

**TUESDAY, AUGUST 17, 2010**

**APPROVED MINUTES OF THE  
SPECIAL BUDGET SESSION**

**STATE OF MINNESOTA)  
DODGE COUNTY)**

**COUNTY ADMINISTRATION OFFICE  
MANTORVILLE, MN**

**2010-05 Work Session**

The Dodge County Commissioners met in Work Session August 17, 2010, in the Conference Room at the Fairview Care Center, Dodge Center, MN, at 1:00 p.m. CDT. Lyle Tjosaas opened the meeting at 1:06 p.m. CDT.

Meeting Convened

The Chair acknowledged those present:

Those Present

Members present:	Lyle Tjosaas	District #2
	David Erickson	District #3
	Don Gray	District #4
	David Hanson	District #5
Members absent:	Klaus Alberts	District #1
Also present:	Jim Elmquist	County Administrator

Jane Hardwick, Human Services Director reviewed with the Board her budget for 2011 and outlined her goals and strategies for programs and plans for the upcoming year.

Budget Session

Commissioner Alberts arrived to the meeting at 1:25 p.m. CDT.

Commissioner  
Alberts Arrived

Several questions were raised in regards to how the Human Services fund balance will be used for upcoming years, staffing levels, and space needs.

Budget Session  
Continued

Peggy Espy, Public Health Director and Gail Hester, Office Manager presented the budget for Public Health and discussed program changes and costs for the upcoming year. Their mission was reviewed, goals were stated, and an overall review of the budget for 2011 was conducted. It was mentioned that due to rent costs which is an internal fund transfer, it is the primary reason for Public Health's increase in levy amount.

Mark Gamm, Environmental Services Director, Melissa Devitter, Compliance Officer for Planning, Mary Greening, Administrative Assistant in Planning, and Sandy Schaefer, Septic System Coordinator/Accounting presented Environmental Services budget. Several items were reviewed including how staffing shifts have changed percentages in each budget, how capital items will be financed including a new scale for the transfer station, a proposed registration fee for feedlots resembling what other counties have done, and the decision not to raise the recycling fee. The County Board felt a registration fee for feedlots can be explored for 2011 and should be brought to the Planning Commission before formal consideration takes place.

The Chair closed the meeting so the County Board can conduct the six-month review of the County Administrator.

County  
Administrator Six-  
Month Review

The Chair then opened the meeting and stated the overall, the Board is pleased with the Administrator's performance thus far. The Board individually stated how they believe the first six months have gone and the Administrator outlined what his overall goals are for the future.

The Chair adjourned the meeting at 3:07 p.m. CDT.

Meeting Adjourned

**ATTEST:**

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LYLE TJOSAAS  
CHAIR, COUNTY BOARD

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JIM ELMQUIST  
CLERK

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DATED: