

Minutes

Dodge County Board of Commissioners

December 4, 2017

Present: Dan McCranie, Chairman
William T. Howell, Jr., Vice-Chairman & District 1 Commissioner
Terry L. 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, December 4, 2017, in Suite 101 of the Dodge County Courthouse Annex. Chairman McCranie called the meeting to order and led in the Pledge of Allegiance to the American flag followed by a devotional given by Commissioner Cheek. Commissioner Watkins prayed.

Elected Officials/ Department Heads

Chairman McCranie noted the presence of Sharon Cobb Flanagan and Charles Williams but neither addressed the board.

Approval of Minutes

A. November 20, 2017 Regular Meeting

Chairman McCranie asked for any additions, corrections, or deletions to the minutes of the regular meeting held on November 20, 2017. Commissioner Howell made a motion to approve the minutes seconded by Commissioner Niblett. The vote was unanimous to approve.

Old Business

A. Dodge County Farmers Market Board Appointments

Chairman McCranie noted the recommendations for the board and asked the board for any discussion. Commissioner Niblett said the recommendations were to appoint Jessie Bearden and Cindy Greene. He said the only market vendor on the board was Joan Tripp and that he would like to see more vendor representation on the board. He made a motion to appoint Bearden and Greene with Commissioner Howell making the second to his motion. All voted in favor of the motion.

B. Dodge-Bleckley Joint Development Authority Appointments

It was noted that the current appointees to the authority are Gary Yawn, Mack Harrington, Chuck Eckles, and Larry Stevenson. County Attorney Harrington said he had spoken with Yawn and Harrington and both were willing to continue to serve. Commissioner Watkins asked if the attorney knew of any circumstances with the authority that the board needed to know. The attorney said the board needed to be in place and that the current board would serve until a new one was appointed. Watkins also asked if the board served at their pleasure or was there a specific term. Harrington replied that they served at the pleasure of the Board of Commissioners. Charles Williams interjected that the authority needed to be reinstated for two (2) properties and the only requirement was they must meet once a year. He also said that he and Spence Barron could be appointed as alternates in the event someone could not serve. Commissioner Howell made a motion to reappoint Yawn, Harrington, Eckles, and Stevenson. Commissioner Watkins made the second and all voted in the affirmative.

New Business

A. Approval of Accounts Payable

Chairman McCranie asked for a review of the Accounts Payable checklist for any questions or comments. Commissioner Howell made a motion to approve the payments. Commissioners Watkins and Cheek seconded the motion and the motion passed.

B. Dodge County Board of Family & Children Services Appointment

Chairman McCranie asked the board to refer to a letter in their packet concerning the resignation of Jessie Mincey from the Family & Children Services board. County Manager Peacock said that Mincey cannot serve because he is an elected official. He said the term was for five (5) years and would expire in 2022. Commissioner Niblett made a motion to appoint Margo Watson as was recommended in the letter. The second to his motion was made by Commissioner Cheek and the vote was unanimous to appoint Watson.

C. Recreation Board Appointment

County Manager Peacock said he had received a letter from Travis Niblett that board member Wynnon Pittman's term would expire on December 31, 2017 and that Pittman was eligible for reappointment. Commissioner Howell made a motion to reappoint Pittman for the term beginning January 1, 2018. Commissioner Watkins made the second with Howell, Watkins and Cheek voting in favor of Pittman and Commissioner Niblett abstaining from the vote.

Commissioner Reports

Chairman McCranie said there had been a request to change the Christmas holiday schedule from Friday, December 22nd and Monday, December 25th to Monday, December 25th and Tuesday, December 26th. Commissioner Niblett asked if the courthouse offices would close at noon on Friday and Peacock replied they were not supposed to close. Commissioner Niblett

made a motion to approve the change. Commissioner Watkins made the second and the motion passed.

County Manager Report

The county manager did not have anything to report and there were no questions for him.

Public Comments

There were no public comments.

Adjourn

With no further business to be addressed, Commissioner Howell made a motion to adjourn. Commissioner Niblett made the second and all voted to adjourn the meeting.