

Minutes

Dodge County Board of Commissioners

October 20, 2014

Present: Dan McCranie, Chairman
William T. Howell, Jr., Vice-Chairman, District 1 Commissioner
Terry Niblett, District 2 Commissioner
Karen Cheek, District 4 Commissioner

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

Absent: Brian Watkins, District 3 Commissioner
John Harrington, County Attorney

The Dodge County Board of Commissioners met in a regular session at 6:00 p.m. on Monday, October 20, 2014, 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 prayer.

Elected Officials/ Department Heads

There were none noted as present.

Approval of Minutes

A. October 6, 2014 Regular Meeting

Chairman McCranie asked for any additions, corrections, or deletions to the minutes of the regular meeting held on October 6, 2014 presented to the board in printed form. Commissioner Niblett made a motion to approve as presented seconded by Commissioner Howell. All voted in favor of approval.

B. October 9, 2014 Called Meeting

Chairman McCranie asked for any additions, corrections, or deletions to the minutes of the called meeting held on October 9, 2014 also presented to the board in printed form. Commissioner Howell made a motion to approve as presented seconded by Commissioner Niblett. All voted in favor of approval.

Old Business

A. Carl Hosford – Chester Highway

Mr. Hosford was not present.

New Business

A. Approval of Accounts Payable

Commissioner Cheek asked if check number 16037 in the amount of \$473.91 for office supplies was for single or multiple invoices. County Manager Peacock replied that it was the total for several offices. Commissioner Howell made a motion to approve seconded by Commissioner Niblett. The vote was taken and the motion was approved.

B. Middle Georgia State College

Mr. Henry Whitfield of the Eastman and Cochran campuses of Middle Georgia State College addressed the board to clear up any misconceptions about the article printed in the Macon Telegraph. He thanked the board for their support and said the college was moving forward with big investment to the campuses. He said a new simulator for the Eastman campus had recently been purchased at a cost of one-half million dollars. He said they were offering a new course with a new degree and a Bachelor of Science program with an aerospace focus. He also said the college would assist in offering training to the new Aremac heat treating plant for technicians and metal workers.

Commissioner Reports

Commissioner Cheek reported on the success of the flu shot campaign on October 7 for county employees. She said it was the second year the shots were offered and forty (40) employees received the flu vaccine.

County Manager Report

County Manager Peacock asked the board to approve the contract for Dykes Grassing for the Aremac road paving project. Commissioner Niblett made a motion to approve seconded by Commissioner Howell. All voted in favor of approving the contract.

Commissioner Niblett asked of the budgeted \$300,000 how much had been received to date for housing prisoners at the new jail. The county manager replied that \$6,000 had been received.

Public Comments

A representative of Aremac said he was happy with what he had heard tonight and stressed the importance of getting the road paved as soon as possible and asked if there was a drop dead performance date. County Manager Peacock said he would impress the importance of completion to the contractor.

Executive Session

Commissioner Niblett made a motion to move into executive session seconded by Commissioner Cheek. All voted in favor of the motion.

Commissioner Niblett made a motion to move back into the regular meeting at the conclusion of the executive session. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Howell and all voted in favor of the motion.

Commissioner Cheek made a motion to allow the staff at the Eastman Dodge County Chamber of Commerce to participate in Dodge County's health insurance plan with the cost of the insurance fully funded by the chamber. Commissioner Niblett seconded the motion on the condition it was at the expense of the Eastman Dodge County Chamber of Commerce. All voted in favor of the motion.

Adjourn

Commissioner Howell made a motion to adjourn the meeting seconded by Commissioner Niblett. All voted in favor of adjournment.