

QUORUM COURT MINUTES JUNE 27, 2022

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June 27, 2022, Quorum Court Minutes

13 Justices of the Peace were present. Also present were Lesli Penny, Wes Eddington, Lewis Davis and Terry McNatt.

Judge Day called the meeting to order at 5:30 PM.

Invocation by Judge Marvin Day.

Assembly and Pledge of Allegiance.

First order of business was the approval of Quorum Court minutes from June 13, 2022. A motion to accept was made by Justice Weinstock and seconded by Justice Cline and Justice Williams. Judge Day took a vote and it passed unanimously.

Committee reports for June 13, 2022, were read. Justice Cline read the Road committee minutes. Justice Rogers read the Public Service committee minutes and Justice Longmire read the Finance committee minutes.

Old business.

An Ordinance to adopt Base Level Engineering Studies was to be read. Justice Cline made a motion to be read by title only that was seconded by Justice Williams. Judge Day took a vote that passed unanimously. Title only was read. There were no questions or comments. Motion was made by Justice Cline and seconded by Justice Rogers to adopt. Roll was called and passed unanimously.

An Ordinance was to be read updating the Employment policy for Military Leave. A motion to read by title only was made by Justice Cline and seconded by Justice Pasmore. A vote was taken and passed unanimously. Title only was read. A motion was made to adopt by Justice Cline and seconded by Justice Tennison. Roll was called and passed unanimously.

An Ordinance was to be read establishing a \$5,000.00 minimum cost amount per item purchased to be recorded as a fixed asset. A motion was made by Justice Cline to read by title only and seconded by Justice Pearcy. A vote was taken and passed unanimously. Title only was read. A motion to adopt was made by Justice Cline and seconded by Justice Pasmore. Roll was called and approved unanimously.

New business.

An Appropriation Ordinance was read for Fund 3548 FY22 Arkansas Rural Community Grant for Southridge Fire Department. A motion to approve was made by Justice Williams and seconded by Justice Couch. Roll was called and passed unanimously.

An Appropriation Ordinance was read to add a temporary full -time Juvenile Supervisor position to allow for side-by-side training with the current Juvenile Supervisor who will be leaving the position. A motion was made to adopt by Justice Rogers and seconded by Justice Williams. Roll was called and passed unanimously.



An Appropriation Ordinance was read to add Fund 3535, CY22 Accountability Court Grant, Adult Drug Court. A motion to approve was made By Justice Tennison and seconded by Justice Weinstock. Roll was called and passed unanimously.

A Resolution was made to appoint Richard Schwartz to the Valley View Fire Board. A motion was made to approve by Justice Williams and seconded by Justice Noel. Judge Day took a vote and it passed unanimously.

A Resolution to approve a grant application to the Arkansas Transportation Alternatives Program (TAP) was read. Judge Day gave the Court information regarding the trail itself. He explained that the trail will start in Piggott and go all the way down to the Poinsett County line. Judge Day explained that if we get the grant the County would be using approximately \$40,000.00, worst case scenario. Justice Cook asked if the \$40,000.00 could be put in writing. Judge Day explained that if the County amount came back at a higher cost he would not be as excited about the grant. Justice Cook spoke about money that has been spent recently on a water heater and the money that will need to be spent on the jail and building of new courtrooms. Justice Cook asked if the County was not looking into getting this grant would the County be looking into a bicycle trail. Judge Day explained that he felt this was a good project to attract people to the area to live. Justice Cook requested to know the total cost of the project since the Resolution states that the County would be responsible for 20 percent of the total cost. Justice Pasmore inquired about where the lane would run. Judge Day responded by stating the lane would use existing County right-of-way. Justice Cline reminded everyone that this discussion was to pass a Resolution to apply for a grant. Justice Longmire moved for adoption and was seconded by Justice Noel. A vote was taken and all but Justice Cook vote in favor.

Announcements.

Judge Day announced that Craighead County had received a \$93,000.00 grant from the Arkansas Historic Courthouse Preservation Program. Craighead County had previously hired a consultant to help with the grant writing. Lisa Lawrence completed this grant on her own. Good job Lisa.

Judge Day reminded everyone to come to Jan Biggers retirement celebration from 3:00 PM. To 4:00 PM on Thursday June 30, 2022, in the County Judge's office.

Judge Day announced that Lewis Davis will be leaving the County as of July 18, 2022, and thanked Lewis for his service to the County.

Some discussion was had regarding audit information.

No public comment.

A motion was made to adjourn by Justice Williams and seconded by Justice Noel. The motion passed.

Meeting ended at 6:13 P.M.

