

JUNE 21, 2021

JUDGE CLAYTON GAVE STATUS ON THE EMERGENCY DECLARATION ON THE COUNTY ROAD DAMAGES. THEY HAVE NOT DETERMINED WHAT COUNTIES ARE GOING TO RECEIVE FUNDING, BUT HE HAS BEEN TOLD WE WOULD RECEIVE SOME BUT DOESN'T KNOW WHAT THAT AMOUNT WILL BE. ON THE AMERICAN RECOVERY ACT, WE ARE STILL IN LIMBO. JUDGE IS WAITING ON CLARIFICATION ON WHAT EXACTLY THE MONEY CAN BE SPENT ON. HE IS WATCHING VERY CLOSE TO MAKE SURE IT IS AN ELIGIBLE EXPENSE. THE DEADLINE FOR THIS IS DECEMBER 31, 2024. IF THERE IS A PROJECT IN PROGRESS IT CAN BE EXTENDED UNTIL DECEMBER 31, 2026.

A MOTION WAS MADE BY JACKIE PRIVETT AND SECONDED BY RAY MATTHEW TO APPROPRIATE \$2,550 LLEBG GRANT TIRES & TUBES. THE MOTION PASSED BY ROLL CALL 9 YEAS.

A MOTION WAS MADE BY ROGER KINDER AND SECONDED BY ROBERT ELLIOTT TO PASS A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING AND PROVIDING FOR THE ACCEPTANCE OF A GRANT FOR THE PURPOSE OF PURCHASING 2 COMPRESSORS FOR THE HAVC UNIT FOR FULTON COUNTY HOSPITAL FACILITY TO SERVE AN AREA LAWFULLY WITHIN ITS JURISDICTION TO SERVE. THIS COUNTY HEREBY RESOLVES TO ACCEPT A GRANT IF APPROVED AND FUNDED IN AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$8,000. THE MOTION PASSED BY ROLL CALL 9 YEAS. (RESOLUTION 2021-08)

SHANNA MAGUFFEE WITH WHITE RIVER AREA AGENCY ON AGING AND JODI SPARKS WITH FULTON COUNTY SENIOR CITIZENS GAVE A BRIEF PRESENTATION ON HOW THE SENIOR CITIZENS PROGRAM GOT STARTED AND WHERE IT IS TODAY, AND THE IMPACT IT HAS IN FULTON COUNTY. SHE THANKED THE JUSTICES FOR ALL THE SUPPORT THEY HAVE GIVEN THE CENTERS THROUGH OUT THE YEARS.

JUDGE INFORMED THE JUSTICES THERE WAS A VACANCY ON THE LIBRARY BOARD AND BASED ON THE RECOMMENDATION OF THE PRESENT BOARD JUDGE CLAYTON WOULD RECOMMEND TO APPOINT TOSHA WARD WHO WOULD BE REPLACING JEANETTE FRY16. A MOTION WAS MADE BY RAY MATTHEW AND SECONDED BY JOANNA DEFOE TO APPOINT TOSHA WARD TO THE FULTON COUNTY LIBRARY BOARD. THE MOTION PASSED BY ROLL CALL 9 YEAS.

A MOTION WAS MADE BY ROGER KINDER AND SECONDED BY ROBERT ELLIOTT TO PASS A RESOLUTION THAT THE SOCIAL AND ECONOMIC FUTURE OF ALL COUNTIES IN THE NORTHERN PORTION OF OUR STATE OF ARKANSAS IS DEPENDENT ON ACCESSIBILITY. WE PETITION OUR ARKANSAS STATE HIGHWAY COMMISSION, THE ARKANSAS DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTION AND OUR STATE AND FEDERAL LEGISLATIVE REPRESENTATIVES COMMIT TO FULFILLING THEIR OBLIGATION OF BRINGING US HIGHWAY 412 TO THE STANDARDS OF A DESIGNATED PRIORITY CORRIDOR. AFTER DISCUSSION, THE MOTION PASSED BY ROLL CALL 9 YEAS. (RESOLUTION 2021-09)

JUDGE INFORMED THE JUSTICES THEY HAVE A 1998 OR 99 GRADER AT RIGGS IN JONESBORO. A REBUILT TRANSMISSION WILL COST \$33,659. THERE WAS DISCUSSION ON THE CONDITIONS OF THE COUNTY ROADS. JUDGE STATED HE WAS IN HOPES THEY WERE ABOUT TO GET LINED OUT, SO EVERYONE COULD GET ON THEIR ROUTINE ROUTES. HE STATED THEY DO NOT HAVE A BRIDGE OR CULVERT CREW, WHEN THEY GO TO FIX THOSE THEY ARE PULLING PEOPLE FROM THE GRADING ROUTES. THERE ARE APPROX 1,800 TO 2,000 MILES OF GRAVEL ROADS WITH 8 GRADERS. THERE WAS DISCUSSION HOW MANY GRADERS WE HAVE LEASED AND THE COST. JUDGE WELCOMED ANY JUSTICE TO COME BY AND SEE THE MAP OF THE DISTRICTS OF THE GRADERS. IT TAKES THEM APPROX 6 TO 7 WEEKS TO COMPLETE THEIR ROUTES. THERE ARE 750 NAMED ROADS AND THAT IS A LOT OF GROUND TO COVER.

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THE FULTON COUNTY REGULAR QUORUM COURT MEETING WAS HELD AT THE FULTON COUNTY FAIRGROUNDS MILLER-HICKINBOTHAM BUILDING. THE MEETING OPENED WITH PLEDGE AND PRAYER.

ROLL CALL BY THE CLERK WITH ALL 9 JUSTICES PRESENT.

A MOTION WAS MADE BY ROBERT ELLIOTT AND SECONDED BY JOANNA DEFOE TO ACCEPT THE MINUTES AS PRESENTED. THE MOTION PASSED BY ROLL CALL 9 YEAS.

A MOTION WAS MADE BY ROBERT ELLIOTT AND SECONDED BY JACKIE PRIVETT TO ACCEPT THE CLERK'S REPORT AS PRESENTED. THE MOTION PASSED BY ROLL CALL 9 YEAS.

TREASURER ABNEY ASKED AN EXTRA PAYMENT OF \$130,000 BE MADE FROM THE JAIL SALES & USE TAX BOND FUND 2011 TO BE APPLIED TO THE PRINCIPAL FOR THE LOAN ON THE JAIL. A MOTION WAS MADE BY GARY PHILLIPS AND SECONDED BY CARRIE ANDREWS TO APPROPRIATE \$130,000 TO THE JAIL SALES & USE TAX BOND FUND 2011 FOR AN ADDITIONAL BOND PAYMENT ON PRINCIPAL. THE MOTION PASSED BY ROLL CALL 9 YEAS.

TREASURER ABNEY AFTER TALKING TO SHERIFF ROORK REQUESTED THE COUNTY START PAYING THE SHERIFF SUPPLIES OUT OF THE LAW ENFORCEMENT FUND INSTEAD OF COUNTY GENERAL. CLERK BISHOP READ THE SPECIFIC LINE ITEMS INCLUDING GENERAL OFFICE SUPPLIES, SMALL EQUIPMENT, FOOD, CLOTHING & UNIFORMS, FUEL, OIL & LUBRICANTS, TIRES & TUBES, CORONAVIRUS RELIEF FUND, PARTS & REPAIRS, MAINTENANCE & SERVICE CONTRACTS. A MOTION WAS MADE BY JACKIE PRIVETT AND SECONDED BY ROBERT ELLIOTT EFFECTIVE JULY 1ST THE ITEMS ABOVE WOULD BE PAID FROM THE LAW ENFORCEMENT FUND. THE MOTION PASSED BY ROLL CALL 9 YEAS. THE APPROPRIATION AMOUNT WILL BE REQUESTED IN JULY.

A MOTION WAS MADE BY ROBERT ELLIOTT AND SECONDED BY CARRIE ANDREWS TO ACCEPT THE TREASURER'S REPORT. THE MOTION PASSED BY ROLL CALL 9 YEAS.

TREASURER ABNEY INFORMED THE JUSTICES THE WEBSITE WOULD BE GOING LIVE ON THURSDAY.

JUDGE CLAYTON STATED THE SPRING RIVER BRIDGE PROJECT IS MAKING PROGRESS. THE BOGGY POINT CONTRACT HAS BEEN EXECUTED, AND THE CONTRACTOR IS SUPPOSED TO BE ON SITE IN TWO WEEKS. THE STATE AID ROAD PROJECT CONTRACTS HAVE BEEN EXECUTED, AND THE CONTRACTORS SHOULD BE ON SITE PRETTY QUICK. THE COURTROOM PROJECT, WE ARE STILL WAITING ON ADEQ TO ISSUE THE DEMOLITION PERMIT. JUDGE BELIEVES THEY MAY HAVE LOST THE FIRST APPLICATION; HOWEVER, HE RESUBMITTED IT TODAY.

JUSTICE PHILLIPS GAVE AN UPDATE ON THE PERSONNEL POLICY STATING THEY WERE DOWN TO TWO ISSUES RELATED TO SALARIES. THE AAC RECOMMENDED TO PULL THE SALARY ISSUES AND THEY WOULD HAVE THEIR OWN SEPARATE ORDINANCE. A DRAFT WILL BE HANDED OUT AT NEXT MONTHS MEETING.

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A MOTION WAS MADE BY JACKIE PRIVETT AND SECONDED BY JOANNA DEFOE TO APPROPRIATE \$33,659 COUNTY ROAD PARTS & REPAIRS. THE MOTION PASSED BY ROLL CALL 9 YEAS.

PUBLIC COMMENT QUESTION WAS ON THE EXPANSION OF 62 ARE RESIDENTS OF FULTON COUNTY GOING TO KNOW ABOUT IT BEFORE HAND? JUDGE STATED THAT IS THROUGH THE ARKANSAS STATE HIGHWAY AND TRANSPORTATION AND NORMALLY THEY WILL SET UP A SERIES OF PUBLIC MEETINGS. HE STATED THIS IS IN THE EARLY PLANNING STAGE.

A MOTION WAS MADE BY GARY PHILLIPS AND SECONDED BY ROBERT ELLIOTT TO APPROVE THE ABOVE APPROPRIATIONS ON ORDINANCE 2021-08. THE MOTION PASSED BY ROLL CALL 9 YEAS. (ORDINANCE 2021-08) (TOTAL APPROPRIATION \$166,209)

A MOTION WAS MADE BY GARY PHILLIPS AND SECONDED BY JACKIE PRIVETT TO ADJOURN AT 7:01 P.M. THE MOTION PASSED BY VOICE VOTE 9 YEAS.

ATTEST: Vickie Bishop
VICKIE BISHOP, CLERK