JOURNAL OF PROCEEDINGS

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The Faulkner County Quorum Court met in its organization session at 6:00 PM on July 20, 2021 in Courtroom "A" located in the Faulkner County Courthouse with Judge James Baker presiding.

Invocation and Pledge of Allegiance was led by County Judge James Baker.

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 Allison, Boyer, Brown, Higgins, Kendrick, Lachowsky, Moss, Pearson, Pickett, Roland, and Strain.

Approval of the Journal: Justice Higgins moved that the journals of proceedings be approved as presented and such motion was seconded by Justice Brown 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: Met on 07/13/2021 and has 2 ordinances for Court's consideration.

Courts & Public safety: Met on 07/13/2021 and has 1 ordinance for Court's consideration.

Personnel: Met on 07/13/2021 and has 2 Ordinance to present under New Business and 2 from Old Business. One from each being tabled and 1 being passed do Budget and Finance.

Infrastructure & Roads: No report.

Old Business:

None

New Business:

The Court discussed Proposed Ordinance 21-20. This is an Appropriation Ordinance to amend and supplement Faulkner County Ordinance 20-32 (December 17, 2020). Justice Pickett made a motion to accept Proposed Ordinance 21-20 and Justice Higgins seconded such motion. Counsel Murphy read Proposed Ordinance 21-20. There was no discussion, Judge Baker asked for a vote by roll call for Proposed Ordinance 21-20. The roll was call and Purposed Ordinance 21-20 passed with a voice vote of 11-0.

The Court discussed Proposed Ordinance 21-21. This is an Ordinance enacting a code of ordinances for the County of Faulkner, State of Arkansas; revising, amending, restating, codifying and compiling certain existing general ordinances of the political subdivision dealing with subjects embraces in such code of ordinances, and declaring an emergency. Justice Higgins made a motion to accept Proposed Ordinance 21-21 and Justice Kendrick seconded such motion. Counsel Murphy read Proposed Ordinance 21-21 by title only. After discussion, Justice Brown made a motion to amend Proposed Ordinance 21-21 and to take out the Emergency Clause. Justice Lachowsky seconded such. Judge Baker called for the vote and such motion unanimously passed.

The Court discussed Proposed Ordinance 21-23. This is an Ordinance to amend and supplement Faulkner County Personnel Policy's Hiring Procedure. Justice Allison made the motion to accept Proposed Ordinance 21-23 and Justice Kendrick seconded such motion. Counsel Murphy read Proposed Ordinance 21-23. After discussion, Justice Higgins made the motion to waive the 3 readings and Justice Kendrick seconded such motion. Judge Baker asked for a vote by roll call for such Proposed Ordinance 21-23. The roll was called and such motion passed with a voice vote of 12-0.

The Court discussed Purposed Ordinance 21-24. This is an Appropriation Ordinance to amend and supplement Faulkner County Ordinance 20-32 (December 17, 2020). Justice Higgins made the motion to accept Proposed Ordinance 21-23 and Justice Boyer seconded such motion. Counsel Murphy read Proposed Ordinance 21-23. After discussion, Judge Baker asked for a vote by roll call for Proposed Ordinance 21-21. The roll was called and such motion passed with a voice vote of 11-1, with Justice Kendrick voting no.

Special	Reports
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None

Appointments:

None

Announcements:

Justice Boyer announced that Katie Browning from Wooster had successfully made it to the Olympics in Tokyo Japan in the ladies sporting clays.

Justice Boyer also shared his 4-H cup that had been given to him by the Extension Office for his help with their projects.

Judge Baker also announced that as of today 7/21/21 Covid numbers were 1821 new cases, and 620 were active in Faulkner County.

Adjournment: Adjourned at 7:20 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*****