

Called Meeting  
October 5, 2023

The Macon County Board held a Called meeting on Thursday, October 5, 2023, at 6:00 P.M. with Commission Chairman Oliver, Vice-Chairman Melvin, Commissioner Felton, Commissioner George, Commissioner Haugabook, County Attorney Coogle, County Manager Lewis and Deputy County Manager Starling in attendance.

Chairman Oliver called the meeting to order and asked for a motion to approve the Resolution to move into executive session for personnel matters. Commissioner Felton made the motion to approve the Resolution, seconded by Commissioner George and carried unanimously.

Chairman Oliver asked County Manager Lewis to be excused from the meeting.

Chairman Oliver reconvened the called meeting at 6:57 p.m. and stated the Board had just had a discussion in executive session and reached a consensus. He then asked for a motion.

Commissioner George made the motion to terminate County Manager Kelvin Lewis, seconded by Commissioner Haugabook and carried unanimously. Chairman Oliver stated what this is about is a felony. Mr. Lewis has installed about \$8,000 worth of county equipment on his personal pickup (lights, camera, toolbox, ranch hand) and this has just broken the crust of what has been brought to my attention within the last 24 hours. I did not go looking for this, it was brought to my attention. This matter has been turned over to the District Attorney and GBI. It is with much regret because I have stood behind you. You must turn in all items that belong to the county (keys, cell phone, laptop, backpack, mobile hotspot, credit card, etc.) You are not to go back into your office. Whatever personal effects will be given to you by the GBI. The Sheriff will escort you to your truck and I want all these items before you leave here.

Vice-Chairman Melvin stated when you came here you told us all what you were going to do, and we trusted you to carry it out. It is very hard to go through this process when we hired you to look after the county business and point us in the right direction. I can't believe this happened. We had a plan in place to take this county in a different direction and this is not the direction we were looking for.

Commissioner George asked how we need to address the public about this matter. County Attorney Coogle stated the standard reply is "NO COMMENT" the Chairman should be the spokesperson.

Commissioner Haugabook made the motion to adjourn, seconded by Commissioners George and carried unanimously.



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Carl Oliver, Chairman