

DeKalb County Government

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Minutes - Draft

FAB-Finance, Audit & Budget Committee

Tuesday, July 11, 2023

3:30 PM

Meeting Started At: 3:39PM

Attendees: Commissioners Bradshaw, Patrick, Cochran-Johnson, Terry

Present 3 - Steve Bradshaw, Lorraine Cochran-Johnson, and Robert Patrick

I. MINUTES

2023-0829 Commission District(s): ALL

Minutes for the June 27, 2023 Finance, Audit, and Budget

Committee

MOTION was made by Robert Patrick, seconded by Lorraine Cochran-Johnson, that this agenda item be approved. The

motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 3 - Bradshaw, Cochran-Johnson, and Patrick

II. AGENDA ITEM

Previously Heard Agenda Items:

Board of Commissioners - District 1

2023-0465 Commission District(s): All Districts

To explore the option of including additional fees for expedited

and/or after-hours water service reconnection

MOTION was made by Robert Patrick, seconded by Lorraine Cochran-Johnson, that this agenda item be recommended for withdrawal to the Board of Commissioners, due back on 7/25/2023. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 3 - Bradshaw, Cochran-Johnson, and Patrick

- -information provided by CFO McNabb
- -Question RP: how do we bridge the gap of the situations and the needs of the residents to get the water on?
- -response provided by CFO McNabb
- -comments provided by Commissioner Patrick
- -Question LCJ: during my time in office, I may have been contacted 4 times concerning water service on a Saturday. What would be the cutoff for that week if service were needed that week?
- D McNabb: we would need your paperwork by Friday morning. Additional comments provided by CFO McNabb
- -comments provided by Commissioner Cochran-Johnson
- -comments provided by Commissioner Terry
- -Question TT: are the potential employees you are discussing existing hires and would they get overtime?
- D McNabb: yes sir. Additional response provided by CFO McNabb
- -Question TT: how many staff do we have that can do water turn-ons and how many vacancies?
- D McNabb: I'm not sure how many vacancies; we probably have 25-30 field techs that would be capable of operating on their own
- -Question TT: do we know how many are unfilled?
- D McNabb: I don't think we have many positions in that category that are unfilled
- -Question TT: regarding the four-day work week, the finding is that it is more productive. I have proposed this in an agenda item that we open the government on Saturdays for some availability for individuals to interact with the government. Additional comments provided by Commissioner Terry

III. DISCUSSION

OIIA Audit Work Plan

- -presentation provided by Director Campbell
- -comments provided by Commissioner Cochran-Johnson
- -Question TT: what is the status of the previous year's reports and where they are in responding to what you have mentioned?
- -responses provided by Director Campbell
- -Question TT: what is your understanding of what the law is requiring you to do?
- L Campbell: in terms of our office our responsibility is to identify the opportunity for improvement, provided recommendations, and the response from management. Additional information provided by Director Campbell
- *-Question TT: for the audits there has been a response and an action plan?*
- L Campbell: that's correct; additional responses provided by Director Campbell
- -Question TT: are there any action plans that you are aware of that have not been completed?
- L Campbell: the example I gave before was the purchasing policy audit, which was completed around 2017. Additional comments provided by Director Campbell
- -Question SB: what is the size of your budget?
- L Campbell: approximately \$2.1M
- -Question SB: how would you describe the value you bring to this organization?
- -responses provided by Director Campbell
- -Question SB: what do you need from us to help you do your job better?
- L Campbell: continued support and input by the Board of Commissioners. Additional comments provided by Director Campbell
- -comments provided by Commissioner Bradshaw

Meeting Ended At: 4:30PM

MOTION was made by Robert Patrick, seconded by Steve Bradshaw, that this agenda item be adjourned meeting. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 2 - Bradshaw, and Patrick

Not Present: 1 - Cochran-Johnson

Barbara H. Sanders-Norwood CCC, CMC