

CLERK BISHOP GAVE THE OATH OF OFFICE TO THE 8 JUSTICES BEFORE THE MEETING BEGAN. JUSTICE ROORK WILL BE SWORN IN AT A LATER DATE.

THE FULTON COUNTY QUORUM COURT MET IN REGULAR SESSION UPSTAIRS IN THE FULTON COUNTY COURTHOUSE AT 6 P.M. THE MEETING OPENED WITH PLEDGE AND PRAYER.

JUDGE CROW WELCOMED THE THREE NEW JUSTICES. JUSTICE BURKE DIST 9, JUSTICE TANNER DIST 7, AND JUSTICE WATKINS DIST 5. ALSO, THE NEW COUNTY ATTORNEY KARA BYARS.

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

A MOTION WAS MADE BY DENNIS KINDER AND SECONDED BY CRIS NEWBERRY TO ACCEPT THE MINUTES. THE MOTION PASSED BY ROLL CALL VOTE 8 YEAS.

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

A MOTION WAS MADE BY GARY PHILLIPS AND SECONDED BY CRIS NEWBERRY TO ACCEPT THE TREASURER'S REPORT. THE MOTION PASSED BY ROLL CALL VOTE 8 YEAS.

THE JUSTICES RECEIVED IN THEIR PACKETS THE ANNUAL REVIEW REPORT FOR THE DETENTION CENTER.

A MOTION WAS MADE BY CRIS NEWBERRY AND SECONDED BY GARY PHILLIPS TO APPOINT MARJORIE ROGERS FOR THE FULTON COUNTY QUORUM COURT DELEGATE. THE MOTION PASSED BY ROLL CALL VOTE 8 YEAS.

JUDGE CROW GAVE AN UPDATE ON PERSONNEL POLICY COMMITTEE WHICH WILL CONSIST OF FIVE JUSTICES, HANK BURKE, GARY TANNER, SCOTT WATKINS, MARJORIE ROGERS AND GARY PHILLIPS. ASSESSOR LONG ASKED WHY THE OLD COMMITTEE WAS BEING REPLACED AND OFFICES WERE NOT BEING REPRESENTED. THIS WAS ALSO CONCERNS EXPRESSED BY SOME OF THE JUSTICES. JUDGE CROW STATED YOU WILL STILL HAVE A VOICE. YOU CAN COME TO THE PUBLIC MEETINGS. JUDGE STATED HE RESPECTS EVERYONE'S OPINIONS, BUT THIS WILL BE THE COMMITTEE.

JUDGE CROW GAVE AN UPDATE ON THE ROAD COMMITTEE WHICH WILL CONSIST OF FIVE JUSTICES, DENNIS KINDER, CRIS NEWBERRY, JIMMY MARLER, ALBERT ROORK, AND HANK BURKE.

A MOTION WAS MADE BY DENNIS KINDER AND SECONDED BY JIMMY MARLER RETROACTIVE 2024 AN APPROPRIATION COUNTY GENERAL **\$580** CORONER TELEPHONE & FAX LANDLINE \$280/PAUPERS AND WELFARE (BURIAL) \$300. THE MOTION PASSED BY ROLL CALL VOTE 8 YEAS.

A MOTION WAS MADE BY JIMMY MARLER AND SECONDED BY CRIS NEWBERRY TO APPROPRIATE **\$2,242.50** ARKANSAS LIBRARY COMMUNITY GRANT FUND GRANTS-IN-AID-(MS). THIS IS TO FINISH OUT THE GRANT THAT WAS STARTED IN 2024, AND TRANSFER \$15,000 COUNTY LIBRARY FUND FROM BUILDING MATERIALS TO GRANTS-IN-AID (MS). THE MOTION PASSED BY ROLL CALL VOTE 8 YEAS.

JUDGE CROW ASKED FOR \$100,000 APPROPRIATION FROM THE LATC (LOCAL ASSIST TRIBAL CONSISTENCY). A MOTION WAS MADE BY DENNIS KINDER AND SECONDED BY GARY TANNER TO APPROPRIATE **\$15,000** LATC FUND ROAD DEPARTMENT OVERTIME \$11,554.50/ SS MATCH \$1,147.50/RET MATCH \$2,298/**\$25,000** LATC FUND BUILDING MATERIALS & SUPPLIES/**\$60,000** LATC FUND MACHINERY & EQUIPMENT. THE MOTION PASSED BY ROLL CALL VOTE 8 YEAS.

PUBLIC COMMENT: QUESTION ASKED WHEN THE BUSINESS COMMUNITY WAS MEETING? JUDGE RESPONSE WAS THE ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE FIRST MEETING WILL BE THURSDAY, AT 5:30 P.M. THE COMMITTEE MEMBERS ARE DENNIS HARBER, ADAM DAVIS, HAYDEN SAVAGE, DR. JOHN SCRIBNER, JOEY HALL, ANDY MCCANDLIS, TRENA SPEARS, MIKE RICHARDSON, AND GARY PHILLIPS. GARY PHILLIPS WILL CHAIR THE COMMITTEE. QUESTION ASKED HOW MANY MILES OF COUNTY ROADS IN FULTON COUNTY? JUDGE RESPONSE 685 MILES DIRT AND 50 MILES PAVED. QUESTION HOW MANY MILES GET COVERED IN A MONTH? JUDGE RESPONSE THERE ARE VARIABLES SUCH AS THE WEATHER, IN A GOOD MONTH APPROX 250 TO 300 MILES. QUESTION WAS ASKED IF IT WOULD BE TOO MUCH TO GET GRADED 4 TIMES A YEAR. HE STATED HIS ROAD WAS GRADED 2 TIMES LAST YEAR. (WOODLAND HILLS AREA). JUDGE RESPONSE HE DID NOT THINK 4 TIMES A YEAR WOULD BE ASKING TOO MUCH. JUDGE STATED HE WOULD NEED TO CONTACT THE ROAD ADMINISTRATOR WHO IS PRESENT HERE TONIGHT. PASTOR OF THE OZARK BIBLE CHURCH READ A LETTER GIVING THE QUORUM COURT AND ELECTED OFFICIALS SOME BIBLICAL ENCOURAGEMENT AS THE NEW YEAR STARTS. QUESTION ASKED WHY DON'T THE JUSTICES HAVE TOWN HALL MEETINGS? HE THINKS IT WOULD BETTER REPRESENT THE PUBLIC. NO RESPONSE.

A MOTION WAS MADE BY CRIS NEWBERRY AND SECONDED BY JIMMY MARLER TO APPROVE THE ABOVE APPROPRIATIONS AND TRANSFER ON ORDINANCE 2025-01. THE MOTION PASSED BY ROLL CALL VOTE 8 YEAS. (ORDINANCE 2025-01) (TOTAL APPROPRIATIONS \$102,822.50)

A MOTION WAS MADE BY GARY PHILLIPS AND SECONDED BY SCOTT WATKINS TO ADJOURN AT 6:26 P.M. THE MOTION PASSED BY VOICE VOTE 8 YEAS.

ATTEST: Vickie Bishop
VICKIE BISHOP, CLERK