

**Early County Board of Commissioners – Regular Board Meeting Minutes
July 1, 2024 – 6:02 PM – Administration Conference Room**

Called to Order by Chairman Clarence H. Jester at 6:00 p.m. Present Clarence H. Jester, LaDon Durham, Charlie Sol, Taylor Bridges, William Mills, Attorney, Stephanie Chandler, Administrator; and Lakieta Warren, County Clerk. Jeffery Haynes in at 6:05 p.m.

Actions in Open Meeting

1. Approved to amend Agenda to add Recreation Board Appointment by motion of Taylor Bridges, 2nd by LaDon Durham. Vote 4:0.
2. Approved minutes from regular meeting June 3, 2024, and Special Called Meetings dated June 12 & 20, 2024, by motion of LaDon Durham, 2nd by Taylor Bridges. Vote 5:0.
3. Approved the appointment of Victor Robinson to the Early County Recreational Board, by motion of Jeffery Haynes, 2nd by Charlie Sol. Vote 5:0.
4. Approved the appointment of Tonya Bridges to the Early County DFACS Board, by motion of Taylor Bridges, 2nd by Jeffery Haynes. Vote 5:0.
5. Approved the ABM Resolution and the approval to use funding for the down payment of \$465,000.00 from ARPA Funds, by motion of Taylor Bridges, 2nd by Charlie Sol. Vote 5:0.
6. Approved the Inmate Housing Agreement between the Early County Sheriff Department and the City of Damascus, by motion of LaDon Durham, 2nd by Jeffery Haynes. Vote 5:0.

Adjourned at 6:45 p.m. by motion of Jeffery Haynes, 2nd by Charlie Sol. Vote 5:0.

Clarence H. Jester, Chairman

Lakieta Warren, County Clerk

**Early County Board of Commissioners' – Regular Board Meeting Minutes
August 5, 2024 – 6:00 PM – Administration Conference Room**

Called to Order by Chairman Clarence H. Jester at 6:00 p.m. Present Clarence H. Jester, LaDon Durham, Jeffery Haynes, Charlie Sol, Taylor Bridges, William Mills, Attorney for County, Stephanie Chandler, Administrator, and Lakieta Warren, County Clerk.

Actions in Open Meeting

1. Approved July 1, 2024, regular meeting, by motion of LaDon Durham, 2nd by Jeffery Haynes. Vote 5:0
2. Approved the closure of Fairfield Road without a public hearing, by motion of LaDon Durham, 2nd by Taylor Bridges. Vote 5:0.
3. Approved the Engagement Letter for Raymond James, by motion of LaDon Durham, 2nd Taylor Bridges. Vote 5:0.
4. Approved the GACD/ Early County Agreement, by motion of Taylor Bridges, 2nd by LaDon Durham. Vote 5:0.
5. Approved the appointment of Lisa Bruner to the Voter Registration Board, by motion of Taylor Bridges, 2nd by Charlie Sol. Vote 5:0.

Adjourned at 6:30 p.m. by motion of Jeffery Haynes, 2nd Charlie Sol. Vote 5:0

Clarence H. Jester, Chairman

Lakieta Warren, County Clerk

**Early County Board of Commissioners – Regular Board Meeting Minutes
September 09, 2024 – 6:00 PM – Administration Conference Room**

Called to Order by Chairman Clarence H. Jester at 6:00 p.m. Present Clarence H. Jester, Charlie Sol, LaDon Durham, Jeffery Haynes, Taylor Bridges, William Mills, Attorney, Stephanie Chandler, Administrator, and Lakieta Warren, County Clerk

Actions in Open Meeting

1. Approved August 2024 regular meeting minutes by motion of Taylor Bridges, 2nd by Charlie Sol. Vote 5:0.
2. Approved to amend the agenda to include the DAR Proclamation for Constitution Week by motion of Taylor Bridges, 2nd by Charlie Sol. Vote 5:0.
3. Approved ABM Financing agreement, by motion of Charlie Sol, 2nd by LaDon Durham. Vote 5:0.
4. Approved SWGRC Authorizing Resolution for the Rural Transit 5311 Program by motion of Taylor Bridges, 2nd by Charlie Sol. Vote 5:0.
5. Approved Resolution to change budget year to January 1- December 31st, by motion of Charlie Sol, 2nd by Taylor Bridges. Vote 5:0.
6. Approved to appoint Scott Cochran to the Tax Assessor Board to replace Keith Brewer, by motion of LaDon Durham, 2nd by Taylor Bridges. Vote 5:0.
7. Approved the sale of EC Sheriffs' items funds to return to the General Fund, by motion of Taylor Bridges, 2nd by LaDon Durham. Vote 5:0.
8. Approved the return of daily operations back to the Early County Sheriff's' office beginning January 1, 2025, by motion of Jeffery Haynes, 2nd by LaDon Durham. Vote 5:0.

Adjourned at 6:28 p.m. by motion of Taylor Bridges, 2nd by LaDon Durham. Vote 5:0.

Clarence H. Jester, Chairman

Lakieta Warren, County Clerk

**Early County Board of Commissioners – Public Hearing Meeting Minutes
September 26, 2024 – 2:00 PM – Administration Conference Room**

**Called to Order by Chairman Clarence H. Jester at 10:00 a.m. Present Clarence H. Jester, Charlie Sol, Taylor Bridges, Stephanie Chandler, Administrator, and Lakieta Warren, County Clerk
Unable to attend LaDon Durham and Jeffery Haynes**

The public meeting was held as advertised for the purpose of millage rollback. No comments made by the public.

Adjourned at 2:05 p.m. by motion of by Taylor Bridges, and by Charlie Sol. Vote 3:0

Clarence H. Jester, Chairman

Tandie M. Cloud, County Clerk

**Early County Board of Commissioners – Regular Board Meeting Minutes
October 7, 2024 – 6:00 PM – Administration Conference Room**

Called to Order by Chairman Clarence H. Jester at 6:00 p.m. Present Clarence H. Jester, LaDon Durham, Charlie Sol, William Mills, Attorney, Stephanie Chandler, Administrator, and Lakieta Warren, County Clerk. Jeffery Haynes attended by phone. Taylor Bridges unable to attend meeting.

Actions in Open Meeting

1. Approved the meeting minutes for Regular and Special Called Meeting by motion of LaDon Durham, 2nd by Charlie Sol. Vote 4:0.
2. Approved Airport Easement agreement presented by Attorney W. Mills, by motion of LaDon Durham, 2nd by Charlie Sol. Vote 4:0.
3. Approved to amend the agendas to add the approval repairs for Cedar Springs sidewalk split, by motion of Charlie Sol, 2nd by LaDon Durham. Vote 4:0.
4. Approved the use of TSPLOST funds to repair the Cedar Springs sidewalk split, by motion of LaDon Durham, 2nd by Charlie Sol. Vote 4:0.

Adjourned at 6:11 p.m. by motion of Charlie Sol, 2nd by LaDon Durham. Vote 4:0.

Clarence H. Jester, Chairman

Lakieta Warren, County Clerk

**Early County Board of Commissioners – Special Called Meeting Minutes
November 7, 2024 – 8:35 AM – Administration Conference Room**

Called to Order by Chairman Clarence H. Jester at 8:35 a.m. Present Clarence H. Jester, LaDon Durham, Jeffery Haynes, Charlie Sol, Taylor Bridges, Stephanie Chandler, Administrator, and Lakieta Warren, County Clerk.

Special Called meeting for the purpose of approving the resolution for financing with Bank of America.

Approved the resolution for financing with Bank of America lease purchase agreement for 3.77 million dollars for 15 years at 4.67% Interest rate to begin payment after 1 year, by motion of Taylor Bridges, 2nd by Charlie Sol. Vote 5:0.

Adjourned at 8:42 a.m. by motion of Jeffery Haynes, 2nd by LaDon Durham. Vote 5:0.

Clarence H. Jester, Chairman

Lakieta Warren, County Clerk

**Early County Board of Commissioners – Regular Board Meeting Minutes
December 2, 2024 – 6:00 PM – Administration Conference Room**

Called to Order by Chairman Clarence H. Jester at 6:00 p.m. Present Clarence H. Jester, LaDon Durham, Jeffery Haynes, Charlie Sol, Taylor Bridges, William Mills, Attorney, Stephanie Chandler, Administrator, and Lakieta Warren, County Clerk.

Actions in Open Meeting

1. Approved November 4, 2024, regular meeting minutes and November 6, 2024, Special Called meeting by motion of Taylor Bridges, 2nd by LaDon Durham. Vote 5:0.
2. Approved to renew appointments for Chad Chapman and LaDon Durham to the Airport Authority Board, by motion of Jeffery Haynes, 2nd by LaDon Durham. Vote 5:0.
3. Approved to table the appointing / renewals of the Hospital authority Board until January 2025, by motion of Jeffery Haynes, 2nd by LaDon Durham. Vote 5:0.
4. Approved the reappointment of Freddie Speight as the Non- public appointee for the SWGRC Council, by motion of Taylor Bridges, 2nd by Jeffery Haynes. Vote 5:0.
5. Approved the reappointment of Stephanie Chandler and Wallace O'Neal to the Golden Triangle RC & D Council, by motion of Jeffery Haynes, 2nd by Taylor Bridges. Vote 5:0.
6. Approved the RLF Requests of Bobcat Sanitation and Blakely Barns for 150,000.00, by motion of Charlie Sol, 2nd by Taylor Bridges. Vote 5:0.
7. Approve Alcohol License for Riverside Travel/ County Line Packaging, by motion of LaDon Durham, 2nd by Taylor Bridges. Vote 5:0.

Adjourned at 6:20 p.m., by motion of Jeffery Haynes, 2nd by Taylor Bridges. Vote 5:0.

Clarence H. Jester, Chairman

Lakieta Warren, County Clerk