

**Fayette County Development Authority  
Regular Board Meeting  
November 20, 2025**

**Minutes**

**I. Call to Order and Welcome of Guests**

Chairman Pat Hinchey called the board meeting of the Fayette County Development Authority to order on November 20, 2025, at 4:01 p.m. in the Fayette County Development Authority's conference room in Fayetteville.

*Members Present:*

Pat Hinchey  
Mayor Edward Johnson  
Darryl A. Hicks  
Dr. Alvetta Thomas  
Dr. Luis Matta Jr.  
Max Braun  
Tracy Young  
Sameera Tillman

*Staff Present:*

Niki Vanderslice  
Rosie Matta  
Amanda Fields  
Lindsey Woodydy

*Guests:*

Nathan Lee, General Council  
Dia Hunter, Councilman, Town of Tyrone  
Eric Dial, Executive Director Fayette Forward  
Maggie Reenstra, Community & Economic  
Development Coordinator, Coweta-Fayette EMC  
Jonathan Thomas  
Steve Collins  
Brent Scarbrough

Leonardo McClarty, President, Fayette Chamber  
of Commerce  
David Conti, Director of Membership Growth  
and Development, Fayette Chamber of  
Commerce  
Ben Burnett  
Tom Gray, Chief Financial Officer, FCBOE  
Lamar Wakefield

**II. Approval of Agenda**

Mayor Edward Johnson made a motion to approve the agenda. Motion was seconded by Sameera Tillmans All were in favor. Motion passed.

**III. Approval of Minutes**

Max Braun made a motion to approve the minutes from the Regular Board Meeting held on October 23, 2025. The motion was seconded Tracy Young. Motion passed.

**IV. Treasurer's Report**

Tracy Young reported that the budget remains on track. A presentation on all financials will be made in January.

**VII. Staff Update**

Staff report was included in the meeting packet.

**VIII. President's Report**

- Attended Boyette, Think It Conference in Little Rock, Arkansas. The conference will be hosted in Fayette County in the near future.

- Commended Lindsey Woody in her Certified Economic Developer designation from the International Economic Development Council

## **IX. Municipality Reports**

### *Chamber-* David Conti

- The Chamber hosted a Pitch Contest featuring five presenters in a “Shark Tank” style format.
- The Workforce Conference was well attended with a full house, in collaboration with Amanda Fields.
- The Economic Outlook event was successful and well received.
- The Chamber will host its Awards Casino Night on December 11 at the Peachtree City Hilton.

### *Fayetteville-* Mayor Edward Johnson

- Attended the QTS Pathways event, highlighting workforce and career opportunities connected to the QTS development.
- City Council is expected to approve the development agreement for the 38-acre site at tonight’s meeting.
- The alleyway project remains on hold but is anticipated to be completed by the end of the year.
- Recent municipal elections resulted in two new City Council members to the Fayetteville City Council.

### *Tyrone-* Dia Hunter

- The EAST Group project is progressing, with grading and structural steel currently on site.
- Development activity continues along Highway 74, including work within the business park area.
- The Town is reporting approximately \$12,000 per year in new revenue from recent development activity.
- The Pavilion Ribbon Cutting ceremony will take place on November 30.
- Sandy Creek High School football team is undefeated.
- New Council Member, Maureen T. Wheeler.

### *Peachtree City-* No report

### *BOE-* Tom Gray

- The School System has experienced several recent losses, with an outpouring of support from the community for students, staff, and families.
- The District’s CCRPI score showed improvement, now above the state average.
- Construction projects are ongoing, including auxiliary gym facilities, while some utility-related issues are being addressed.
- Tax bills are being issued later than usual, with provisions in place to support teachers.

### *Fayette Foward-* Eric Dial

- The Soccer Housing Bureau website is live and active, with ongoing engagement and activity.
- Staff met with USSF regarding an official partnership, including opportunities to speak directly with employees to help spread awareness and engagement.
- Planning continues for a countywide path system, with QTS already participating in the system.
- The Authority has been informed of a potential additional component that may be incorporated into the project, possibly alongside other amenities.
- Lindsey and Niki are assisting with coordination and support related to the project.
- The project includes a commitment to funding; details are still being finalized, and efforts are ongoing to keep costs within planned parameters.

- Niki noted a potential budget shortfall for the project and indicated she would like to ask whether the Development Authority has an appetite to potentially participate.

**X. Executive Session**

At 4:22 P.M., Dr. Luis Matta, Jr. made a motion to enter executive session for real estate and legal matters. Tracy Young seconded. All were in favor.

At 5:48 P.M., Max Braun, made a motion to adjourn the executive session. Dr. Luis Matta, Jr. seconded. All in favor.

**XI. Adjourn**

At 5:49 P.M., Dr. Luis Matta, Jr. made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Tracy Young seconded. All in favor. Meeting adjourned at 5:49 PM.