DeKalb County Government

178 Sams Street
Decatur, GA 30030

Minutes - Draft

ERPS-Employee Relations & Public Safety Committee

Commissioner LaDena Bolton (Chairperson)

Commissioner Nicole Massiah

Commissioner Mereda Davis Johnson

Thursday, March 26, 2026	2:15 PM	178 Sams Street, Decatur, GA 30030 (Multipurpose Room A1201)

Meeting Started At: 2:27pm

Attendees: Commissioners Bolton, Davis Johnson, Massiah, Terry, Patrick

Present 3 - Commissioner Mereda Davis Johnson, Commissioner LaDena Bolton, and Commissioner Nicole Massiah

I. MINUTES

2026-0582 Commission District(s): All
Minutes for the March 17, 2026 Employee Relations and Public Safety Committee Meeting
MOTION was made by Mereda Davis Johnson, seconded by LaDena Bolton, that this agenda item be Approved. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 3 - Commissioner Davis Johnson, Commissioner Bolton, and Commissioner Massiah

II. AGENDA ITEM

New Agenda Items:

Fire Rescue (FR)

2026-0563 Commission District(s): Commission Districts 3 & 6
Fire Rescue Training At 3211 Glenwood Road & 1816 Candler Road

MOTION was made by Nicole Massiah, seconded by Mereda Davis Johnson, that this agenda item be Recommended for approval. to the Board of Commissioners, due back on 4/14/2026. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 3 - Commissioner Davis Johnson, Commissioner Bolton, and Commissioner Massiah

-information provided by Chief Carter
-Question LB: what do they need from us?
-response provided by Chief Carter
-Question LB: what was the use prior?
-response provided by Chief Carter
-Question NM: do we know what commercial property this was prior to?
-response provided by Chief Carter
-Question NM: could Law provide information on how the County will utilize this for training purposes?
-comments provided by Commissioner Bolton regarding clarity of the purpose of the agenda item
-additional response provided by Chief Carter
-Question NM: is this something that we have done in the past? What procedures do we go through to ensure the proper procedures for this type of activity?
-response provided by Director Fullum regarding the process both prior and forthcoming for this work
-Question NM: have we given sufficient notice to the property owners?
-response provided by Interim County Attorney Phillips
-comments provided by Commissioner Bolton

2026-0572 Commission District(s): All Commission Districts
First Responder Kits 4 Kids Program

MOTION was made by Mereda Davis Johnson, seconded by Nicole Massiah, that this agenda item be Recommended for approval. to the Board of Commissioners, due back on 4/14/2026. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 3 - Commissioner Davis Johnson, Commissioner Bolton, and Commissioner Massiah

-information provided by Chief Carter regarding the program
-Question LB: will this include the dalmingos?
-response provided by Chief Carter
-Question LB: have we received the dalmingos?
-Chief: yes we have

2026-0580 Commission District(s): All Commission Districts
Kidde Smoke Alarm Donation
MOTION was made by Nicole Massiah, seconded by Mereda Davis Johnson, that this agenda item be Recommended for approval. to the Board of Commissioners, due back on 4/14/2026. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 3 - Commissioner Davis Johnson, Commissioner Bolton, and Commissioner Massiah

-information provided by Chief Carter
-Question LB: did we make a request for the increase?
-response provided by Chief Carter
-comments provided by Commissioner Bolton regarding the installation of smoke detectors in homes

Board of Commissioners - District 2

2026-0596 Commission District(s): All Commission Districts
An Ordinance to Regulate the Restraint and Transportation of Animals and for other Purposes.
MOTION was made by Mereda Davis Johnson, seconded by Nicole Massiah, that this agenda item be Recommended for deferral to the Board of Commissioners, due back on 4/14/2026. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 3 - Commissioner Davis Johnson, Commissioner Bolton, and Commissioner Massiah

-agenda item not discussed in committee

III. DISCUSSION

Committee Goals 2026

-discussion not heard in committee

Meeting Ended At: 2:42pm

MOTION was made by Nicole Massiah, seconded by Mereda Davis Johnson, that this agenda item be Adjourned meeting. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 3 - Commissioner Davis Johnson, Commissioner Bolton, and Commissioner Massiah

Barbara H. Sanders-Norwood

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March 3, 2026