

Minutes

Dodge County Board of Commissioners

Called Meeting

June 30, 2017

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

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

The Dodge County Board of Commissioners met in a called meeting at the Chamber of Commerce at 12 noon on Friday, June 30, 2017. The lunch meeting was held in conjunction with the Dodge County Eastman Development Authority with members Butch Kirkley, John Jessup, Dennis Giddens, Charles Williams and Spence Barron also present. Chairman McCranie called the meeting to order and Commissioner Watkins gave the prayer.

After hearing a proposal from the Development Authority for property acquisition, discussion followed from both boards on the best way to finance the acquisition.

Commissioner Niblett made a motion to approve the request of two hundred thousand dollars (\$200,000.00) from SPLOST funds to the Development Authority. Commissioner Watkins made the second. Chairman McCranie called for discussion on the motion and Commissioner Howell said he was not voting for the request because the board had been told those SPLOST funds would be needed for matching grant funds for other development projects and he thought the best approach to the property acquisition was local bank financing through the Development Authority allowing the SPLOST funds to be ready for the other projects. The vote was taken with Niblett, Watkins and McCranie voting yes to the motion and Howell voting no. The motion passed and Commissioner Howell stated that he was not against the project but thought it should be funded differently.

Commissioner Watkins made a motion to adjourn the called meeting with Commissioner Niblett making the second. The vote was unanimous to adjourn.