

Motion: Vice Chair Dallas moved to convene an Executive Session; Board Member Wright seconded the motion. The motion passed by a 7-0 vote.

B. Motion to Adjourn an Executive Session

Motion: Board Member Vice Chair Dallas moved to adjourn an Executive Session; Board Member Mathews seconded the motion. The motion passed by a 7-0 vote.

C. Motion to Approve the Executive Session Affidavit

Motion: Vice Chair Dallas moved to approve the Executive Session Affidavit; Board Member Wright seconded the motion. The motion passed by a 7-0 vote.

Prepared by: Kristin Rodgers, Ethics Administrator Edited by: Elisa Murphy, Ethics Officer

VIII. Announcement of Next Regular Meeting Date of Thursday, August 15, 2024

IX. Adjournment

Motion: Vice Chair Dallas moved to adjourn the July 18, 2024, Board of Ethics Regular Meeting at 8:01 p.m.; Board Member Mathews seconded the motion. The motion passed by a 7-0 vote.

Approved:

Chair

Date

08/15/2024