

**Fayette County Development Authority
Regular Board Meeting
March 26, 2026**

Minutes

I. Call to Order and Welcome of Guests

Chair Pat Hinchey called the board meeting of the Fayette County Development Authority to order on Thursday, March 26, 2026, at 4:00 p.m. in the Fayette County Development Authority's conference room in Fayetteville.

Members Present:

Pat Hinchey
Dr. Luis Matta, Jr.
Darryl A. Hicks
Tracy Young
Dr. Alvetta Thomas
Virginia Gibbs
Gary Zarlengo

Staff Present:

Niki Vanderslice
Rosie Matta
Amanda Fields

Guests:

Nathan Lee, General Council
Greg Wright, Coweta-Fayette EMC
Leonardo McCarty, President and CEO,
Fayette Chamber
Eric Dial, Executive Director, Fayette Forward
Tom Gray, CFO, Fayette Board of Education

David Conti, Vice President of Growth and
Development, Fayette Chamber
Dylan Shoemaker, Fayette County News
Micael Hyde, The Hyde Group

II. Approval of Agenda

Dr. Alvetta Thomas made a motion to approve the agenda. Virginia Gibbs seconded the motion. All were in favor.

III. Approval of Minutes

Dr. Luis Matta, Jr. made a motion to approve the minutes of the February 26, 2026, Regular Meeting. Tracy Young seconded the motion. The motion passed.

IV. Treasurer's Report

Dr. Alvetta Thomas stated that all financials are in order and had no additional items to report regarding the budget.

V. Old Business

C-PACE- Niki Vanderslice provided an update on the C-PACE program. Additional details and next steps continue to be evaluated.

VI. Staff Updates

Amanda Fields shared her experience at Fayette Elementary School.

VII. President's Report

Niki Vanderslice reported the following-

- Chamber of Commerce update indicating a housing shortage of approximately 2,800 units in Fayette County
- Gerresheimer facility tour
- Participated as a speaker with the Georgia Chamber of Commerce/GEDA State of Economic Development Day
- Joint Development Authority (JDA) update, including Sarah Jacobs stepping down as President of Coweta County Development Authority
- Legislative updates
- Attendance at Brooks Town Council Meeting

VIII. Partners' Reports

Board of Education (BOE)- Tom Gray

- Expressed appreciation to FCDA for participation in Career Day
- Requested prayers for David Spatz, crossing guard
- Provided legislative updates
- Shared updates regarding no cell phone policies in high schools

Fayette Chamber of Commerce- Leonardo McClarty

- Provided updates on several upcoming events

Fayette Forward- Eric Dial

- 130 house listings
- Ongoing naming and branding campaign for the Path System, with approximately 300 votes received
- Ribbon cutting planned for the first week of May for the park located on Veterans Parkway and Eastin Road

JDA- Dr. Luis Matta, Jr.

- Community updates were provided by Coweta, Fayette, Merriweather Joint Development Authority

Fayetteville- Niki Vanderslice

- South Tree Development has begun clearing trees along Veterans Parkway and Highway 54

Tyrone- Tracy Young

- Approved preliminary plat for Ardmore North and Ardmore South, located at 962 Senoia Road
- East Group reported the first two buildings have been leased
- Roundabout Project began in March

Peachtree City- Virginia Gibbs

- Industrial Updates:

- New owners of the NCR building are working with Jefferson Browne Architects to modernize the building façade, signage, and sidewalks/common areas
- General Updates:
 - The City is proceeding with an annexation study led by KB Group; Council members were interviewed and two public listening sessions are planned.
 - The City has posted the Economic Development Director position and anticipates filling it by May.
 - The grand opening of the new pickleball complex is tentatively scheduled for May 8th.

IX. Executive Session

At 4:35 p.m. Tracy Young made a motion to enter executive session for real estate and personnel matters. Dr. Luis Matta, Jr. seconded the motion. All were in favor.

At 5:47 p.m. Darryl A. Hicks made a motion to adjourn the executive session, and Tracy Young seconded the motion. All were in favor.

X. Action Item

Darryl A. Hicks made a motion to release parcel 0706 063 (Trilith Propco, LLC). Dr. Luis Matta, Jr., seconded the motion. All were in favor.

XI. Adjourn

At 5:49 p.m. Darryl A. Hicks made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Tracy Young seconded the motion. All were in favor. The meeting was adjourned at 5:49 p.m.