

Minutes

Dodge County Board of Commissioners

February 5, 2018

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, February 5, 2018, 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 the devotional and prayer by Commissioner Cheek.

Elected Officials/ Department Heads

Probate Judge Al McCranie addressed the board in his capacity as Election Superintendent to submit a proposal from Kim Bailey, owner of Maloy's Country Store, concerning repairs to the voting precinct adjacent to his business. McCranie passed out copies of a materials estimate from Wholesale Builders with Bailey offering to furnish the labor for the repairs if the county would purchase the materials. McCranie also informed the board that there were no plans to consolidate any of the precincts at this time and this particular precinct was in bad need of the repairs. The county attorney addressed the need for a new lease agreement on the precinct property. Commissioner Watkins said there was trash dumpsters also on the property and the property owner had also submitted estimates for improvements including gravel and fencing of that area. It was agreed that the voting precinct and the dumpster site should be addressed as separate issues. Commissioner Watkins made a motion to provide materials for improvements to the precinct building provisional on a proper lease to use the property as a voting precinct for as long as the county has need of it. Commissioner Niblett made the second and all voted in favor of approval. Commissioner Niblett made a motion to table the dumpster area improvements until further review with Commissioner Cheek making the second. All voted in the affirmative and the motion passed.

Charles Williams of the Development Authority informed the board that a temporary Certificate of Occupancy had been issued by the state for the new Child Support Services office with a

permanent Certificate of Occupancy to follow soon. He said a ceremony was being planned for mid May with state officials attending.

Approval of Minutes

A. January 16, 2018 Regular Meeting

Chairman McCranie asked if there were any additions, deletions, or corrections to the minutes of the regular meeting held on January 16, 2018. Commissioner Niblett made a motion to approve the minutes and Commissioner Watkins made the second. All voted to approve.

Old Business

There was no old business.

New Business

A. Approval of Accounts Payable

Chairman McCranie asked the board to review the list of Accounts Payable payments for questions or comments. Commissioner Niblett made a motion to approve the payments with Commissioner Watkins making the second. The vote was taken and the motion passed.

B. Lydia Daniels – Annual Bible Reading Marathon

Commissioner Cheek presented information from Mrs. Daniels concerning the sixth annual Bible Reading Marathon scheduled to begin on Friday, April 27th at 6:00 p.m. and continue through Wednesday, May 2nd. The theme for this year's event will be "Honor God's Word."

Commissioner Cheek made a motion to allow the use of the courthouse grounds for the annual event. Commissioner Niblett made the second and the motion passed by unanimous vote.

C. Bids for Operating Line of Credit

Chairman McCranie opened the bids received by local banks for the 2018 Operating Line of Credit. The following bids were received for the two million dollar line of credit:

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| 1. Bank of Eastman | Rate 3.52% |
| 2. Citizens Bank | Rate 3.80% |
| 3. Colony Bank | Rate 3.69% |

Commissioner Niblett made a motion to accept the bid from the Bank of Eastman with the low bid rate of 3.52%. Commissioner Howell made the second and all voted yes.

Commissioner Reports

Commissioner Cheek requested that a pilot program at Mitchell Fire Department with camera installation be implemented to monitor the dumpster site. She made a motion to budget three thousand dollars (\$3,000.00) to improve the trash site and move forward with the project.

Commissioner Watkins made the second and the motion passed.

County Manager Report

The county manager had nothing to report and there were no questions or comments for him.

Public Comments

Cindy Eckles of the Tax Assessor board presented requests from her board for improvements to the internet service in their department and salary increases for employees.

Adjourn

Commissioner Howell made a motion to adjourn the meeting with Commissioner Cheek making the second. All voted in favor of adjournment.