



Monthly Membership Meeting Minutes

March 2026

Date:	March 16, 2026
Presiding:	Frank Robinson (VP, filling in for President Don Carter)
Secretary:	Absent (minutes from prior meeting accessed separately)
Assistant Secretary:	Bria Brown (newly affirmed, per bylaws requirement)
Treasurer:	James Gordon
Guest Speaker:	Vice Chair Khadija Abdul Rahman, Fulton County Commission, District 6

I. CALL TO ORDER

The March monthly meeting of the Audubon Forest Neighborhood Association was called to order by Frank Robinson, serving as Temporary Speaker in the absence of President Don Carter. The absence of the Secretary was noted, and it was confirmed that minutes from the prior meeting would be accessed separately.

II. APPOINTMENT OF ASSISTANT SECRETARY

Miss Bria Brown was introduced and affirmed by the membership as Assistant Secretary, fulfilling the requirement set forth in the AFNA bylaws. Her appointment was acknowledged by those in attendance.

III. GUEST SPEAKER – VICE CHAIR KHADIJA ABDUL RAHMAN, FULTON COUNTY COMMISSION, DISTRICT 6

Vice Chair Khadija Abdul Rahman was welcomed and introduced to the membership. Her connection to the community and her relationship with her mentor, Emma Darnell, were acknowledged. Vice Chair Abdul Rahman expressed her commitment to constituent advocacy and her accessibility on matters of taxation and community concerns.

A. Sixth District: Geographical Boundaries and Historical Context

Vice Chair Abdul Rahman provided an overview of the Sixth District, including background on the boundary changes that occurred in January and February as part of the post-census redistricting process. The following points were discussed:

- District boundaries were redrawn following population imbalances identified in the most recent census, consistent with the constitutional principle of equal voter distribution ("one man, one vote").
- The Sixth District currently encompasses portions of South Fulton, East Point, and Atlanta, including areas around Martin Luther King, the Atlanta University Center, and Howard Street.

- The redrawing of boundaries has implications for presidential and gubernatorial elections, as well as local political representation.

B. Healthcare: New Emergency Care Center in Union City

Vice Chair Abdul Rahman informed residents of a new emergency care center opening in Union City. Key details included:

- The center will offer urgent care and specialized medical services, filling a gap in accessible healthcare for the area.
- Affordable healthcare services were emphasized as a priority for the facility.
- A timeline for the center's opening was discussed, with the Vice Chair noting the importance of this resource relative to existing urgent care options in the region.

C. Social Determinants of Health and Housing Affordability

A holistic approach to community health was discussed, recognizing the role of social determinants such as housing stability, living conditions, and access to resources. The following was noted:

- Legislative efforts are underway to address housing affordability and strengthen community stability.
- Initiatives targeting affordable housing and community safety were highlighted as critical to improving overall health outcomes for residents.

D. Animal Control and Public Safety

Concerns were raised regarding wild animal attacks in the area. The following was discussed:

- Recent incidents involving dangerous dogs prompted discussion on the need for stricter enforcement and stronger penalties.
- The role of Fulton County Police in handling animal control matters was clarified for residents.
- Attendees were encouraged to report incidents and advocate for improved enforcement measures.

E. Data Centers and Municipal Oversight

Vice Chair Abdul Rahman addressed the growing presence of data centers in Fulton County and related policy concerns:

- County-level oversight of data centers is limited; however, municipalities have the authority to enact ordinances to regulate data center development and protect property owners.
- A bill moving through the state Senate was referenced, though it was noted that the legislation had been significantly weakened due to lobbying from utility interests.
- The Public Service Commission (PSC), composed of six members, is responsible for overseeing utilities, rate approvals, and infrastructure construction. Concerns were raised about the potential for conflicts of interest given the sources of PSC members' campaign contributions.
- Residents were encouraged to review publicly available campaign finance disclosures to better understand the financial influences on PSC decision-making. This information is accessible to all citizens.

F. Voter Rolls and Federal Custody

Vice Chair Abdul Rahman addressed concerns regarding the federal government's involvement with county voter rolls:

- A court mediation process was referenced as having failed to resolve the matter. The county remains in legal proceedings to recover custody of voter roll records.

- It was noted as a legal violation that the federal government has not provided copies of voter rolls to the county, which is the rightful custodian of that information.
- Residents were informed of ongoing legal action to reclaim the voter rolls and ensure proper chain of custody and transparency.

G. Paper Ballots and Election Integrity

The Vice Chair addressed proposals to transition back to paper ballots, expressing the following concerns:

- Paper ballots present significant challenges in maintaining a secure chain of custody and may actually be more susceptible to manipulation than current systems.
- A transition to paper ballots would impose a substantial cost on taxpayers due to the need to overhaul the existing election infrastructure.
- There would likely be delays in reporting election results under a paper ballot system.
- Residents were urged to contact their state representatives and senators to voice opposition to this proposal.

IV. TREASURER'S REPORT

Treasurer James Gordon presented the following financial update. Per standard rules of order, the Treasurer's report was received for informational and audit purposes and was not subject to a vote.

Current Account Balance	\$15,334.09
Note	Balance does not yet reflect the recent Peach State credit card deposit, which was processed after the report was prepared.

Additional financial matters discussed:

- The organization is a 501(c)(3) non-profit. The Treasurer is in communication with the bank regarding requirements to open a new account, which will require three forms: IRS Form 1090, a Secretary of State form, and an occupational tax form.
- Annual dues are due in December.
- Monthly financial records are maintained for audit purposes, consistent with organizational requirements.

V. COMMITTEE REPORTS

A. Website and Newsletter

A brief update was provided on the website and newsletter. A meeting had been held with Stacy, who was unable to attend the monthly meeting due to a prior work commitment. Discussion focused on improving the calendar information on the website and ensuring meeting dates and times remain current and accurate.

B. Membership and Correspondence

A report was made regarding condolence correspondence sent to the family of Lou Hobson, who recently passed away. Responses from the family were received and acknowledged. The membership expressed its appreciation for the family's gratitude and extended continued condolences.

VI. OLD BUSINESS / NEW BUSINESS

No additional items of old or new business were formally introduced at this meeting.

VII. ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, a motion to adjourn was made and seconded. The meeting was officially adjourned.

Respectfully Submitted,



Secretary, Audubon Forest Neighborhood Association

April 20, 2026

Date Approved