

Minutes

Dodge County Board of Commissioners

October 17, 2016

Present: Dan McCranie, Chairman
William T. Howell, Vice-Chairman and District 1 Commissioner
Terry Niblett, District 2 Commissioner

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

Absent: Brian Watkins, District 3 Commissioner
Karen Cheek, District 4 Commissioner

The Dodge County Board of Commissioners met in a regular session at 6:00 p.m. on Monday, October 17, 2016 in Suite 101 of the Dodge County Courthouse Annex. Chairman McCranie called the meeting to order and declared a quorum present. He led in the Pledge of Allegiance to the American flag followed by prayer by Commissioner Howell.

Elected Officials/ Department Heads

There were no elected officials or department heads present.

Approval of Minutes

A. October 3, 2016 Regular Meeting

Chairman McCranie asked for any additions, corrections, or deletions to the minutes of the regular meeting held on October 3, 2016. Commissioner Niblett made a motion to approve seconded by Commissioner Howell. All voted in favor of approval of the minutes.

Old Business

There was no old business.

New Business

A. Approval of Accounts Payable

Chairman McCranie asked the board to review the list of Account Payables for any questions or comments. Commissioner Howell made a motion to approve seconded by Commissioner Niblett. The vote was unanimous to approve.

B. Dodge County Joint Comprehensive Plan Resolution

Chairman McCranie asked if there were any questions concerning the Dodge County Joint Comprehensive Plan, a copy of which had been given to each board member at the previous meeting. A motion to approve the plan was made by Commissioner Niblett with the second coming from Commissioner Howell. All voted in favor of the motion and approval of the plan.

Commissioner Reports

There were no reports from the Commissioners.

County Manager Report

County Manager Peacock told the board that he had received a request from Lee Kirkland of the Rural Fire Department to pay \$1,700.00 to overhaul the county tanker truck pump. The county manager said he was not aware of any agreement to maintain the truck. Commissioner Howell said he did not remember an agreement to maintain the truck but made a motion to overhaul the pump. Commissioner Niblett seconded his motion and the vote was affirmative.

The county manager said he had also had a request from the coroner to purchase a cooler to be housed in a separate building behind the National Guard Armory at a cost of six thousand dollars (\$6,000.00). He said the facility currently providing the cooler and storage charges one hundred dollars (\$100.00) per day and he believed purchasing the cooler would save the county money. Commissioner Howell asked if the item could be put on the agenda for the next meeting.

Peacock also informed the board of a request from Plainfield Fire Department for eight thousand dollars (\$8,000.00) to purchase ten (10) sets of turn out gear. He explained the entire purchase would cost more than the amount requested but was what the fire department had available from SPLOST. Commissioner Niblett made a motion to approve the request and Commissioner Howell made the second. The vote to approve was unanimous.

Next Peacock said an employee in the Tax Assessor office had earned her Appraiser certificate and the Board of Assessors had approved a raise for the employee. Commissioner Niblett asked for the pay increase to be on the agenda at the first meeting next month.

Peacock then introduced Mr. Elvis Davis who requested a zoning variance to allow installation of a second septic tank on the property of Roxie Harrell located on Antioch Church Road. The public health code allows for one septic tank per acre but his brother wishes to put a mobile home on the property to help care for his disabled mother. Commissioner Howell said the board needed clarity on the situation and asked that it be addressed at the next meeting.

Public Comments

Charles Williams asked the board to pay the one thousand nine hundred dollars (\$1,900.00) to replace the sign at the Public Safety building. He said he has received several pledges and will continue to raise money for the cost of the sign. Commissioner Howell asked if there were any SPLOST funds available for public buildings and made a motion to pay the expense. The second to his motion was made by Commissioner Niblett and all voted in favor of approval.

County Manager Peacock said it would be three (3) weeks before the board would meet again and asked for a decision on the Davis request for a variance to allow an additional septic tank on a one acre property. County Attorney Harrington said the board could grant a conditional acceptance in accordance with the health codes of the state.

Adjourn

Commissioner Niblett made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Commissioner Howell made the second and the vote was unanimous to adjourn.