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THE FULTON COUNTY QUORUM COURT MET IN REGULAR SESSION AT THE FULTON COUNTY FAIRGROUNDS CIVIC CENTER. THE MEETING OPENED WITH PLEDGE AND PRAYER.

ROLL CALL BY CLERK BISHOP WITH 8 JUSTICES PRESENT. JUSTICE ANDREWS WAS ABSENT.

A MOTION WAS MADE BY DENNIS KINDER AND SECONDED BY ROBERT ELLIOTT TO ACCEPT THE MINUTES. THE MOTION PASSED BY ROLL CALL 8 YEAS.

A MOTION WAS MADE BY ROBERT ELLIOTT AND SECONDED BY GARY PHILLIPS TO ACCEPT THE CLERK'S REPORT. THE MOTION PASSED BY ROLL CALL 8 YEAS.

A MOTION WAS MADE BY DENNIS KINDER AND SECONDED BY JIMMY MARLER TO ACCEPT THE TREASURER'S REPORT. THE MOTION PASSED BY ROLL CALL 8 YEAS.

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JUDGE CROW GAVE UPDATES ON COURTROOM ANNEX INFORMING THE JUSTICES THE BUILDING WOULD OPEN ON MAY 1ST, AND THE NEXT QC MEETING WOULD BE AT THE NEW ANNEX. ALSO, GAVE UPDATES ON HAILSTORM DAMAGE, RADIO SYSTEM UPGRADE, NEW GRADER UPDATE, AND FUEL MANAGEMENT SYSTEM FOR ROAD DEPARTMENT.

A MOTION WAS MADE BY CRIS NEWBERRY AND SECONDED BY GARY PHILLIPS TO PLACE ORDINANCE 2023-07 AN ORDINANCE REQUIRING ALL LOCAL FIRE DEPARTMENTS REPORT MONTHLY AND ANNUALLY TO COUNTY GOVERNMENT ON DISBURSEMENTS FROM THE FIRE DEPARTMENT PROTECTION SALES TAX ON 1ST READING. THE MOTION PASSED BY ROLL CALL VOTE 8 YEAS. THE ORDINANCE WAS READ BY CLERK BISHOP.

ASSESSOR LONG ADDRESSED THE COURT REGARDING GIS MAPPING. SHE STATED WE ARE THE LAST COUNTY IN THE STATE THAT DOESN'T HAVE IT. THE STATE IS OFFERING A 60/40 GRANT. SHE IS REQUESTING THE JUSTICES TO PLEDGE THE \$100,000 FOR THE COUNTY'S 40 %. ALSO, WE CAN GET OUTSIDE FUNDING FOR OUR 40%, AND WE ALREADY HAVE \$20,000 PLEDGED. WE CAN DO THIS OVER TWO BUDGETS. WE HAVE TO PLEDGE UP FRONT THE WHOLE 40% AMOUNT. THE STATE BIDS IT OUT, AND WORKS CLOSE WITH THE AWARDED BIDDER. ASSESSOR LONG STATED THAT GIS WOULD BENEFIT A LOT OF PEOPLE 911, SHERIFF, OEM, SCHOOLS ETC. THE PUBLIC WOULD ALSO HAVE ACCESS TO IT. AFTER DISCUSSION, A MOTION WAS MADE BY ALBERT ROORK AND SECONDED BY ROBERT ELLIOTT TO APPROPRIATE **\$40,000** COUNTY GENERAL ASSESSOR GIS. THE MOTION PASSED BY ROLL CALL 8 YEAS.

A MOTION WAS MADE BY ROBERT ELLIOTT AND SECONDED BY ALBERT ROORK TO ADOPT RESOLUTION 2023-04 THAT THE COUNTY ASSESSOR OF FULTON COUNTY IS HEREBY AUTHORIZED TO SUBMIT AN APPLICATION OF FORMAL REQUEST TO THE ARKANSAS GEOGRAPHIC INFORMATION SYSTEMS OFFICE FOR PURPOSES OF SECURING STATE GRANT FUNDS IN THE AMOUNT OF \$100,000 TO AID AND ASSIST THE COUNTY IN EXECUTING THE PROPOSED PROJECT. THE MOTION PASSED BY ROLL CALL 8 YEAS. THE RESOLUTION WAS READ BY CLERK BISHOP. (RESOLUTION 2023-04)

911 COORDINATOR DAVID KECK ADDRESSED THE COURT REQUESTING \$54,000. THE 911 EQUIPMENT HAS TO BE REPLACED EVERY 5 YEARS. A MOTION WAS MADE BY ALBERT ROORK AND SECONDED BY JIMMY MARLER TO APPROPRIATE **\$54,000** 911 MACHINERY & EQUIPMENT OTHER THAN VEHICLES. THE MOTION PASSED BY ROLL CALL 8 YEAS.

JUDGE ASKED FOR AN APPROPRIATION FOR THE SECURITY AND SOUND SYSTEM FOR THE NEW COURTROOM ANNEX TO COME FROM THE LAW LIBRARY. A MOTION WAS MADE BY ALBERT ROORK AND SECONDED BY DENNIS KINDER TO APPROPRIATE **\$12,000** COUNTY LAW LIBRARY SECURITY/SOUND SYSTEM FOR NEW COURTROOM ANNEX. THE MOTION PASSED BY 8 YEAS ROLL CALL VOTE. (THE COUNTY LAW LIBRARY BOARD MET AND APPROVED THE TRANSACTION, AND THE MINUTES ARE FILED IN COUNTY COURT.)

JUDGE CROW REQUESTED A NEW POSITION BE MADE FOR THE A PART TIME POSITION FOR ADM ASSISTANT. THIS WAY NO DISTRACTIONS FOR FOREMAN AND MECHANIC. THE POSITION WILL BE KEEPING UP WITH CALLS, TIME SHEETS, FUEL MANAGEMENT, ETC. IT WILL BE A 20 HOURS PER WEEK POSITION OUT OF THE ROAD DEPARTMENT. A MOTION WAS MADE BY DENNIS KINDER AND SECONDED BY JIMMY MARLER TO APPROVE THE POSITION. THE MOTION PASSED BY ROLL CALL 8 YEAS. THE MONEY IS THERE ALREADY DUE TO SOME RETIRING.

TREASURER ABNEY INFORMED THE JUSTICES A NEW DEPUTY HAS GRADUATED THE ACADEMY, AND IS ENTITLED TO THE \$5,000 STIPEND FROM THE STATE. A MOTION WAS MADE BY ALBERT ROORK AND SECONDED DENNIS KINDER TO APPROPRIATE **\$6,148.50** COUNTY GENERAL SHERIFF STIPEND SALARY \$5,000/SS MATCH \$382.50/RET MATCH \$766. THE MOTION PASSED BY ROLL CALL VOTE 8 YEAS. (THE COUNTY WILL BE REIMBURSED ALL BUT THE RETIREMENT)

JUDGE ASKED FOR PUBLIC COMMENT, BUT THERE WAS NONE.

JUSTICE PHILLIPS ASKED FOR AN UPDATE ON THE COURTHOUSE. JUDGE CROW STATED THEY HAVE STARTED ON THE ROOF, AND HE WAS LOOKING AT COMPANIES TO GET A QUOTE ON RESTORING THE BRICKS.

JUSTICE ROORK STATED CONCERNS ABOUT THE LAWN AND PARKING AT THE NEW ANNEX.

JUSTICE MARLER ASKED FOR AN UPDATE OF MAMMOTH SPRING SENIOR CITIZEN. JUDGE WASN'T SURE OF ANYTHING AT THIS TIME. THE COUNTY HAS PLEDGED \$100,000 FOR THE PROJECT. JUSTICE MARLER ALSO ASKED FOR A HUMPHREY'S FORD BRIDGE UPDATE. JUDGE DID NOT HAVE A COMPLETION DATE.

A MOTION WAS MADE BY GARY PHILLIPS AND SECONDED BY ROBERT ELLIOTT TO APPROVE THE ABOVE APPROPRIATIONS ON ORDINANCE 2023-08. THE MOTION PASSED BY ROLL CALL 8 YEAS. (ORDINANCE 2023-08) (TOTAL APPROPRIATIONS \$112,148.50)

A MOTION WAS MADE BY GARY PHILLIPS AND SECONDED BY ROBERT ELLIOTT TO ADJOURN AT 6:37 P.M. THE MOTION PASSED BY VOICE VOTE 8 YEAS.

ATTEST: Vickie Bishop
VICKIE BISHOP, CLERK