

## GARLAND COUNTY QUORUM COURT

### MINUTES FOR THE MEETING ON MAY 8, 2023.

A regular meeting of the Garland County Quorum Court was held on May 8, 2023 at 6:00 P.M. at Hot Springs, Arkansas with County Judge Darryl Mahoney presiding.

Opening prayer was led by Lance Arguello, City Life Church and the Pledge of Allegiance was led by County Judge Darryl Mahoney.

Upon roll call the following Justices of the Peace were present: Micah Braughton, Thomas Anderson, Esther Dixon, Jimmy Young, Dayton Myers, Jason Braziel, Brian Peters, Ronald Hunter, Jeremy Brown, and Larry Raney. Absent: Ray Owen; Total present:11 Absent:1 (JP 5 Vacant)

Judge Mahoney welcomed everyone to the meeting and asked if anyone in the audience wished to speak to an agenda item.

A motion was made by Justice Brown to approve the Agenda as Amended, duly seconded by Justice Dixon. Motion Carried.

A motion was made by Justice Braziel to approve the Minutes of the April 10, 2023 QC Meeting, duly seconded by Justice Peters. Motion Carried.

A motion was made by Justice Dixon to approve the Exhibits, duly seconded by Justice McGrew. Motion Carried.

### COMMITTEE REPORTS

Justice Braughton reported Exhibit H reflects the 4/10/2023 Ordinance Committee meeting. He stated the committee met prior to tonight's meeting with all items receiving a do pass.

Justice Hunter reported the Environmental Services Committee/Public Works and Buildings Committee did not meet.

Justice Braziel reported Exhibit G reflects the 4/3/2023 Finance Committee meeting. He also reported the committee met May 1, 2023 with all items receiving a do pass.

Justice Anderson reported Exhibit C reflects the 4/24/2023 Human Resources Committee Meeting.

Justice Raney reported the Public Health, Welfare and Safety Committee did not meet.

The Information Technology Committee did not meet.

A motion was made by Justice Brown, duly seconded by Justice Anderson to approve the committee reports. Motion Carried.

### Special Presentations:

- Judge Mahoney thanked everyone for their hard work on the litter clean-up day.

- Judge Mahoney presented a Provider Appreciation Day proclamation to Terri Helms from National Park College.

### **Reading of Proposed Resolutions:**

A Resolution was taken from the agenda and read entitled "A RESOLUTION OF THE QUORUM COURT OF GARLAND COUNTY, ARKANSAS CONFIRMING THE REAPPOINTMENT OF RODNEY BOTTOMS TO THE GARLAND COUNTY EQUALIZATION BOARD." Resolution **R-23-11** Justice Young made a motion, duly seconded by Justice Peters to adopt the Resolution. Upon voice vote, the motion passed.

The Resolution was adopted.

A Resolution was taken from the agenda and read entitled "A RESOLUTION OF THE QUORUM COURT OF GARLAND COUNTY, ARKANSAS, AUTHORIZING THE GARLAND COUNTY PROSECUTING ATTORNEY TO APPLY FOR A FISCAL YEAR (FY) 2022-2023 VICTIMS OF CRIME ACT, VICTIMS' ASSISTANCE GRANT PROGRAM MATCHING GRANT ON BEHALF OF THE PROSECUTING ATTORNEY'S OFFICE TOTALING \$123,657.02. THE FEDERAL AWARD IS \$95,082.32, AND THE LOCAL MATCH IS \$28,574.70." Resolution **R-23-12** Discussion followed. Justice Brown made a motion, duly seconded by Justice Hunter to adopt the Resolution. Upon voice vote, the motion passed.

The Resolution was adopted.

A Resolution was taken from the agenda and read entitled "A RESOLUTION ELECTING A JUSTICE OF THE PEACE TO PRESIDE OVER A PORTION OF THE MAY 8, 2023, QUORUM COURT MEETING IN THE ABSENCE OF THE COUNTY JUDGE." Resolution **R-23-13** Discussion followed. Justice Myers made a motion, duly seconded by Justice Dixon to adopt the Resolution. Upon voice vote, the motion passed.

The Resolution was adopted.

A Resolution was taken from the agenda and read entitled "A RESOLUTION OF QUORUM COURT OF GARLAND COUNTY, ARKANSAS RECOGNIZING THE SERVICE OF COUNTY JUDGE DARRYL MAHONEY AND NAMING THE HOT SPRINGS NATIONAL GUARD ARMORY BUILDING, THE MAHONEY BUILDING." Resolution **R-23-14** Discussion followed. Justice Myers made a motion, duly seconded by Justice Dixon to adopt the Resolution. Upon voice vote, the motion passed.

The Resolution was adopted.

### **Reading of Proposed Ordinances:**

An ordinance was taken from the agenda and read entitled "AN ORDINANCE TO AUTHORIZE A ONE-TIME PREMIUM PAY TO ESSENTIAL COUNTY EMPLOYEES, WITH THE EXCLUSION OF ALL ELECTED OFFICIALS, POLL WORKERS, ELECTION COMMISSIONERS, EQUALIZATION BOARD MEMBERS, COUNTY LIBRARY EMPLOYEES, LAW LIBRARY EMPLOYEES, AND COMMISSIONED DEPUTY SHERIFFS EMPLOYED AS SUCH; FROM FUNDS RECEIVED FROM THE AMERICAN RESCUE PLAN FUND; AND, FOR OTHER PURPOSES." Proposed Ordinance **O-23-15** Discussion followed. A motion was made by Justice Braziel, duly seconded by Justice Peters to suspend the rules and place the ordinance on its second