

MINUTES OF BENTON COUNTY QUORUM COURT

November 27, 2012

A regular meeting of the Benton County Quorum Court was held on Tuesday, November 27, 2012 at 6:00 p.m. at the Benton County Administration Building, 215 East Central Avenue, Bentonville, Arkansas, pursuant to proper call and notice.

Deputy Clerk Janet Reaves called roll as follows:

12 JPs Present: King, Winscott, J. Harrison, Allen, K. Harrison, Jones,
Sandlin, Douglas, Blaty, Curry, Carr, Moore
1 Absent: Hawkins

A legal quorum was present.

The presiding officer led the pledge of allegiance to the flag. Pastor Jeff Odom of Word of Life Fellowship Church led the prayer.

CHANGES TO THE AGENDA:

None`

MINUTES:

JP Winscott made motion to approve the minutes of the October 27, 2012 Quorum Court as distributed, seconded by JP J. Douglas.

There being no discussion, a roll call vote was recorded as follows:

12 Yeas: King, Winscott, J. Harrison. Allen, K. Harrison, Jones,
Sandlin, Douglas, Blaty, Curry, Carr, Moore
1 Absent: Hawkins

ELECTED OFFICIALS REPORTS:

None

COUNTY JUDGES' REPORT:

County Judge Bob Clinard reported that: 1) They are continuing to work through a permanent solution to the EMS service in Benton County; 2) The new HVAC TRU unit for the Administration Building will be installed on December the 8th and that the 4 replacement TRU units on the Court House/Tower are complete; 3) He is continuing to explore possibilities for a new and modern court facility; 4) That the Benton County Road Department has prepared for any snow and ice event; 5) The Maintenance Department has completed the relocation of the Accounting Department and have done an outstanding job, and they have received positive feedback on relocating the Veterans Office; 6) The Benton County Intergovernmental meeting was held to discuss the termination of the Hazardous Materials

Incident Response Services of Benton and Washington Counties and establishing a service in Benton County.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

JP Allen stated that the Finance Budget Committee had finalized and finished the 2013 Budget

PUBLIC COMMENTS:

None

Asset Control Coordinator Cindy Jones stated that a number of employees from the Benton County Road Department are present to talk about the issue of employee raises.

Cindy Jones presented a power point presentation highlighting some of the paving work done; work on bridges and other projects. She stated that the road department has saved the county about \$2.8 million in 2012 by doing more paving work in-house, compared to the cost of having it done by contractors.

Cindy Jones stated that they are asking for a 7% percent salary increase for 2013.

Jack Brown, Assistant Superintendent with the Road Department stated that the department has weathered many changes in the past year and is doing more work at a higher level.

Asset Control Coordinator Vernon Bazey stated that he had been with the Road Department for 31 years and that he had seen a lot of changes in the Road Department this last year, and that they have all been positive. He stated the guys out at the Road Department are proud of what they're doing.

Other employees of the Road Department asked that the court to please consider the 7 percent raise.

County Judge Bob Clinard stated that Benton County can be proud of the Road Department.

JP J. Harrison made motion to suspend the rules and read all ordinances and resolutions by title only, seconded by JP Curry.

There being no discussion, a roll call vote was recorded as follows:

12 yeas:	King, Winscott, J. Harrison, Allen, K. Harrison, Jones, Sandlin, Douglas, Blaty, Curry, Carr, Moore
1 absent:	Hawkins

Motion passed

OLD BUSINESS

None

NEW BUSINESS

- (A) Proposed Resolution Amending Resolution R-2012-16 Authorizing the County Judge of Benton County to apply for a Grant on Behalf of the NEBCO Volunteer Fire Department; Sponsor: JP Tom Allen

Deputy Clerk Janet Reaves read the proposed resolution by title only.

JP Allen made motion to adopt, seconded by JP Douglas.

There being no discussion, a roll call vote was recorded as follows:

12 yeas: King, Winscott, J. Harrison, Allen, K. Harrison, Jones, Sandlin,
Douglas, Blaty, Curry, Carr, Moore
1 absent: Hawkins

Resolution duly adopted and assigned **No. R-2012-22.**

- (B) Proposed Resolution Authorizing the County Judge of Benton County to Apply for a Grant from the Arkansas Alternative Dispute Resolution Commission;
Sponsor: JP Tom Allen

Deputy Clerk Janet Reaves read the proposed resolution by title only.

JP Allen made motion to adopt, seconded by JP Jones.

There being no discussion, a roll call vote was recorded as follows:

12 yeas: King, Winscott, J. Harrison, Allen, K. Harrison, Jones, Sandlin,
Douglas, Blaty, Curry, Carr, Moore
1 absent: Hawkins

Resolution duly adopted and assigned **No. R-2012-23.**

- (C) Proposed Resolution Confirm the County Judges Appointment of Rick Williams To the Benton County Planning Board; Sponsor JP Tom Allen

Deputy Clerk Janet Reaves read the proposed resolution by title only.

JP Allen made motion to adopt, seconded by JP Carr.

There being no discussion, a roll call vote was recorded as follows:

12 yeas: King, Winscott, J. Harrison, Allen, K. Harrison, Jones, Sandlin,
Douglas, Blaty, Curry, Carr, Moore
1 absent: Hawkins

Resolution duly adopted and assigned **No. R-2012-24.**

- (D) Proposed Resolution Confirming the Re-Appointment of Dan Douglas by the County Judge to the Northwest Arkansas Regional Airport Authority Board of Directors; Sponsor: JP Tom Allen

Deputy Clerk Janet Reaves read the proposed resolution by title only.

JP Carr made motion to adopt, seconded by JP Curry.

There being no discussion, a roll call vote was recorded as follows:

11 yeas: King, Winscott, J. Harrison, Allen, K. Harrison, Jones, Sandlin, Douglas, Blaty, Curry

1 absent: Hawkins

1 abstain: Douglas

Resolution duly adopted and assigned **No. R-2012-25.**

- (E) Proposed Appropriation Ordinance Levying 2012 Taxes for Collection in the Year 2013 for Benton County, and each city, School District, and Special Tax Unit in Benton County, Arkansas; Sponsor: JP Tom Allen

Deputy Clerk Janet Reaves read the proposed appropriation ordinance by title only.

JP Moore made motion to adopt, seconded by JP Sandlin.

There being no discussion, a roll call vote was recorded as follows:

12 yeas: King, Winscott, J. Harrison, Allen, K. Harrison, Jones, Sandlin, Douglas, Blaty, Curry, Carr, Moore

1 absent: Hawkins

Appropriation Ordinance duly adopted and assigned **No. O-2012-61.**

- (F) Proposed Appropriation Ordinance Amending Appropriation Ordinance No. O-2011-61 (**2012** Benton County Budget) Authorizing a Transfer of Funds Between Categories and Line Items and Authorizing Expenditures in Department 05, County Sheriff Office, Fund 325; Sponsor: JP Tom Allen

Deputy Clerk Janet Reaves read the proposed appropriation ordinance by title only.

JP Allen made motion to adopt, seconded by JP J. Harrison.

There being no discussion, a roll call vote was recorded as follows:

12 yeas: King, Winscott, J. Harrison, Allen, K. Harrison, Jones, Sandlin,
Douglas, Blaty, Curry, Carr, Moore

1 absent: Hawkins

Appropriation Ordinance duly adopted and assigned **No. O-2012-62.**

(G) Proposed Appropriation Ordinance Amending Appropriation Ordinance No. O-2011-61 (**2012** Benton County Budget) Appropriating Additional Monies and Authorizing Additional Expenditures in Department 05, Sheriff's Office, Criminal Warrant Reduction Grant Fund, Fund 326; Sponsor JP Tom Allen

Deputy Clerk Janet Reaves read the proposed appropriation ordinance by title only.

JP Allen made motion to adopt, seconded by JP Sandlin.

There being no discussion a roll call vote was recorded as follows:

12 yeas: King, Winscott, J. Harrison, Allen, K. Harrison, Jones, Sandlin,
Douglas, Blaty, Curry, Carr, Moore

1 absent: Hawkins

Appropriation Ordinance duly adopted and assigned **No. O-2012-63.**

OTHER BUSINESS:

JP Jones stated that he wanted to thank those attending and that he wanted to extend his appreciation to the Road Department for their work.

JP Winscott extended his appreciation to the Road Department.

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

JP Allen announced that a Finance Committee meeting would be held Tuesday, December 04, 2012 at 5:30 p.m.

JP Moore announced that a Committee of Thirteen meeting would be held Tuesday, December 11, 2012 at 6:00 p.m.

County Judge Bob Clinard announced that the Quorum Court meeting would be held on Thursday, December 20, 2012 at 6:00 p.m.

ADJOURNMENT:

There being no further business to come before the court, upon motion and second the meeting adjourned at 6:47 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Tena O'Brien
County Clerk

Prepared by: Janet Reaves