

Minutes of Called Meeting
Elbert County Board of Commissioners
Friday, February 3, 2023

Chairman Lee Vaughn called the meeting to order. Present were Commissioner Casey Freeman, Commissioner Chris Alexander, Commissioner Mike Scoggins, Commissioner Freddie Jones, County Attorney Bill Daughtry, CFO Macie Witcher, County Clerk Tamara Butler, media. Commissioner David Hunt was absent.

After the Pledge to the United States flag the invocation was given by Commissioner Jones.

Adoption of the Agenda. Chairman Vaughn asked for a motion to amend the agenda to add an Executive Session. Commissioner Freeman made the motion to adopt the agenda as amended, seconded by Commissioner Scoggins. The motion passed 4-0.

Commissioner Freeman made a request to also add Discussion of ARPA funds, which Chairman Vaughn said he was opposed to. Commissioner Freeman stated we need to go ahead and make a decision, either one way or the other and move on. The motion died for lack of a second.

Commissioner Freeman made a motion to enter Executive Session, seconded by Commissioner Alexander. The motion passed 4-0.

Commissioner Freeman made a motion to enter General Session, seconded by Commissioner Alexander. The motion passed 4-0.

Chairman Vaughn stated a resignation letter was received from Mr. Phil Pitts, County Administrator, which we will accept effective today, February 3, 2023. Commissioner Scoggins made a motion to accept the resignation of Mr. Pitts, seconded by Commissioner Jones. The motion passed 3-1, with Commissioner Freeman opposing.

Chairman Vaughn asked for a motion to appoint Allen Hulme as the interim County Administrator. Commissioner Scoggins made the motion to accept Mr. Hulme as interim County Administrator, seconded by Commissioner Jones. The motion passed 4-0.

Commissioner Freeman stated the reason why he did not accept the resignation of Mr. Pitts, is that he didn't want to be part of any "personal, political or financial vendetta" with the purpose of removing Mr. Pitts from his position

Chairman Vaughn adjourned the meeting.