

Grant County Quorum Court

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The Grant County Quorum Court met on Monday, July 15, 2019 in the Grant County Courthouse 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, Brody Channell, Tony Carder, Jim Easley, Mike Nevens, Pat O'Bryan, Grant Westmoreland, and Jason Roshto.

The **Minutes** from the Quorum Court meeting held, **June 17, 2019** were presented to the Quorum Court for review. Justice Grant Westmoreland asked for the minutes to be amended to reflect that June should be our last month for zero (0) on the Ambulance Tax and not all taxes. Judge Randy Pruitt asked for the minutes to be corrected to reflect an engineer from ADEQ vs ADEC for the Solid Waste project. A motion to accept the amended minutes was made by Justice Pat O'Bryan and seconded by Justice Grant Westmoreland. Vote 9 for 0 against.

The **Financial Statement** was presented to the Quorum Court. With no further discussion, a motion to accept was made by Justice Tony Carder and seconded by Justice Mike Nevens. Vote 9 for 0 against.

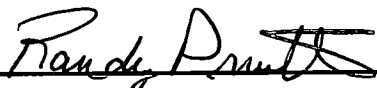
Ordinance No. 2019-03 (second reading), AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE POSSESSION OF A HANDGUN ON COUNTY COURTHOUSE GROUNDS BY CERTAIN INDIVIDUALS. Judge Randy Pruitt explained the Ordinance and Grant County Employee Concealed Carry Plan. Judge Pruitt stated that he had heard no public comments about ordinance. A motion was made by Justice Jason Roshto to suspend the second (2nd) reading after title and seconded by Brody Channell. Vote 9 for 0 against. A motion was made by Justice Tony Carder and seconded by Justice Mike Nevens to suspend the third (3rd) reading of Ordinance No. 2019-03. Vote 9 for 0 against. A motion was made by Justice Jason Roshto and seconded by Justice Grant Westmoreland to adopt **Ordinance 2019-03 AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE POSSESSION OF A HANDGUN ON COUNTY GROUNDS BY CERTAIN INDIVIDUALS**. Judge Randy Pruitt asked if there was any discussion. Justice Mike Nevens asked if Chief Deputy Prosecuting Attorney Stephen Shirron had looked at the plan and what were his thoughts? Mr. Shirron asked if it was for Courthouse employees and elected officials only. His thoughts were that the plan looked very feasible. Justice Jason Roshto explained that only persons authorized by the presiding Judge who had met all requirements would be allowed to carry in the courtroom. After no further discussion, Judge Randy Pruitt asked for a vote. 9 for 0 against.

SALES TAX: Sales Tax was presented to the Quorum Court with no discussion.

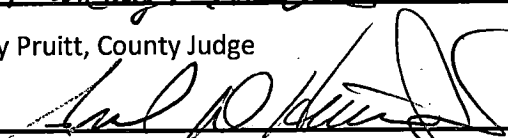
Other Business. Judge Randy Pruitt informed Justices about road prep and culvert replacement preparing for Chip Sealing project to begin in August. Justice Pat O'Bryan asked about status of Solid Waste move to new location. Judge Pruitt advised that he is trying to get a value of the land for his donation letter to property owner. Justice Jason Roshto asked about Grant 43 / Country Club Road condition. Judge Pruitt advised that it was a "State Aid" road from the highway to Shumaker. He stated that we still have an issue with kids ramping the hill and feels like past Judges that if the County were to make the road faster that the problem would only get worse. It does need some work and they are planning to replace some culverts. Judge Pruitt discussed that Fawn Trail has mail service and the road needs some work. He stated that it is narrow and we have trimmed some bushes, but need a two-thirds (2/3) Quorum Court approval before county can take over maintenance. If we are going to maintain it, his recommendation would be

to chip seal it because of difficulty getting road grader down the road. Justice Mike Nevens asked about Judge Pruitt's thoughts on it. Judge Pruitt stated there are currently five (5) houses on the road and wouldn't be very complicated to take on, but he would do whatever the Quorum Court were to decide. Justice Brody Channell asked if we have any set standards for this type of request. Judge Pruitt stated that we do have standards for someone turning a road over to the county. The original developer of this area turned down the opportunity to make Fawn Trail a county road. Judge Pruitt said in reality, there are not many roads in the county that the mail runs down that we do not maintain. We need a defined line as to when county maintains a road whether it is a mail route run, or school bus pick-up it is legal for this court to authorize maintenance with a two-thirds (2/3) majority vote.

Motion to Adjourn.



Randy Pruitt, County Judge



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