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Grant County Quorum Court

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COUNTY & CIRCUIT CLERK
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The Grant County Quorum Court met on Monday, August 21, 2023, in the Grant County Courthouse at 7:00 p.m. Grant County Judge Randy Pruitt called the meeting to order. Members answering roll call were Mark Allen, Danny Bone, Tony Carder, Paul Drake, Jim Easley, Mike Nevens, Jason Roshto, Scott Wells, and Grant Westmoreland.

MINUTES: The Minutes from the July 17, 2023, Quorum Court Meeting were presented. With no further discussion a motion to accept was made by Justice Mike Nevens and seconded by Justice Jason Roshto. Vote 9 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 Mike Nevens and seconded by Justice Grant Westmoreland. Vote 9 for 0 against. (Motion Passed)

PUBLIC HEARING – REDFIELD SOLAR / ORDINANCE NO. 2023-10: AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE OF AN INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT REVENUE BOND UNDER THE AUTHORITY OF ACT NO. 9 OF 1960, AS AMENDED, FOR THE PURPOSE OF SECURING AND DEVELOPING INDUSTRY WITHIN THE COUNTY; AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTION AND DELIVERY OF A BOND PURCHASE AGREEMENT PROVIDING FOR THE SALE OF THE BOND; AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTION AND DELIVERY OF A TRUST INDENTURE SECURING THE BOND; AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTION AND DELIVERY OF A LEASE AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE COUNTY, AS LESSOR, AND REDFIELD PV I, LLC, AS LESSEE; AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTION AND DELIVERY OF AN AGREEMENT FOR PAYMENTS IN LIEU OF TAXES; AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTION AND DELIVERY OF OTHER DOCUMENTS RELATING TO THE ISSUANCE OF THE BOND; AND PRESCIBING OTHER MATTERS RELATING THERETO: Representatives for Redfield PV I, LLC gave a brief overview of the scope of the Solar Project. Under the Arkansas Pilot Project, the County bears no liability, and the Company receives sixty-five percent (65%) tax savings. The 100-megawatt photovoltaic solar generator facility construction to begin in the second (2nd) quarter of 2024. Judge Randy Pruitt asked if there was any input, comment, or questions from anyone in attendance? After reading **Ordinance 2023-10**, a motion to table until next months Quorum Court Meeting was made by Justice Mike Nevens and seconded by Justice Jason Roshto. With no further discussion, vote 9 for 0 against.

LAND PURCHASE – OLD FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH: Judge Randy Pruitt updated the Court on the proposed land purchase for property on the South and West sides of the Old First Baptist Church (Annex) property. A preliminary hearing has already been held and a date of September 29, 2023, is set for a hearing to see if a Jury needs to be selected to put a price on the property. Judge Pruitt needs Quorum Court approval to approve him purchasing the land and giving him "Signature Authority" to sign closing documents on the purchase of the property. Judge Pruitt explained the importance of the purchase in providing adequate parking for the Annex Facility. After discussion on possible uses for the building a motion to grant Judge Pruitt "Signature Authority" and to authorize him to proceed with the purchase was made by Justice Mike Nevens and seconded by Justice Jim Easley. Vote 9 for 0 against. (Passed)

ORDINANCE NO. 2023-09 AN APPROPRIATION ORDINANCE TO AMEND THE ORIGINAL APPROPRIATION ORDINANCE 2022-14, THE 2023 ANNUAL BUDGET, GRANT COUNTY ARKANSAS: Treasurer Tim Stuckey

identified items in Ordinance to follow: \$300,000.00 County Road Fund (offset with grant), \$67,000.00 Camera Replacement Courthouse, \$20,000.00 Replace Air Conditioning unit 911, \$114,000.00 Sheriff vehicle replacement (\$6,500.00 above insurance for damaged/totaled vehicles). With no further discussion, a motion was made to approve by Justice Mike Nevens and seconded by Justice Tony Carder. Vote 9 for 0 against. (Passed)

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

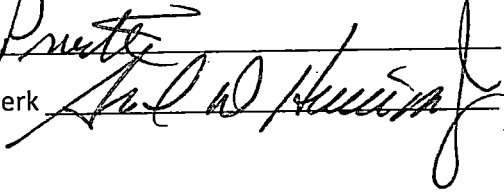
OTHER BUSINESS:

Motion to Adjourn.

Randy Pruitt, County Judge



Geral D. Harrison Jr., County and Circuit Clerk



Date:

9/18/2023