

**JOURNAL OF PROCEEDINGS**  
**July 15, 2025, at 6:00 p.m.**

The Faulkner County Quorum Court met in its regular session at 6:00 PM on July 15, 2025, in Courtroom “4” located in the Faulkner County Justice Building with Judge Allen Dodson presiding.

The Invocation and pledge were led by Justice Lachowsky.

**Attendance:** County Judge Allen Dodson, County Administrator Tom Anderson, Administrator Randy Higgins, County Clerk Margaret Darter, Counsel Philip Murphy and the following Court members were present: Justices Allison, Coats, Kendrick, Knight, Meeks, Moss, Pearson, Strain, and Tyler.

**Approval of the Journal:** Justice Kendrick made a motion that the Journal of Proceedings be approved, and such motion was seconded by Justice Meeks. The Journal was unanimously approved.

**County Officer’s Report:** The Treasurer’s report was provided to the Court on the Financial Standing of the County and a copy is on file.

**Standing Committees Reports**

**Budget & Finance:** Did meet last week and have two (2) Ordinances to present under “New Business.”

**Courts & Public Safety:** Met last week and have Proposed Resolution 25-09 which pushes our dispatchers up to State level first responders.

**Personnel:** Met last week and forward one (1) Ordinance to Budget & Finance which is on the agenda tonight.

**Infrastructure & Roads:** Did not meet last week and have two (2) items on the agenda. Also, discuss update from Tom Anderson on the Road Department rebuild.

**Public Comments:** None

**Special Reports:** None

**Old Business:**

The Court discussed Proposed Ordinance 25-19. This is an Ordinance to approve the filing of an application by Palarm Station, Inc for a private club to be located at 941 Hwy 365, Mayflower, Faulkner County, Arkansas, and to declare an emergency. Justice Strain made a motion to put Proposed Ordinance 25-19 on the table, and such motion was seconded by Justice Moss. Counsel Murphy read Proposed Ordinance 25-19 by title only for the second reading.

**New Business:**

The Court discussed Proposed Ordinance 25-20. This is an appropriation Ordinance to amend and supplement Faulkner County Ordinance 24-52 (November 20, 2024), and to declare an emergency. Justice Moss made a motion to accept Proposed Ordinance 25-20, and such motion was seconded by Justice Knight. Counsel Murphy read Proposed Ordinance 25-20 by title only. After discussion, Justice Kendrick made a motion to table Proposed Ordinance 25-20 so we could double check the numbers on section 1. Such motion was seconded by Justice Knight and unanimously approved. After further discussion of other matters below, Justice Kendrick made a motion to put Proposed Ordinance 25-20 back on the table and such motion was seconded by Justice Knight and unanimously approved. Justice Kendrick made a motion to amend section 1 to correct \$61,071.91 to \$161,071.91 and such motion was seconded and unanimously approved. After further discussion, Judge Dodson called for a vote by roll call for Proposed Ordinance 25-20. The roll was called and Proposed Ordinance 25-20 passed with a vote of 9-0.

The Court discussed Proposed Ordinance 25-21. This is an appropriation Ordinance to amend and supplement Faulkner County Ordinance 24-52 (November 20, 2024), and to declare an emergency. Justice Kendrick made a motion to accept Proposed Ordinance 25-21, and such motion was seconded by Justice Moss. Counsel Murphy read Proposed Ordinance 25-21 by title only. After discussion, Judge Dodson called for a vote by roll call for Proposed Ordinance 25-21. The roll was called and Proposed Ordinance 25-21 passed with a vote of 9-0.

The Court discussed Proposed Resolution 25-08. This is a Resolution recognizing public safety telecommunicators as first responders who serve all of Faulkner County, Arkansas, and to support their designation as first responders at the State and Federal levels. Justice Coats made a motion to accept Proposed Resolution 25-08, and such motion was seconded by Justice Meeks. Counsel Murphy read Proposed Resolution 24-07 by title only. After discussion, Judge Dodson called for a voice vote for Proposed Resolution 25-08. Proposed Resolution 25-08 was unanimously approved.

The Court discussed Proposed Resolution 25-09. This is a Resolution expressing the willingness of Faulkner County to utilize federal-aid transportation program funds for Surface Transportation Block Grant (STBG) and Carbon Reduction Program (CRP). Justice Knight made a motion to accept Proposed Resolution 25-10, and such motion was seconded by Justice Coats. Counsel Murphy read Proposed Resolution 24-07 by title only. After discussion, Judge Dodson called for a voice vote for Proposed Resolution 25-10. Proposed Resolution 25-10 was unanimously approved.

The Court discussed Proposed Resolution 25-10. This is a Resolution authorizing the County Judge to apply for an Arkansas Community Assistance Grant on behalf of Faulkner County. Justice Knight made a motion to accept Proposed Resolution 25-10, and such motion was seconded by Justice Kendrick. Counsel Murphy read Proposed Resolution 24-07 by title only. After discussion, Judge Dodson called for a voice vote for Proposed Resolution 25-10. Proposed Resolution 25-10 was unanimously approved.

The Court discussed Proposed Resolution 25-11. This is a Resolution authorizing the County Judge to apply for an Arkansas Community Assistance Grant on behalf of Faulkner County. Justice Knight made a motion to accept Proposed Resolution 25-11, and such motion was seconded by Justice Kendrick. Counsel Murphy read Proposed Resolution 24-07 by title only.

After discussion, Judge Dodson called for a voice vote for Proposed Resolution 25-11. Proposed Resolution 25-11 was unanimously approved.

**Appointment:**

None

**Adjournment:** Adjourned at 7:39 PM

**\*\*\*\*\*An audio tape of this meeting is kept on file\*\*\*\*\***