

**MINUTES**  
**MEETING OF THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS**  
**CITY OF DOUGLAS, GEORGIA**  
**JANUARY 14, 2019**

**A Regular Meeting of the Board of Commissioners was held on Monday, January 14, 2019, at 7:00 P.M. in the Council Chambers of City Hall with Mayor Tony L. Paulk presiding and Mayor Pro-Tem Kentaiwon Durham Commissioners Mike Gowen, Cindy McNeill, Edwin Taylor, and Olivia Pearson were present. Commissioner Bob Moore was absent.**

**CALLED TO ORDER**

The Regular Meeting of the Board of Commission was called to order by Mayor Tony Paulk.

**INVOCATION (COMMISSIONER OLIVIA PEARSON)**

Reverend Leroy Spivey, Douglas Christian Fellowship, provided the invocation.

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by the Coffee County NJROTC.

**APPROVAL OF THE ORDER OF THE AGENDA**

The Commission approved the order of the Agenda as printed. A **MOTION** to approve the order of the Agenda was made by Commissioner Cindy McNeill and seconded by Commissioner Olivia Pearson. The motion **carried (5-0)**.

**RECOGNITION AND PRESENTATION OF CERTIFICATE**

Commissioner Oliva Pearson appeared before the Mayor and Commission to present certificates to Lt. Mark Roberts, Sgt. Robert Beecher, Eng. Kleif Bussey, FF. Charles Payne, and FF. Ordell Foskey for rescuing a child out of a tree on December 26, 2018.

**CONSENT AGENDA ITEMS**

- **APPROVAL OF THE DECEMBER 27, 2018 MINUTES**
- **APPROVAL OF APPOINTMENTS TO HOUSING AUTHORITY BOARD**  
*(ROSEMARY STREET NIXON & IRENE MURRAY)*
- **APPROVAL OF THE QUALIFYING FEES FOR 2019 MUNICIPAL ELECTIONS**  
*(MAYOR \$288.00 AND COMMISSION \$216.00)*
- **APPROVAL OF THE CONCRETE/ASPHALT GRINDING AT THE DAVIS PROPERTY**
- **APPROVAL OF THE SMART GRID EQUIPMENT REPLACEMENT ON COUNTY WATER TOWER**
- **APPROVAL OF THE INTERGOVERNMENTAL AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE CITY OF DOUGLAS AND COFFEE REGIONAL MEDICAL CENTER**
- **APPROVAL OF THE COFFEE COUNTY EXTENSION FEE WAIVER REQUEST**  
*(PAY ADMINISTRATIVE FEE OF 1\$125.00 FOR MARCH AND APRIL)*
- **APPROVAL OF THE DATE CHANGE OF UPCOMING MEETING**  
*(JANUARY 29, 2019)*

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**CONSENT AGENDA ITEMS-CONTINUE**

**MOTION** to approve all **Consent Agenda Items** listed above as discussed in the Work Session was made by Mayor Pro Tem Durham and seconded by Commissioner Edwin Taylor. The motion **carried (5-0)**

**GENERAL COMMENTS**

Alphalene Walker, Commander of American Legion Post 515 appeared before the Mayor and Commission to discuss Community events that the American Legion has been and will be involved in during 2018 and 2019.

**STAFF COMMENTS**

Georgia Henderson, Community Development Director, appeared before the Mayor and Commission to give updates on the events for the City of Douglas

**MAYOR AND COMMISSION COMMENTS**

Comments were made by the Mayor and Commission.

**ADJOURNMENT**

Mayor Paulk moves for a recess before entering into the Utility Appeals Meeting.

A **MOTION** was made by Commissioner Olivia Pearson and seconded by Commissioner Mike Gowen.

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Tony Paulk, Mayor

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Wynetta J. Bolder, CMC

**UTILITY COMMISSION MEETING  
CITY OF DOUGLAS  
JANUARY 14, 2019**

**A Utility Commission Meeting was held on Monday, January 14, 2019, at 7:55 p.m. The meeting was convened in the Council Chambers of City Hall with Mayor Tony L. Paulk presiding. Mayor Pro-Tem Kentaiwon Durham, Commissioners Cindy McNeill, Mike Gowen, Edwin Taylor, and Olivia Pearson were in attendance. Commissioner Bob Moore was absent.**

*Mike Hudson, Utilities Director; Wynetta Bolder, City Clerk/Customer Service Director; Charlie Davis, City Manager; and Jerome Adams, City Attorney appeared before the Mayor and Commission to discuss and receive recommendations.*

Wynetta J. Bolder, Customer Service Director, presented the following information:

**Anthony & Christine Walker 416 S. Gaskin Avenue**

Anthony & Christine Walker, 416 S. Gaskin Avenue, account #303-10386-09 along with the landlord Ms. Donna Riggins appeared before the Utility Commission Meeting due to high electric consumption. Mrs. Walker received a utility bill due for \$823.34 (of this, \$589.48 was electric) due to the consumption of 5509.

Customer stated to staff that she had a busted hot water tank. The staff has reread and tested the meter, along with doing a utility audit at the residence. The conclusion was there were no findings of abnormalities.

After much discussion, the Commission suggested that they contact a heating and air conditioning or electric technician to check the residence. Staff requested that they are contacted to meet the company of the landlord's choice at 416 S. Gaskin Avenue. After the conclusion of this process staff will bring this back before the Commission for guidance.

**ADJOURNMENT**

With no other issues to discuss, a motion to adjourn the Utility Commission Meeting and enter into Executive Session was made by Commissioner Cindy McNeill and seconded by Mayor Pro-Tem Kentaiwon Durham. The meeting was adjourned at 8:20 p.m.

**MINUTES**  
**EXECUTIVE SESSION OF THE BOARD OF**  
**COMMISSIONERS**  
**CITY OF DOUGLAS, GEORGIA**  
**MARCH 23, 2015**

**Mayor Tony Paulk, Mayor Pro-Tem Kentaiwon Durham, Commissioners Olivia Pearson, Cindy McNeill, Mike Gowen, Edwin Taylor were in attendance of the Executive Session. Commissioner Bob Moore was absent.**

**DISCUSSION OF LAND ACQUISITION**

Mike Hudson, Utilities Director discuss and to seek the guidance of the negotiation of land acquisition with Mayor and Commission. Charlie Davis, City Manager, Jerome Adams, City Attorney, Kevin Davis, Project Manager of ESG and Wynetta J. Bolder, City Clerk were in attendance. (Mr. Hudson and Mr. Davis left immediately after discussion)

**PERSONNEL ISSUES**

Charlie Davis, City Manager, discussed personnel issues regarding Fire Chief Larry Wilson, with the Mayor and Commission. Jerome Adams, City Attorney Tammy Wilkerson, Human Resources Director and Wynetta J. Bolder, City Clerk were in attendance. Chief Wilson entered briefly into the executive session to answer questions from the Commission.

Commissioner Mike Gowen made the **MOTION** to adjourn from Executive Session and return to the regular meeting. The **MOTION** was seconded by Mayor Pro-Tem Kentaiwon Durham and approved by all. **(5-0)**

**ADJOURNMENT**

With no further business to discuss, Mayor Pro-Tem Kentaiwon Durham made the motion to adjourn Regular Session. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Olivia Pearson. The Commission unanimously approved **(6-0)** and the meeting was adjourned at 9:18 PM.

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Tony L. Paulk, Mayor

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Wynetta J. Bolder, CMC