Minutes

Dodge County Board of Commissioners

May 15, 2017

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

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

Absent: Karen Cheek, District 4 Commissioner
John Harrington, County Attorney

The Dodge County Board of Commissioners met in a regular session at 6:00 p.m. on Monday, May 15, 2017, in Suite 101 of the Dodge County Courthouse Annex. Chairman Dan McCranie called the meeting to order and led in the Pledge of Allegiance to the American flag. The prayer was given by Commissioner Howell.

Elected Officials/ Department Heads
Sharon Cobb Flanagan reported that the Dodge County Farmers Market had twelve (12) vendors participating the previous Saturday with 176 customers. The prior week there were thirteen (13) vendors with 222 customers. Commissioner Watkins asked if she kept up with the sales of the vendors and she replied no only with the EBT and matching.

Charles Williams of the Dodge County Eastman Development Authority invited the board members to the ground breaking for the new Child Support Services building next Thursday, May 25th at 10:00 a.m.

Approval of Minutes
A. May 1, 2017 Regular Meeting
Chairman McCranie asked for any additions, corrections, or deletions to the minutes of the regular meeting held on May 1, 2017. Commissioner Howell made a motion to approve the minutes seconded by Commissioner Niblett. All voted in favor of approval.
**Old Business**

A. EMS Advisory Council – 2\textsuperscript{nd} Appointment

Commissioner Niblett made a motion to table the appointment until the next meeting to seek an interested person to serve. Commissioners Watkins and Howell seconded the motion and the vote was unanimous to table.

B. Bible Reading Marathon Proclamation

Commissioner Niblett made a motion to approve the proclamation with Commissioner Howell making the second. All voted in favor of the motion and signed the proclamation.

**New Business**

A. Approval of Accounts Payable

The chairman asked the board members to take a minute and look over the checklist for questions or comments. Commissioner Niblett made a motion to approve the payments with Commissioner Watkins making the second. The vote was unanimous to approve.

B. LMIG Bid

County Manager Bobby Peacock said that only one (1) bid was received from six (6) potential contractors to pave eleven point seven (11.7) miles in Dodge County with LMIG funds. The amount of the bid was $1,019,048.64 with the LMIG funds being $780,000.00 leaving a balance of $239,048.64. Commissioner Watkins asked how much the cost per mile was for paving and the county manager replied eighty-eight thousand dollars ($88,000.00). The county manager went on to explain there was a flood of money for road improvements and no new contractors and that was the reason for the shortage of bids. Commissioner Howell asked if there were options to scale back and the county manager said that he had looked at the approved roads and taking Warren Way off would save fifty thousand dollars ($50,000.00) but that would not be enough for the shortage and taking off any other roads would be too much causing the county to lose grant funds. County Manager Peacock confirmed that the balance for the county’s portion was available from the 2013 SPLOST and T-SPLOST funds. Commissioner Watkins made a motion to pave all the roads and Commissioner Niblett seconded the motion. The motion passed by unanimous vote.

**Commissioner Reports**

There were no reports from the board.

**County Manager Report**

County Manager Peacock reported that Peterbilt at Jackson had completed repairs on the trash truck and it was picked up today. He also told the board that the county attorney has asked that the board nominate Dodge County Hospital board members. Commissioner Niblett made a
motion to table the nominations until the next meeting and that it be included on the agenda then. The second was made by Commissioner Watkins and all voted in the affirmative.

**Public Comments**
Charles Williams reminded the board about the ground breaking next Thursday, May 25th.

Barbara Francis of 160 Liberty Street told the board the street was unlevel with a bad bump and needs paving.

**Adjourn**
With no other business to be addressed, Commissioner Howell made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Commissioner Watkins made the second and all voted to adjourn.