

Minutes

Dodge County Board of Commissioners

June 16, 2014

Present: Dan McCranie, Chairman
William T. Howell, Jr., Vice-Chairman, 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, June 16, 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 Karen Cheek gave the devotional and Commissioner Brian Watkins gave the prayer.

Elected Officials/ Department Heads

Sheriff Lynn Sheffield told the board members that Telfair County had been paying to house their inmates but they had pulled their inmates. He said the total income received for housing prisoners was \$6500 with a month or so not billed. He said the bills were not sent in a timely manner. He said he had a verbal agreement with Wilcox County to start housing their prisoners in August at \$35 per day. He said the payments from Telfair County were deposited into the Sheriff's account and turned into the Commissioner's office with their monthly report. He answered questions from Commissioners Cheek, Niblett and Watkins about employee turnover and overtime as well as the inmate medical contract and services.

Chairman McCranie informed the board that Judy Madden had resigned her position with the Chamber of Commerce. He said a search committee was to be formed with two members from the Chamber of Commerce, two members from the Development Authority, one from the City of Eastman, and one from the Board of Commissioners. He asked the board members to consider serving on the search committee.

Approval of Minutes

Chairman McCranie called for any additions, deletions, or corrections to the minutes presented in printed form to the board. Commissioner Howell made a motion to approve the minutes as presented. Commissioner Niblett seconded the motion. All voted in favor of the motion.

Old Business

There was no old business brought before the board.

New Business

A. Approval of Accounts Payable

Commissioner Howell made a motion to approve the Accounts Payable check list presented in printed form to the board. Commissioner Watkins seconded the motion. All voted in favor of approval.

B. Medical Insurance

Commissioner Cheek reported for the committee on employee health insurance. She told the board that she along with Commissioner Howell and County Manager Peacock met with insurance representatives from ACCG, Aetna, Humana, and United Healthcare. The current plan carried by the county is a POS plan with Blue Cross Blue Shield. She said the present plan cost is \$547.32 for employee only coverage with a 4.15% increase for the coming year for a cost of \$559.18 for employee only coverage. She said the committee agreed that the current plan was the best coverage of the plans presented to the committee. She made a motion to renew the present plan for the coming year beginning July 1, 2014 with the same carrier. Commissioner Niblett seconded the motion and the vote was unanimous to approve the motion.

C. Long Range Planning Committee – National Guard Armory Building

Chairman McCranie asked for volunteers to serve on a Long Range Planning Committee for the newly acquired National Guard Armory building. Commissioners Cheek and Howell volunteered for the new committee. Commissioner Niblett made a motion that Commissioners Cheek and Howell be appointed to the Long Range Planning Committee for the National Guard Armory building. Commissioner Watkins seconded the motion. All voted in favor of the motion.

Commissioner Reports

There were no reports from the Board of Commissioners.

County Manager Report

The county manager presented a request to change the road name of No Return Road to Bethel Village Road. He said the request came from the only resident on the road. He said he had checked with E-911 and the change would affect only one house. The county attorney asked if there was another road named the same as the proposed change and the reply was no. A motion was made by Commissioner Watkins to make the proposed name change of No Return Road to Bethel Village Road. Commissioner Howell seconded the motion. The vote was unanimous to make the name change.

The county manager also asked for approval to advertise the sale of a surplus county vehicle, a 2002 Ford Crown Vic previously used by the Coroner. Commissioner Howell made a motion to advertise to accept bids with a right to refuse any or all bids. Commissioner Niblett seconded the motion and the vote was unanimous to approve.

Public Comments

There were no comments.

Adjourn

Commissioner Howell made a motion to adjourn the meeting seconded by Commissioner Niblett. All voted in favor of adjournment.