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The Grant County Quorum Court met on Monday, April 15, 2019 in the Grant County Justice Complex at 7:00 p.m. with Judge Randy Pruitt presiding. Judge Randy Pruitt called the meeting to order. Members answering roll call were Mark Allen, Danny Bone, Tony Carder, Jim Easley, Mike Nevens, Pat O'Bryan, Jason Roshto, and Grant Westmoreland.

The Minutes from the Quorum Court meeting held, March 18, 2019 were presented to the Quorum Court for review. A motion to accept the minutes was made by Justice Pat O'Bryan and seconded by Justice Mike Nevens. Vote 7 for 0 against.

The **Financial Statement** was presented to the Quorum Court. Treasurer Tim Stuckey explained Jail Expense is well above amount budgeted. Should start picking up Sales Tax revenue this month to help alleviate some of the expense. With no further discussion, a motion to accept was made by Justice Jason Roshto and seconded by Justice Tony Carder. Vote 7 for 0 against.

Solid Waste Update: Judge Randy Pruitt discussed the Kickstart Sheridan Program has asked for the County to look at the possibility of relocating the Solid Waste Facility to another location. Relocation would free up that area for Parks & Recreation and would present a better appearance to visitors coming to Grant County to utilize the facilities. Justice Mark Allen asked if there has been a recommendation for a new location. Judge Randy Pruitt advised that they had looked at the property where the County Road Dept. was previously located, but it is located too close to a residence. He stated that Jerry Davis has offered to donate land to the County to relocate. Mr. Davis is working with A.D.E.C. to convert part of the land into a Class 4 landfill that would allow people to dispose of stumps, yard debris, plastics, etc.... This could save the County money. Justice Tony Carder asked what the A.D.E.C. process is and how long does it take, and how much land is Mr. Davis willing to donate? Judge Randy Pruitt responded that if we moved to a new location, the permit process with A.D.E.C. would be like we were starting over and was not sure how long the process would take. He also stated that a septic system and 3 phase electrical would also be a problem if we relocated. Mr. Davis would donate at least what we have now (4.58 acres by deed) and enough to accommodate future growth.

Justice Complex Parking Lot. Judge Randy Pruitt said bids were opened for paving the parking lot of the Justice Complex. Two (2) bids were received Salt Creek Paving bid \$57,974.00 and Don Stephens Trucking & Construction bid \$75,130.00. Bids were for 2 inch compacted hot mix with tack coat and also sterilize cracks. He has one (1) quote of \$3,800.00 for striping parking lot spaces.

Other Business. Judge Randy Pruitt advised Justices that the Grant County Rescue is in need of replacing their existing Water Rescue Boat. The one currently being used is old and in constant need of repairs. It is also a flat bottom boat and not a true rescue vessel. Under Rescue Act 122 Boat / Water Safety Initiative, they would like to replace it. They are requesting to purchase an Inflatable Water Rescue Vessel at a cost of \$1.3,952.88. They are requesting to acquire a loan from People's Bank signed by County Judge Randy Pruitt on behalf of the County with payments to come from Grant County Rescue's current budget. Justice Grant Westmoreland made a motion to approve the purchase of the new Rescue Boat with a loan procured from People's Bank and Judge Randy Pruitt signing the loan on behalf of the County. The motion

was seconded by Justice Pat O'Bryan. Vote 8 for 0 against. Judge Randy Pruitt advised that Justice Brody Channell has been looking into **Permitting & Zoning** in the County. He advised that there is a need to get a handle on new subdivisions and that we field questions each week from potential developers. Justice Brody Channell stated that we need to begin somewhere and feels that an ordinance for cell towers may be a good starting place. There is a lot of information about zoning and Justice Channell will gather and present at a later date.

Motion to Adjourn.

Randy Pruitt, County Judge

Geral D. Harrison Jr., County and Circuit Clerk