

JOURNAL OF PROCEEDINGS

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The Faulkner County Quorum Court met in its organization session at 7:00 PM on January 21, 20120 in Courtroom "A" located in the Faulkner County Courthouse with Judge James Baker presiding.

Invocation and the Pledge of Allegiance were led by Justice Zach Cates.

Attendance:

County Judge James Baker, County Clerk Margaret Darter, Treasurer Scott Sanson, County Administrator Tom Anderson, County Attorney Phillip Murphy and the following Court members were present: Justices Boyer, Cates, Goode, Higgins, Kendrick, Lachowsky, Knight, Pearson, Pickett, Roland, and Shock.

Approval of the Journal: Justice Higgins moved that the journals of proceedings be approved as presented and such motion was seconded by Justice Knight and was unanimously approved.

County Officer's Report: Treasurer Scott Sanson reported to the Court on the financial status of the County and a copy of the report was provided to all members and one is on file.

Standing Committees Report

Budget & Finance: Budget & Finance has met last week and has one (1) ordinance to present Under New Business.

Courts & Public safety: Met on January 14th and had an informational session with the Sheriff's office, OEM/911 & PSAP, Circuit Clerk presented potential to restore courthouse grant and animal interest in animal shelter proposal.

Infrastructure & Roads: Met last week to discuss cell towers and tabled until a later time.

Personnel: Met last week and had nothing to report.

Old Business:

The Court discussed Proposed Ordinance 19-44. This is an Ordinance to identify the website designated for the online posting of advertisements for notices of an intention to receive bids. County Attorney Phillip Murphy read Proposed Ordinance 19-44 for the third reading. After discussion, Judge Baker asked for a vote by roll call for Proposed Ordinance 19-49. The roll was called and Proposed Ordinance 19-44 passed with a voice vote of 11-0.

The Court discussed Proposed Resolution 20-02. This is a Resolution to identify the website designated for the online posting of advertisements for notices of an intention to receive bids. Justice Higgins made a motion to accept Proposed Resolution 20-02 and Justice Goode seconded such motion. County Attorney Phillip Murphy read Proposed Resolution 20-02. After discussion, J Judge Baker asked for a vote by roll call for Proposed Resolution 20-02. The roll was called and Proposed Resolution 20-02 passed with a voice vote of 11-0.

New Business:

The Court discussed Proposed Ordinance 20-01. This is an appropriation Ordinance to amend and supplement Faulkner County Ordinance 18-34. Justice Pickett made a motion to accept Proposed Ordinance 20-01 and to read Proposed Ordinance 20-01 by title only and Justice Goode seconded such motion. County Attorney Phillip Murphy read Proposed Ordinance 20-01 by title only. After discussion, Judge Baker asked for a vote by roll call for Proposed Ordinance 20-01. The roll was called and Proposed Ordinance 20-01 passed with a voice vote of 11-0.

The Court discussed Proposed Ordinance 20-02. This is an appropriation Ordinance establishing per diem compensation for justices of the peace attending Quorum Court meetings and standing committee meetings of the Faulkner County Quorum Court. Justice Pickett made a motion to accept Proposed Ordinance 20-02 and Justice Pearson seconded such motion. County Attorney Phillip Murphy read Proposed Ordinance 20-02. Justice Lachowsky made a motion to amend Article 2 and Justice Knight seconded such motion. After discussion, Judge Baker asked for a vote by roll call for such motion. The roll was called and such motion passed with a voice vote of 11-0. After further discussion, Justice Goode a made motion to amend Article 1 to \$516.72 and such motion was seconded. Judge Baker asked for the vote by roll call on such motion. The roll was called and such motion passed with a voice vote of 8-3, with Justices Cates, Lachowsky and Shock voting no. After further discussion, Judge Baker asked for a vote by roll call for Proposed Ordinance 20-02 as amended. The roll was called and Proposed Ordinance 20-02 passed with a voice vote of 9-2, with Justices Cates and Lachowsky voting no.

The Court discussed Proposed Ordinance 20-03. This is an Ordinance permitting purchase of services from a county employee. Justice Higgins made a motion to accept Proposed Ordinance 20-03 and Justice Pickett seconded such motion. County Attorney Phillip Murphy read Proposed Ordinance 20-03. Justice Lachowsky made a motion to send Proposed Ordinance 20-03 to Courts & Public Safety and such motion was seconded and unanimously approved.

Special Reports

John McGraw gave his State of the Library report.

Appointments:

Justice Shock made a motion to accept the appointment of Ben Thompson to the Library Board and such motion was seconded and unanimously approved.

Justice Pearson made a motion to accept the appointment of Mary Jane Wygal to the Saltillo Fire Department Board and such motion was seconded and unanimously approved.

Announcements: Early voting begin February 18th; April 15 through May 15th is County Cleanup month; Census – huge challenge and will begin mailing out census on March 12th. Jail expansion is moving forward.

Adjournment: Adjourned at 8:45 p.m.

There being no further business to come before the Court, the Faulkner County Quorum Court stood adjourned until the next scheduled meeting.

****An audio tape is kept on file of the entire meeting****