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SPECIAL SESSION

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The Quorum Court of Madison County, Arkansas met in special session at 6:00 o'clock p.m., on the 22nd day of August, 2022. The following were present: County Judge Frank Weaver; County Clerk Tamitha Blocker; and Justices Jack Hudgins, T.W. Dotson, Sherri Cozad, Pattie Shinn, Wendy Pettz, Luke Dotson, Larry Garrett, Devin Glenn, and Matt Clever. Absent: none.

Justice Pattie Shinn, seconded by Larry Garrett, moved not to accept per diem payment for attending the special meeting. All justices voted in favor of the motion.

County Judge Frank Weaver introduced Ryan Bowman with the Friday, Eldredge, and Clark law firm in Little Rock, AR. Mr. Bowman presented three ordinances that his law firm drafted at the request of the county for consideration by the quorum court. Mr. Bowman reviewed each ordinance with the quorum court and fielded several questions.

The County Judge announced that consideration should be given to an ordinance levying a county-wide 1.25% sales and use tax. This was a matter with which the Quorum Court was familiar, and after a discussion, Justice Larry Garrett introduced an Ordinance entitled:

AN ORDINANCE PROVIDING FOR THE LEVY OF A 1.25% SALES
AND USE TAX WITHIN MADISON COUNTY, ARKANSAS FOR JAIL
AND LAW ENFORCEMENT PURPOSES; AND PRESCRIBING
OTHER MATTERS PERTAINING THERETO.

and the Ordinance was read in full.

Justice Pattie Shinn, seconded by Justice Larry Garrett, then moved that the rule requiring the reading of an ordinance in full on three different days be further suspended and that the Ordinance be placed on its second reading by title only. The County Judge put the question on the adoption of the motion and the roll being called, the following voted aye: Jack Hudgins, T.W. Dotson, Sherri Cozad, Pattie Shinn, Wendy Pettz, Luke Dotson, Larry Garrett, Devin Glenn, and Matt Clever and the following voted nay: none.

Thereupon the County Judge declared that at least two-thirds of all members of the Quorum Court having voted in favor of the motion to suspend the rule, the motion was carried and the rule suspended. The Ordinance was then placed on its second reading by title only.

Justice Larry Garrett, seconded by Justice Pattie Shinn, then moved that the rule requiring the reading of an ordinance in full on three different days be further suspended and that the Ordinance be placed on its third reading by title only. The County Judge put the question on the adoption of the motion and the roll being called, the following voted aye: Jack Hudgins, T.W. Dotson, Sherri Cozad, Pattie Shinn, Wendy Pettz, Luke Dotson, Larry Garrett, Devin Glenn, and Matt Clever and the following voted nay: none.

Thereupon the County Judge declared that at least two-thirds of all members of the Quorum Court having voted in favor of the motion to suspend the rule, the motion was carried and the rule suspended. The Ordinance was then placed on its third reading by title only.

Justice Larry Garrett, seconded by Justice Pattie Shinn, moved that the Ordinance be adopted. The question was put by the County Judge on the adoption of the motion and the roll being called, the following voted aye: Jack Hudgins, Sherri Cozad, Pattie Shinn, Wendy Pettz,

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Luke Dotson, Larry Garrett, Devin Glenn, and Matt Clever and the following voted nay: T.W. Dotson.

The County Judge thereupon declared the Ordinance adopted and signed the Ordinance, which was attested by the County Clerk and sealed with the seal of the County. The Ordinance was given No. 2022-15.

The County Judge announced that consideration should be given to an ordinance calling an election on the levy of a county-wide 1.25% sales and use tax. This was a matter with which the Quorum Court was familiar, and after a discussion, Justice Larry Garrett, introduced an Ordinance entitled:

AN ORDINANCE CALLING A SPECIAL ELECTION IN MADISON COUNTY, ARKANSAS ON THE QUESTION OF LEVYING A COUNTY-WIDE 1.25% SALES AND USE TAX FOR JAIL AND LAW ENFORCEMENT PURPOSES; AND PRESCRIBING OTHER MATTERS PERTAINING THERETO.

and the Ordinance was read in full.

Justice Larry Garrett, seconded by Justice Pattie Shinn, then moved that the rule requiring the reading of an ordinance in full on three different days be further suspended and that the Ordinance be placed on its second reading by title only. The County Judge put the question on the adoption of the motion and the roll being called, the following voted aye: Jack Hudgins, T.W. Dotson, Sherri Cozad, Pattie Shinn, Wendy Pettz, Luke Dotson, Larry Garrett, Devin Glenn, and Matt Clever and the following voted nay: none.

Thereupon the County Judge declared that at least two-thirds of all members of the Quorum Court having voted in favor of the motion to suspend the rule, the motion was carried and the rule suspended. The Ordinance was then placed on its second reading by title only.

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Thereupon the County Judge declared that at least two-thirds of all members of the Quorum Court having voted in favor of the motion to suspend the rule, the motion was carried and the rule suspended. The Ordinance was then placed on its third reading by title only.

Justice Pattie Shinn, seconded by Justice Wendy Pettz, moved that the Ordinance be adopted. The question was put by the County Judge on the adoption of the motion and the roll being called, the following voted aye: Jack Hudgins, Sherri Cozad, Pattie Shinn, Wendy Pettz, Luke Dotson, Larry Garrett, Devin Glenn, and Matt Clever and the following voted nay: T.W. Dotson.

The County Judge thereupon declared the Ordinance adopted and signed the Ordinance, which was attested by the County Clerk and sealed with the seal of the County. The Ordinance was given No. 2022-16.

The County Judge announced that consideration should be given to an ordinance calling an election on the question of issuing bonds and levying a county-wide 0.5% sales and use tax. This was a matter with which the Quorum Court was familiar, and after a discussion, Justice Larry Garrett introduced an Ordinance entitled:

AN ORDINANCE CALLING A SPECIAL ELECTION IN MADISON COUNTY, ARKANSAS ON THE QUESTION OF ISSUING BONDS UNDER AMENDMENT NO. 62 TO THE CONSTITUTION OF THE STATE OF ARKANSAS FOR THE PURPOSE OF FINANCING ALL OR A PORTION OF THE COST OF NEW JAIL AND LAW

ENFORCEMENT FACILITIES; LEVYING A NEW 0.5% SALES AND
USE TAX FOR THE PURPOSE OF RETIRING SUCH BONDS; AND
PRESCRIBING OTHER MATTERS PERTAINING THERETO.

and the Ordinance was read in full.

Justice Larry Garrett, seconded by Justice Matt Cleaver, then moved that the rule requiring the reading of an ordinance in full on three different days be further suspended and that the Ordinance be placed on its second reading by title only. The County Judge put the question on the adoption of the motion and the roll being called, the following voted aye: Jack Hudgins, T.W. Dotson, Sherri Cozad, Pattie Shinn, Wendy Pettz, Luke Dotson, Larry Garrett, Devin Glenn, and Matt Cleaver and the following voted nay: none.

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The County Judge thereupon declared the Ordinance adopted and signed the Ordinance, which was attested by the County Clerk and sealed with the seal of the County. The Ordinance was given No. 2022-17.

There being no further business, the Quorum Court adjourned.


County Judge

ATTEST:


County Clerk

