

**Board Meeting Minutes
Dodge County Board of Commissioners
Monday, April 18, 2022**



Commissioners Present:

Dan McCranie, Chairman
Sharon Cobb Flanagan, District 1
Terry L. Niblett, Vice-Chairman, District 2
Brian Watkins, District 3
Karen Cheek, District 4

Also Present:

John P. Harrington, County Attorney
Conner Bearden, County Manager
Kimberly Smith-Parkerson, County Clerk

The Dodge County Board of Commissioners held their regular meeting at the Dodge County Pearl Bates Courthouse Annex Monday, April 18, 2022, at 6:00 p.m. with Chairman McCranie presiding. He led the Pledge of Allegiance, and Commissioner Cheek followed with a devotion entitled "Grace and Mercy" from 2 Peter 3:9. Then, she led a prayer.

Elected Officials/Department Head

Michael Johnson – EMS Update

EMS Director Michael Johnson reported receivables of \$79,746.57 for March. Also, paramedic class enrollees totaled 16.

Jamey Wilkinson – Fire Coordinator Update

Fire Coordinator Jamey Wilkinson reported 109 calls with 37 fire, 72 rescue, and 13 non-responses. Also, Dodge County received a State of Georgia Fireworks grant for \$25,000 for purchasing PPE.

Approval of Minutes

A. Minutes – April 04, 2022

A motion was made by Commissioner Niblett and seconded by Commissioner Flanagan to approve the regular meetings minutes as published. All voted in favor, and the motion carried.

Old Business

A. Pine Country Annual Membership Dues

Manager Bearden reported three members on the Pine Country Council from Dodge County are Soil and Water Conservation appointee James McCranie, at-large appointee Don Ross, and commissioner appointee Chairman Dan McCranie.

New Business

A. Approval of Accounts Payable

A motion was made by Commissioner Flanagan and seconded by Commissioner Niblett to approve the accounts payable report totaling \$102,122.06. With all voting in favor, the motion carried.

B. Revolving Loan Fund Collateral Transfer



Commissioner Niblett made a motion to transfer ownership of the county's airplane to Middle Georgia State University with the university responsible for the transfer fees. Commissioner Cheek seconded the motion. With all voting in favor, the motion carried.

C. SPLOST Request - Coroner

Commissioner Cheek made a motion to purchase a 2015 Chevrolet Tahoe for \$15,000 from Stanley Funeral Home for County Coroner Joe Smith using the 2013 SPLOST account (which has a balance of \$664,318.15). Commissioner Flanagan seconded the motion. With all voting in favor, the motion carried.

Commissioner Reports

- Chairman McCranie updated the board a meeting where the railroad discussed an engineless-train prototype being developed.
- Commissioner Flanagan updated the board about broadband funding expected in May.

County Manager Report: Conner Bearden

Manager Bearden gave a legislative update and discussed the Chamber banquet scheduled for Thursday at 6:00 p.m.

Public Comments

Susan Coffee discussed speed limits coming into the county.

Adjournment

With no further business to address, Commissioner Watkins made a motion to adjourn at 6:37 p.m. Commissioner Niblett seconded. All voted favorably, and the meeting adjourned.

Attested:

Kimberly Smith-Parkerson, County Clerk

Approved:

Dan McCranie, Chairman