BAXTER COUNTY QUORUM COURT JOURNAL OF PROCEEDINGS

June 1, 2021

The Baxter County Quorum Court met in regular session at 6:00 PM in the Baxter County Courtroom with County Judge Mickey Pendergrass presiding. Members present were: Rhonda Tink Albright, Ty Chapman, Cameron Davis, Angela DeGroote, Maryanne Edge, Dennis Frank, Kevin Litty, Robert Lowery, Roger Steele and Dirk Waldrop. Justice Osgood was not in attendance. The meeting began with a moment of silent prayer and the Pledge of Allegiance.

Judge Pendergrass asked if there were any additions or corrections to the minutes of the May meeting. Justice Lowery moved to approve the minutes as submitted. Justice DeGroote seconded that motion, and all voted in favor.

There were no committee reports.

Jeremy Ragland, Assistant Director of the Northwest Arkansas Economic Development District, gave an annual report and presentation to the members of the Court regarding the work of the District.

New Business:

Second Reading, Proposed Ordinance #2021-, AN ORDINANCE ADOPTING REVISIONS AND ADDITIONS TO THE BAXTER COUNTY PERSONNEL POLICY MANUAL DATED APRIL 2007, was sponsored by the Personnel Committee and read by title only by County Clerk Canda Reese. The proposed ordinance was then tabled for third reading and discussion at next month's meeting.

Proposed Appropriation Ordinance #2021-23, AN ORDINANCE APPROPRIATING FEES AND REIMBURSEMENTS RECEIVED IN THE MONTH OF APRIL TO THE SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT 2021 BUDGET, was sponsored by Justice Albright, and read by title only by County Clerk Canda Reese. Justice Edge made a motion to adopt the proposed ordinance, seconded by Justice Albright. Being no discussion, the roll was called. Voting YEA: Justices Albright, Chapman, Davis, DeGroote, Edge, Frank, Litty, Lowery, Steele, and Waldrop. The motion passed and Appropriation Ordinance #2021-23 was adopted with a vote of 10 YEA, 0 NAY.

Proposed Ordinance #2021-24, AN ORDINANCE ALLOWING TWAL, INC., PURSUANT TO A.C.A. §3-9-222(a)(2) TO APPLY FOR A PRIVATE CLUB PERMIT FROM THE ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGE CONTROL DIVISION OF THE STATE OF ARKANSAS, was sponsored by Justices Waldrop and Litty, and read by title only by County Clerk Canda Reese.

Justice Waldrop moved to adopt, seconded by Justice Steele. After brief discussion the roll was called. Voting YEA: Justices Chapman, DeGroote, Edge, Frank, Litty, Lowery, Steele, Waldrop, and Albright. Voting NAY: Justice Davis. The motion passed and Ordinance #2021-24 was adopted with a vote of 9 YEA, 1 NAY.

Proposed Appropriation Ordinance #2021-25, AN ORDINANCE APPROPRIATING FUNDS IN THE AMOUNT OF \$34,000.00 FROM THE SPECIAL JAIL FEES FUND (#3017) INTO THE JAIL MAINTENANCE & OPERATION FUND (#3401), was sponsored by Justice Albright and read by title only by County Clerk Canda Reese. Justice Steele made a motion to adopt the proposed ordinance, seconded by Justice Edge. Being no discussion the roll was called. Voting YEA: Justices Davis, DeGroote, Edge, Frank, Litty, Lowery, Steele, Waldrop, Albright, and Chapman. The motion passed and Appropriation Ordinance #2021-25 was adopted with a vote of 10 YEA, 0 NAY.

Proposed Resolution #2021-17, A RESOLUTION IN SUPPORT OF THE PURCHASE OF A PORTABLE CLOSED CIRCUIT CRUSHING PLANT FOR THE BAXTER COUNTY ROAD AND BRIDGE DEPARTMENT; AND FURTHERMORE, AUTHORIZING THE BAXTER COUNTY JUDGE TO PURCHASE SAID CRUSHER USING PROCEEDS FROM THE ROAD AND BRIDGE BUDGET, was sponsored by Justices Davis and Litty, and read in its entirety by County Clerk Canda Reese. Justice Frank made a motion to adopt, seconded by Justice Lowery. After some discussion the roll was called. Voting YEA: Justices DeGroote, Edge, Frank, Litty, Lowery, Steele, Waldrop, Albright, Chapman, and Davis. The motion passed and Resolution #2021-17 was adopted with a vote of 10 YEA, 0 NAY.

Proposed Resolution #2021-18, A RESOLUTION CONFIRMING THE RE-APPOINTMENT OF RANDY WORLOW TO THE BAXTER COUNTY EQUALIZATION BOARD, was sponsored by Justice Albright and read in its entirety by County Clerk Canda Reese. Justice Lowery moved to adopt, seconded by Justice Albright. Being no discussion the roll was called. Voting YEA: Justices Edge, Frank, Litty, Lowery, Steele, Waldrop, Albright, Chapman, Davis, and DeGroote. The motion passed and Resolution #2021-18 was adopted with a vote of 10 YEA, 0 NAY.

Proposed Resolution #2021-19, A RESOLUTION CONFIRMING THE APPOINTMENT OF RONALD E. WAGENBLAST AND RE-APPOINTMENTS OF DAN ALDERMAN AND BILL SETTLES BY THE COUNTY JUDGE TO THE HAND COVE FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS, was sponsored by Justice Lowery and read in its entirety by County Clerk Canda Reese. Justice Lowery moved to adopt, seconded by Justice DeGroote. Being no discussion the roll was called. Voting YEA: Justices Frank, Litty, Lowery, Steele, Waldrop, Albright, Chapman, Davis, DeGroote and Edge. The motion passed and Resolution #2021-19 was adopted with a vote of 10 YEA, 0 NAY.

Proposed Resolution #2021-20, A RESOLUTION CONFIRMING THE APPOINTMENT OF CARYL RICHARDS AND RE-APPOINTMENTS OF JOHN BOLDING AND MICHAEL PAPINEAU BY THE COUNTY JUDGE TO THE TRACY AREA FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS, was sponsored by Justice Steele and read in its entirety by County Clerk Canda Reese. Justice Edge moved to adopt, seconded by Justice Davis.

Being no discussion the roll was called. Voting YEA: Justices Litty, Lowery, Steele, Waldrop, Albright, Chapman, Davis, DeGroote, Edge, and Frank. The motion passed and Resolution #2021-20 was adopted with a vote of 10 YEA, 0 NAY.

After other brief announcements, and being no further business before the Court, the meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

Canda J. Reese, Baxter County & Circuit Clerk Secretary to the Quorum Court