PAULDING COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
BOARD MEETING MINUTES
October 28, 2025

Watson Government Complex
Second Floor – Board of Commissioners Meeting Room

CALL TO ORDER: Timothy Estes, Chairman

INVOCATION & PLEDGE: Dwayne Hewett, Retired Pastor

PRESENT: Tim Estes, Chairman; Keith Dunn, Post I; Sandy Kaecher, Post II; Virginia Galloway, Post III; Dean Schneider, Post IV; Ella Hendrix, County Attorney; Tabitha Pollard, County Manager; Rebecca Merideth, County Clerk

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MINUTES:

1. ***The October 14, 2025 Work Session Minutes and the October 14, 2025 Board Meeting Minutes.*** Keith Dunn made a motion to adopt the October 14, 2025 Work Session Minutes and the October 14, 2025 Board Meeting Minutes, seconded by Virginia Galloway. Voting Yea: Chairman Tim Estes, Post 1 Keith Dunn, Post II Sandy Kaecher, Post III Virginia Galloway, Post IV Dean Schneider.

ANNOUNCEMENTS: None

INVITED GUESTS: None

BID AWARDS:

2. ***FY 2026 Panasonic Toughbook Computer Purchase to the lowest responsive Bidder, Southern Computer Warehouse in the amount of $621,080.30 from the General Fund for 200 units:***
Sandy Kaecher made a motion to award the FY 2026 Panasonic Toughbook Computer Purchase to the lowest responsive Bidder, Southern Computer Warehouse in the amount of $621,080.30 from the General Fund for 200 units. Seconded by Dean Schneider. Voting Yea: Chairman Tim Estes, Post 1 Keith Dunn, Post II Sandy Kaecher, Post III Virginia Galloway, Post IV Dean Schneider. (On file in the Finance Department)

3. ***Purchase of eight (8) Ford F-150's from Hardy Family Ford using State Contract pricing in the amount of $352,865.00 utilizing Water Funds and General Funds:***
Keith Dunn made a motion to approve the purchase of eight (8) Ford F-150's from Hardy Family Ford using State Contract pricing in the amount of $352,865.00 utilizing Water Funds and General Funds. Seconded by Dean Schneider. Voting Yea: Chairman Tim Estes, Post 1 Keith Dunn, Post II Sandy Kaecher, Post III Virginia Galloway, Post IV Dean Schneider. (On file in the Finance Department)

REPORTS FROM COMMITTEES & DEPARTMENTS: None

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION ON AGENDA ITEMS: None

CONSENT AGENDA: Virginia Galloway made a motion to approve the following consent agenda items:

4. ***Authorize the Chairman to approve and execute a Utility Easement with Greystone Power for underground wiring and transformer to run to the Fleet Building. Project is located in Post 4.*** (On file in the County Clerk's Office)

5. ***Adopt Resolution 2025-38 confirming Executive Session from the October 14, 2025 Work Session Meeting for the purpose of Real Estate.*** (Attachment "A")

Seconded by Sandy Kaecher. Voting Yea: Chairman Tim Estes, Post 1 Keith Dunn, Post II Sandy Kaecher, Post III Virginia Galloway, Post IV Dean Schneider.

OLD BUSINESS: None

NEW BUSINESS:

6. ***Change order to the TUSA Consulting Contract in the amount of $156,080.00 to extend their services through March 31, 2026:***
   Keith Dunn made a motion to approve the change order to the TUSA Consulting Contract in the amount of $156,080.00 to extend their services through March 31, 2026. Seconded by Virginia Galloway. Voting Yea: Chairman Tim Estes, Post 1 Keith Dunn, Post II Sandy Kaecher, Post III Virginia Galloway, Post IV Dean Schneider. (On file in the E-911 Department)

7. ***Purchase of seven (7) Steamvault workstations from SHI System, Inc. in the amount of $69,287.33. Funding will be through General Funds:***
   Sandy Kaecher made a motion to approve the purchase of seven (7) Steamvault workstations from SHI System, Inc. in the amount of $69,287.33. Funding will be through General Funds. Seconded by Dean Schneider. Voting Yea: Chairman Tim Estes, Post 1 Keith Dunn, Post II Sandy Kaecher, Post III Virginia Galloway, Post IV Dean Schneider.(On file in the County Clerk's Office)

8. ***Resolution 2025-39 authorizing the submission of Congestion Mitigation and Air Quality Program Grant Application to the Georgia Department of Transportation for the Cedarcrest Road Widening Project, from Harmony Grove Church Road to the Cobb County Line, PI 0013700. Project is located in Post 1 and Post 4:***
   Dean Schneider made a motion to adopt Resolution 2025-39 authorizing the submission of Congestion Mitigation and Air Quality Program Grant Application to the Georgia Department of Transportation for the Cedarcrest Road Widening Project, from Harmony Grove Church Road to the Cobb County Line, PI 0013700. Project is located in Post 1 and Post 4. Seconded by Keith Dunn. Voting Yea: Chairman Tim Estes, Post 1 Keith Dunn, Post II Sandy Kaecher, Post III Virginia Galloway, Post IV Dean Schneider. (Attachment "B")

9. ***Supplemental Agreement #2 with BM&K in the amount of $220,850.00 increasing the contract to $1,617,225.00 for Right of Way Acquisition and Appraisal Services for the Cedarcrest Road Widening Project, from Harmony Grove Church Road to the Cobb County Line, PI 0013700. Funding will be allocated from SPLOST. The Project is located in Post 1 and Post 4:***
   Dean Schneider made a motion to authorize the Chairman to enter into Supplemental Agreement #2 with BM&K in the amount of $220,850.00 increasing the contract to $1,617,225.00 for Right of Way Acquisition and Appraisal Services for the Cedarcrest Road Widening Project, from Harmony Grove Church Road to the Cobb County Line, PI 0013700. Funding will be allocated from SPLOST. The Project is located in Post 1 and Post 4. Seconded by Keith Dunn. Voting Yea: Chairman Tim Estes, Post 1 Keith Dunn, Post II Sandy Kaecher, Post III Virginia Galloway, Post IV Dean Schneider. (On file in the Transportation Department)

10. ***Amended Paulding County Department of Transportation Left-Turn Lane & Right-Turn Deceleration Lane Technical Guidelines:***
    Sandy Kaecher made a motion to approve the amended Paulding County Department of Transportation Left-Turn Lane & Right-Turn Deceleration Lane Technical Guidelines. Seconded by Dean Schneider. Voting Yea: Chairman Tim Estes, Post 1 Keith Dunn, Post II Sandy Kaecher, Post III Virginia Galloway, Post IV Dean Schneider. (On file in the Transportation Department)

11. ***Resolution 2025-40 confirming Executive Session for the purpose of Litigation:***
    Virginia Galloway made a motion to adopt Resolution 2025-40 confirming Executive Session for the purpose of Litigation. Voting Yea: Chairman Tim Estes, Post 1 Keith Dunn, Post II Sandy Kaecher, Post III Virginia Galloway, Post IV Dean Schneider. (Attachment "C")

CONCLUSION OF REGULAR BUSINESS

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION ON NON-AGENDA ITEMS: None

Chairman Estes asked the Commissioners if they had any announcements or comments.

Commissioner Galloway announced that in this months Georgia Trend Magazine, there is an article called 40 under 40 and features Alex Almodovar, President and CEO of Paulding Economic Development.

Commissioner Dunn acknowledged Paulding's Public Safety and stated we have some of the best and wanted to thank them.

Commissioner Schneider reminder everyone to be aware of Trick or Treaters and that they will be out and wants everyone to be safe.

The Commissioners reminded Citizens that early voting has started.

EXECUTIVE SESSION: None

ADJOURNMENT

Rebecca Merideth, County Clerk

Timothy B Estes, Chairman