

**MINUTES OF THE
REGULAR MEETING OF THE
WASHINGTON COUNTY QUORUM COURT**

Thursday, July 20, 2017
6:00 p.m.
Washington County Quorum Court Room

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County Judge Joseph K. Wood called the meeting to order.

JP Alicia Deavens led the prayer and pledge.

Quorum Court Coordinator Patty Burnett called the roll. Members present were JP Daniel Balls, JP Harvey Bowman, JP Alicia Deavens, JP Robert Dennis, JP Lisa Ecke, JP Ann Harbison, JP Joe Kieklak, JP Tom Lundstrum, JP Eva Madison, JP Sue Madison, JP Joel Maxwell, JP Joe Patterson, JP Butch Pond, JP Fred Rausch, JP Bill Ussery.

Judge Wood welcomed JP Rausch to his first Quorum Court meeting.

A motion was made by JP Harbison to approve the agenda and was properly seconded. The agenda was unanimously adopted.

There were no citizen comments.

A motion was made by JP S Madison to approve January 19th, February 16th, and June 15th minutes. The motion was seconded by JP Pond. The minutes were unanimously approved.

A motion to suspend the rules and read all ordinances and resolutions by title only was made by JP S Madison and seconded by JP Pond. The motion passed unanimously.

Jeff Hatley, Public Information Officer for Ozark Regional Transit, provided a Transit Report to the Quorum Court. There was some discussion from JP Bowman, JP Harbison, and JP S Madison. A motion was made by JP S Madison to have Ozark Regional Transit submit monthly reports by email and provide a verbal report to the Quorum Court quarterly. The motion was seconded by JP Pond. There was a comment made by JP Lundstrum. The motion passed with majority vote. JP Harbison opposed.

County Comptroller Ashley Farber presented the Comptroller's Report.

County Judge presented his Judge's Report and discussed the midyear department report. Archives - Received 379 on-site visitors and answered 577 inquiry phones calls. Transported 296 storage boxes of Circuit Clerk files to AIM; Animal Shelter - Received 919 animals this period and transported out of county 869 to other states. Joined ASPCA Watershed Animal Relocation program in March, this program shipped 87 cats and 68 dogs; Building and Grounds - Remodeled historic courthouse basement enabling improved storage for Archives. Installed new prisoner transport door at Juvenile Court; Emergency Management - Participated in 9 major conferences, most notable Wal-Mart Shareholders Annual Meeting in Fayetteville. Lead the way in the April flooding and recovery efforts; Environment Affairs - Sponsored two county-wide spring cleanups this year, collected 377 tons of Class IV solid waste with 650 county residents contributing waste; Grants-Total Grant Monies for 2017 -\$1,067,139.27, which were processed and administrated by this department. Received 11 grants out of 13 submitted with the 2 grants pending; Human Resources - Upgrading the Employee Policy Handbook by Human Resource and JPs; IT - Quarantined and stopped 52 virus attacks on the county computer system. Stopped 86 directory harvesting attacks (attackers looking for valid email address on county systems); Juvenile Detention Center - Received and housed 267 juveniles with a total of 2,838 days of detention. Opened the Evening Reporting Center in Springdale providing a structural environment for youth; Library - Over 514,580 items have been checkout out to citizens; County Planning - Provided the Flood Plain Management

duties for the April Flood Disaster and visited over 400 requests for presentation to FEMA; Veterans Services – Expanded the monthly number of clients from 30 in January to 146 veterans in June 2017; Roads – 88 out 89 roads are now back to temporary transportation mode of operation. Received 830 concern requests from citizens and resolved 762 and leadership addressing the balance. JP Pond commented he received several compliments on the temporary bridge on Blue Springs Road. JP Ecke thanked Michelle McGee, Human Resource Administrator, for her help on the grievance hearing. JP Ecke also commented she had read an article in the newspaper about Sheriff Helder. She expressed how grateful and thankful she was for Sheriff Helder.

JP E Madison introduced agenda item 10.1. Comptroller Farber explained this was a quarterly revenue ordinance along with appropriations for departments. County Attorney Lester read the ordinance by title only “AN ORDINANCE RECOGNIZING ADDITIONAL REVENUES OF \$1,638 AND APPROPRIATING ADDITIONAL REVENUES OF \$67,963 IN VARIOUS FUNDS AND REDUCING \$86,976 IN VARIOUS LINE ITEMS FOR 2017.” JP E Madison made a motion to approve the ordinance and was seconded by JP Harbison. There was no public comment. A roll call was called and all members voted to adopt the ordinance.

Ordinance 2017-38, AN ORDINANCE RECOGNIZING ADDITIONAL REVENUES OF \$1,638 AND APPROPRIATING ADDITIONAL REVENUES OF \$67,963 IN VARIOUS FUNDS AND REDUCING \$86,976 IN VARIOUS LINE ITEMS FOR 2017, was adopted.

JP Balls introduced agenda item 11.1. County Attorney Lester read the resolution by title only “A RESOLUTION OF THE QUORUM COURT OF WASHINGTON COUNTY CERTIFYING LOCAL COUNTY GOVERNMENT ENDORSEMENT OF KIMBEL MECHANICAL SYSTEMS, INC TO PARTICIPATE IN THE CONSOLIDATED INCENTIVE (TAX BACK) ACT OF 2003”. JP Balls made a motion to approve the resolution and was seconded by JP Kieklak. During public comment, Chung Tan, Director of Economic Development for the Fayetteville Chamber of Commerce spoke in favor of this resolution; Lance Johnson, a homebuilder from Springdale, AR, spoke in favor of this resolution and to support Kimbel Mechanical Systems. A roll call was called and all members voted to adopt the ordinance.

Resolution 2017-07, A RESOLUTION OF THE QUORUM COURT OF WASHINGTON COUNTY CERTIFYING LOCAL COUNTY GOVERNMENT ENDORSEMENT OF KIMBEL MECHANICAL SYSTEMS, INC TO PARTICIPATE IN THE CONSOLIDATED INCENTIVE (TAX BACK) ACT OF 2003, was adopted.

JP Maxwell introduced agenda item 12.1. County Attorney Lester read the ordinance by title only “AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE ACCEPTANCE OF A HAZARD MITIGATION GRANT FROM THE ARKANSAS DEPARTMENT OF EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT”. JP Maxwell made a motion to approve the ordinance and was seconded by JP Patterson. There was no public comment. The rules were twice suspended to advance the ordinance to a second and third reading. Following those readings by County Attorney Lester, JP Maxwell made a motion to approve the ordinance and was seconded by JP Kieklak. A roll call was called and all members voted to adopt the ordinance.

Ordinance 2017-39, AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE ACCEPTANCE OF A HAZARD MITIGATION GRANT FROM THE ARKANSAS DEPARTMENT OF EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT, was adopted.

JP Maxwell introduced agenda item 13.1. County Attorney Lester read the resolution by title only “A RESOLUTION TO PROVIDE A SAFE PLACE TO SHELTER THE CITIZEN’S OF EVANSVILLE COMMUNITY”. JP Maxwell made a motion to approve the resolution and was properly seconded. There was no public comment. A roll call was called and all members voted to adopt the resolution.

Resolution 2017-08, A RESOLUTION TO PROVIDE A SAFE PLACE TO SHELTER THE CITIZEN’S OF EVANSVILLE COMMUNITY, was adopted.

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Bill Ussery provided an update on Ordinance Review – Several ordinances were passed and will present them at the next Quorum Court meeting. There was discussion on planning fees; they made adjustments where the fees need to be. Working with several department heads and they should have more ordinances to view at the next Ordinance Review meeting.

During “Other Business” JP Balls asked about resealing the parking lot and when would the project start. Chief Gales provided an update. JP Lundstrum had a few questions; JP Harbison invited the Quorum Court to the Greenland Library on July 25th from 11-1, she will be serving hot dogs. She said this is a celebration for the end of the summer reading program. JP Balls and JP E Madison had some questions about Association of Counties. JP Harbison questioned the CUP lawsuit.

JP E Madison made the motion to adjourn and was properly seconded. The meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted by,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Patty Burnett". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

Patty Burnett
Quorum Court Coordinator

ORDINANCE NO. 2017-38

2017 JUL 21 PM 12:48
BECKY LEWALLEN
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APPROPRIATION ORDINANCE:

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE QUORUM COURT
OF THE COUNTY OF WASHINGTON,
STATE OF ARKANSAS, AN ORDINANCE
TO BE ENTITLED:

AN ORDINANCE RECOGNIZING ADDITIONAL
REVENUES OF \$1,638 AND APPROPRIATING
ADDITIONAL REVENUES OF \$67,963 IN
VARIOUS FUNDS AND REDUCING \$86,976 IN
VARIOUS LINE ITEMS FOR 2017.

ARTICLE 1. There are hereby recognized additional revenues
in the following revenue line items for 2017:

<u>Animal Shelter Grant Fund:</u>	
Local Grants (1905-8781)	1,000
<u>General Fund:</u>	
Transfer from HIDTA (1000-8864)	638
TOTAL REVENUES:	<u>\$ 1,638</u>

ARTICLE 2. There are hereby appropriated the total amount
of \$67,963 from the various County Funds to line items in the following budgets for 2017:

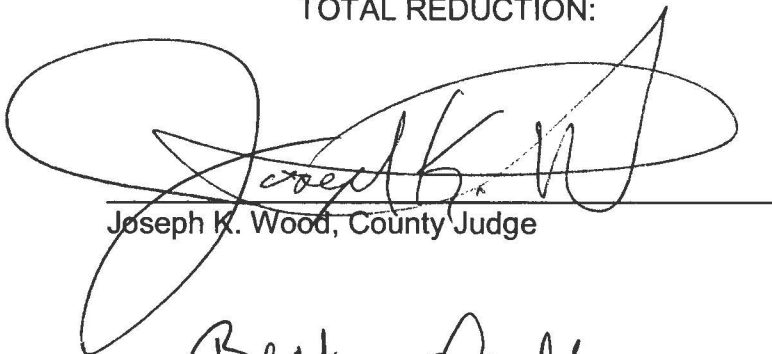
<u>General Fund/Grants:</u>	
Travel (10000120-3031)	\$ 41
Common Carrier (10000120-3031)	237
Meals and Lodging (10000120-3094)	<u>360</u>
	\$ 638
<u>General Fund/Sheriff:</u>	
Salaries, Part-Time (10000400-1002)	\$ 620
Overtime (10000400-1005)	28,623
Social Security (10000400-1006)	2,237
Noncontributory Retirement (10000400-1008)	4,314
Workers Compensation (10000400-1010)	<u>989</u>
	36,783
<u>General Fund/Sheriff Work Release:</u>	
Small Equipment (10000428-2002)	9,898
<u>Animal Shelter Grant Fund/Animal Shelter:</u>	
Small Equipment (19050308-2002)	1,000
<u>Jail Operations Fund/Jail:</u>	
Salaries, Part-Time (30170418-1002)	\$ 348
Overtime (30170418-1005)	15,269
Social Security (30170418-1006)	1,195
Noncontributory Retirement (30170418-1008)	2,304

Workers Compensation (30170418-1010) 528
19,644

TOTAL APPROPRIATION: \$ 67,963

ARTICLE 3. There are hereby reduced line items in the various Drug Court Grant Fund budgets for 2017:

<u>Drug Court Grant Fund/OJP Drug Court Enhance</u>		
Medicine and Drugs (35130483-2004)	\$ 35,000	
Other Professional Services (35130483-3009)	<u>16,201</u>	51,201
<u>Drug Court Grant Fund/Drug Court Accountability</u>		
General Supplies (35130485-2001)	\$ 30,000	
Medical/Dental/Hospital (35130485-3006)	<u>5,775</u>	35,775
TOTAL REDUCTION:		<u>\$ 86,976</u>



Joseph K. Wood, County Judge

07-21-2017
Date



BECKY LEWALLEN, County Clerk

Sponsor: Eva Madison
Date of Passage: July 20, 2017
Votes For: 15 Votes Against: 0
Abstention: _____ Absent: _____

RESOLUTION NO. 2017-07

BE IT ENACTED BY THE QUORUM COURT OF THE COUNTY OF WASHINGTON, STATE OF ARKANSAS, A RESOLUTION TO BE ENTITLED:

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CO. & PROBATE CLERK
WASHINGTON COUNTY

A RESOLUTION OF THE QUORUM COURT OF WASHINGTON COUNTY CERTIFYING LOCAL COUNTY GOVERNMENT ENDORSEMENT OF KIMBEL MECHANICAL SYSTEMS, INC TO PARTICIPATE IN THE CONSOLIDATED INCENTIVE (TAX BACK) ACT OF 2003.

WHEREAS, Kimbel Mechanical Systems, Inc. has applied for the Consolidated Incentive (Tax Back) Program, requesting benefits accruing from for expansion to its business and equipment in Washington County, Arkansas; and

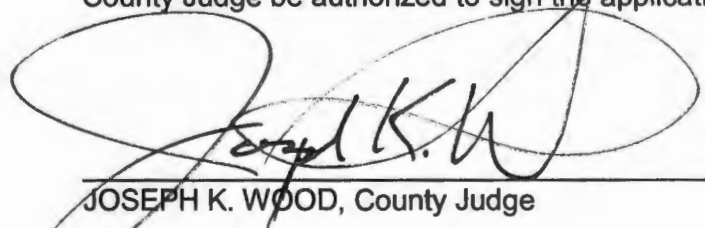
WHEREAS, local government must endorse a business applicant's participation in the Consolidated Incentive Act of 2003 for the business to benefit from the refunds/tax credits, as provided in A.C.A. § 15-4-270(d) of Act 182 of 2003; and,

WHEREAS, Kimbel Mechanical Systems, Inc. has agreed to furnish Washington County all necessary information for compliance.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE QUORUM COURT OF WASHINGTON COUNTY, ARKANSAS:

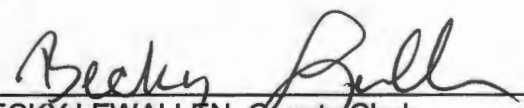
ARTICLE 1. Kimbel Mechanical Systems, Inc. be endorsed by the Quorum Court of Washington County for benefits from the refunds/tax credits as provided in the Consolidated Incentive (Tax Back) Act of 2003.

ARTICLE 2. The Department of Finance and Administration be authorized to refund local sales and use taxes to Kimbel Mechanical Systems, Inc. and that the County Judge be authorized to sign the application.



JOSEPH K. WOOD, County Judge

07-21-2017
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BECKY LEWALLEN, County Clerk

Sponsor: Daniel Balls
Date of Passage: July 20, 2017
Votes For: 15 Votes Against: 0
Abstention: _____ Absent: _____

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ORDINANCE NO. 2017-39

**BE IT ENACTED BY THE QUORUM COURT
OF THE COUNTY OF WASHINGTON,
STATE OF ARKANSAS, AN ORDINANCE
TO BE ENTITLED:**

**AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE
ACCEPTANCE OF A HAZARD MITIGATION
GRANT FROM THE ARKANSAS DEPARTMENT
OF EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT.**

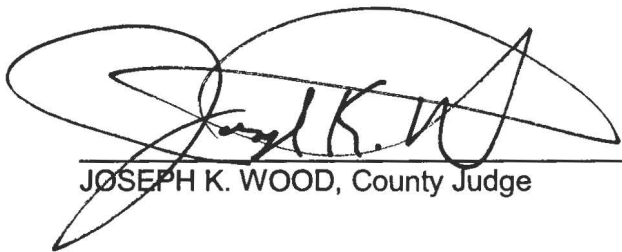
WHEREAS, Washington County has received a Hazard Mitigation Grant from the Arkansas Department of Emergency Management; and,

WHEREAS, this grant will be used to purchase an emergency storm shelter for Washington County to be located in Evansville, Arkansas;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE QUORUM COURT OF THE COUNTY OF WASHINGTON, STATE OF ARKANSAS:

ARTICLE 1. Washington County hereby accepts \$27,375.00 in grant funds, representing seventy-five percent (75%) of the total funds outlay for the emergency storm shelter.

ARTICLE 2. Washington County agrees to contribute \$9,125.00 in county funds or in-kind contributions, representing the remaining twenty-five percent (25%) of the total funds outlay for the emergency storm shelter.



JOSEPH K. WOOD, County Judge

07-21-2017
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BECKY LEWALLEN, County Clerk

Sponsor: Joel Maxwell
Date of Passage: July 20, 2017
Votes For: 15 Votes Against: 0
Abstention: _____ Absent: _____

RESOLUTION NO. 2017-08

BE IT ENACTED BY THE QUORUM COURT OF THE COUNTY OF WASHINGTON, STATE OF ARKANSAS, A RESOLUTION TO BE ENTITLED:

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A RESOLUTION TO PROVIDE A SAFE PLACE TO SHELTER THE CITIZENS OF EVANSVILLE COMMUNITY.

WHEREAS, Southwest Washington County, Arkansas has been victim to 12 tornadoes in the last ten years; and,

WHEREAS, the most recent one in March of 2016 destroyed a home and large commercial farm building in the Evansville Community; and,

WHEREAS, the Evansville Community is very rural and is home to approximately 383 citizens within the township; and

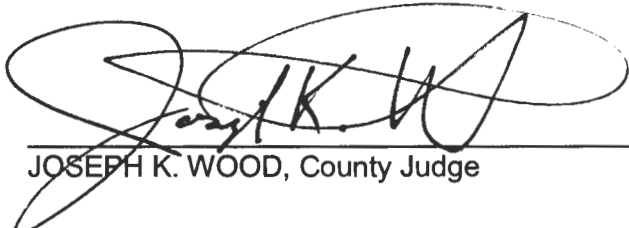
WHEREAS, the shelter will house up to 32 people during a storm event; and,

WHEREAS, this shelter is necessary to provide a safe place for the citizens of the Evansville Community in Washington County, Arkansas to retreat during potentially life threatening weather conditions.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE QUORUM COURT OF WASHINGTON COUNTY, ARKANSAS:

ARTICLE 1. The residents of the Evansville Community in Washington County, Arkansas shall receive a safe place to shelter in the event of a severe weather occurrence; and,

ARTICLE 2. The County of Washington, the Evansville Volunteer Fire Department, and the Evansville Community have entered into an agreement by way of a Memorandum of Understanding that the Evansville Volunteer Fire Department and the Evansville Community shall be responsible for all maintenance and repairs of the storm shelter.


JOSEPH K. WOOD, County Judge

07-21-2017
DATE


BECKY LEWALLEN, County Clerk

Sponsor: Joel Maxwell
Date of Passage: July 20, 2017
Votes For: 15 Votes Against: 0
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