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July 10, 2007

The Independence County Quorum Court met in its regular session on Monday, July 9, 2007 at 6:00 P.M. in the Jess B. Carpenter Building. Judge Bill Hicks presided. County Treasurer Linda Foreman and County Clerk Karen Wooldridge were present.

Members Present:

Tim Stewart	James Darmstaedter
Karry Phillips	Robert Cuzzort
Deborah Wyatt	Mike Hatfield
David McIntosh	Charles Barnett
Orville Arms	
James McLean	

Stewart made a motion to approve the minutes of the previous meeting. Darmstaedter seconded. Motion carried.

The Sheriff's report was handed out.

Linda Foreman handed out the treasurer's report along with a comparison sheet showing the increase of interest earned since her office had switched banks. The amount was \$31, 518.01 from February to June of 2007 compared to that time frame in 2006.

In new business, James Starzy spoke to the Court about the need for expansion in the Juvenile Detention Center. He stated that this would meet standards and generate more revenue. The Court was informed that there were no grants available at this time. Barnett suggested talking to the Governor or David Wyatt. Stewart made a motion to allow Mr. Starzy to spend from the Juvenile Detention Fund but not over \$10, 000.00. Hatfield seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Arms introduced Resolution #2007-14, a resolution authorizing the County Judge and County Clerk of Independence County to enter into a construction contract with Hargan Construction Company, Inc. of Batesville, Arkansas. The Clerk read the resolution in its entirety. Barnett seconded. Motion carried.

Cuzzort introduced Resolution #2007-15, a resolution expressing the willingness of Independence County to participate in the Jail-Inmate Litter Pick-Up Program. The Clerk read the resolution in its entirety. Arms seconded. Motion carried.

Stewart introduced Ordinance #2007-26, an ordinance amending ordinance 96-08 requiring that each electric service and water/sewer utilities furnish monthly to county a list of all new utility hookups; and for other purposes. Barnett asked if we already had an ordinance on this. Hicks stated yes but that it needed to be updated. The Clerk read the ordinance in its entirety. Phillips seconded. Motion carried.

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Phillips introduced Ordinance 2007-28, an ordinance amending ordinance #2006-48 and the annual budget for 2007, as amended, County General Fund, Circuit/Chancery/Juvenile Court Budget, for the purpose of appropriating revenues derived from the Juvenile Detention Fund; establishing a full time "Intake Officer" position and salary and establishing a new line-item; amending anticipated revenues; and, for other purposes for the calendar year 2007. The Clerk read the ordinance in its entirety. The Judge then ask the Clerk to call the roll. Those voting yea: Stewart, Phillips, Wyatt, McIntosh, Arms, Cuzzort, Hatfield and Barnett. Those voting nay: Darmstaedter and McLean. After discussion with the members of the court and some questions being brought up, Hicks then vetoed the ordinance until these questions could be answered.

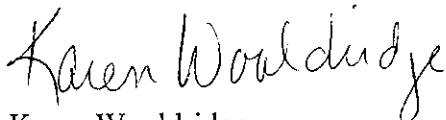
Darmstaedter introduced Ordinance 2007-30, an ordinance amending ordinance 2006-48 and the annual budget for 2007, as amended, for the purpose of transferring funds between line-items, and categories, in the County General Fund, within the Maintenance, County Jail and Sheriff Metro Division budget, Juvenile Detention Fund, appropriating funds therefore; and for other purposes for the calendar year 2007. The Clerk read the ordinance in its entirety. Barnett seconded. Motion carried.

Wyatt introduced Ordinance 2007-31, an ordinance amending ordinance 2006-48 and the annual budget for 2007 for the purpose of appropriating supplemental funds to the County General Fund, with said funds to be derived from reimbursement from Cleburne, Fulton, IZard, and Stone Counties Circuit Courts, amending the annual budget for 2007, amending anticipated revenues and for other purposes for the calendar year 2007. The Clerk read the ordinance in its entirety. McIntosh seconded. Motion carried.

McIntosh introduced Ordinance 2007-32, an ordinance mending ordinance 2006-48 and the annual budget for 2007 for the purpose of appropriating supplemental funds to the Juvenile Detention Center Fund, amending the annual budget for 2007, amending anticipated revenues and for other purposes for the calendar year 2007. The Clerk read the ordinance in its entirety. Stewart seconded. Motion carried.

Without further comments or announcements, meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully Submitted,



Karen Wooldridge  
Independence County Clerk