## JOURNAL OF PROCEEDINGS January 23, 2024, at 6:00 p.m.

The Faulkner County Quorum Court met in its regular session at 6:00 PM on January 23, 2024, in Courtroom "A" located in the Faulkner County Courthouse with Judge Allen Dodson presiding.

The Invocation and the Pledge of Allegiance were led by Justice Roberts.

**Attendance**: County Judge Allen Dodson, County Administrator Randy Higgins, Administrator Tom Anderson, County Attorney Philip Murphy, Deputy County Clerk Teresa Bonds and the following Court members were present: Justices Allison, Coats, Graddy, Kendrick, Knight, Lachowsky, Lyon, Moss, Pearson, Roberts, Shock, and Tyler.

**Approval of the Journal:** Justice Coats made a motion that the Journal of Proceedings be approved as is and such motion was seconded and unanimously approved.

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

## **Standing Committees Reports**

**Budget & Finance:** Met twice and has two (2) Ordinances under New Business.

Courts & Public Safety: No report.

**Personnel**: No report.

Infrastructure & Roads: No report.

Public Comments: None

**Special Reports:** Legislative Audit Report was presented and discussed by the Court. There were findings for the county.

Old Business: None

## **New Business:**

The Court discussed Proposed Ordinance 24-.01. This is an appropriation Ordinance to amend and supplement Faulkner County Ordinance 22-63 (December 20, 2022), and to declare an emergency. Justice Lachowsky made a motion to accept Proposed Ordinance 24-01 and such motion was seconded by Justice Moss. Counsel Murphy read Proposed Ordinance 24-01 by title only. After discussion, Judge Dodson asked for a vote by roll call for Proposed Ordinance 24-01. The roll was called and Proposed Ordinance 24-01 passed with a voice vote of 12-0.

The Court discussed Proposed Ordinance 24-.02. This is an appropriation Ordinance to amend and supplement Faulkner County Ordinance 23-36 (November 21, 2023), and to declare an emergency. Justice Lachowsky made a motion to accept Proposed Ordinance 24-02 and such motion was seconded. Counsel Murphy read Proposed Ordinance 24-02 by title only. After discussion, Judge Dodson asked for a vote by roll call for Proposed Ordinance 24-02. The roll was called and Proposed Ordinance 24-02 passed with a voice vote of 12-0.

**Appointment:** Justice Lachowsky made a motion to appoint Justice Kendrick as the Quorum Court delegate to the 2024 Quorum Court Association and such motion was seconded by Justice Knight and unanimously approved.

Adjournment: Adjourned at 6:48 p.m.

\*\*\*\*\*An audio tape of this meeting is kept on file\*\*\*\*\*