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The Grant County Quorum Court met on Monday June 18, 2018 at the Grant County Courthouse at 7:00 p.m. with Judge Randy Pruitt presiding. Members answering roll call were Mark Allen, Danny Bone, Tony Carder, Laith Adams, Mike Nevens, Pat O'Bryan, Jason Roshto, and Grant Westmoreland.

Judge Randy Pruitt called the meeting to order

The Minutes from the Quorum Court meeting held May 21, 2018 were presented to the Quorum Court for review. A motion to accept the minutes was made by Justice Jason Roshto and seconded by Justice Grant Westmoreland. With there being no further discussion or questions: Vote 8 for 0 against.

The Financial Statement was presented to the Quorum Court. With no opposition to the Financial Statement as presented, a motion to accept the financial statement was made by Justice Tony Carder and seconded by Justice Mike Nevens. With there being no further discussion or questions. Vote 8 for 0 against.

Next, Judge Randy Pruitt read a letter of resignation from Justice Tyler Campbell. The letter read that Justice Campbell formally tendered his resignation to be effective, Sunday, June 3, 2018. A copy of said letter is attached to the meeting minutes.

Next on the agenda: **Resolution 2018-02: BE IT RESOLVED BY THE QUORUM COURT OF GRANT COUNTY, ARKANSAS, THAT NOTICE BE PUBLISHED; THAT A VACANCY IN OFFICE OF JUSTICE OF THE PEACE DISTRICT 5 BE DECLARED; THAT THE GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF ARKANSAS BE NOTIFIED OF THE VACANCY; AND FURTHER THAT THE HONORABLE TYLER CAMPBELL BE COMMENDED FOR HIS SERVICE TO THE COUNTY AND TO THE CITIZENS OF GRANT COUNTY.** Clerk Tanya Diotte read the Resolution 2018-02 in it's entirety. Judge Randy Pruitt noted a copy of this resolution/notice of vacancy was published in the newspaper and that he will notify the Governor of the vacancy. A motion to accept Resolution 2018-02 was made by Justice Mike Nevens and seconded by Justice Grant Westmoreland. With there being no further discussion or questions: Vote 8 for 0 against.

Next on the agenda: **Resolution 2018-03: BE IT RESOLVED BY THE QUORUM COURT OF THE COUNTY OF GRANT, STATE OF ARKANSAS THAT: A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE ADOPTION AND THE IMPLEMENTATION OF THE NEW VOTING EQUIPMENT IN GRANT COUNTY, ARKANSAS.** Judge Pruitt introduced Resolution 2018-03. Clerk Tanya Diotte read Resolution 2018-03 in it's entirety. A motion to accept Resolution 2018-03 was made by Justice Tony Carder and seconded by Justice Mike Nevens. With there being no further discussion or questions: Vote 8 for 0 against.

Next on the agenda: **Ordinance No. 2018-02: AN ORDINANCE TO AUTHORIZE GRANT COUNTY TO ENTER INTO AN INTERLOCAL AGREEMENT AND MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING ALONG WITH THE COUNTIES OF PULASKI, SALINE, PERRY, GARLAND, FAULKNER, LONOKE, AND JEFFERSON AND THE CITIES OF LITTLE ROCK, NORTH LITTLE ROCK, SHERWOOD, JACKSONVILLE AND MAUMELLE TO ENDORSE AND MISSION AND GOALS OF THE BEHAVIORAL HEALTH DEFLECTION PROGRAM AND THE ESTABLISHMENT OF THE PULASKI COUNTY REGIONAL CRISIS STABILIZATION UNIT ("PCRCU") AS A PILOT PROGRAM**

AUTHORIZED BY ACT 423 OF 2017. Judge Randy Pruitt introduced Ordinance 2018-02 and explained the passing of this ordinance would allow him to enter into an Interlocal Agreement and Memorandum of Understanding as listed in Ordinance 2018-02 on behalf of Grant County. Clerk Tanya Diotte read Ordinance No. 2018-02 in its entirety. A motion to suspend the second reading was made by Justice Mike Nevens and seconded by Justice Danny Bone. Vote 8 for 0 against. Clerk Tanya Diotte read Ordinance No. 2018-02 heading. A motion to suspend the third reading was made by Justice Mike Nevens and seconded by Justice Jason Roshto. Vote 8 for 0 against. Clerk Tanya Diotte read Ordinance No. 2018-02 heading a final time. A motion to adopt Ordinance No. 2018-02 allowing Judge Pruitt to enter into an Interlocal Agreement and Memorandum of Understanding as listed in Ordinance 2018-02 was made by Justice Tony Carder and seconded by Justice Mike Nevens. There was brief discussion as to when and how the program may be utilized. Judge Pruitt explained the program would be used only when necessary or possibly never used, rather this is a backup plan should law enforcement need to utilize it. With there being no further discussion or questions: Vote 8 for 0 against.

Next on the agenda: **Ordinance No. 2018-03: BE IT ENACTED BY THE QUORUM COURT OF THE COUNTY OF GRANT, STATE OF ARKANSAS AN ORDINANCE TO BE ENTITLED: AN ORDINANCE SETTING UP A FUND FOR THE COUNTY OF GRANT AS REQUIRED BY STATE LAW.** Clerk Tanya Diotte read Ordinance No. 2018-03 in its entirety. A motion to suspend the second reading was made by Justice Jason Roshto and seconded by Justice Tony Carder. Vote 8 for 0 against. Clerk Tanya Diotte read Ordinance No. 2018-03 heading. A motion to suspend the third reading was made by Justice Mike Nevens and seconded by Justice Jason Roshto. Vote 8 for 0 against. Clerk Tanya Diotte read Ordinance No. 2018 heading. A motion to adopt Ordinance No. 2018-03 to set up fund 3516 to process grant funds received for the Grant County Fair Association was made by Justice Mike Nevens and seconded by Justice Jason Roshto. With there being no further discussion or questions: Vote 8 for 0 against.

Sales Tax: Sales Taxes were reviewed by the Quorum Court.

Other Business: Judge Randy Pruitt said the Grant County Rescue came to the budget meeting held before the Quorum Court meeting requesting permission to purchase new battery operated extraction equipment, a spreader and a cutter. The bid Grant County Rescue gave was \$32,588.44; and they would open the bid to other companies. Further, this purchase would come out of the new ambulance tax money. Justice Laith Adams asked why they would

need one that is battery powered. Justice Mike Nevens explained, "It takes less time to set up and one person can operate it. Currently, it takes 10- 15 minutes just to set up the old extraction equipment and it's a two-person job." County Rescue plans to continue to utilize the old equipment by sharing it with the rural areas of the county. It was noted that the new equipment would be much quicker to set up, it only takes one person to set up and use the new equipment and the time saved could save lives. Justice Mike Nevens of the Budget Committee recommended we allow County Rescue to move forward and take bids for new battery operated extraction equipment, a spreader and a cutter. A motion to move forward to allow County Rescue to take bids of a new battery operated extraction equipment, a spreader and a cutter was made by Justice Mike Nevens and seconded by Grant Westmoreland. With there being no further discussion or questions: Vote 8 for 0 against.

Motion to adjourn.


Randy Pruitt, County Judge


Tanya Diotte, County Clerk