

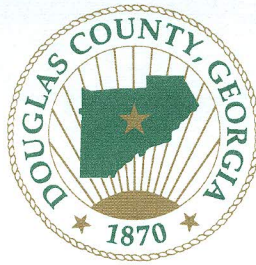
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CLERK'S CERTIFICATE

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I, Lisa Watson, the undersigned Clerk of the Board of Commissioners of Douglas County, Georgia DO HEREBY CERTIFY that the foregoing pages constitute a true and correct copy of the duly adopted Commission Meeting minutes of April 15, 2008.

Witness my hand and the official seal of said County this 22nd day of September, 2011.



A handwritten signature in blue ink, which appears to read "Lisa Watson", is written over a horizontal line.

Clerk, Board of Commissioners of
Douglas County

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APRIL 15, 2008

The Douglas County Board of Commissioners convened at 10:00 a.m. for the regularly scheduled Commission Meeting with Chairman, Tom Worthan presiding. Other members present included County Administrator, Eric Linton; and Staff Attorney, Kelly Pridgen.

INVOCATION – Scott Spencer

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

CITIZENS' INPUT

Velma Reed, 4247 Laurel Glen Drive Court, Douglasville, GA.
I'm here on behalf of my in-home day care. I have been doing in-home day care for 8 years now and last month I received a notice that I had 30 days to close. As a citizen I want to abide by the rules but because I've been doing this for eight years I'm here asking if you would at least give me 90 days or a 90-day extension. It is hard to really go out and find a place to do a day care or do something different after you've been doing it for 8 years in your home. Thirty days is just not enough time for me to either go outside the house and do it or find another means to provide for my family. So I'm here asking if I could at least have ninety more days to find another place.

Chairman Worthan: You said you have been in business for eight years in this same location?

Ms. Reed: We have just moved.

Chairman Worthan: Have you had an opportunity to sit down with Amy Brumelow, our Planning and Zoning Director and discuss this with her?

Ms. Reed: I haven't.

Chairman Worthan: We would ask that you sit down with Amy and talk with her. This is a Planning and Zoning matter and we do that in separate meetings.

Eric Linton: Mr. Chairman, Mark Teal is back there, if they can get with him.

Chairman Worthan: I'm going to ask Jason Milhollin who is our Emergency Management Director to come forward for a presentation from the National Weather Service.

Jason Milhollin: Today we are being recognized as a "Storm Ready Community". Not every county in Georgia is considered a "Storm Ready Community". I would like to introduce Lans Rothfusz from the National Weather Service. He is going to tell you about the "Storm Ready Community" certification.

Lans Rothfusz: I'm the meteorologist in charge of the National Weather Service in Peachtree City. We are here today to recognize again, Douglas County for being a "Storm Ready County". For those of you who have not heard of Storm Ready or may have seen some of the signs around the county, it is our effort to work with our partners in Emergency Management and the local community to make the system work well. If you understand how government works, government works best when all the entities are working together. National Weather Service is a Federal Agency, however, we work with GEMA State Agency as well local Emergency Management to make sure that the citizens are well prepared for severe weather. As you know, by some recent history in Douglasville in particular, these storms can come up very quickly and in some cases very surprisingly. The National Weather Service works very closely to make sure that there are certain things in place to make a community as prepared for severe weather as possible. Not every county does this. Not every county takes the time and effort and puts the resources into making sure the system works well. What we have done with Storm Ready is put in place some criteria guidelines that insure the community is well prepared or as well prepared as they can be for severe weather. Storm Ready is that recognition that Douglas County has done its work ahead of time and we wanted to be here today to recognize you.

This is the second time we have done this, you started back in January 2002 and after six years we have to go through the whole process again because things change, technology changes, people turn over, etc. Jason and his folks and with your support have continued the long standing tradition of making sure that Douglas County is well prepared for severe weather. The one thing I always urge is that being a Storm Ready County does not mean you are storm proof. The storms will still occur, they will still happen but you can rest assured that with the National Weather Service, together with your local Emergency Management, we have put things in place to be as well prepared for those events when they do occur.

Now it doesn't stop here. I've talked about Federal, State and local but being storm ready is also a personal thing. We ask that the citizens take into account having a weather radio or on your cell phones have certain ways to get that warning when the National Weather Service issues the warning. We have a partnership with you, our job is to watch those storms and put out the warnings

