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MINUTES OF THE
REGULAR MEETING OF THE
WASHINGTON COUNTY QUORUM COURT

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CO. & PROBATE CLERK
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Thursday February 15, 2024
6:00 PM

Washington County Courthouse

Judge Patrick Deakins called the meeting to order at 6:00 PM.

The following members were present: Wilson, Simons, Lyons, Taylor, Dean, Washington, Cogger, Dennis, Highers, Rios Stafford, Leming, Ricker, and Pond. Ecke was absent.

JP Dean led the Prayer and Pledge.

Judge Deakins advised item #11 on the agenda would be removed as an appeal had been filed. JP Leming made a motion to amend the agenda and JP Ricker seconded. Motion passed by voice vote. Judge Deakins then moved to item #3 on the agenda. JP Lyons made a motion to adopt the agenda as amended, JP Dean seconded. The motion was passed by voice vote.

JP Dean made a motion to read all ordinances and resolutions by title only, JP Lyons seconded the motion, and the motion passed with a voice vote.

Citizen Comments were heard from Dianna Scott, Kyle Lyons, Serene Beaucamp, Carolina Bien, Sarah Moore, Albious Latior and Mac Mayfield.

The judge presented Item 6, (Approval of Minutes) and asked if there were corrections needed. There were no needed corrections. The minutes from January 22, 2024, were approved.

Judge Deakins presented the Judge's report, which included January's Disposal of County Property Report. Judge Deakins then gave the State of the County address.

Old Business

Judge Deakins moved to item 8 under old business, **AN ORDINANCE RECOGNIZING ADDITIONAL REVENUE IN THE AMOUNT OF \$117,953 IN THE LAW ENFORCEMENT GRANT FUND.** Item 23-O-159. (On Third Reading)

County attorney Lester read the ordinance by title only. JP Ricker made a motion to pass, seconded by JP Lyons. In depth discussion was had Judge Deakins warned the gallery not to disrupt the meeting, discussion continued, the gallery was warned a second time and a citizen was asked to leave due to continued disruption. JP Leming called the question, a roll call vote was taken and tallied as followed:

JP Taylor-Yes
JP Wilson-Yes
JP Simons-Yes
JP Lyons-Yes
JP Ecke-Absent
JP Dean-Yes
JP Washington-Yes
JP Cogger-No
JP Dennis-Yes
JP Highers-No
JP Rios-Stafford-No
JP Leming-Yes
JP Ricker-Yes
JP Pond-Yes

Motion to call the question passed.

63 Public comments were heard and a roll call was taken on the original motion of JP
64 Ricker to pass the ordinance. A roll call vote was taken and tallied as follows,

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66 JP Taylor-Yes
67 JP Wilson-Yes
68 JP Simons-Yes
69 JP Lyons-Yes
70 JP Ecke-Absent
71 JP Dean-Yes
72 JP Washington-No
73 JP Cogger-No
74 JP Dennis-Yes
75 JP Highers-No
76 JP Rios-Stafford-No
77 JP Leming-Yes
78 JP Ricker-Yes
79 JP Pond-Yes

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81 **Motion passed: AN ORDINANCE RECOGNIZING ADDITIONAL REVENUE IN THE**
82 **AMOUNT OF \$117,953 IN THE LAW ENFORCEMENT GRANT FUND.**

83 Item 23-0-159 was adopted as **ORD 2024-007**

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85 Judge Deakins moved to Item 9: **AN ORDINANCE AMENDING ORDINANCE 2017-44.**
86 Item 24-0-008. (On second reading)

87 County Attorney Lester read the ordinance by title only. JP Cogger introduced the
88 ordinance. JP Lyons proposed an amendment and seconded by JP Dean. Discussion
89 was had. JP Simons proposed a friendly amendment, County Attorney Lester advised
90 Judge Deakins that JP Simons friendly amendment is already state law. Discussion
91 continued. A roll call vote was taken on JP Lyons amendment and tallied as follows:

92 JP Taylor-No
93 JP Wilson-No
94 JP Simons-No
95 JP Lyons-Yes
96 JP Ecke-Absent
97 JP Dean-No
98 JP Washington-No
99 JP Cogger-No
100 JP Dennis-Yes
101 JP Highers-No
102 JP Rios Stafford-No
103 JP Leming-Yes
104 JP Ricker-No
105 JP Pond-Yes
106 Motion fails.

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108 JP Cogger made a motion to suspend the rules and move the ordinance to a third
109 reading, seconded by JP Washington. A roll call vote was taken and tallied as follows,

110 JP Taylor-Yes
111 JP Wilson-Yes
112 JP Simons-Yes
113 JP Lyons-No
114 JP Ecke-Absent
115 JP Dean-Yes
116 JP Washington-Yes
117 JP Cogger-Yes
118 JP Dennis-No
119 JP Highers-Yes
120 JP Rios Stafford-Yes
121 JP Leming-Yes
122 JP Ricker-Yes
123 JP Pond-Yes
124 Motion passes

125 County attorney Lester read the ordinance by title only for a third time. JP Coger made a
126 motion to pass the ordinance, seconded by JP Highers. Discussion was had. Citizen
127 comments were heard. A roll call on the motion to pass was taken and tallied as follows:
128 JP Taylor-Yes
129 JP Wilson-No
130 JP Simons-Yes
131 JP Lyons-No
132 JP Ecke-Absent
133 JP Dean-No
134 JP Washington-Yes
135 JP Coger-Yes
136 JP Dennis-No
137 JP Highers-Yes
138 JP Rios Stafford-Yes
139 JP Leming-No
140 JP Ricker-Yes
141 JP Pond-No
142 Motion fails.

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144 Judge Deakins moved to item 10 **AN ORDINANCE RATIFYING A CONDITIONAL USE**
145 **PERMIT RECOMMENDED FOR APPROVAL BY THE PLANNING BOARD- CDS**
146 **Motorsports. Item 24-0-009 (on second reading).** County attorney Lester read the
147 ordinance by title only. Discussion was had, Director Ata spoke and answered
148 questions. JP Pond recommended leaving the item on the second reading. JP Lyons
149 made a motion to amend, seconded by JP Dean. Discussion continued. A roll call vote
150 was taken on the proposed amendment and tallied as follows

151 JP Taylor-Yes
152 JP Wilson-Yes
153 JP Simons-Yes
154 JP Lyons-Yes
155 JP Ecke-Absent
156 JP Dean-Yes
157 JP Washington-Yes
158 JP Coger-Yes
159 JP Dennis-Yes
160 JP Highers-Yes
161 JP Rios Stafford-Yes
162 JP Leming-Yes
163 JP Ricker-Yes
164 JP Pond-Yes
165 Motion passes.

166 County attorney Lester read the ordinance (as amended) by title only for the first time.
167 Item moves to a second reading at the March meeting

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169 Judge Deakins advised again that item 11 was removed from the agenda.

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171 Judge Deakins moved to item 12 on the agenda. **AN ORDINANCE DENYING A**
172 **CONDITIONAL USE PERMIT RECOMMENDED FOR APPROVAL BY THE ZONING**
173 **BOARD OF ADJUSTMENTS. Item 23-0-179 (12.1)** County attorney Lester spoke to
174 the status of the ordinance and advised there were two options, passing the ordinance
175 denying the permit so the applicant could appeal or to "sit" on the ordinance halting
176 progress on ratifying or denying. County attorney Lester read the ordinance by title only
177 for the first time. JP Taylor made a motion to suspend the rules and move to a second
178 reading, seconded by JP Lyons. A roll call vote was taken and tallied as follows

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180 JP Taylor-Yes
181 JP Wilson-Yes
182 JP Simons-Yes
183 JP Lyons-Yes
184 JP Ecke-Absent
185 JP Dean-Yes
186 JP Washington-Yes

187 JP Coger-Yes
188 JP Dennis-Yes
189 JP Highers-Yes
190 JP Rios Stafford-Yes
191 JP Leming-Yes
192 JP Ricker-No
193 JP Pond-No
194 Motion passes
195
196 County attorney Lester read the ordinance by title only for the second time.
197 JP Lyons made a motion to suspend the rules and move to the third reading, seconded
198 by JP Dean. A roll call vote was taken and tallied as follows
199 JP Taylor-Yes
200 JP Wilson-Yes
201 JP Simons-Yes
202 JP Lyons-Yes
203 JP Ecke-Absent
204 JP Dean-Yes
205 JP Washington-Yes
206 JP Coger-Yes
207 JP Dennis-Yes
208 JP Highers-Yes
209 JP Rios Stafford-Yes
210 JP Leming-Yes
211 JP Ricker-Yes
212 JP Pond-No
213 Motion passes.

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215 County attorney Lester read the ordinance by title only for the third time. JP Leming
216 made a motion to pass the ordinance, seconded by JP Ricker. Public comments were
217 heard. A roll call vote was taken and tallied as follows

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219 JP Taylor-Yes
220 JP Wilson-Yes
221 JP Simons-Yes
222 JP Lyons-No
223 JP Ecke-Absent
224 JP Dean-No
225 JP Washington-Yes
226 JP Coger-Yes
227 JP Dennis-Yes
228 JP Highers-Yes
229 JP Rios Stafford-Yes
230 JP Leming-Yes
231 JP Ricker-Yes
232 JP Pond-No
233 Motion passes **AN ORDINANCE DENYING A CONDITIONAL USE PERMIT**
234 **RECOMMENDED FOR APPROVAL BY THE ZONING BOARD OF ADJUSTMENTS.**
235 **Item 23-0-179 Adopted as ORDINANCE NO. 2024-008**

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237 Judge moved to item 13

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239 **NEW BUSINESS**

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241 **CONSENT AGENDA**

242
243 **13.1 AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING A SHORT-TERM FINANCING PURCHASE**
244 **PURSUANT TO THE PROVISIONS OF ACT 1808 OF 2001 AND AMENDMENT 78 TO**
245 **THE ARKANSAS CONSTITUTION. Item 24-0-010 (13.1)**

246
247 **13.2 AN ORDINANCE PROJECTING REVENUES AND CARRYOVER AMOUNTS**
248 **TOTALING \$19,732,510.08 IN VARIOUS GRANT FUNDS; AND, APPROPRIATING**

249 **THE TOTAL AMOUNT OF \$19,732,510.08 TO VARIOUS GRANT FUNDS AND**
250 **BUDGET LINE ITEMS FOR 2024. Item 24-0-012 (13.2)**

251
252 **13.3 AN ORDINANCE ANTICIPATING AND APPROPRIATING ADDITIONAL REVENUE**
253 **IN THE AMOUNT OF \$6,500 IN THE LAW ENFORCEMENT GRANT FUND FOR 2024.**
254 **Item 24-0-0013 (13.3)**

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256 **13.4 AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE 2024 BUDGET, AND OTHER MATTERS**
257 **PERTAINING THERETO. Item 24-O-0016 (13.4)**

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259 **13.5 AN ORDINANCE ANTICIPATING ADDITIONAL REVENUE TOTALING**
260 **\$270,000 IN THE CRISIS STABILIZATION UNIT (CSU) GRANT FUND; AND,**
261 **APPROPRIATING \$270,000 FROM THE CSU GRANT FUND TO THE**
262 **OTHER PROFESSIONAL SERVICES LINE ITEM IN THE CSU GRANT**
263 **FUND BUDGET FOR 2024. Item 24-O-017 (13.5)**

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265 **13.6 A RESOLUTION EXPRESSING THE WILLINGNESS TO UTILIZE FEDERAL-AID**
266 **FUNDS. Item 24-R-001 (13.6)**

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268 **13.7 A RESOLUTION EXPRESSING THE WILLINGNESS OF THE QUORUM**
269 **COURT...FOR THE BALLARD CREEK BRIDGE REPLACEMENT ON LITTLE ROAD**
270 **PROJECT. Item 24-R-002 (13.7)**

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273 JP Ricker made a motion to pass the consent agenda, seconded by JP Simons. A roll
274 call vote was taken and tallied as follows.

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276 JP Taylor-Yes

277 JP Wilson-Yes

278 JP Simons-Yes

279 JP Lyons-Yes

280 JP Ecke-Absent

281 JP Dean-Yes

282 JP Washington-Yes

283 JP Coger-Yes

284 JP Dennis-Yes

285 JP Highers-Yes

286 JP Rios Stafford-Yes

287 JP Leming-Abstain

288 JP Ricker-Yes

289 JP Pond-Yes

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291 **Consent agenda passes**

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293 **CONSENT AGENDA**

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295 **13.1 AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING A SHORT-TERM FINANCING PURCHASE**
296 **PURSUANT TO THE PROVISIONS OF ACT 1808 OF 2001 AND AMENDMENT 78 TO**
297 **THE ARKANSAS CONSTITUTION. Item 24-0-010 (13.1) Adopted as ORDINANCE**
298 **NO. 2024-009**

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300 **13.2 AN ORDINANCE PROJECTING REVENUES AND CARRYOVER AMOUNTS**
301 **TOTALING \$19,732,510.08 IN VARIOUS GRANT FUNDS; AND, APPROPRIATING**
302 **THE TOTAL AMOUNT OF \$19,732,510.08 TO VARIOUS GRANT FUNDS AND**
303 **BUDGET LINE ITEMS FOR 2024. Item 24-0-012 (13.2) Adopted as ORDINANCE NO.**
304 **2024-010**

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306 **13.3 AN ORDINANCE ANTICIPATING AND APPROPRIATING ADDITIONAL**
307 **REVENUE IN THE AMOUNT OF \$6,500 IN THE LAW ENFORCEMENT GRANT FUND**
308 **FOR 2024. Item 24-0-0013 (13.3) Adopted as ORDINANCE NO. 2024-011**

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310 **13.4 AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE 2024 BUDGET, AND OTHER MATTERS**
311 **PERTAINING THERETO. Item 24-O-0016 (13.4) Adopted as ORDINANCE NO. 2024-**
312 **012**

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314 **13.5 AN ORDINANCE ANTICIPATING ADDITIONAL REVENUE TOTALING \$270,000**
315 **IN THE CRISIS STABILIZATION UNIT (CSU) GRANT FUND; AND, APPROPRIATING**
316 **\$270,000 FROM THE CSU GRANT FUND TO THE OTHER PROFESSIONAL**
317 **SERVICES LINE ITEM IN THE CSU GRANT FUND BUDGET FOR 2024. Item 24-O-**
318 **017 (13.5) Adopted as ORDINANCE NO.**
319 **2024-013**

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321 **13.6 A RESOLUTION EXPRESSING THE WILLINGNESS TO UTILIZE FEDERAL-AID**
322 **FUNDS. Item 24-R-001 (13.6) ADOPTED AS RESOLUTION NO. 2024-R-001**

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324 **13.7 A RESOLUTION EXPRESSING THE WILLINGNESS OF THE QUORUM**
325 **COURT...FOR THE BALLARD CREEK BRIDGE REPLACEMENT ON LITTLE ROAD**
326 **PROJECT. Item 24-R-002 (13.7) ADOPTED AS RESOLUTION NO. 2024-002**

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328 Judge Deakins moved to item 14

329 **White River RV CUP (14.1-14.2)**
330 ***Conditional Use Permit Request***
331 Location: Section 01, Township 17, Range
332 29 Applicant: Jonathan McJunkins
333 Location Address: 18664 Saddle Shop LN WC 383.
334 Springdale, AR 72764 Coordinates: 36.17053217, -
335 94.01552134
336 Proposed Use: RV Park –
337 Commercial JP District:
338 District 15 – Kyle Lyons
339 Approximately: +/- 4.82
340 acres / 1 parcel **Project #:**
341 **2023-35**

342 County attorney Lester advised an agreement had been reached between
343 the two parties. JP Lyons made a motion to add conditions. County attorney
344 Lester advised that if conditions were added presentations would need to be
345 heard. JP Ricker made a motion for a five minute recess, seconded by JP
346 Lyons.

347 Meeting back to order

348 JP Lyons made a motion to amend, seconded by JP Leming, amendment
349 passed by voice vote. County attorney Lester read as amended for the first
350 time. Discussion was had. JP Lyons made a motion to suspend the rules
351 and move to a second reading, seconded by JP Dean. JP Coger made a
352 motion to table the issue until the March meeting seconded by JP
353 Washington. Judge Deakins advised the motion to suspend is; a privileged
354 motion, discussion continued, Director Ata spoke. A roll call vote was taken
355 on the motion to table the item and tallied as follows.

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357 JP Taylor-No
358 JP Wilson-No
359 JP Simons-No
360 JP Lyons-No
361 JP Ecke-Absent
362 JP Dean-No
363 JP Washington-Yes
364 JP Coger-Yes
365 JP Dennis-No
366 JP Highers-No
367 JP Rios Stafford-No
368 JP Leming-No
369 JP Ricker-No
370 JP Pond-No

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Motion to table fails

A roll call vote was taken on the motion to suspend the rules and move to a second reading and tallied as follows

- JP Taylor-Yes
- JP Wilson-Yes
- JP Simons-Yes
- JP Lyons-Yes
- JP Ecke-Absent
- JP Dean-Yes
- JP Washington-Yes
- JP Cogger-No
- JP Dennis-Yes
- JP Highers-Yes
- JP Rios Stafford-Yes
- JP Leming-Yes
- JP Ricker-Yes
- JP Pond-Yes

Motion passed. County attorney Lester read the ordinance by title only for the second time. JP Lyons made a motion to suspend the rules and move to the third reading, seconded by JP Dean. A roll call vote was taken and tallied as follows

- JP Taylor-Yes
- JP Wilson-Yes
- JP Simons-Yes
- JP Lyons-Yes
- JP Ecke-Absent
- JP Dean-Yes
- JP Washington-Yes
- JP Cogger-No
- JP Dennis-Yes
- JP Highers-Yes
- JP Rios Stafford-Yes
- JP Leming-Yes
- JP Ricker-Yes
- JP Pond-Yes

Motion passed. JP Lyons made a motion to pass the ordinance, seconded by JP Dean. Discussion was had. A roll call vote was taken and tallied as follows

- JP Taylor-Yes
- JP Wilson-Yes
- JP Simons-Yes
- JP Lyons-Yes
- JP Ecke-Absent
- JP Dean-Yes
- JP Washington-Yes
- JP Cogger-Yes
- JP Dennis-Yes
- JP Highers-Yes
- JP Rios Stafford-Yes
- JP Leming-Yes
- JP Ricker-Yes
- JP Pond-Yes

Motion passes – adopted as on 2/15/2024 as **ORD 2024-024**

White River RV CUP (14.1-14.2)

Conditional Use Permit Request

Location: Section 01, Township 17, Range

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435 Springdale, AR 72764 Coordinates: 36.17053217, -
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437 Proposed Use: RV Park – Commercial JP District: District 15
438 – Kyle Lyons Approximately: +/- 4.82 acres / 1 parcel **Project**
439 **#: 2023-35**

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441 **Committee Reports as follows:**

442 The County Services/Finance & Budget Committee met Tuesday, March 12, 2024 at
443 6:00PM. All JP's were present

444 JP Dean led the prayer and pledge.

445 Reports were heard from Director Chris Tinsley, Sheriff Jay Cantrell, Treasurer Bobby
446 Hill, Employee's Insurance Report from Charles Angel and Comptroller's report from
447 Director Paul Sherman.

448 The Committee passed nineteen ordinances and two resolutions onto Quorum Court
449 with sixteen of those being placed on the consent agenda. JP Coger brought two
450 ordinances before the court (to repeal Ordinances 2022-123 and 2022-124) neither
451 ordinance received enough votes to move on to the Quorum Court.

452 Meeting was adjourned at 7:07pm.

453 Meeting Adjourned at 8:44pm.

454 *David Allen*

455 Quorum Court Coordinator

456 Approved DA 3-21-2024