

# Public Summary – Audit Oversight Committee Meeting

June 12, 2026

The DeKalb County Audit Oversight Committee met on June 12, 2026, to review recent audit work, discuss countywide accountability efforts, and receive updates from the Office of Independent Internal Audit (OIIA). The meeting was called to order at 12:03 p.m. by Vice Chairperson Michael Lopata.

## Key Actions Taken

- The committee approved the meeting agenda and the minutes from April 24, 2026.
- Legal Invoice #776 for services through April 26, 2026, was reviewed and approved.
- No public comments were submitted for this meeting.

## Chief Audit Executive Update

Chief Audit Executive Lavois Campbell provided updates on the department's budget, staff training, and audit activity.

### Budget

The OIIA remains under budget for the year, with a year-to-date variance of **\$351,754**.

### Staff Development

Audit staff participated in several professional training programs, including fraud detection, government contracting, and interviewing techniques. Additional conferences are scheduled for later in the year to support ongoing professional development.

### Internal Audit Awareness Month

In May, the OIIA led a four-week educational campaign that reached more than **7,400 county employees**. Topics included:

- Internal audit myths
- Internal controls
- Fraud awareness
- Risk management

The campaign aimed to strengthen transparency and promote a culture of accountability across county departments.

## Recent Audit Reports

The committee received updates on three major audits issued in 2026:

### 1. Low Bid Procurement Audit

This audit reviewed how the county manages low-bid purchasing. The report highlighted risks such as long processing times, incomplete documentation, and inconsistent approval practices—issues that can increase costs and reduce public trust.

### 2. Emergency Procurement Audit

The audit found six areas needing improvement, including outdated policies, missing documentation, and emergency purchases that were not properly reviewed or approved. Stronger oversight is needed because emergency purchases bypass normal competitive bidding.

### 3. E911 Call Response Times Audit

The audit identified several challenges affecting emergency response, including:

- Call answering times below national standards
- Data reliability issues
- EMS vendor performance concerns
- Lack of formal disaster recovery planning

These findings highlight opportunities to strengthen public safety and emergency communications.

## Contract Reviews & Follow-Up Work

- The OIIA reviewed **28 contracts** totaling more than **\$421 million**, identifying **\$22.6 million** in cost reductions so far this year.
- Six additional items were flagged as potential follow-up audits.
- Since 2017, the office has issued **47 audit reports** with **272 findings**, many of which continue to be monitored for corrective action.

## Next Meeting

The next Audit Oversight Committee meeting is tentatively scheduled for **Friday, August 28, 2026, at 12:00 p.m.**

The meeting adjourned at 12:58 p.m.