

TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 14, 2017

**APPROVED MINUTES OF THE
COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE MEETING HELD**

**STATE OF MINNESOTA)
COUNTY OF DODGE)**

**COUNTY ADMINISTRATION OFFICE
MANTORVILLE, MN**

2017-19 C.O.W.

The Dodge County Commissioners met in Committee of the Whole November 14, 2017, in the Commissioner's Room at the Dodge County Government Services Building, Mantorville, MN, at 9:00 a.m. CST. Chair Tim Tjosaas opened the meeting at 9:00 a.m. CST.

Meeting Convened

The Chair acknowledged those present:

Those Present

Members present: John Allen District #1
 Tim Tjosaas District #2
 Rodney Peterson District #3
 Rhonda Toquam District #4
 David Kenworthy District #5

Members absent: None

Also present: Jim Elmquist County Administrator
 Becky Lubahn Deputy Clerk

Dodge County Toward Zero Deaths Coordinator Jessica Schleck provided the Board with a Toward Zero Deaths (TZD) update.

Toward Zero Deaths
Update

Ms. Schleck reported there is a TZD DWI kickoff that will be held on Wednesday, November 22, 2017 at 1:00 p.m. at the Dodge Center Fire Hall, 130 East Highway Street, Dodge Center, MN. The TZD Coordinator stated she is hopeful that someone from the Board will be interested in participating. Commissioner Kenworthy indicated he is the Fire Chief for the Dodge Center Fire Department and will be present for the TZD DWI kickoff.

Also available to comment on the update were County Engineer Guy Kohlnhofer and Minnesota State Patrol Sergeant Troy Christianson.

Ms. Schleck informed the Board that on February 7, 2004, 18-year-old Adam Fredericksen's life was changed forever when the vehicle he was driving was hit by an impaired driver. Following the crash, the Monte Carlo Mr. Fredericksen was driving was donated to Dodge County by the family to be used for educational purposes throughout the region. Kaitlyn Hansen was a 16-year-old high school student that was hit and killed by an impaired driver on January 28, 2016. The Hansen family has donated her car to replace the Fredericksen vehicle. The families will be recognized at the event with traffic safety awards in recognition of their commitment to traffic safety.

The Board thanked Ms. Schleck for the update.

Minnesota Prairie County Alliance Executive Director Jane Hardwick reviewed with the Board the MNPrairie 2017 second quarter report.

MNPrairie 2017
Second Quarter
Report

Ms. Hardwick discussed the following items:

- Legal & Governance
- Finance

MNPrairie 2017
Second Quarter
Report - Continued

County Attorney Paul Kiltinen arrived to the meeting at 9:07 a.m. CST.

County Attorney
Arrived

The Executive Director further discussed the following items:

- Human Resources
- Technology
- Facilities & Infrastructure
- Programs
- MNPrairie County Alliance Budget Report Through 6/30/2017
- 2018 Preliminary Budget Update
- Historical Information for 2018 Budget Development
- Human Services Landscape
- Recommendations

MNPrairie 2017
Second Quarter
Report - Continued

Commissioner Allen had questions regarding the cost difference between what is budgeted for paying employee's wages compared to what is budgeted for client programs.

Ms. Hardwick informed the Board there is a report she can share with them which has more detailed information and shows how much money is spent on employee wages, program funding; including state and federal funds which factor into these totals and were not included in the MNPrairie budget figures.

The Board thanked the Executive Director for the update.

The Chair adjourned the meeting at 9:34 a.m. CST.

Meeting Adjourned

ATTEST:

**TIM TJOSAAS
CHAIR, COUNTY BOARD**

**BECKY LUBAHN
DEPUTY CLERK**

DATED: