

Minutes

Dodge County Board of Commissioners

February 4, 2019

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

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

Absent: Karen Cheek, District 4 Commissioner

The Dodge County Board of Commissioners met in a regular session at 6:00 p.m. on Monday, February 4, 2019, in Suite 101 of the Dodge County Courthouse Annex. Chairman McCranie asked for the agenda to be amended to allow for the scheduled executive session to be moved to the beginning of the meeting. Commissioner Howell made a motion to amend the agenda and move into executive session. Commissioner Niblett made the second and all voted in favor of the change. The chairman and board members, county attorney, county manager and county clerk left for the executive session in the county manager's office.

At the conclusion of the executive session, Commissioner Howell made a motion to end the session and return to the regular meeting. Commissioner Niblett made the second and the motion passed. The chairman led in the pledge of allegiance to the American flag and Commissioner Watkins prayed.

Elected Officials/ Department Heads

Sharon Cobb Flanagan announced that Slayton Carter of Austin Scott's office would attend the Eggs & Issues breakfast on Wednesday morning at 7:30 a.m. The event was being hosted at the Eastman First United Methodist Church to support the local farming community.

Charles Williams of the Dodge County Eastman Development Authority told the board that two hundred forty (240) attended the Chamber banquet held recently. He also said an appreciation breakfast was held for local first responders this morning at the Chamber of Commerce with very good attendance. Commissioner Watkins commended those who sponsored the event saying he thought it was a good idea.

Approval of Minutes

A. January 22, 2019 Regular Meeting

Chairman McCranie asked for any additions, corrections, or deletions to the minutes of the regular meeting held on January 22, 2019 and prepared for the board in printed form. The motion to approve the minutes was made by Commissioner Niblett and seconded by Commissioner Watkins. All voted in favor of approval.

Old Business

A. Aging Advisory Committee Appointment

Chairman McCranie asked if there were any nominations for the appointment to the Aging Advisory Committee. Commissioner Watkins said no one had expressed interest in serving and asked that the matter be tabled until the next meeting. Commissioner Niblett made the second and the motion passed.

New Business

A. Approval of Accounts Payable

Chairman McCranie asked the board's pleasure concerning the approval of payments for the Account Payables. Commissioner Howell made a motion to approve the payments with the second by Commissioner Niblett. The vote was unanimous to approve the payments.

Commissioner Reports

Chairman McCranie reminded the board that a reception honoring Kevin Bierschenk will be held at Dodge County Hospital on Thursday, February 7th from 4:00 to 6:00 p.m. and to use the Same Day Surgery entrance.

County Manager Report

County Manager Barron told the board that the Dodge-Wilcox 911 is one of the most important and best value departments in the county government. He reported during January they received 4,644 calls for service and routed 738 to the Sheriff's Office, 978 to the Eastman Police Department, 137 to the Eastman Fire Department, 1,047 to Wilcox County Law Enforcement and 37 to the Wilcox Fire Departments. He also said there were some electrical problems as well as HVAC problems at the courthouse and no court was scheduled for now. There were no questions for the county manager.

Public Comments

Sharon Cobb Flanagan commented on the condition of Golf Course Road in Dodge County.

Susan Coffee commented on the facilities at the local airport. Commissioner Niblett, also a member of the Airport Authority, said he would relay her comments to the authority and added that the thermostats at the airport are controlled by the university.

Adjourn

With no further business to be addressed, Commissioner Howell made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Commissioners Niblett and Watkins seconded his motion and the vote was unanimous to adjourn.