

JOURNAL OF PROCEEDINGS

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The Faulkner County Quorum Court met in its organization session at 7:00 PM on February 20, 2018 in Courtroom "A" located in the Faulkner County Courthouse with Judge James Baker presiding.

Invocation and the Pledge of Allegiance were led by State Representative Stephen Meeks.

Attendance:

County Judge James Baker, County Administrator Tom Anderson, Counsel David Hogue, Treasurer Scott Sanson, Quorum Court Secretariat Margaret Darter and the following Court members were present: Justices Boyer, Brady, Dodgen, Goode, Hawks, Hendricks, Higgins, Houston, Knight, Pickett, Thessing and Voegele.

Approval of the Journal: Justice Thessing moved that the journal of proceedings be approved as presented and such motion was seconded by Justice Brady. Such motion was unanimously approved.

County Officer's Report: County 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 Committee Report:

Courts & Public Safety Committee: Met this evening and have 2 items on the agenda. Had discussion with Representative Stephen Meeks regarding State helping more with the rising upgrade costs of 911. Also Donna Clawson and the Advisory Board spoke regarding the purchase of the new building and ways of producing a revenue stream to be able to move forward with the Animal Shelter.

Budget & Finance Committee: Will present one (1) Ordinance under New Business.

Infrastructure & Roads Committee: No report.

Personnel Committee: One (1) items to present under Old Business.

Special Reports: John McCraw was asked to come back to the March meeting for his Address of the Library because the electricity was out and the meeting was being conducted by cell phone lights.

Old Business: The Court discussed Proposed Ordinance 18-06 (formerly Ordinance 17-32). After discussion, Judge Baker asked for a vote by roll call for Proposed Ordinance 18-04. The roll was called and Proposed Ordinance 18-06 failed with a voice vote of 6-6, with Justices Goode, Hawks, Higgins, Houston, Knight and Voegele voting no. Justice Goode moved to reconsider Proposed Ordinance 18-06 and such motion was seconded. After discussion, Judge Baker asked for a vote by roll call for motion to reconsider Proposed Ordinance 18-06. The roll was called and Proposed Ordinance 18-06 passed with a voice vote of 12-0. After discussion, Justice Good moved to remove paragraph C and Justice Higgins seconded such motion. Justice Goode withdrew his motion and Justice Higgins seconded and such

motion was approved. Justice Higgins moved that Proposed Ordinance 18-06 go back to Personnel to remove paragraph C and such motion was seconded by Justice Goode and approved.

New Business:

Justice Higgins was appointed by the Quorum Court as the delegate to the Arkansas Association of Quorum Court.

The Court discussed Proposed Ordinance 18-04. This is an appropriation Ordinance to amend and supplement Faulkner County Ordinance 17-36. Justice Pickett made a motion to accept Proposed Ordinance 18-04 and Justice Higgins seconded such motion. Counsel David Hogue read Proposed Ordinance 18-04. After discussion, Judge Baker asked for a vote by roll call for Proposed Ordinance 18-04. The roll was called and Proposed Ordinance 18-04 passed with a voice vote of 12-0.

The Court discussed Proposed Ordinance 18-05. This is an appropriation Ordinance creating a new position in the County Attorney and redefining the Human Resource position. Justice Thessing made a motion to accept Proposed Ordinance 18-05 and Justice Pickett seconded such motion. Counsel David Hogue read Proposed Ordinance 18-05. Justice Pickett moved to table Proposed Ordinance 18-05 and such motion was seconded by Justice Brady and was unanimously approved.

The Court discussed Proposed Resolution 18-01. This is a resolution to confirm the appointment of V. Suzann Waggoner to the Faulkner County Library Board. Justice Higgins made a motion to accept Proposed Resolution 18-01 and Justice Goode seconded such motion. Counsel David Hogue read the title to Proposed Resolution 18-01. After discussion, Proposed Resolution 18-01 was unanimously passed.

The Court discussed Proposed Resolution 18-02. This is a resolution declaring the importance of the right to vote and to do so conveniently. Justice Higgins made a motion to accept Proposed Resolution 18-02 and Justice Goode seconded such motion. Counsel David Hogue read the title to Proposed Resolution 18-02. After discussion, Judge Baker asked for a vote by roll call for Proposed Resolution 18-02. The roll was called and Proposed Resolution 18-02 failed 3-9, with Justices Brady, Dodgen, Goode, Hawks, Hendricks, Higgins, Houston, Thessing and Voegelé voting no.

Announcements: April will be Clean-up Month in Honor of Senator Stanley Russ. Dental Clinic will be held in April at the Expo Center and will looking for over 500 volunteers. Solid Waste will be relocated to Blaney Hill.

Adjournment: Adjourned at 8:24 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*****