JOURNAL OF PROCEEDINGS January 21, 2025, at 6:00 p.m.

The Faulkner County Quorum Court met in its regular session at 6:00 PM on January 21, 2025, in Courtroom "A" located in the Faulkner County Courthouse with Judge Allen Dodson presiding.

The Invocation and pledge were led by Justice Kendrick.

Attendance: County Administrator Randy Higgins, Administrator Tom Anderson, County Attorney Philip Murphy, Representing County Clerk Margaret Darter, Deputy Clerk Teresa Bonds and Rob Denning, Treasurer Scott Sanson appearing by Zoom and the following Court members were present: Justices Allison, Coats, Kendrick, Knight, Lachowsky, Lyon, Meeks, Pearson, Roberts, Shock, Strain, Tyler and Yorgey.

Approval of the Journal: Justice Kendrick made a motion that the Journal of Proceedings be approved as is and such motion was seconded by Justice Lachowsky. And unanimously approved.

County Officer's Report: The Treasurer's report was provided to the Court on the financial standing of the County and a copy of the report was provided to all members and one is on file.

Public Comments: None

Special Reports: None

Old Business: None

New Business:

This is an Organizational Ordinance for the 2025-2026 Quorum Court. Justice Lachowsky made a motion to accept Proposed Ordinance 25-01 and Justice Kendrick seconded such motion. Counsel Murphy read Proposed Ordinance 25-01. After discussion, Judge Dodson asked for a vote by roll call for Proposed Ordinance 25-01. The roll was called and Proposed Ordinance 25-01 passed with a voice vote of 13-0.

The Court discussed Proposed Ordinance 25-01. This is an appropriation Ordinance to amend and supplement Faulkner County Ordinance 24-52 (November 20, 2024), and to declare an emergency. Justice Lachowsky made a motion to accept Proposed Ordinance 25-01, and such motion was seconded by Justice Tyler. Counsel Murphy read Proposed Ordinance 25-01. Justice Knight made a motion to amend and to strike the subtitle "Sponsored by Budget & Finance" from the Ordinance. Such motion was seconded by Justice Lachowsky unanimously approved. After discussion, Judge Dodson called for a vote by roll call for Proposed Ordinance 25-01. The roll was called and Proposed Ordinance 25-01 passed with a vote of 13-0.

The Court discussed Proposed Ordinance 25-02. This is an appropriation Ordinance to amend and supplement Faulkner County Ordinance 23-36 (November 21, 2023), and to declare an emergency. Justice Lachowsky made a motion to accept Proposed Ordinance 25-03, and such motion was seconded. Counsel Murphy read Proposed Ordinance 25-02. Justice Yorgey made a motion to amend and to strike the subtitle "Sponsored by Budget & Finance" from the Ordinance. Such motion was seconded by Justice Moss and unanimously approved. After discussion, Judge Dodson called for a vote by roll call for Proposed Ordinance 25-03. The roll was called and Proposed Ordinance 25-03 passed with a vote of 13-0.

The Court discussed Proposed Resolution 25-01. This is a Resolution to honor Randall "Randy" K. Higgins. Justice Coats made a motion to accept Proposed Resolution 25-01 and such motion was seconded by Justice Kedrick. Counsel Murphy read Proposed Resolution 25-01. After discussion, Judge Dodson asked for a voice vote and Resolution 25-01 was unanimously approved.

Appointment: Appointment of Kris Kendrick as the Quorum Court Delegate to the Quorum Court Association.

Adjournment: Adjourned at 7:05 PM

*****An audio tape of this meeting is kept on file*****