JOURNAL OF PROCEEDINGS February 20, 2024, at 6:00 p.m.

The Faulkner County Quorum Court met in its regular session at 6:00 PM on February 20, 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 Knight.

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

Approval of the Journal: Justice Kendrick 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 last week and has three (3) Ordinances under New Business.

Courts & Public Safety: No report.

Personnel: Met last week to discuss 2 appointments that will be discussed later tonight.

Infrastructure & Roads: Met last week and heard about economic adventure with ARDOT and the County taking over 3 miles of State maintained road in the Enola area.

Public Comments: None

Special Reports: Library Annual Report was provided to each Justice. Annual Hot Check Fee Report given by the Prosecuting Attorney, Carol Crews.

Old Business: None

New Business:

The Court discussed Proposed Ordinance 24-03. 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 24-03 and such motion was seconded by Justice Kendrick. Counsel Murphy read Proposed Ordinance 24-02 by title only. After discussion, Judge Dodson asked for a vote by roll call for Proposed Ordinance 24-03. The roll was called and Proposed Ordinance 24-03 passed with a voice vote of 12-0.

The Court discussed Proposed Ordinance 24-04. 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 24-04 and such motion was seconded by Justice Kendrick. Counsel Murphy read Proposed Ordinance 24-04 by title only. After discussion, Judge Dodson asked for a vote by roll call for Proposed Ordinance 24-04. The roll was called and Proposed Ordinance 24-04 passed with a voice vote of 12-0.

The Court discussed Proposed Ordinance 24-05. This is an appropriation Ordinance to amend and supplement Faulkner County Ordinance 23-36 (November 21, 2023), and to declare an emergency. Justice Coats made a motion to accept Proposed Ordinance 24-05 and such motion was seconded by Justice Roberts. Counsel Murphy read Proposed Ordinance 24-02 by title only. After discussion, Judge Dodson asked for a vote by roll call for Proposed Ordinance 24-05. The roll was called and Proposed Ordinance 24-05 passed with a voice vote of 12-0.

Appointment: Justice Kendrick made a motion to affirm the appointment of Herman Moix to the Lake Conway Community Wastewater Utility Board and such motion was seconded and unanimously approved.

Justice Kendrick made a motion to affirm the appointment of Brady Zweifel to the Faulkner County Public Facilities Board and such motion as seconded and unanimously approved.

Adjournment: Adjourned at 7:01 p.m.

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