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Grant County Quorum Court

February 21, 2023

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The Grant County Quorum Court met on Tuesday, February 21, 2023, in the Grant County Courthouse at 6:00 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, Paul Drake, Jim Easley, Jason Roshto, Scott Wells, and Grant Westmoreland.

MINUTES: The Minutes from the January 17, 2023, Quorum Court Meeting were presented. With no further discussion a motion to accept was made by Justice Tony Carder and seconded by Justice Grant Westmoreland. Vote 8 for 0 against. (Motion passed)

Financial Statement: The Financial Statement was presented to the Quorum Court. With no further discussion a motion to accept was made by Justice Grant Westmoreland and seconded by Justice Mark Allen. Vote 8 for 0 against. (Motion Passed)

ORDINANCE NO. 2023-03: AN ORDINANCE TO ESTABLISH NEW FUNDS FOR THE COUNTY OF GRANT AS REQUIRED BY STATE LAW: After first (1st) reading of Ordinance a motion to suspend second (2nd) reading was made by Justice Jason Roshto and seconded by Justice Mark Allen. Vote 8 for 0 against. After second (2nd) reading "Title Only" a motion was made to suspend the third (3rd) reading by Justice Tony Carder and seconded by Justice Danny Bone. Vote 8 for 0 against. After third (3rd) reading "Title Only" a motion to adopt was made by Justice Jason Roshto and seconded by Justice Jim Easley. With no further discussion vote 8 for 0 against.

ORDINANCE NO. 2023-04: AN APPROPRIATION ORDINANCE TO AMEND THE ORIGINAL APPROPRIATION ORDINANCE 2022-14, THE 2023 ANNUAL BUDGET GRANT COUNTY ARKANSAS: Treasurer Tim Stuckey discussed need for Ordinance to follow up making corrections to original. The Ordinance was presented to the Quorum Court. With no further discussion a motion to accept was made by Justice Jason Roshto and seconded by Justice Tony Carder. Vote 8 for 0 against. (Motion Passed)

ORDINANCE 2023-05: AN APPROPRIATION ORDINANCE TO AMEND THE ORIGINAL APPROPRIATION ORDINANCE 2022-14, THE 2023 ANNUAL BUDGET, GRANT COUNTY ARKANSAS: The Ordinance was presented to the Quorum Court. Treasurer Tim Stuckey noted that an account correction needed to be made. With no further discussion a motion to accept with correction was made by Justice Tony Carder and seconded by Justice Jason Roshto. Vote 8 for 0 against. (Motion Passed)

MUSEUM APPOINTMENT: Judge Randy Pruitt explained that the Museum had appointed Joe Wise to the Museum Board and needed the approval of the Quorum Court. With no further discussion a motion to appoint was made by Justice Grant Westmoreland and seconded by Justice Mark Allen. Vote 8 for 0 against.

SOLAR PROJECT: Judge Randy Pruitt gave an update on the proposed "**Solar Project**" for property located in Grant County. He met with the Budget Committee and attorneys to discuss project and proposed sixty-five percent (65%) reduction of taxes. Judge Pruitt reported that the thirty-five percent (35%) tax on the land alone would increase the tax amount from \$1,800.00 per year to \$36,000.00 per year. Teresa Howell explained that the project would be funded through Revenue Bonds with the County having zero (0)

liability. The attorneys are planning to get back with Judge Pruitt and Ms. Howell to make a formal presentation to the Quorum Court.

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

OTHER BUSINESS: Judge Randy Pruitt informed the Court that the District Court needs approval for an expenditure for their Maintenance Contract on the computer equipment for their court system. He explained that this expense is paid by the City of Sheridan but needed the Quorum Courts approval. A motion to approve the expenditure was made by Justice Grant Westmoreland and seconded by Justice Jason Roshto. Vote 8 for 0 against. (Motion Passed)

Motion to Adjourn.

Randy Pruitt, County Judge Kandy Tryi

Geral D. Harrison Jr., County and Circuit Clerk

Date: 2/2//2023