

Minutes

Dodge County Board of Commissioners

April 21, 2014

Present: Dan McCranie, Chairman
William T. Howell, Jr., Vice-Chairman, Commissioner District 1
Terry Niblett, Commissioner District 2
Brian Watkins, Commissioner District 3
Karen Cheek, Commissioner District 4

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, April 21, 2014, 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. Commissioner Cheek gave the devotional and prayer.

Elected Officials/ Department Heads

None noted as present.

Approval of Minutes

A. April 7, 2014

Chairman McCranie called for any additions, corrections, or deletions to the minutes of the April 7, 2014 meeting presented to the board in printed form. Commissioner Howell made a motion to approve the minutes as presented seconded by Commissioner Niblett. The vote was unanimous to approve the minutes.

Old Business

There was no Old Business brought before the board.

New Business

A. Approval of Accounts Payable

Commissioner Cheek asked about check number 14755 to Office Depot and check number 14756 to Quill for Magistrate chairs and various office supplies. She asked if there was any central purchasing for office supplies or state contracts. The county manager replied no and that each department ordered their own supplies and office furniture and equipment. Commissioner Howell made a motion to approve the Accounts Payable list seconded by Commissioner Niblett.

All voted in favor of approving the list.

B. Mental Health Contract

County Manager Peacock presented the annual mental health contract for the board's approval. Commissioner Howell made a motion to approve the contract seconded by Commissioner Watkins. Commissioner Cheek asked if the contract was for a building, services or what. The county manager replied it was our portion of expense for services. All voted in favor of the motion.

C. WIA Appointments

Chairman McCranie read a letter from the Heart of Georgia Area Regional Commission asking for appointments to the Workforce Investment Act board. The letter stated the current appointees are Bobby Peacock and Mike Pruett and both attend regularly scheduled meetings. Commissioner Cheek asked if they wished to serve again and Peacock replied yes and that he had been unable to contact Pruett. Commissioner Niblett stated the appointments were for a two year term. Commissioner Howell made a motion to reappoint Bobby Peacock and Mike Pruett to the Workforce Investment Act board of the HOGARC. Commissioner Watkins seconded the motion. The vote was unanimous to reappoint Peacock and Pruett.

Commissioner Reports

Chairman McCranie reminded the board and those attending of the Second Annual Bible Reading Marathon to begin Friday, April 26th at the Dodge County Courthouse.

County Manager Report

The county manager said he had nothing to report. Commissioner Cheek asked if any work had been done on the Fair Haven Church Road. Peacock replied he had checked it today and it was still too wet from the recent rains for any work to be done. He stated there was over five hundred miles of dirt roads in Dodge County to be maintained and recent rains had delayed work on them. Commissioner Cheek asked about the schedule for maintenance work for the north and south of the county. Peacock replied that Road Superintendent Pittman would start at one end of the county and work throughout the county.

Commissioner Cheek asked if they were receiving the Sheriff Department invoices in a timely manner now to which Peacock replied there had been some improvement. She then asked the reason for the delay in submitting invoices and Peacock said that would be a question to ask them.

Chairman McCranie asked the county attorney if he had anything to report and he stated there had been no change in the one matter pending since his last report.

Public Comments

Manuel Edwards stated he lives off the Chester Highway and road conditions were bad on the Paul Milner Road and Troy Road.

Kenneth Williamson asked if the board members were aware of a woman who was potentially homeless and had been seen around town particularly at McDonald's. Commissioner Cheek said she was aware of the situation and her name was Loretta Durham. She said she has mental health issues and will not agree to anything being offered from local agencies trying to help. She said her family will not help either.

Mitchell Coffee stated he had heard the lady was picked up today and put in a home.

James Bryan told the board that he lived on Troy Road and he rode a motorcycle and it was hard to get in and out. Commissioner Cheek asked what the road needed – gravel or dirt? His response was that gravel would help.

B. C. Deal of Troy Road submitted a petition to the board with pictures of the road. The county manager asked how many people lived on the road and he replied approximately fifty.

Discussion continued from several unnamed citizens about the road conditions previously discussed and the need for paving.

Adjourn

Commissioner Niblett made a motion to adjourn the meeting seconded by Commissioner Cheek. The vote was unanimous to adjourn.