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Date: May 15, 2025

Time: 12:00 p.m.

Location: Trumps Catering

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## Minutes

### Members Present:

Ronnie Boggs  
Marty Clark  
John Daniell  
Dodd Ferrelle  
Daniel Graves  
Serra Hall  
Doug Haynie  
Bruce Henry  
Joe Hicks  
John Howard  
Dee Lindsey  
Carol Myers  
Bill Palmer  
Jay Paul  
Fred Perriman  
Billy Pittard  
Tony Rogers  
Shane Short  
DeAshley Thurman  
Brad Tucker

### Members Absent:

Phil Brock  
Michael Coile  
David Eady  
Kelly Girtz  
Pat Graham  
David Hunt  
Tommie Jennings  
Jesse Johnson  
Janet Jones  
Deborah Krause  
Terry Lawler  
Blake McCormack  
Wendell McNeal  
David Thompson  
William Trimier  
Lee Vaughn

### Guests Present:

Donna Boggs  
Bobby Bond  
Wendy Bond, Winterville  
Jamie Dove, Jackson County  
Beth Eavenson, DCA  
Sallie Fuller, Collins-GA-10  
Stephen Goad, North High Shoals  
Frances Hansford  
Hope Iglehart, Senator Ossoff  
Jayda Keefer, Collins-Ga-10  
Grace Martin, Bogart  
Kevin Mason, Collins-GA-10  
Ben McDaniel, DAWC  
Mark McMan, Walton County  
Ben Orr, Winterville  
Logan Propes, Monroe  
Jesus Rubio, Senator Warnock  
Colt Young, Winterville PD

### Staff Present:

Amber Bailey  
Mark Beatty  
Carol Cofer  
Phillip Jones  
Michele Kelley  
Eva Kennedy  
Toshia Lewis  
Lena Mason  
Katurah Patterson  
Sophia Primer

### Call to Order

Chairperson John Daniell called the meeting to order at 12:30 p.m. He asked that everyone rise and join him in reciting the Pledge of Allegiance. Guests or visitors were invited to introduce themselves.



Chairperson Daniell informed the attendees that the April 17, 2025 minutes were distributed prior to the meeting. He called for a motion to approve the minutes unless there were any additions or corrections. A motion was made by Mr. Bill Palmer and seconded by Mayor John Howard to approve the minutes. The motion passed unanimously.

## **Annual Awards**

### **Administrator of the Year**

Executive Director Kennedy presented the Administrator of the year to Wendy Bond, City Clerk of Winterville.

### **Robert L. and Betty Williford Distinguished N.E. Georgian Award**

The Distinguished Northeast Georgian award was awarded posthumously to Mr. Nathaniel “Nat” Hansford. Chairman Daniell presented the award to Mrs. Frances Hansford.

## **Committee Reports**

### **Audit & Finance – Mayor Fred Perriman**

Mayor Perriman said the Audit & Finance Committee members met earlier today and reviewed several items but only one required Council action today.

The Committee reviewed the March 2025 financial statements for the 9<sup>th</sup> month of the fiscal year that reported revenues in excess of expenditures by \$424,418.65.

Mayor Perriman made a motion to accept the March 2025 financial report. The motion passed unanimously.

The Finance Committee also reviewed the FY25 Revised and FY26 Proposed budgets and their recommended funding. These draft budgets will be presented for Council action in June. No action was necessary at this time.

### **Personnel – Mayor Doug Haynie**

Mayor Haynie said the Personnel Committee members met in April to conduct the Executive Director’s annual performance review. The Committee believed that in her first 6 months Executive Director Kennedy met expectations. Mayor Haynie motioned for the approval of Executive Director Kennedy’s performance review. The motion passed unanimously.

## **Executive Director’s Report – Eva Kennedy**

Executive Director Eva Kennedy greeted the Council and thanked everyone for their attendance.

## **NEGRC Building Update**

- The final renovation designs are due by end of June and the NEGRC plans to send out for contractor bidding in September.
- After remote working, due to issues with the plumbing, staff returned to normal operations on 5/19.

## **Meet & Greet event**



- Executive Director Kennedy thanked the representatives from Senator Ossoff, Senator Warnock, Representative Collins, Georgia DCA, GEFA, and all of the NEGRC staff that attended the meet and greet prior to the Council meeting.
- She noted the opportunity was still available to visit the various organizations' tables and the Workforce trailer after the Council meeting adjourned.
- She stated that there would be a presentation by The Association of County Commissioners of Georgia (ACCG) at the June meeting.

### **Other Business**

Chairman Daniell reminded the Council that due to the Juneteenth holiday the June Council meeting will be held a week earlier, on June 12, 2025.

### **Adjournment**

With no further business before the Council, Chairperson Daniell adjourned the meeting at 12:50 p.m.

*Amber Bailey*  
Amber Bailey, Executive Assistant  
Northeast Georgia Regional Commission

06/12/2025  
Date Approved