Dodge County Board of Commissioners
Monday, October 19, 2026 at 5:00 p.m.
Called Board Meeting Minutes

Commissioners Present: Chairman Dan McCranie, Sharon Cobb Flanagan – District 1, Vice-Chair Brian Watkins – District 3, Jeffrey Jones – District 4
Also Present: Clerk Kimberly Smith-Parkerson, Southeast District Extension Director Cheryl Poppell

Business: Dodge County UGA Extension Discussion

The Dodge County Board of Commissioners held a called meeting with Southeast District Extension Director Cheryl Poppell at the Dodge County Pearl Bates Courthouse Annex on Monday, October 19, 2026, at 5:00 p.m. with Chairman McCranie presiding. Chairman McCranie called the meeting to order and gave the floor to Southeast District Extension Director Cheryl Poppell for an update on the hiring of the Dodge County Agent. Director Poppell said the state has a hiring freeze until next summer. She also explained that the desired candidate for the Dodge County position should preferably hold a master's degree in agronomy, possess relevant experience, and show dedication to the local agricultural community. Twenty applicants have been interviewed thus far.

In the meantime, the county can utilize regional and neighboring agents as a resource.

The meeting adjourned at 5:16 p.m.

Attested:

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Kimberly Smith-Parkerson, County Clerk

Approved:

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Dan McCranie, Chairman