

## Committee of the Whole Report

October 11, 2016

The Committee of the Whole met Tuesday, October 11, 2016 at 6:00 p.m. in the Quorum Court Meeting Room, Benton County Administration Building, Third Floor, 215 East Central Avenue, Bentonville, Arkansas.

13 JPs Present: Sheridan, Shadlow, J. Harrison, Adams, Jones, Sandlin, Anglin, Slinkard, Chiocco, Leadabrand, Meyers, Moore, Moehring  
2 JPs Absent: K. Harrison, Allen

Others Present: Administrator of General Services John Sudduth, Comptroller Brenda Guenther, Assessor-Elect Rod Grieve, District 11 JP-Elect Bob Bland, Nathan Smith, Eddie Mahar, Lorrie Smith, Roger McLelland, Brian Jackson

Media: Tom Sissom – Northwest Arkansas Democrat-Gazette

Committee of the Whole Chair JP Moore called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

### **PUBLIC COMMENTS**

None.

Lorrie Smith, Brian Jackson, and Roger McLelland from Hight Jackson Associates gave a presentation on the remodel done on the Prosecuting Attorney's offices.

Nathan Smith came and thanked the Quorum Court and Walmart for giving so that they were able to complete this project.

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

Motion passed by unanimous show of hands vote.

### **1. A Resolution Confirming The Re-appointment of Chris Flynt by The County Judge to The Benton County Rural Development Authority, Position #4; Sponsor JP Jones**

JP Jones stated that this resolution is just re-appointing Chris Flynt and made a motion to forward to the October 27, 2016 Quorum Court Agenda, seconded by JP Slinkard

Motion passed by unanimous show of hands vote.

**2. A Resolution Confirming of The Quorum Court of The County of Benton, State of Arkansas, Accepting The Audit Report For Benton County For the Period Ending December 31, 2014; Sponsor JP Slinkard**

JP Slinkard stated as required by state law the Quorum Court has to recognize that the audit has been done and has been excepted by the Quorum Court and made a motion to forward to the October 27, 2016 Quorum Court Agenda, seconded by JP Sandlin.

Motion passed by unanimous show of hands vote.

**3. An Appropriation Ordinance Amending Appropriation Ordinance No. O-2015-69 (2016 Benton County Budget) Authorizing a Transfer of Funds Between Categories and Line Items in Department 0115, Information Systems, Fund 1000; Sponsor JP Jones**

JP Jones stated that this ordinance is no new money, but just moving money from one line to another in the IT budget to allocate funds to buy additional storage for the Sheriff's dashcams in their vehicles and made a motion to forward to the October 27, 2016 Quorum Court Agenda, seconded by JP Adams.

Motion passed by unanimous show of hands vote.

**4. An Appropriation Ordinance Amending Appropriation Ordinance No. O-2015-69 (2016 Benton County Budget) To Appropriate Additional Monies and Authorize Additional Expenditures in Department 0400, County Sheriff, Fund 1000; Sponsor JP Moehring**

JP Moehring stated this ordinance is to allow us to appropriate funds received in a sale to purchase small arms ammunition and small arms and made a motion to forward to the October 27, 2016 Quorum Court Agenda, seconded by JP Jones.

Motion passed by unanimous show of hands vote.

**5. An Appropriation Ordinance Amending Appropriation Ordinance No. O-2015-69 (2016 Benton County Budget) Appropriating Additional Monies and Authorizing Additional Expenditures in Department 0304, Fund 3801; Sponsor JP Jones**

JP Jones stated that this ordinance is the Septic grant we get through the Arkansas Economic Development AC and made a motion to forward to the October 27, 2016 Quorum Court Agenda, seconded by JP Chiocco.

JP Anglin asked if this was the same amount as discussed before.

Brenda Guenther stated that we were awarded the amount we requested.

JP Moore asked if last year's grant has been consumed.

Brenda Guenther stated that it was not awarded to us last year, but it was awarded the year prior to that, and has been consumed.

Motion passed by unanimous show of hands vote.

**6. An Ordinance Amending Ordinance No. O-2015-25 to Amend Section 82 of Chapter 42 of the Code of Ordinances of Benton County, Arkansas to Increase The Daily Fee Charged to Municipalities For The Housing Prisoners in The County Jail; and For Other Purposes; Sponsor JP Slinkard**

JP Slinkard made motion to forward to the October 27, 2016 Quorum Court Agenda for first reading, seconded by JP Chiocco.

JP Slinkard stated that this ordinance would amend our code so it will need to be read three times. It is to raise the fee for housing prisoners to \$50 per day.

JP Jones asked if we need to look at doing this sooner for the cities since it will not be done with the third reading until December. He stated that we need to look at the timeframe and publication date because he believes there may be a time period before it goes into effect. He stated we might look at reading it two times in November.

JP Moore stated that there is some time between the final reading and when it goes into effect, so we might look into finalizing it in November. Brenda Guenther stated that they would check, but assumed that the cities are aware of this.

JP Adams asked do we send a \$50 a day bill to the state. He stated that if we do not we should, and if they refuse to pay then we can deal with them at that time.

Brenda Guenther stated that we do not, but we could.

Motion passed by unanimous show of hands.

**OTHER BUSINESS**

JP Jones began giving an update on the Justice Facilities Workgroup meeting regarding the different site locations that had been discussed.

After several comments from the JP's regarding the timing of this report JP Jones made a motion to move this topic to the October 27, 2016 Quorum Court Agenda, seconded by JP Slinkard.

A show of hands vote was recorded as follows:

9 For: Shadlow, J. Harrison, Jones, Sandlin, Chiocco, Slinkard,  
Leadabrand, Moore, Moehring

4 Against: Sheridan, Adams, Anglin, Meyers

2 Absent: K. Harrison, Allen

Motion to forward to the October 27, 2016 Quorum Court agenda passed.

### **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

JP Adams declared a Transportation Meeting at 6:00 p.m. on Thursday, October 20, 2016.

JP Sandlin declared a Personnel Meeting at 6:00 p.m. Thursday, October 13, 2016.

JP Allen declared a Budget Meetings at 5:00 p.m. Monday, October 17, 2016 and Tuesday, October 18, 2016.

### **PUBLIC COMMENTS**

None.

### **ADJOURNMENT**

JP Moore declared the meeting adjourned at 7:44 p.m.