

**Board Meeting Minutes
Dodge County Board of Commissioners
Monday, June 06, 2022, 6:00 p.m.**



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:

Conner Bearden, County Manager
Kimberly Smith-Parkerson, County Clerk

Virtual Attendance:

John P. Harrington, County Attorney

The Dodge County Board of Commissioners held their regular meeting at the Dodge County Pearl Bates Courthouse Annex Monday, June 06, 2022, at 6:00 p.m. with Chairman McCranie presiding. He led the Pledge of Allegiance. Afterward, Commissioner Cheek read a devotion from 1 John 5:13-15 and led a prayer.

Elected Officials/Department Head

A. Jamey Wilkinson – Fire Update

Fire Chief Jamey Wilkinson was not present due to an emergency. In his stead, EMS Director Johnson reported Dodge County Fire Department calls of 57 total dispatched with 26 fire, 31 rescue, and 1 non-response, which was a medical call.

B. Michael Johnson – EMS Update

EMS Director Michael Johnson reported receivables of \$85,346.78 for May. He also reported ambulances will not be arriving in October, as planned, due to issues with procuring the chassis.

Approval of Minutes

A. Minutes – May 16, 2022

A motion was made by Commissioner Watkins and seconded by Commissioner Cheek to approve the regular meeting minutes as published. All voted in favor, and the motion carried.

Old Business

A. Codification of Ordinances

A motion was made by Commissioner Watkins and seconded by Commissioner Flanagan to table the codification of ordinances. All voted in favor, and the motion passed.

New Business

A. Approval of Accounts Payable

A motion was made by Commissioner Niblett and seconded by Commissioner Flanagan to approve the accounts payable report totaling \$595,740.95. With all voting in favor, the motion carried.

B. SPLOST Request - EMS

A motion was made by Commissioner Flanagan and seconded by Commissioner Niblett to accept the bid from Southern Siding and Construction in the amount of \$44,000 to build walls and install

HVAC at the EMA building to be utilized for office space and classrooms. All voted agreeably, and the motion passed.



C. Road Department Equipment

- 1. Approval to Auction Outdated/Unused Equipment**
- 2. Motor Grader Lease Options**

County Manager Bearden requested approval to gather a list of unused/outdated equipment at the road department with the intent of auctioning the items. The board agreed.

County Manager Bearden summarized lease options for new motor graders for the road department from John Deere and Caterpillar. No motions were made on this line item.

D. Courthouse Work Sessions

A motion was made by Commissioner Watkins and seconded by Commissioner Niblett to begin scheduling courthouse work sessions in Chester, Rhine, Milan, Eastman, and Chauncey. All voted in favor, and the motion passed.

E. Approval to Change 1st Meeting in July to Tuesday, July 5

A motion was made by Commissioner Watkins and seconded by Commissioner Cheek to change the first meeting in July to Tuesday due to the July 4 holiday on Monday. All voted in favor, and the motion passed.

Commissioner Reports

Commissioner Flanagan updated the board regarding the City Park project.

County Manager Report: Conner Bearden

The County Manager reported, as follows:

- The Chicken Road project has been initialized and is expected to be completed in approximately 45 days.
- T-SPLOST Part 1 is complete. T-SPLOST Part 2 has begun.
- E911 radios are updated and on 70-foot antennas.
- Medical insurance will have a 5% increase for employee co-pays. Open enrollment will be June 13-17.
- CDBG has been submitted.

Public Comments

Fire Chief Jamey Wilkinson updated the board regarding response to fire calls.

Attorney Harrington updated the board regarding his review of codification of ordinances.

Executive Session

A motion was made by Commissioner Watkins and seconded by Commissioner Flanagan at 6:56 p.m. to enter executive session to discuss personnel.

Commissioner Niblett made a motion to return to the regular session at 7:14 p.m. Commissioner Watkins seconded. With all voting in favor, the motion carried unanimously.



Chairman McCranie gave opportunity for motions to come before the board. A motion was made by Commissioner Niblett and seconded by Commissioner Flanagan to appoint Attorney Ron Daniels as the assistant county attorney. All voted in favor, and the motion passed.

Adjournment

With no further business to address, Commissioner Watkins made a motion to adjourn at 7:15 p.m. Commissioner Niblett seconded; all voted in favor, and the meeting adjourned.

Attested:

Kimberly Smith-Parkerson, County Clerk

Approved:

Dan McCranie, Chairman