MADISON COUNTY QUORUM COURT REGULAR SESSION

July 18, 2022

6:00 PM

The Madison County Quorum Court met on Monday, July 18, 2022, in a regular session with all eight members present. JP Wendy Pettz was absent.

Minutes from the previous meeting were approved as written.

The Treasurer's Report was approved as presented.

The Expenditure Report was approved as presented.

County Judge Frank Weaver called the meeting to order.

The quorum court discussed the Japton Fire Department's request to have their fire dues placed on the tax statements. Pattie Shinn made a motion to table the issue until clarification can be received regarding potential differing Attorney General opinions. Larry Garrett seconded the motion. On a roll call vote, the motion passed 8-0.

Judge Weaver reported on the jail. Ronnie Boyd asked the quorum court to consider trying to place the jail issue on the November ballot. After discussion, Larry Garrett made a motion to rescind the previous vote to hold a special election in May and to place a tax issue on the November ballot. Luke Dotson seconded the motion. On a roll call vote, the motion passed 8-0

EMS Director Keith Edmonds presented a report on the current state of the Emergency Medical Services Department. He noted that call volume continues to increase, and we will need to add an additional crew in the near future. He said that the building will need to be renovated or relocated to allow for more staff. He also reported on some recently received grants for trauma and Narcan.

Judge Stacey Zimmerman addressed the court and asked for permission to hire Tracy Dotson, sister of JP Luke Dotson and JP TW Dotson to fill the part-time position of Juvenile Services Officer. The position is funded through grant funding and Ms. Dotson will be supervised by Judge Zimmerman. After a discussion of the county nepotism policy regarding family of quorum court members, Larry Garrett made a motion to amend the county nepotism policy to exclude family members that would be funded by grants funds and that are supervised by non-county employees. Pattie Shinn seconded the motion. On a roll call vote, the motion passed 6-0, with JP TW Dotson and Luke Dotson abstaining.

With no further business, a motion was made by Pattie Shinn and seconded by Larry Garrett to adjourn the meeting. All members voted in favor. The meeting was adjourned.

APPROVED

Frank Weaver Madison County Judge

ATTEST:

Tamitha Blocker, Madison County Clerk

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COUNTY CLERK
MADISON COUNTY, ARKANSAS

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DATED: July 18, 2022

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