

LOWNDES COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
MINUTES
REGULAR SESSION
Tuesday, December 9, 2025

COMMISSIONERS PRESENT:

Chairman Bill Slaughter
Vice Chairman Scott Orenstein
Commissioner Joyce Evans
Commissioner Mark Wisenbaker
Commissioner Demarcus Marshall
Commissioner Michael Smith

Chairman Slaughter called the meeting to order at 5:30 p.m.

INVOCATION

Commissioner Demarcus Marshall

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE TO THE FLAG

Commissioner Demarcus Marshall

PRESENTATIONS

GFOA Distinguished Budget Presentation Award

Finance Director, Stephanie Black, presented the item. Ms. Black stated that Lowndes County has received the Government Finance Officers Association (GFOA), of the United States and Canada, Distinguished Budget Presentation Award for this fiscal year 2026 budget. There are over 1,700 participants in the award program throughout the United States and Canada and Lowndes County has received this award for twenty consecutive years. Chairman Slaughter congratulated Ms. Black and her staff for their consistency and continued excellence in financial reporting.

Georgia Firefighters Burn Foundation Check Presentation (Work Session)

Chairman Slaughter stated that the check presentation to the Georgia Firefighters Burn Foundation was made during the work session. Chairman Slaughter thanked the fire department for raising \$3,350.00 through the golf tournament.

Historic Preservation Award Presentation by Daughters of the American Revolution (Regular Session) The Daughters of the American Revolution presented the Lowndes County Board of Commissioners with an award recognizing the historic preservation of the Lowndes County Historic Courthouse. The Daughters of the American Revolution focus on three main objectives: Patriotism, Education and Historic Preservation. The organization stated it was an honor to present the Commission with an award in recognition of the work completed on the historic courthouse, particularly noting the attention to detail in the woodwork and furnishings. Chairman Slaughter thanked the Daughters of the American Revolution for the award and stated that the community supported the SPLOST campaign that provided the funding necessary to preserve and renovate the historic courthouse.