DESHA COUNTY QUORUM COURT JANUARY 21, 2021

The Desha County Quorum Court met the 21st day of January. Those present were, Desha County Judge Richard Tindall, Desha County Treasurer Shirley Kozubski, and Desha County Clerk Chief Deputy Kimberly Clay-Mitchell. All Quorum Court members were present.

Opening Prayer: JP, Ronnie Norris

Pledge of Allegiance: Judge Richard Tindall

Roll Call: County Clerk Chief Deputy, Kimberly Clay-Mitchell

MNUTES

The December minutes were approved as mailed with a motion to accept by JP 4, Gene Weser and seconded by JP 2, G. Lynn Weatherford. All were in favor. Motion Passed

II TREASURER REPORT

A motion to approve the Treasurer's report was made by JP 2, G. Lynn Weatherford and seconded by JP 7, Ronnie Norris. All were in favor. Motion passed.

III **OLD BUSINESS**

The Quorum Court members decided not to honor Annette Cowen's Request.

NEW BUSINESS IV

Ordinance 2021-1

Desha County 2021 Budget

County Clerk Chief Deputy Kimberly Clay-Mitchell read the ordinance in its entirety. Judge Richard Tindall read the budget in its entirety. A motion to amend the budget for the 3% salary and fixed charges was made by JP 4, Gene Weser and seconded by JP 3, Patricia Watkins. All were in favor. Motion passed. A motion to table Ordinance 2021-1 until the next Quorum Court meeting was made by JP 4, Gene Weser and seconded by JP 3, Patricia Watkins. All in favor. Motion passed. A motion to have a budget meeting at 10:00 a.m. before the 1:30 p.m. Quorum Court next meeting was made by JP 4, Gene Weser and seconded by JP 3, Patricia Watkins. All in favor. Motion passed.

The Judge asked for a volunteer for the Association of Counties of Delegate and JP 4, Gene Weser nominated JP 8, Dollie Wilson and she accepted.

A motion to authorize the Judge to execute the deed to release the easement was made by JP 7, Ronnie Norris and was seconded by JP 9, Norris Sims. All in favor. Motion passed.

Judge Tindall asked if everyone received the 2019 Audit Report and they said yes.

Ms. Teresa Polite wanted to meet with Quorum Court but was told due to the pandemic, she would have to meet at a later time and she hasn't gotten back with a reply.

The county leases 3 graders from Riggs and the 140 model is expiring this April. Riggs and John Deere are no longer offering the leasing option, so the county will buy a 120 model for \$180,000.00 with a 4 year warranty and finance it locally.

The Judge went over some future road projects that will be happening as soon as possible.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business a motion to adjourn was made by JP 4, Gene Weser and seconded by JP 8, Dollie Wilson. All were in favor. Meeting adjourned.

DATE: 26-21

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