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REGULAR SESSION

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The Madison County Quorum Court met on November 21, 2022, in a regular session with eight members present. T.W. Dotson was absent.

The Minutes from the previous meeting were approved as written.

The Treasurer's Report was approved as written.

The Expenditure Report was approved as written.

Judge Frank Weaver introduced Ryan Bowman with Friday, Eldridge & Clark Law Firm, and Kevin Faught with Stephens, Inc. for a discussion on the passage of the 0.5% sales tax to build a new jail. Mr. Bowman explained that the court would need to either approve a resolution to move forward with the issuance of bonds to construct a new jail or approve a resolution by a two-thirds majority to not move forward with the issuance of bonds. After a lengthy discussion, Luke Dotson made a motion to read Resolution No. 2022-2, a resolution to proceed with the issuance of bonds to construct a new jail. Larry Garrett seconded the motion. Mr. Bowman read Resolution 2022-2. Pattie Shinn made a motion to adopt Resolution 2022-2, and Larry Garrett seconded. All eight members present voted to adopt Resolution 2022-2 and move forward with the 0.5% sales tax and issuance of bonds to construct a new jail.

Judge Weaver reported that he had received a preliminary report on the core drilling at the Coger property, but the final laboratory analysis still needed to be received. He stated that we didn't have enough information to purchase either property at this time.

Judge Weaver reported that he was in the process of gathering estimates for upgrades at the Wesley vote center. He stated that the building needs a lot of work to bring it up to ADA compliance but that no other building in the area is suitable for a vote center. He further stated that the State Board of Elections could shut the site down if it is found to be in non-compliance.

Darrin Henderson with the U of A Cooperative Extension Office gave his annual report to the court.

Judge Weaver presented a proposed renewal of the school resource officer contract for the court's approval. Larry Garrett made a motion to approve the proposed school resource officer contract, and Pattie Shinn seconded. All eight members present voted in favor of the motion.

Judge Weaver presented revisions and updates to the Leatherbury Estates subdivision for the court's approval. Larry Garrett made a motion to approve the revisions to the subdivision, and Pattie Shinn seconded. All eight members present voted in favor of the revisions.

Judge Weaver introduced Resolution 2022-3, a resolution affirming the award of service pistols to retiring law enforcement officers. Luke Dotson made a motion to read Resolution 2022-3, and Pattie Shinn seconded. All eight members present voted in favor of the motion. County Clerk Blocker read Resolution 2022-3. Luke Dotson made a motion to adopt Resolution 2022-3, and Wendy Pettz seconded. All eight members present voted to adopt Resolution 2022-3.

Judge Weaver introduced Ordinance 2022-22, an appropriation ordinance. County Judge Frank Weaver explained that the purpose of the ordinance was to appropriate the proceeds from a recent gun auction held by the Sheriff's office. Larry Garrett made a motion to read Ordinance No. 2022-22, and Pattie Shinn seconded. All eight members present voted in favor of the motion. County Clerk Tamitha Blocker read Ordinance 2022-22. Pattie Shinn made a motion to adopt Ordinance 2022-22, and Wendy Pettz seconded. On a roll call vote, all eight members present voted in favor of the motion. Ordinance No. 2022-22 was adopted.

Judge Weaver presented Ordinance 2022-23, an ordinance levying 2022 county, municipal, and school taxes for Madison County. Larry Garrett made a motion to read Ordinance 2022-23, and Jack Hudgins seconded the motion. All eight members present voted in favor of the motion. County Clerk Tamitha Blocker read Ordinance 2022-23. Larry Garrett made a motion to adopt Ordinance 2022-23, and Pattie Shinn seconded. On a roll call vote, all eight members present voted in favor of the motion. Ordinance 2022-23 was adopted.

Judge Weaver reported that the pavilion at the walking trail had burned down last week. He said that he is preparing to rebuild the structure and that the work will be done "in-house." He stated that he already has some metal that can be used, so he anticipates that the total cost to replace the pavilion will be less than \$5,000 dollars.

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

APPROVED: Frank Weaver
Frank Weaver, Madison County Judge

ATTEST: Tamitha Blocker
Tamitha Blocker, Madison County Clerk

DATED: November 22, 2022

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