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DeKalb County Government

Minutes - Draft

PWI-Public Works & Infrastructure Committee

Commissioner Robert Patrick (Chairperson)

Commissioner Chakira Johnson

Commissioner Nicole Massiah

Tuesday, February 3, 2026 **3:30 PM**

Meeting Started At: 3:58pm

Attendees: Commissioners Patrick, Johnson, Massiah, Bolton

Present 3 - Chairperson Robert Patrick, Commissioner Chakira Johnson, and Commissioner Nicole Massiah

I. MINUTES

2026-0254 Commission District(s): ALL
Minutes for the January 20, 2026 Public Works and Infrastructure Committee Meeting
MOTION was made by Nicole Massiah, seconded by Chakira Johnson, that this agenda item be Approved. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 3 - Chairperson Patrick, Commissioner Johnson, and Commissioner Massiah

II. AGENDA ITEM

New Agenda Items:

Public Works - Roads & Drainage (R&D)

2026-0198 Commission District(s): Commission District 1 & 7
Northwoods Historic District (Sign Toppers).
No cost to County.
MOTION was made by Chakira Johnson, seconded by Nicole Massiah, that this agenda item be Recommended for approval. to the Board of Commissioners, due back on 2/10/2026. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 3 - Chairperson Patrick, Commissioner Johnson, and Commissioner Massiah

-information provided by Deputy Director Peggy Allen - Roads & Drainage
-Question RP: will we be replacing the older street signs with updated lettering?
-response provided by Director Allen
-Question RP: is there a way to help it coincide?
-response provided by Director Allen
-Question CJ: for the street toppers who comes up with the design?
-response provided by Director Allen
-Question NM: we're just paying for the actual sign itself? Are there additional insurance liabilities from us?
-response provided by Director Allen
-Question CJ: this agenda item is granting that permission?
-P Allen: yes

2026-0213 Commission District(s): County Wide
Reimbursement for Traffic Signal Equipment Relocations, Upgrades, Recycling and Damage
MOTION was made by Chakira Johnson, seconded by Nicole Massiah, that this agenda item be Recommended for approval. to the Board of Commissioners, due back on 2/10/2026. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 3 - Chairperson Patrick, Commissioner Johnson, and Commissioner Massiah

-information provided by Director Allen

2026-0214 Commission District(s): County Wide
Request for Funding from the Georgia Department of Transportation (GDOT) for the FY2-2026 Local Maintenance and Improvement Grant Program, Cost to the County $20,000,000.00
MOTION was made by Nicole Massiah, seconded by Chakira Johnson, that this agenda item be Recommended for approval. to the Board of Commissioners, due back on 2/10/2026. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 3 - Chairperson Patrick, Commissioner Johnson, and Commissioner Massiah

-information provided by Director Allen
-Question NM: is there a match regarding this grant?
-response provided by Director Allen
-Question CJ: it looks like we'll be paving over 25 miles?
-P Allen: yes
-Commissioner Johnson requests the list be emailed separately

Watershed Management (DWM), Recreation, Parks & Cultural Affairs (RPCA), and Public Works - Roads and Drainage (R&D)

2026-0247 Commission District(s): All
CO - Change Order No. 4 to Contract No. 1214031 Granite Rubble Stone (Annual Contract with 2 Options to Renew): for use by the Departments of Watershed Management (DWM), Recreation, Parks & Cultural Affairs (RPCA), and Public Works - Roads and Drainage (R&D). This contract consists of the purchase of granite rubble stone used to address erosion control issues. This request seeks to increase the contract funds and term through December 31, 2026. Awarded to Bedrock Granite Co., Inc. Amount Not To Exceed: $925,000.00.
MOTION was made by Chakira Johnson, seconded by Nicole Massiah, that this agenda item be Recommended for approval. to the Board of Commissioners, due back on 2/10/2026. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 3 - Chairperson Patrick, Commissioner Johnson, and Commissioner Massiah

-information provided by Director Wells

Watershed Management (DWM)

2026-0212 Commission District(s): 1 & 7
Agreement for the Construction and Financing of Sewer Upgrades with JWC Tucker, LLC. with a contribution of $25,000.00.
MOTION was made by Nicole Massiah, seconded by Chakira Johnson, that this agenda item be Recommended for approval. to the Board of Commissioners, due back on 2/10/2026. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 3 - Chairperson Patrick, Commissioner Johnson, and Commissioner Massiah

-information provided by Director Wells
-Question CJ: what is the number of homes?
-R Wells: 58

Board of Commissioners - Super District 7

2026-0224 Commission District(s): District 7
To adopt an ordinance to establish a community-driven process that allows residents to select five miles of roadway to be designated for repaving as the "People's Choice" selection.
MOTION was made by Chakira Johnson, seconded by Nicole Massiah, that this agenda item be Recommended for withdrawal to the Board of Commissioners, due back on 2/10/2026. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 3 - Chairperson Patrick, Commissioner Johnson, and Commissioner Massiah

-information provided by Commissioner Bolton
-comments provided by COO Williams
-Question NM: on average how many road repaving projects do we have or start?
-response provided by Director Allen
-Question NM: how long does it take for road repaving for a road to be repaved?
-response provided by Director Allen
-Question NM: what is the best mechanism for the public to follow projects that are in the hopper for status of completion?
-response provided by Director Allen
-Question NM: how often are we updating these lists and websites?
-response provided by COO Williams
-Question LB: is there a group of roads that are consistently on the list due to their consistent use?
-response provided by Director Allen
-Question LB: will there be an opportunity for a particular road to be paved since it doesn't meet that minimum?
-response provided by Director Allen
-Question NM: regarding streets that have not been paved, where do the assessment of streets that are unpaved come in?
-response provided by Director Allen
-Question CJ: would regular maintenance include potholes?
-response provided by Director Allen

Previously Heard Agenda Items:

Watershed Management (DWM)

2025-1265 Commission District(s): All
LB - Invitation No. 25-100070 Consent Decree - Ongoing Sewer Condition Assessment and Rehabilitation (CD-OSCAR): for use by the Department of Watershed Management (DWM). Consists of performing consent decree assignments along with meeting the urgent needs that arise from operational events of the sewer system. Recommend award to the lowest, responsive, and responsible bidders: Kemi Construction Company, Inc. and Southeast Pipe Survey, Inc. Total Amount Not To Exceed: $49,752,501.00.
MOTION was made by Chakira Johnson, seconded by Nicole Massiah, that this agenda item be Recommended for deferral to the Board of Commissioners, due back on 2/10/2026. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 3 - Chairperson Patrick, Commissioner Johnson, and Commissioner Massiah

-this item is currently in OIIA audit review
-information provided by Director Wells

2026-0103 Commission District(s): All
LB - Invitation No. 2025-098-ITB CD Trunks - Shoal Creek Section 1: for use by the Department of Wastewater Management (DWM). Consists of providing construction services to replace Section 1 of the Shoal Creek Trunk Sewer and all necessary appurtenances. Recommend award to the lowest, responsive and responsible bidder JDS, Inc. Amount Not to Exceed $51,486,473.55.
MOTION was made by Nicole Massiah, seconded by Chakira Johnson, that this agenda item be Recommended for approval. to the Board of Commissioners, due back on 2/10/2026. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 3 - Chairperson Patrick, Commissioner Johnson, and Commissioner Massiah

-OIIA has supported this agenda item amount
-information provided by Director Wells
-Question CJ: so the 36 inch main is being upgraded to 72 inches?
-R Wells: yes

III. DISCUSSION

Stormwater Master Plan: Proposed Petition Process

-Staff memo on Commissioner Patrick's proposed petition process provided by Marcus Allen - BOC Central Staff
-discussion among Committee members and COO Williams regarding facets of the proposal
-COO Williams noted that several of the aspects of the proposal are either in process or could be under consideration, and that he would work with Staff to develop a side by side list of what has been implemented regarding stormwater initiatives relevant to this conversation

Meeting Ended At: 5:07pm

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

Yes: 3 - Chairperson Patrick, Commissioner Johnson, and Commissioner Massiah

Barbara H. Sanders-Norwood CCC, CMC