

Minutes

Dodge County Board of Commissioners

May 21, 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, May 21, 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. Commissioner Cheek gave the devotional and prayed.

Elected Officials/ Department Heads

A. Raymond Mullis – City of Eastman

Mullis told the board he was making a request as a citizen of Eastman for a donation to help with the annual fireworks. Commissioner Howell asked what the previous year donation was and the answer was three thousand dollars (\$3,000.00). Commissioner Niblett made a motion to make the same donation for the fireworks. Commissioner Howell made the second and all voted in favor of the motion.

B. Charles Williams – Dodge County Eastman Development Authority

Williams thanked the board for their attendance at the CSS grand opening. He said the authority was using the monies supplied by the county to refurbish the DFACS building and the FSA building. He praised the DCHS HUNCH program and their achievements in competitions on the national level.

Approval of Minutes

A. May 7, 2018 Regular Meeting

Chairman McCranie asked for any additions, corrections, or deletions to the minutes of the regular meeting held on May 7, 2018. Commissioner Niblett made a motion to approve the minutes with Commissioner Howell making the second. All voted in favor of the motion.

B. May 14, 2018 Called Meeting

Chairman McCranie also asked for corrections or deletions to the minutes of the called meeting held on May 14, 2018. Commissioner Howell made a motion to approve the minutes and the second was made by Commissioners Niblett and Cheek. The vote was taken and the minutes approved.

Old Business

A. DFACS Board Appointment

Chairman McCranie asked if there were any nominations for the vacancy on the local board for the Department of Family and Children Services. Commissioner Niblett said he had spoken with Mike McClinton and he was both interested and willing to serve and he would like to nominate him. Commissioner Cheek seconded the nomination. Commissioner Watkins made a motion to close the nominations seconded by Commissioner Howell. All voted in the affirmative and McClinton was appointed by acclamation.

New Business

A. Approval of Accounts Payable

Chairman McCranie asked if there were any questions concerning the listing of Account Payables for approval. Commissioner Howell made a motion to approve the payments with Commissioners Watkins and Niblett making the second. Vote was taken and the motion passed.

B. Approval of Striping Contract

County Manager Peacock referred to a list of roads for a grant submitted to GDOT in the amount of ninety-five thousand dollars (\$95,000.00) to restripe roads. He said the cost to restripe the roads would be one hundred three thousand dollars (\$103,000.00) and the grant required a local match of ten percent (10%). Commissioner Cheek asked if the county match could be paid from TSPLOST funds and the reply was yes. Commissioner Howell made a motion to approve with the second by Commissioner Watkins. All voted to approve the contract.

Commissioner Reports

Commissioner Cheek reported that the entire board had met with Mike Pearson of Pearson and Company on May 14th to consider options for employee healthcare renewals. She said the same plan that employees currently have would have an increase of eighteen point nine three percent (18.93%) or two hundred thousand dollars (\$200,000.00) annually. She said a committee of Commissioners Howell and Cheek along with County Manager Peacock was appointed at that meeting to review the proposals. She said the primary difference in the present plan and the recommended plan was an increase in deductible of one thousand dollars from the present one thousand five hundred (\$1,500) to two thousand five hundred (\$2,500) with a net increase in cost of eight percent (8%). Cheek then made a motion to approve Blue Cross Blue Shield plan GAP52K20KE for employee healthcare insurance and the keep in place the refund of five

hundred dollars (\$500) for employees who meet the deductible. Commissioner Howell made the second and all voted yes.

County Manager Report

Peacock said he had nothing to report and there were no questions.

Public Comments

There were no public comments.

Adjourn

Commissioner Howell made a motion to adjourn, Commissioner Niblett seconded his motion and all voted in favor of adjournment.