

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

Thursday, October 17, 2013  
6:00 p.m.  
Washington County Quorum Court Room

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- 226.1 The Washington County Quorum Court met in regular session on Thursday, October 17, 2013. The meeting was called to order by County Judge Marilyn Edwards.
- 226.2 Judge Edwards introduced and welcomed Diane Bryant who has been appointed by the Governor to replace Mary Ann Spears as Justice of Peace for District #10. She also welcomed journalism students who were in attendance.
- 226.3 R. Aman led the Quorum Court in a prayer and in the Pledge of Allegiance.
- 226.4 MEMBERS PRESENT: Ron Aman, Rex Bailey, Diane Bryant, Candy Clark, Rick Cochran, Barbara Fitzpatrick, Tom Lundstrum, Eva Madison, Joe Patterson, Butch Pond, and Bill Ussery.
- 226.5 MEMBERS ABSENT: Harvey Bowman, John Firmin, Ann Harbison, and Jimmy Mardis.
- 226.6 Judge Edwards noted that Ann Harbison and Jimmy Mardis were expected to be absent, and John Firmin called to say he would be late arriving.
- 226.7 OTHERS PRESENT: County Judge Marilyn Edwards, County Chief of Staff Dan Short, County Comptroller Cheryl Bolinger; Interested Citizens; and Members of the Press.
- 226.8 ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA: Judge Edwards asked if there were any additions or deletions to the agenda.
- 226.9 **R. Cochran made a motion to add Ordinance #10.1 to the agenda suspending budget controls and creating an additional kennel supervisor position in the Animal Shelter Budget and appropriating the total amount of \$6,337 from the General Fund to the Animal Shelter Budget for 2013. B. Pond seconded.**
- 226.10 **Judge Edwards called for a vote on the motion to add Ordinance #10.1 to the agenda.**

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- 227.1 VOTING FOR: B. Pond, R. Cochran, and B. Fitzpatrick. VOTING AGAINST: J. Patterson, B. Ussery, R. Aman, R. Bailey, D. Bryant, C. Clark, T. Lundstrum, and E. Madison. **The motion failed with a vote of three members voting for and eight members voting against the motion.**
- 227.2 County Attorney George Butler explained that this ordinance could be placed on next month's agenda if requested.
- 227.3 **C. Clark made a motion to adopt the agenda as presented. T. Lundstrum seconded. The motion passed unanimously by those present by voice vote. The agenda was adopted.**
- 227.4 APPROVAL OF MINUTES: Judge Edwards asked for approval of the minutes of the September 19 regular meeting of the Washington County Quorum Court.
- 227.5 **C. Clark made a motion to approve the minutes as distributed. J. Patterson seconded. The motion passed unanimously by voice vote by those present. The minutes were adopted.**
- 227.6 FINANCE REPORT: C. Clark reported that there were six appropriation ordinances on the agenda tonight that had been thoroughly discussed and forwarded from the Finance and Budget Committee.
- 227.7 AN ORDINANCE REDUCING THE AMOUNT OF \$72,400 FROM FULL-TIME SALARY LINE ITEMS IN VARIOUS COUNTY BUDGETS AND RESTORING THOSE FUNDS TO UNAPPROPRIATED RESERVES; APPROPRIATING THE AMOUNT OF \$60,359 FROM UNAPPROPRIATED RESERVES TO VARIOUS BUDGETS; AND, SUSPENDING BUDGET CONTROLS AND ANY APPLICABLE JESEAP POLICIES TO CHANGE THE TITLE OF SECRETARY/RECEPTIONIST TO ADMINISTRATIVE DETENTION BOOKKEEPER IN THE JAIL BUDGET OF THE JAIL FUND FOR 2013: C. Clark introduced **An Ordinance Reducing The Amount Of \$72,400 From Full-Time Salary Line Items In Various County Budgets And Restoring Those Funds To Unappropriated Reserves; Appropriating The Amount Of \$60,359 From Unappropriated Reserves To Various Budgets; And, Suspending Budget Controls And Any Applicable JESAP Policies To Change The Title Of Secretary/Receptionist To Administrative Detention Bookkeeper In The Jail Budget Of The Jail Fund For 2013,** and County Attorney George Butler read the ordinance.
- 227.8 C. Clark stated that they have discussed this in the Finance and Budget Committee meeting and is the quarterly housekeeping ordinance.
- 227.9 **C. Clark made a motion to adopt the ordinance. R. Bailey seconded.**

228.1 **With no further discussion, Judge Edwards called for a vote on the motion to adopt the ordinance.**

228.2 VOTING FOR: J. Patterson, B. Pond, B. Ussery, R. Aman, R. Bailey, D. Bryant, C. Clark, R. Cochran, B. Fitzpatrick, T. Lundstrum, and E. Madison. **The motion passed unanimously by those present. The ordinance was adopted.**

**ORDINANCE NO. 2013-55, BOOK NO. 9, PAGE NO. 247**

228.3 Harvey Bowman arrives at the meeting.

228.4 AN ORDINANCE RECOGNIZING AND APPROPRIATING REVENUES OF \$80,192 IN VARIOUS COUNTY FUNDS FOR 2013: C. Clark introduced **An Ordinance Recognizing and Appropriating Revenues Of \$80,192 In Various County Funds For 2013**, and County Attorney George Butler read the ordinance.

228.5 C. Clark explained that there is not a penny of county money that does not have to be recognized and then appropriated which is what this ordinance reflects.

228.6 **C. Clark made a motion to adopt the ordinance. B. Fitzpatrick seconded.**

228.7 **With no further discussion, Judge Edwards called for a vote on the motion to adopt the ordinance.**

228.8 VOTING FOR: J. Patterson, B. Pond, B. Ussery, R. Aman, R. Bailey, H. Bowman, D. Bryant, C. Clark, R. Cochran, B. Fitzpatrick, T. Lundstrum, and E. Madison. **The motion passed unanimously by those present. The ordinance was adopted.**

**ORDINANCE NO. 2013-56, BOOK NO. 9, PAGE NO. 250**

228.9 AN ORDINANCE RECOGNIZING ADDITIONAL REVENUES OF \$20,000 IN THE GENERAL FUND; AND APPROPRIATING \$20,000 FROM THE GENERAL FUND TO THE SHERIFF'S BUDGET FOR 2013: C. Clark introduced **An Ordinance Recognizing Additional Revenues of \$20,000 in the General Fund; And Appropriating \$20,000 From the General Fund to the Sheriff's Budget for 2013**, and County Attorney George Butler read the ordinance.

228.10 **C. Clark made a motion to adopt the ordinance. R. Bailey seconded.**

229.1 **With no further discussion, Judge Edwards called for a vote on the motion to adopt the ordinance.**

229.2 VOTING FOR: J. Patterson, B. Pond, B. Ussery, R. Aman, R. Bailey, H. Bowman, D. Bryant, C. Clark, R. Cochran, B. Fitzpatrick, T. Lundstrum, and E. Madison. **The motion passed unanimously by those present. The ordinance was adopted.**

**ORDINANCE NO. 2013-57, BOOK NO. 9, PAGE NO. 252**

229.3 AN ORDINANCE TRANSFERRING MONIES WITHIN THE CIRCUIT COURT III BUDGET IN THE GENERAL FUND FOR 2013: C. Clark introduced **An Ordinance Transferring Monies Within The Circuit Court III Budget In The General Fund For 2013**, and County Attorney George Butler read the ordinance.

229.4 **C. Clark made a motion to adopt the ordinance. T. Lundstrum seconded.**

229.5 **With no further discussion, Judge Edwards called for a vote on the motion to adopt the ordinance.**

229.6 VOTING FOR: J. Patterson, B. Pond, B. Ussery, R. Aman, R. Bailey, H. Bowman, D. Bryant, C. Clark, R. Cochran, B. Fitzpatrick, T. Lundstrum, and E. Madison. **The motion passed unanimously by those present. The ordinance was adopted.**

**ORDINANCE NO. 2013-58, BOOK NO. 9, PAGE NO. 253**

229.7 AN ORDINANCE APPROPRIATING \$5,933 FROM THE COURTHOUSE SECURITY GRANT FUND TO THE COURTHOUSE SECURITY GRANT BUDGET FOR 2013: C. Clark introduced **An Ordinance Appropriating \$5,933 From The Courthouse Security Grant Fund To The Courthouse Security Grant Budget For 2013**, and County Attorney George Butler read the ordinance.

229.8 **C. Clark made a motion to adopt the ordinance. T. Lundstrum seconded.**

229.9 R. Aman asked whether there were additional grant monies expected for courthouse security; to which County Attorney George Butler responded that this money has been in the fund for sometime and there is a limited amount for each judicial district.

230.1 **With no further discussion, Judge Edwards called for a vote on the motion to adopt the ordinance.**

230.2 VOTING FOR: J. Patterson, B. Pond, B. Ussery, R. Bailey, H. Bowman, D. Bryant, C. Clark, R. Cochran, B. Fitzpatrick, T. Lundstrum, and E. Madison. VOTING AGAINST: R. Aman. **The motion passed with eleven members voting in favor and one member voting against the motion. The ordinance was adopted.**

**ORDINANCE NO. 2013-59, BOOK NO. 9, PAGE NO. 254**

230.3 AN ORDINANCE APPROPRIATING \$20,000 FROM THE RECORDER'S COST FUND TO THE RECORDER'S COST FUND BUDGET FOR 2013: C. Clark introduced **An Ordinance Appropriating \$20,000 From The Recorder's Cost Fund To The Recorder's Cost Fund Budget For 2013**, and County Attorney George Butler read the ordinance.

230.4 **C. Clark made a motion to adopt the ordinance. B. Fitzpatrick seconded.**

230.5 **With no further discussion, Judge Edwards called for a vote on the motion to adopt the ordinance.**

230.6 VOTING FOR: J. Patterson, B. Pond, B. Ussery, R. Aman, R. Bailey, H. Bowman, D. Bryant, C. Clark, R. Cochran, B. Fitzpatrick, T. Lundstrum, and E. Madison. **The motion passed unanimously by those present. The ordinance was adopted.**

**ORDINANCE NO. 2013-60, BOOK NO. 9, PAGE NO. 255**

230.7 COUNTY JUDGE'S REPORT: Judge Edwards distributed pictures of the Harvey Dowell Bridge showing the progress that has been made on this project. She further noted that all piers were placed last Friday on the Harvey Dowell Bridge, and they are now to the point that they can start putting the decking on the bridges, rebar and then start pouring concrete. She stated, if the weather cooperates, they are hopeful to have the Harvey Dowell Bridge completed by the end of December. Judge Edwards noted that the Road Department has been able to do all of this bridge work.

230.8 Judge Edwards reported that they are doing preliminary work on the Woolsey Bridge with the surveying scheduled for this winter. They will soon be starting on new construction and will be shutting down the chip seal projects because of the cooler weather. They will be starting work on three State Aid projects: Wyman Road, Bush Valley Road, and Blue Springs Road.

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- 231.1 Judge Edwards reported that the Washington County Fall Cleanup is scheduled for Saturday, October 26, from 8:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. for Washington County residents. She stated that this is a great opportunity for County residents to discard furniture and construction materials free of charge. She stated that all loads must be covered and can be taken to either the landfill in Tontitown or the Boston Mountain Solid Waste District in Prairie Grove.
- 231.2 Judge Edwards announced that the Pet Wellness Expo sponsored by the Animal League of Washington County is scheduled for Saturday, November 9, from 10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. at the Washington County Sheriff's East Wing Annex building. She noted that vaccines and micro-chipping will be offered for \$5 each. She stated that all animals must be on a leash or in a carrier and must be socialized. There will also be animals for adoption, as well as low cost spay/neuter applications available.
- 231.3 COMMITTEE REPORTS: J. Patterson reported that the County Services Committee did not meet this month due to lack of an agenda.
- 231.4 E. Madison reported that the Public Works Committee did not meet this month due to lack of an agenda.
- 231.5 B. Pond reported that the Personnel Committee met on October 7 and heard a routine report from Blair Johanson, Salary Consultant for Washington County, as well as a comparison of County employee salaries and current salary market with a recommendation on raises for county employees.
- 231.6 T. Lundstrum reported that the Jail/Law Enforcement/Courts Committee met on October 7 and heard the routine monthly reports from the Juvenile Detention Center and from the Sheriff's Office. He noted that Detention Major Randall Denzer advised that the cost for medical has exceeded the budget by \$84,000 and that it may be necessary to move money out of the contingency to pay for these expenses.
- 231.7 T. Lundstrum stated that Sheriff Tim Helder reported on construction at the East Annex informing that the drywall is up and painted. He stated that they had an ordinance extending an Interlocal Agreement for jail services with the City of Fayetteville for 2014 that they voted to forward onto the full Quorum Court with a do pass recommendation, which is the next item to be considered.
- 231.8 AN ORDINANCE EXTENDING AN INTERLOCAL AGREEMENT FOR JAIL SERVICES WITH THE CITY OF FAYETTEVILLE FOR 2014: T. Lundstrum introduced **An Ordinance Extending An Interlocal Agreement For Jail Services With The City of Fayetteville For 2014**, and County Attorney

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George Butler read the ordinance. The ordinance is on first reading and is being recommended by the Jail/Law Enforcement/Courts Committee.

- 232.1 T. Lundstrum stated that this is an Interlocal Agreement that the County has had for a number of years with Fayetteville, and he would have no objection to suspending the rules and moving the ordinance to second and third readings.
- 232.2 **B. Fitzpatrick made a motion to suspend the rules and place the ordinance on second reading by title only. T. Lundstrum seconded. The motion passed unanimously by voice vote by those present.**
- 232.3 County Attorney George Butler read **An Ordinance Extending An Interlocal Agreement For Jail Services With The City Of Fayetteville For 2014**, by title only.
- 232.4 **B. Pond made a motion to suspend the rules and place the ordinance on third and final reading by title only. B. Fitzpatrick seconded. The motion passed unanimously by voice vote by those present.**
- 232.5 County Attorney George Butler read **An Ordinance Extending An Interlocal Agreement For Jail Services With The City Of Fayetteville For 2014**, by title only.
- 232.6 **R. Bailey made a motion to adopt the ordinance. T. Lundstrum seconded.**
- 232.7 Citizen Comments: There were no citizen comments made.
- 232.8 **With no further discussion, Judge Edwards called for a vote on the motion to adopt the ordinance.**
- 232.9 VOTING FOR: J. Patterson, B. Pond, B. Ussery, R. Aman, R. Bailey, H. Bowman, D. Bryant, C. Clark, R. Cochran, B. Fitzpatrick, T. Lundstrum, and E. Madison. **The motion passed unanimously by those present. The ordinance was adopted.**

**ORDINANCE NO. 2013-61, BOOK NO. 9, PAGE NO. 259**

- 232.10 OTHER BUSINESS: R. Bailey reported that Judge Edwards' son was in the hospital and asked that they all pray for his complete healing.
- 232.11 E. Madison reported that this is the last meeting for Tony Hernandez, reporter with the NWA Times, and she would like to wish him all the best in his future job.

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- 233.1 C. Clark reported that the next Finance and Budget Committee meeting would be October 21 at 5:30 p.m.
- 233.2 CITIZEN COMMENTS: There were no comments made.
- 233.3 ADJOURNMENT: The meeting adjourned at 6:25 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,



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