

Minutes

Dodge County Board of Commissioners

March 20, 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

Also Present: John Harrington, County Attorney
Bobby Peacock, County Manager
Nancy Gail Rogers, County Clerk

Absent: Karen Cheek, District 4 Commissioner

The Dodge County Board of Commissioners met in a regular session at 6:00 p.m. on Monday, March 20, 2017, in Suite 101 of the Dodge County Courthouse Annex. Chairman Dan McCranie called the meeting to order and noted that Commissioner Karen Cheek was absent because her husband was in the hospital and asked that those present keep them in their prayers. After the pledge of allegiance to the American flag, Commissioner Watkins prayed.

Elected Officials/ Department Heads

A. Dianne Millwood – E-911 Director

Millwood told the board members that the server went bad last week and was not repairable due to parts no being available. She said they were operating with the A side but no B providing them a backup system. She said she had an arrangement with Laurens County to take calls for them if the A side went out and the calls would be relayed to them via phone. She presented a bid for replacing the Baker Audio system and the Ez911 CAD/ Mapping at a total cost of \$130,692.30. She said there could be a variance in the cost since one of the bids was received in 2016 but she did not expect it to be over one thousand dollars (\$1,000.00). She said that fifty percent (50%) would be due to each company at signing with the remaining fifty percent (50%) due after installation and both systems were working. After discussion and questions from the board Commissioner Howell made a motion to move forward with the purchase and installation of the new equipment. Commissioner Watkins seconded the motion and Howell, Niblett and Watkins all voted in favor of the purchase.

B. Sharon Cobb Flanagan – Dodge County Farmers Market

Flanagan introduced Dodge County Farmers Market Manager Patty Martin to the commission. She said there were one hundred fifty-five (155) visitors and twelve (12) vendors for the recent Peaches to Beaches event held at the market. She also reported that the recent cooking demos by

DCHS students of kale and collards were well received and that the matching EBT dollars was in place. She extended an invitation for the one year anniversary to be held on April 8th.

Approval of Minutes

A. March 6, 2017 Regular Meeting

Chairman McCranie asked for any additions, corrections, or deletions to the minutes of the March 6, 2017 regular meeting available to the board in printed copies. Commissioner Watkins made the motion to approve and Commissioner Niblett made the second. All voted in favor of approval.

Old Business

There was no old business.

New Business

A. Approval of Accounts Payable

The county manager said that due to computer problems there was no accounts payable to be approved.

B. Kingsley Horton

Mr. Horton told the board that he had lived in Dodge County for ten (10) years and was semi-retired. He said the he was unable to sell property purchased in a tax sale because the paper work was not right. The county attorney responded by saying that a recent meeting had been held at his office with the GTS company representative and county officials and employees involved in the tax sales. He said the process had been flawed and everyone involved was trying to address the problems in order to resolve issues with the sales.

Commissioner Reports

Commissioner Niblett stated he attended the opening day at the Dodge County Recreation Department and it was good to see the “No Alcohol” signs.

County Manager Report

The county manager told the board that the carpet in the annex building was worn and wrinkled and needed replacing. He offered two bids for consideration:

- David Connell/ Dalton Carpet \$21,711.98
- The Flooring Gallery \$23,906.30

Commissioner Niblett made a motion to accept the low bid and Commissioner Howell made the second. Commissioner Watkins asked if the bids were for the entire building and Peacock replied yes. All voted in favor of the motion.

Public Comments

Sharon Cobb Flanagan said that the volunteer committee will meet on Thursday at 9:30 a.m. at the Chamber of Commerce to hear suggestions for consideration on the litter and trash in the area.

Adjourn

Commissioner Watkins made a motion to adjourn seconded by Commissioner Niblett and motion passed unanimously.