

Committee of the Whole

May 12, 2015

The Committee of the Whole met Tuesday, May 12, 2015 at 6:00 p.m. in the Quorum Court Room, County Administration Building, Third Floor, 215 East Central, Bentonville, Arkansas.

11 JPs Present: Shadlow, J. Harrison, Allen, K. Harrison,
Adams, Jones, Anglin, Leadabrand, Moore, Meyers, Moehring
4 Absent: * Easley, Sandlin, Chiocco, Curry

Others Present: County Judge Bob Clinard, Public Defender Jay Saxton, Assessor Linda Hambrick, Fire Marshal Marc Trollinger, Comptroller Brenda Guenther,

Media: Tom Sissom - Daily Record

JP Kurt Moore called the meeting to order.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

None

JP Moore stated that the presentation by Administrator of Public Services Jeff Clark will be removed from the agenda.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

None

Presentation: Road Department Update 2015 – Administrator of Public Services Jeff Clark - Removed from Agenda

JP J. Harrison made motion to read all resolutions and ordinances by title only, seconded by JP Adams

Motion passed by unanimous show of hands vote.

JP Susan Anglin briefed the Justices on the Arkansas Association of Quorum Court (AAQC) annual governing body meeting that was held Wednesday, April 18, 2015.

JP Anglin stated that she was requesting a resolution be prepared to honor Benton County native, Ricky L Waddell for his accomplishments and his service to the nation and made motion to forward the resolution request to the May 28, 2015 Quorum Court agenda, seconded by JP K. Harrison.

Motion passed by unanimous show of hands vote.

A. Resolution Request: Appointing a Successor to Fill the Vacancy in the Office of County Surveyor for Benton County; Sponsor: JP Susan Anglin

*JP Chiocco entered the meeting.

JP Anglin made motion to approve and forward the proposed resolution request to the May 28, 2015 Quorum Court agenda, seconded by JP K. Harrison.

Michael James of Gentry expressed his interest in being appointed a County Surveyor.

JP Allen made motion to amend the motion to appoint Michael James to fill the position as County Surveyor of Benton County, seconded concurred.

*JP Sandlin entered the meeting.

Motion passed by unanimous show of hands vote.

B. Resolution Request: To Apply for a Grant and Participation in the FY 2015 Demonstration Projects to Establish “Zero Tolerance” Cultures for Sexual Assault in Correctional Facilities through the Bureau of Justice Assistance (BJA); Sponsor: JP Joel Jones

JP Jones made motion to approve and forward the proposed resolution request to the May 28, 2015 Quorum Court agenda; seconded by JP Jay Harrison

There being no discussion, a show of hands vote was recorded as follows:

Motion passed by unanimous show of hands vote.

C. Appropriation Ordinance Request: Dept. 0100, County Judge, Fund 3480; Sponsor: JP Joel Jones

JP Jones explained this is to appropriate \$15,000 from un-appropriated Historical Commission Funds; to be used to move the Highfill Historical School House and the Old Glades Post Office. JP Jones then made motion to approve and forward the proposed appropriation ordinance request to the May 28, 2015 Quorum Court agenda, seconded by JP Chiocco.

Motion passed by unanimous show of hands vote.

D. Appropriation Ordinance Request: Dept., 0502 Benton County Fire Services, Fund 1000, Sponsor: JP Joel Jones

JP Jones stated this appropriation ordinance request is to transfer funds between categories and line items to purchase Extrication Equipment for the Gallatin and Piney Point Fire Departments. JP Jones made motion to approve and forward the proposed appropriation ordinance to the May 28, 2015 Quorum Court agenda, seconded by JP Adams.

Motion passed by unanimous show of hands vote.

E. Appropriation Ordinance Request: Dept. 0417, Public Defender, Fund 3024;

Sponsor: JP Barry Moehring

JP Moehring stated this appropriation ordinance request is to transfer funds within the Public Defender's Department to purchase four tablets to replace the Dell computers they are currently using. JP Moehring made motion to approve and forward to the May 28, 2015 Quorum Court agenda, seconded by JP Jones

Motion passed by unanimous show of hands vote.

F. Ordinance Request: Amend Ordinance No. O-2009-42 - To Increase the Daily Fee Charged to Municipalities for Housing Prisoners; Sponsor: JP Brent Meyers

JP Meyers made motion to approve and forward the proposed ordinance to increase the daily fee charged to municipalities for housing prisoners in the County Jail to the May 28, 2015 Quorum Court agenda, seconded JP Kevin Harrison.

Motion passed by unanimous show of hands vote.

G. Ordinance Request: Amending Sec. 2-357 of the Code of Ordinances of Benton County Regarding Uniform System of Perpetual Inventory;

Sponsor: JP Barry Moehring

JP Moehring stated this ordinance request is to update the *Code of Ordinances of Benton County* to clarify Section 2-367 regarding the system of inventory of property and equipment owned by the county. JP Moehring made motion to approve and forward the proposed ordinance to the April 23, 2015 Quorum Court agenda, seconded by JP Sandlin.

Motion passed by unanimous show of hands vote.

H. Ordinance Request: Amending Sec. 2-368 of the Code of Ordinance of Benton County Regarding the Exchange or Transfer of Properties, Real or Personal;

Sponsor: JP Tom Leadabrand

JP Leadabrand stated this ordinance request is to update Act 98 of 2015 to authorize counties to exchange or transfer properties, real or personal with other counties, municipalities, community colleges or institutions of higher education. JP Leadabrand made motion to approve and forward the proposed ordinance request to the May 28, 2015 Quorum Court agenda, seconded by JP J. Harrison

Motion passed by unanimous show of hands vote.

Discussion: New Courts Facility Location and Cost.

JP Jones stated that the Public Safety Committee voted to recommend the downtown location for the new courts facility, but did not adopt a specific plan. He stated that the Public Safety Committee voted to send this issue to the June 9, 2015 Committee of the Whole meeting to allow time for the County Judge and architects to prepare.

JP Allen stated that the Finance Committee went over funding alternatives, but that they will not make any recommendation until the location and design are more settled. He stated that we are trying to get everybody educated and up to speed on the financing options, but we are not there yet.

OTHER BUSINESS

None

ANNOUNCEMENTS

JP K. Harrison announced that a Legislative Committee meeting will be held Tuesday, May 19, 2015 at 6:00 p.m.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

None

ADJOURNMENT

Meeting adjourned at 7:42 p.m.