

DOUGHERTY COUNTY COMMISSION
SPECIAL CALLED MEETING MINUTES

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November 28, 2022

The Dougherty County Commission met for a Special Called Meeting in Room 100 of the Albany-Dougherty Government Center on November 28, 2022 immediately following the Work Session. Vice Chairman Clinton Johnson presided and called the meeting to order at 12:26 pm. Present were Commissioners Victor Edwards, Gloria Gaines, Russell Gray, Anthony Jones and Ed Newsome. Also present were County Administrator Michael McCoy, County Attorney Alex Shalishali, County Clerk Jawahn Ware and other staff. The public and representatives of the media participated in person via live streaming of the meeting on the County's Facebook page and the government public access channel. Chairman Christopher Cohilas was absent.

The Vice Chairman called for consideration to approve the county priorities that will be presented for the State Legislative Delegation Meeting on Tuesday, November 29, 2022.

Commissioner Gray moved for approval. Commissioner Newsome seconded the motion. Under discussion, Mr. McCoy asked for clarity on the additional suggestions made in the Work Session. The Board asked Mr. McCoy to determine if the code [ordinance] can be changed locally. If it cannot and is a state law, then it will be presented to the Delegation. Commissioner Johnson added that the code enforcement policy discussion will not be a priority for the State Meeting. Commissioner Gaines did not have a funding amount for the library request. It was shared by the Board to direct Mr. McCoy to include Library Director Gail Evans and Chairman Walter Kelley in this funding discussion and to address it if needed. The amendment to the motion to include the direction given to Mr. McCoy was approved with the same motion and second. There being no further discussion, the motion passed unanimously.

The Vice Chairman called for consideration to approve the use of FY23 ARPA Contingency funds in the budgeted amount of \$55,151.22 for Robert Cross Park basketball court improvements.

Commissioner Edwards moved for approval. Commissioner Gaines seconded the motion. The motion passed with five ayes and one nay by Commissioner Gray.

There being no further business to come before the Commission, the meeting adjourned at 12:32 pm.

CHAIRMAN

ATTEST:

COUNTY CLERK