

**MINUTES  
MEETING OF THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS  
CITY OF DOUGLAS, GEORGIA  
FEBRUARY 23, 2026**

**The Board of Commissioners held a regular session on Monday, February 23, 2026, at 6:08 PM in the City Hall Council Chambers. Mayor Tony L. Paulk presided over the meeting with Mayor Pro Tem Steve Bailey and Commissioners Edwin Taylor, Brenda Moore, Tony Paulk II, Mike Gowen, and Cindy McNeill in attendance.**

**\*\*CALL TO ORDER\*\***

Mayor Tony Paulk called the Regular Meeting of the Board of Commissioners to order.

**\*\*INVOCATION\*\***

Assistant City Manager Georgia Henderson delivered the invocation.

**\*\*PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE\*\***

Coffee High NJROTC led the Pledge of Allegiance.

**\*\*APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA\*\***

A motion was made by Commissioner Edwin Taylor and seconded by Commissioner Tony Paulk II to approve the agenda in the order presented. The motion passed unanimously **(6-0)**.

**\*\*CONSENT AGENDA ITEMS (CHARLES DAVIS, CITY MANAGER) \*\***

1. APPROVAL OF FEBRUARY 9TH, 2026, MEETING MINUTES
2. APPROVAL TO RATIFY THE PURCHASE OF A 2026 F-150 FOR THE POLICE DEPARTMENT
3. APPROVAL OF THE APPOINTMENT TO THE AIRPORT COMMISSION (MICHAEL BOYLER)
4. APPROVAL OF THE CHANGE ORDER #1 FOR THE EASTSIDE PARK PROJECT

As discussed in the Work Session, Commissioner Tony Paulk II made a motion to approve all the Consent Agenda items listed above, which Commissioner Edwin Taylor seconded. The motion carried **(6-0)**.

**\*\*WORK SESSION ITEMS\*\***

**APPROVAL OF THE ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGE LICENSE FOR CAPSTONE HOTEL GROUP, 1604 PETERSON AVE S.**

City Attorney, Jerome Adams, appeared before the Commission to conduct a public hearing followed by action to approve the issuance of the alcoholic beverage license for Capstone Hotel Group, D.B.A. Hampton Inn - Douglas LLC, 1604 Peterson Ave S., Douglas, Georgia, for on-site consumption of beer and wine. There were no comments, and the public hearing; therefore, this item was ready for action. A motion was made by Commissioner Edwin Taylor and seconded by Commissioner Tony Paulk II; the motion carried **(6-0)**.

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**ADVERTISEMENT OF THE VACANCY ON THE KEEP DOUGLAS BEAUTIFUL BOARD**

Georgia Henderson, Assistant City Manager, appeared before the Commission to publicize the vacancy on the Keep Douglas Beautiful Board for two weeks, or until applications are received. At that time, an agenda item will be returned to the Mayor and Commission for approval of an appointment.

**No action taken**

**APPROVAL OF THE BID AWARD OF EASTSIDE PARK IMPROVEMENTS**

Georgia Henderson, Assistant City Manager, appeared before the Commission to seek approval of the award of the Land and Water Conservation Fund Grant Project for Eastside Park Rehabilitation to Harper & Company Builders, Inc., as the lowest responsive and responsible bidder for \$974,000.00, inclusive of the base bid and additive bid.

Commissioner Cindy McNeill abstained from voting on this item due to family connections. Commissioner Brenda Moore stated she abstained because she was comfortable doing it. Mayor Pro Tem Steve Bailey motioned to approve this item, and Commissioner Tony Paulk II seconded the motion. Commissioner Mike Gowen and Edwin Taylor voted in favor of the motion. **(4-2)**

**\*\*STAFF COMMENTS\*\***

No comments.

**\*\*MAYOR AND COMMISSIONER COMMENTS\*\***

**No comments**

**\*\*ADJOURNMENT\*\***

A motion to adjourn the Regular Meeting at 6:14 PM was made by Mayor Pro Tem Steve Bailey and seconded by Commissioner Tony Paulk II. The motion passed **(6-0)**.



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Mayor Tony L. Paulk I



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Wynetta J. Bolder, CMC

