

**BAXTER COUNTY QUORUM COURT
JOURNAL OF PROCEEDINGS**

April 4, 2017

The Baxter County Quorum Court met in a regular session at 6:00 PM in the Baxter County Courtroom with County Judge Mickey Pendergrass presiding. Members present were: Rhonda “Tink” Albright, Ty Chapman, Edna Fusco, James Kerr, Kevin Litty, William Lucas, Neal Pendergrass, Gary Smith, Lucille Soltysik, and Erric Totty. Justice Williamson was absent. The meeting began with a moment of silence and the Pledge of Allegiance.

Judge Pendergrass asked if there were any additions or corrections to the minutes of the March meeting. Justice Lucas moved that the minutes be approved as submitted. Justice Pendergrass seconded that motion. All voted in favor.

Justice Chapman reported on the March 27 joint meeting of the Building Committee and Baxter County Planning Board. Minutes of that meeting will be attached.

Justice Smith moved to suspend the rules and add an additional Resolution to the meeting’s agenda. Justice Fusco seconded, and all voted in favor.

New Business:

Proposed Ordinance #2017-12, **AN ORDINANCE APPROPRIATING FEES AND REIMBURSEMENTS RECEIVED IN THE MONTH OF FEBRUARY TO THE SHERIFF’S DEPARTMENT 2017 BUDGET**, was sponsored by Justice Williamson and read by title only by County Clerk Canda Reese. A motion was made by Justice Pendergrass for the adoption of the proposed ordinance, seconded by Justice Kerr. Being no discussion, the roll was called. Voting YEA: Justices Albright, Chapman, Fusco, Kerr, Litty, Lucas, Pendergrass, Smith, Soltysik, and Totty. The motion carried and Appropriation Ordinance #2017-12 was adopted with a vote of 10 YEA, 0 NAY, 1 absent.

Proposed Ordinance #2017-13, **AN ORDINANCE APPROPRIATING GRANT FUNDS IN THE AMOUNT OF \$47,255.00 RECEIVED FROM THE ARKANSAS DEPARTMENT OF HERITAGE TO THE BUILDINGS AND GROUNDS BUDGET**, was sponsored by the Baxter County Building Committee and read by title only by County Clerk Canda Reese. Justice Fusco moved to adopt, seconded by Justice Chapman. After brief discussion, the roll was called. Voting YEA: Justices Chapman, Fusco, Kerr, Litty, Lucas, Pendergrass, Smith, Soltysik, Totty, and Albright. The motion carried and Appropriation Ordinance #2017-13 was adopted with a vote of 10 YEA, 0 NAY, 1 absent.

Proposed Resolution #2017-9, **A RESOLUTION CONFIRMING THE APPOINTMENT OF ERNIE SCHROEDER BY THE BAXTER COUNTY JUDGE TO THE HENDERSON AREA FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS**, was sponsored by Justice Totty and read by title only by County Clerk Canda Reese. Justice Totty moved to adopt, seconded by Justice Kerr. Being no discussion, the roll was called. Voting YEA: Justices Fusco, Kerr, Litty, Lucas, Pendergrass, Smith, Soltysik, Totty, Albright, and Chapman. The motion carried and Resolution #2017-9 was adopted with a vote of 10 YEA, 0 NAY, 1 absent.

Proposed Resolution #2017-10, **A RESOLUTION CONFIRMING THE APPOINTMENT OF LINDLEY REUBEN BY THE BAXTER COUNTY JUDGE TO THE GROVER TOWNSHIP FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS** was sponsored by Justice Smith and read in its entirety by County Clerk Canda Reese. Justice Lucas moved to adopt, and Justice Kerr seconded that motion. Being no discussion, the roll was called. Voting YEA: Justices Kerr, Litty, Lucas, Pendergrass, Smith, Soltysik, Totty, Albright, Chapman, and Fusco. The motion carried and Resolution #2017-10 was adopted with a vote of 10 YEA, 0 NAY, 1 absent.

Other Announcements:

Judge Pendergrass expressed thanks to those who have served and continue to serve on all of Baxter County's Volunteer Fire Departments. He also recognized JB Dewey who had served as a fire fighter for years, and had recently passed away.

It was announced that the Budget Committee will meet on April 10 at 4:30 p.m. in the 3rd floor conference room. Also, the Personnel Committee will meet on April 24, 2017 at 4:30 p.m.

The Court elected Justice Tink Albright to replace Justice Williamson as their representative to attend the Association of Arkansas Counties Quorum Court Association annual meeting.

Justice Lucas recognized the work of Baxter County Collector Teresa Smith in increasing the contributions for the Voluntary Animal Control tax.

Being no further business before the Court, the meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

Canda J. Reese, Baxter County & Circuit Clerk
Secretary to the Quorum Court