

## **Minutes**

### **Dodge County Board of Commissioners**

**August 17, 2015**

**Present:** Dan McCranie, Chairman  
William T. Howell, 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, August 17, 2015, in Suite 101 of the Dodge County Courthouse Annex. Chairman McCranie called the meeting to order and announced that a special called meeting to set the 2015 millage rate would be held at 1:30 p.m. on Thursday, August 20, 2015. He then led in the Pledge of Allegiance to the American flag. Commissioner Cheek gave the devotional and Commissioner Watkins prayed.

#### **Elected Officials/ Department Heads**

Charles Williams, Interim President of the Eastman Dodge Chamber of Commerce addressed the board members regarding the library project and said that in researching the title of the Mercer Annex Building there were some details to be worked out and he was asking the county just as he had asked the city to fund the library for a period of six (6) months at \$1,250 per month for a total of \$7,500. He said the city had approved the payment contingent on the county doing the same. County Attorney Harrington stated that the title differences were more complicated than originally thought and the intent was to help the library. Commissioner Cheek asked wasn't the payment to the library already approved and the county attorney said that the board had previously approved the sale of the building to the Development Authority but those conditions could not be met at the present . Commissioner Cheek made a motion to fund the library at \$1,250 per month for six (6) months and to replace the prior motion approved for the purchase so as not to double up payments. Commissioner Niblett seconded the motion and all voted in favor of approval.

#### **Approval of Minutes**

A. August 3, 2015 Regular Meeting

Chairman McCranie asked for any additions, corrections, or deletions to the minutes of the regular meeting held on August 3, 2015, and presented to the board in printed form. A motion

was made by Commissioner Niblett to approve seconded by Commissioner Watkins. The vote was unanimous to approve.

### **Old Business**

There was no old business to come before the board.

### **New Business**

#### **A. Approval of Accounts Payable**

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

#### **B. Frank Erwin – Audit Report**

Frank Erwin addressed the board concerning the recently completed audit report. He highlighted certain pages of the report and stated that the county operated in the black for year 2014. He said the departments over budget were the Sheriff, EMS, ODTF, and Road Department. He also commented on the schedule of findings including the segregation of duties and two budgets lacking from the Sheriff Department. He thanked the board for the opportunity to be of service. Following his comments Commissioner Howell made a motion to approve the 2014 audit. Commissioner Niblett seconded the motion and all voted in favor of the motion.

### **Commissioner Reports**

Chairman McCranie reported on a meeting held at the National Guard Armory that featured a meteorologist from Atlanta that was very informative.

### **County Manager Report**

County Manager Peacock reported that Dodge County had received DOT grant money for road signs in the amount of two hundred six thousand dollars (\$206,000) to replace road signs on county roads.

### **Public Comments**

There were no public comments.

### **Adjourn**

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