

JOINT MEETING MINUTES
DODGE CITY/ FORD COUNTY/USD #443/DC COMMUNITY COLLEGE
6:30pm, Thursday, March 9, 2023,
USD 443 Administration Building
City of Dodge City Meeting # 5242

CALL TO ORDER

Fred Dierksen, Superintendent of Dodge City Public Schools opened the meeting

ROLL CALL

USD #443: President Lisa Killion, Vice President Tammy West, Ryan Ausmus, Jerad Goertzen, Jamey Lewis-Gonzales present. Jeff Hiers, Traci Rankin absent

City of Dodge City: Mayor Michael Burns, Commissioners Joseph Nuci, Rick Sowers, City Manager, Nick Hernandez

DCCC: President, Jerry Nolte, Chair, Gary Hershberger, Vice President, Kathy Ramsour, Trustees Kelly Henrichs, Jammie Phillips, Bill Turley.

Ford County: Chairman Shawn Tasset, Commissioners Chris Boys, Ken Snook, Administrator JD Gilbert

BUSINESS : US 50 & Loretta Ave. Intersection Improvements

There was a presentation and discussion regarding the improvements for US HWY 50 and Loretta Avenue Intersection. The plans presented are preliminary findings for the discovery phase of the potential improvements. This is not a final design. It can be changed in the future.

Ray Slattery, Director of Engineering, spoke and explained how this project got to the point it is at today. In 2017 the city requested a traffic study on Highway 50 from city limits to city limits from KDOT through their Traffic Engineering Assistants Program. As a result of that study and the desire of having a second entrance into the high school KDOT initiated another study and at that time they hired Trans-Systems to complete the study. The study was completed, and they found that it was feasible to have a second entrance from the highway on to US 50 with some additional design work that would have to be done and cooperation between KDOT, the City, the school district, DC3 and Ford County who all have properties at that intersection that needs to be improved to make that intersection work.

Ray Slattery, Director of Engineering, City of Dodge City introduced the design team: Brett Letkowski, Principal Senior Vice President and Brandon Stevens of Transystem. Also present was Kurt Lancaster of SMH Consultants.

Brandon Stevens of Trans-Systems gave an overview of the recommended and future scheduled improvements (access roads, roundabouts, ect.). He also went over the estimated breakout costs for the recommended and future improvements.

Kurt Lancaster of SMH talked about the recommended and future landscaping for the project.

Floor was open for questions and comments. No action was taken.

ATTEST:

Mayor

City Clerk