

**NORTHEAST GEORGIA REGIONAL COMMISSION  
COUNCIL MEETING  
ATHENS HOLIDAY INN  
JANUARY 19, 2017  
NOON**

**THREE-DAY MINUTES**

**Members Present:**

Graham, Pat  
Blechinger, Linda  
Denson, Nancy  
Ferrelle, Dodd  
Houston, Lamar  
Lyon, Tommy  
Palmer, Bill  
Smith, Jeffery  
Crow, Tom  
Plott, Roy  
Shaw, Jim  
Pennamon, Carl  
Workman, Stone  
Scarborough, John  
Gandy, Roy  
Ainslie, Andy  
Perriman, Fred  
Bentley, David  
Banes, Marcello  
Roseberry, Jerry  
Daniell, John  
Ivie, Charles  
Harden, Amrey  
Berry, Rick  
Little, Kevin  
Fordyce, Cary  
Ledford, Howard  
Roberts, Roy

**Members Absent:**

Jennings, Tommy  
Guest, Larry  
Brock, Phil  
Dyer, David  
Blackmon, Jody  
Turner, Frank  
Pittard, Billy  
Johnson, Jesse  
Thompson, Greg  
Chambers, Joyce

**Associate Members Present:**

Ouzts, Buddy  
Seymour, Joel  
Pitts, Flemmie

**Guests Present:**

Bob Schwartz  
Gail Lyon  
Keith Ellis  
Steve Smith  
Paul Chambers  
Daniella Perry  
LeTunya Goodwin  
Cheryl Smith  
Emily Eisenman  
Andrew Seiver

**Staff Present:**

Jim Dove, Executive Director  
Mott Beck, Executive Assistant  
Carol R. Cofer, Workforce Development Director  
Burke Walker, Director of Planning & Government Services  
Peggy Jenkins, Area Agency on Aging  
Alicia Page, Comptroller  
Eva Kennedy, Project Specialist

**Media Present:**

Kelcey Caulder, **Oconee Enterprise**

## **CALL TO ORDER AND APPROVAL OF NOVEMBER MEETING MINUTES**

The meeting was called to order at 12:30 p.m. by Vice Chairman Jerry Roseberry. He welcomed members, guests, media, and staff. He asked for a motion to approve the minutes of the November 2016 meeting. Such a motion was made by Commissioner Tommy Lyon and seconded by Commissioner Kevin Little. The motion carried unanimously.

## **COMMITTEE REPORTS**

- A. Audit & Finance – The report was given by Mr. Amrey Harden. A motion to approve the report as presented was made by Mr. Harden and seconded by Commissioner John Scarborough. The motion carried unanimously.
- B. Program of Work – The report was given by Mayor Dodd Ferrelle. A motion to approve the Program of Work items for inclusion in the FY 2017 Program of Work, effective January 20, 2017, was made by Mayor Ferrelle and seconded by Mr. David Bentley. The motion carried unanimously.
- C. Planning & Government Services – No action was taken.

## **EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S REPORT**

One item under the Executive Director's report required Council action. Mr. Evans Brinson, Comptroller, will be retiring at the end of January, and a resolution commending him for his service to the Council and Regional Commission since 1992 was presented by Executive Director Dove. A motion to adopt said Resolution was made by Mayor Nancy Denson and seconded by Mr. Harden. The motion carried unanimously.

The rest of the meeting consisted of the Executive Director's Report, Items of Interest, and Division Updates.

The meeting was adjourned at 1:20 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Martha J. Beck  
Executive Assistant