## PROPOSED ORDINANCE 20-Sponsor: Kris Kendrick

Be it enacted by the Quorum Court of Faulkner County, State of Arkansas. An Ordinance to be entitled: Transparency of Public Meetings: Live Streaming Amendment

WHEREAS, The Quorum Court meetings are statutorily mandated to be public meetings; and

**WHEREAS**, questions often arise after meetings about exactly what was said or done in the meetings, either by the public, the press, or even by Justices of the Peace; and

**WHEREAS**, citizens of Faulkner County expect transparent and accessible meetings in real time to be made available to them to view their local government at work;

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT ENACTED BY THE QUORUM COURT OF FAULKNER COUNTY, ARKANSAS:

- 1. All Faulkner County Quorum Court Meetings to include but not limited to committees and special meetings shall be live streamed at a minimum on Facebook social media platform to provide information in real time to the citizens of Faulkner County.
- 2. The County Clerk and I.T. department shall establish a process to post the recordings of the quorum court meetings on the county website.
- 3. The recordings of each meeting shall be posted on the county website no less than one week after the quorum court meeting.
- 4. All documents, proposed resolutions and ordinances shall be submitted to the secretariat by 12 noon, three business days before the day of a scheduled quorum court meeting. Such documents shall be posted to the county website within 24 hours of receipt by the secretariat
- 5. In the event a special quorum court meeting is called, then all documents, proposed resolutions and ordinances shall be submitted to the secretariat no less than 24 hours before the date of the special meeting.
- 6. This ordinance repeals previous ordinances to the extent that they conflict and it is incorporated into the 2019 Organizational Ordinance of this Court.
- 7. The rule established in paragraph three by this ordinance may be waived by a simple majority of the Court.

Dated: January 21, 2020	Dated: January 21, 2020
Attest:	Approved:
Margaret Darter	Jim B. Baker
Quorum Court Secretariat	Faulkner County Judge