

MINUTES OF BENTON COUNTY QUORUM COURT

April 12, 2016

A special meeting of the Benton County Quorum Court was held on Tuesday, April 12, 2016 at 8:15 p.m. at the Benton County Administration Building, 215 East Central Avenue, Bentonville, Arkansas, pursuant to proper call and notice.

County Judge Bob Clinard called the meeting to order.

Quorum Court Coordinator Stefanie Laputz called roll as follows:

14 JPs Present: Sheridan, Shadlow, J. Harrison, Allen, K. Harrison, Adams, Jones, Sandlin, Anglin, Chiocco, Slinkard, Leadabrand, Meyers, Moehring
1 JP Absent: Moore

A legal quorum was present.

The presiding officer led the pledge of allegiance to the flag and the prayer.

PUBLIC COMMENTS:

Sue Keith Elverston of Pea Ridge stated it is her opinion that the court should approve the resignation of Sheriff Kelley Craddock.

NEW BUSINESS:

- (A) Proposed Resolution Authorizing the County Judge of Benton County to Apply for Fostering Advancements in Shipping and Transportation for the Long-Term Achievement of National Efficiencies (FASTLANE) Grant to Fund Road Improvements in Benton County; Sponsor: JP Pat Adams

County Attorney George Spence read the proposed resolution by title only.

JP Adams made motion to adopt, seconded by JP Jones.

There being no discussion, a roll call vote was recorded as follows:

14 Yeas: Sheridan, Shadlow, J. Harrison, Allen, K. Harrison, Adams, Jones, Sandlin, Anglin, Chiocco, Slinkard, Leadabrand, Meyers, Moehring
1 Absent: Moore

Resolution duly adopted and assigned **No. R-2016-16.**

OTHER BUSINESS:

- (A) Proposed Appropriation Ordinance Amending Appropriation Ordinance No. O-2015-69 (2016 Benton County Budget) to Authorizing Additional Expenditures in Department 0400, County Sheriff, Fund 1000; Sponsor JP Tom Allen

County Attorney George Spence read the proposed appropriation ordinance by title only.

JP Allen made motion to adopt, seconded by JP Jones.

There being no discussion, a roll call vote was recorded as follows:

- 14 Yeas: Sheridan, Shadlow, J. Harrison, Allen, K. Harrison, Adams, Jones, Sandlin, Anglin, Chiocco, Slinkard, Leadabrand, Meyers, Moehring
- 1 Absent: Moore

Appropriation ordinance duly adopted and assigned **No. O-2016-09**.

- (B) Proposed Resolution Authorizing the County Judge of Benton County to Apply for an Arkansas State Police – Selective Traffic Enforcement Program (S.T.E.P.) FY 2017 Grant; Sponsor: JP Pat Adams

County Attorney George Spence read the proposed resolution by title only.

JP Adams made motion to adopt, seconded by JP Jones.

There being no discussion, a roll call vote was recorded as follows:

- 14 Yeas: Sheridan, Shadlow, J. Harrison, Allen, K. Harrison, Adams, Jones, Sandlin, Anglin, Chiocco, Slinkard, Leadabrand, Meyers, Moehring
- 1 Absent: Moore

Resolution duly adopted and assigned **No. R-2016-17**.

- (C) Proposed Resolution Authorizing the County Judge of Benton County to Apply for the Transportation Investment Generating Economic Recovery (TIGER Discretionary) Grant to Help Fund Road Improvements in Benton County; Sponsor: JP Pat Adams

County Attorney George Spence read the proposed resolution by title only.

JP Adams made motion to adopt, seconded by JP Jones.

There being no discussion, a roll call vote was recorded as follows:

14 Yeas: Sheridan, Shadlow, J. Harrison, Allen, K. Harrison, Adams, Jones, Sandlin, Anglin,
Chiocco, Slinkard, Leadabrand, Meyers, Moehring
1 Absent: Moore

Resolution duly adopted and assigned **No. R-2016-18.**

(D) Proposed Resolution Supporting the General Assembly Funding the Arkansas Works Program; Sponsor: JP Shirley Sandlin

County Attorney George Spence read the proposed resolution by title only.

JP Sandlin made motion to adopt, seconded by JP K. Harrison.

JP Meyers stated that he is against this resolution because he feels that it is socialistic.

There being no further discussion, a roll call vote was recorded as follows:

12 Yeas: Sheridan, Shadlow, Allen, K. Harrison, Adams, Jones, Sandlin, Anglin, Chiocco,
Slinkard, Leadabrand, Moehring
2 Nays: J. Harrison, Meyers
1 Absent: Moore

Resolution duly adopted and assigned **No. R-2016-19.**

County Judge Bob Clinard stated that two additional meeting dates would need to be called to take action on the resolution declaring a vacancy in the position of Sheriff and to consider candidates for the position of interim Sheriff.

JP Adams made motion to set a special Quorum Court meeting date for Friday, April 15, 2016 at 5:30 p.m. for the consideration of the resolution declaring a vacancy in the Sheriff's office, seconded by JP Jones.

Motion passed by unanimous voice vote.

County Attorney George Spence led a short discussion about the proper procedure for accepting Sheriff Craddock's resignation and appointing a new Sheriff.

JP Jones made motion to put a notice in the newspaper on Monday, April 18, 2016 seeking applicants to fill the office of the Sheriff, with a submission deadline of Friday, April 22, 2016 at noon, and for a special Committee of the Whole meeting to be called on Monday, April 25, 2016 at 6:00 p.m. to consider these applications and choose a candidate to be appointed at the April 28, 2016 regular Quorum Court meeting, seconded by JP Shadlow.

Motion passed by unanimous voice vote.

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

Judge Clinard stated that he has gotten a letter of recommendation for support on the FASTLANE Grant application from Representative Womack, and there is one coming from Senator Boozman, Director of the Highway Department Scott Bennett and possibly one from Walmart Logistics Transportation.

ADJOURNMENT:

After motion and second, meeting adjourned at 8:41 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Tena O'Brien
County Clerk

Prepared by: Stefanie Laputz