

MINUTES
Bleckley County Commissioner Meeting
Bleckley County JC Building
Thursday, December 18, 2025 – 10:00 a.m.

PRESENT: Mike Davis, Sheriff Daniel Cape, Cheryl Ates, Ken Land, Melissa Barker, Lisa Eisele, John Roland, Derrick Bowen, Caroline Weathersby, Allen Yawn, Vickie Tomlinson, Douglas Denmark, Carla Coley, Rachel Martin, Magistrate Judge Rob Grimsley, Ronald Thomas, Ronnie Smith, Cindy Newman

Ken Land opened in prayer.

Commissioner Davis led the Pledge of Allegiance, and welcomed all to the meeting.

All attendees received the following:

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Millage Rate 1st, 2nd and 3rd Hearings

There were no questions or concerns. The Minutes were approved.

Topics discussed by Commissioner Davis

The hospital nominees were chosen and submitted to the board.

Mrs. Diane Lester was appointed to the Bleckley County Department of Family and Children Services Board. She will replace Mrs. Josette Pollard.

The County Budget for the Department of Human Services was signed for the 2026 year.

Randy Thompson was appointed to the Cochran-Bleckley Airport Authority.

The Courthouse will close at 12:00 p.m. on December 24th and reopen on December 29th.

The Courthouse will close at 12:00 p.m. on December 31st and reopen on January 2nd, 2026.

The contract between the Heart of Georgia Altamaha Regional Commission and Bleckley County was received regarding the OneGeorgia Hurricane Disaster Relief Effort Grant.

Randy Thompson was appointed to the Bleckley-Cochran IDA Board.

The 2026 holiday schedule was approved.

The 2026 budget was adopted.

Topics discussed in today's meeting

Sheriff Cape said the office Christmas gathering was last night, and he thanked all who helped plan it. The Sheriff's office provided \$200 for 28 children through the Sheriff's Santa Program. He thanked everyone for their support this year and is looking forward to the next year.

Rob Grimsley thanked all for a wonderful first year. He has more changes planned for the upcoming year, and he continues to look at different programs to update the software in his office. He is very appreciative of his staff.

Cindy Newman went over the audit. She stated that an accounting firm assisted with the budget and reviewed the last three years of actual expenses. This helps with being accurate. The budget was adopted for the year.

With no further business the meeting was adjourned.

Mike Davis, County Commissioner

Date

Freida Dykes, County Clerk

10:26 a.m.

Time