

Minutes

Dodge County Board of Commissioners

March 6, 2017

Present: Dan McCranie, Chairman

William T. Howell, Jr., Vice-Chairman and District 1 Commissioner

Terry Niblett, District 2 Commissioner

Brian Watkins, District 3 Commissioner

Karen Cheek, District 4 Commissioner

Also Present: John Harrington, County Attorney

Bobby Peacock, County Manager

Nancy Gail Rogers, County Clerk

The Dodge County Board of Commissioners met in a regular session at 6:00 p.m. on Monday, March 6, 2017, in Suite 101 of the Dodge County Courthouse Annex. Chairman Dan McCranie called the meeting to order and led in the Pledge of Allegiance to the American flag. The devotional and prayer was given by Commissioner Cheek.

Elected Officials/ Department Heads

Raymond Mullis – Eastman City Council Chairperson

Mullis requested three thousand dollars (\$3,000.00) for the county's contribution to the July 4th fireworks. Commissioner Cheek asked the county manager if the contingency fund had available funds for the donation and Peacock replied yes. Commissioner Niblett made a motion to make the donation of \$3,000.00 with Commissioner Cheek making the second. All voted in favor of the motion.

Sharon Cobb Flanagan – Dodge County Farmers Market

Flanagan reported to the board that transportation to the farmers market was to be provided by the Dodge County Transit this Saturday during the Peaches to Beaches event. She announced the Dodge County High School students would be providing food demonstrations at the market and the one year anniversary of the market was being planned for April 8th with live music and other festivities.

Approval of Minutes

A. February 20, 2017 Regular Meeting

Chairman McCranie asked for any additions, corrections or deletions to the minutes of the regular meeting held on February 20, 2017. Commissioner Howell made a motion to approve seconded by Commissioner Niblett. The vote was unanimous to approve.

Old Business

A. Approve Solid Waste Plan

Commissioner Niblett made a motion to approve the Solid Waste Plan tabled from the previous meeting. Commissioner Watkins seconded his motion and all voted in favor of approval.

B. Attorney Update – Rural Fire Department Audit

County Attorney Harrington addressed the question of whether the board could mandate a review of the rural fire departments. He said the board had a direct right to require information to be satisfied for payments from the SPLOST and general funds accounts. The county manager said that we already require invoices be turned in for disbursements from SPLOST funds. The chairman asked the county manager to talk to the head of the rural fire departments concerning general funds the county disburses to the rural fire department association.

New Business

A. Approval of A/P

Chairman McCranie asked if there were any questions concerning the Accounts Payable checklist presented to the board in printed form for review. Commissioner Howell made a motion to approve and Commissioner Niblett seconded the motion. All voted in favor of approval.

Commissioner Reports

There were no reports from the board.

County Manager Report

The county manager had nothing to report and there were no questions for him.

Public Comments

Sharon Cobb Flanagan told the board that she had looked at the Solid Waste Plan and would notify Bobby Peacock if there were any updates from her committee.

Raymond Mullis said the yellow flags up on Oak Street and Griffin Street was in preparation of paving to be done by the state.

Adjourn

With no further business to come before the board, Commissioner Watkins made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Commissioner Howell seconded the motion and the motion passed.