

Grant County Quorum Court

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The Grant County Quorum Court met on Tuesday, February 16, 2021 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, Tony Carder, Jim Easley, Lisa-Michele Haber, Mike Nevens, Pat O'Bryan, Jason Roshto, and Grant Westmoreland.

MINUTES: The Minutes from the January 19, 2021 Quorum Court Meeting were presented. With no further discussion a motion to accept was made by Justice Grant Westmoreland and seconded by Justice Mike Nevens. Vote 9 for 0 against.

FINANCIAL STATEMENT: The Financial Statement was presented to the Quorum Court. Treasurer Tim Stuckey reported that Workers Compensation and Insurance hit early. Justice Jason Roshto asked about 911. Treasurer Tim Stuckey explained difference was Benefit Package. With no further discussion a motion to accept was made by Justice Tony Carder and seconded by Justice Jason Roshto. Vote 9 for 0 against.

ORDINANCE NO. 2021-02: "AN ORDINANCE TO ESTABLISH A SUB-FUND OF COUNTY GENERAL TO BE CALLED THE ELECTION RESERVE FUND; AND TO DECLARE AN EMERGENCY.": Ordinance 2021-02 was presented to the Quorum Court. A motion to suspend the second (2nd) reading was made by Justice Jason Roshto and seconded by Justice Grant Westmoreland. Vote 9 for 0 against. A second (2nd) reading "Title Only" was presented to the Quorum Court. A motion to suspend the third (3rd) reading was made by Justice Mike Nevens and seconded by Justice Jason Roshto. Vote 9 for 0 against. A third (3rd) reading "Title Only" was presented to the Quorum Court. Judge Randy Pruitt asked if there was any other discussion. With no further discussion a motion to adopt was made by Justice Mike Nevens and seconded by Justice Mark Allen. Vote 9 for 0 against.

RESOLUTION NO. 2021-01 A RESOLUTION ADOPTED TO APPLY FOR GRANT FUNDING THROUGH, ARKANSAS RURAL COMMUNITY GRANT PROGRAM TO AID GRANT COUNTY COX CREEK LAKE PARK, LEOLA, AR.: Resolution No. 2021-01 was presented to the Quorum Court. Judge Randy Pruitt explained that this grant money will be used for the construction of a Waste Disposal System @ Cox Creek Lake Park. With no further discussion a motion to approve was made by Justice Jason Roshto and seconded by Justice Lisa-Michele Haber. Vote 9 for 0 against.

BELFAST FIRE DEPARTMENT: Nathan Mendenhal attorney for the Belfast Fire Department made a presentation on the Belfast Fire Departments request to become a **Fire Protection District**. He explained that they will be filing a **Petition** on their "Request for Conversion to a Fire Protection District". He explained that currently "Fire Dues" are payable on a voluntary basis and that the collection rate is not as high as it should be. Under the Fire Protection District, dues would become mandatory and be collected through the County Collector Tax Bill process with the County being allowed to keep three percent (3%) of the dues collected. County Attorney Teresa Howell commented that when the Petition is filed, she will review to make sure everything is correct and that the Quorum Court will have sixty (60) days in which to grant the conversion from date of filing.

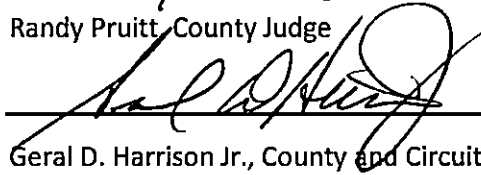
SALES TAX: Sales Tax report was presented to the Quorum Court.

OTHER BUSINESS: Judge Randy Pruitt explained that we have a request from the District Court for expenses that are to be paid with City funds but must be approved by the Quorum Court before paying. A motion to approve was made by Justice Jason Roshto and seconded by Justice Jim Easley. Vote 9 for 0 against. Judge Pruitt informed that there has been 1.3 acres of land that was the old Fairgrounds donated to the County in memory of Kemp and Dan Nall. No further discussion.

Motion to Adjourn.



Randy Pruitt, County Judge



Geral D. Harrison Jr., County and Circuit Clerk