

INDEPENDENCE COUNTY QUORUM COURT
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January 7, 2009

The Independence County Quorum Court met in its first session on Monday, January 5, 2009 at 6:00 P.M. in the Jess B. Carpenter Building. Judge Bill Hicks presided. County Treasurer Linda Foreman and County Clerk Karen Woodlridge were present. Members of the Court present:

Tim Stewart	Larry Nelson
Gary Bridgman	Danny Carter
Deborah Wyatt	Bill Cash
Anne Moore	Waymon Long
Bobby Weaver	Tony Thompson
Margaret Boothby	

Cash made a motion to approve the minutes of the previous meeting and the Newark Interlocal meeting minutes. Bridgman asked about the record of votes on the minutes. Judge Hicks explained that when a voice vote is used, if there is anyone voting nay, he then asks the Clerk to call the roll. Wyatt seconded the motion. All members present voted Yea. Motion carried.

The Sheriff's report was handed out with Bowers stating that he would like to welcome all of the new members of the Court.

The Treasurer's report was handed out with Foreman explaining each one to the new members. After questions and discussion Long asked for copies of the year end report from her.

Judge Hicks asked if there were any citizen's comments. There were none.

In new business, Judge Hicks asked the members if they would like to substitute the proposed Ordinance 2009-01 with the one presented by Thompson. Stewart made a motion to use the one presented by Thompson. Cash seconded. All members voted Yea. Motion carried.

Wyatt introduced Ordinance 2009-01, an ordinance setting the regular meeting time and place, and procedural rules of the Independence County Quorum Court. The Clerk read the ordinance in its entirety. Long seconded. All members present voted Yea. Motion carried.

Stewart introduced Ordinance 2009-02, an ordinance amending ordinance 2008-43 and the annual budget for 2009, as amended, for the purpose of appropriating supplemental county general funds, to the sales tax-recreation budget establishing a new line-item; and for other purposes for the calendar year 2009: The Clerk read the ordinance in its entirety. Thompson seconded. All members present voted Yea and motion carried.

Moore introduced Ordinance 2009-03, an ordinance amending ordinance 2008-43 and the annual budget for 2009, as amended, for the purpose of appropriating supplemental county road funds; amending anticipated revenues; appropriating funds therefore; and for other purposes for the calendar year 2009: The Clerk read the ordinance in its entirety. Weaver asked what this was for. Judge Hicks explained that this was an insurance settlement for an accident involving three of the trucks in 2008. Boothby seconded. All members present voted Yea. Motion carried.

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Boothby introduced Ordinance 2009-04, an ordinance amending ordinance 2008-43 and the annual budget for 2009, as amended, for the purpose of appropriating supplemental county general funds, to the O.E.M. budget; establishing a new line-item; and for other purposes for the calendar year 2009. The Clerk read the ordinance in its entirety. Moore seconded. All members present voted Yea. Motion carried.

Carter introduced Ordinance 2009-05, an ordinance amending ordinance 2007-56 and the annual budget for 2008, as amended, for the purpose of transferring funds between line-items, and categories, in the county general fund, county road fund, library fund, senior citizens fund, solid waste fund/recycling budget, DHS/health office complex, and juvenile detention center fund; appropriating funds therefore; and, for other purposes for the calendar year 2009. The Clerk read the ordinance in its entirety. Boothby seconded. All members present voted Yea. Motion carried.

Judge Hicks introduced Debbie Finley, the newly elected Circuit Clerk and Janet Perkey, Tax Collector to the Court. Judge Hicks told the court that they both along with the Judges office needed approval to fill vacant positions in their offices. He also stated that the positions are existing positions that are already budgeted. Long made a motion to approval the hiring. Bridgman seconded. All members present voted Yea. Motion carried.

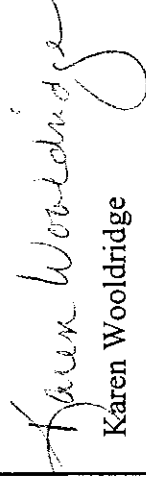
Judge Hicks told the members that they needed to elect one of the members to represent the County for the AAC meetings. He stated that Cash had done a job on this in the past years. Cash then recommended Tony Thompson for the position. All present agreed.

Judge Hicks stated that the court would need to appoint a new Equalization Board member to replace Lisa Dame whose term had expired. He told the court that this would need to be decided by April, 2009.

Judge Hicks announced that there would be a Budget Committee Meeting Thursday, January 8th, 2009 in the Circuit Court Room at 5:30 P.M.

Without any further business, a motion was made and seconded to adjourn meeting. Meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully Submitted,



Karen Wooldridge