

JOURNAL OF PROCEEDINGS
September 15, 2026, at 6:00 p.m.

The Faulkner County Quorum Court met in its regular session at 6:00 PM on August 18, 2026, in Meeting Room A, located in the Faulkner County Courthouse with Judge Allen Dodson presiding.

The Invocation and Pledge of Allegiance were led by Judge Sam Strain.

Attendance: County Judge Allen Dodson, County Administrator Tom Anderson, Administrator Randy Higgins, County Clerk Margaret Darter represented by County Clerk Margaret Darter, Deputy Treasurer Jennifer Massey, Counsel Philip Murphy and the following Court members were present: Justices Allison, Coats, Kendrick, Knight, Lachowsky, Meeks, Moss, Pearson, Strain, Tyler & Yorgey.

Approval of the Journal: Justice Kendrick made a motion to approve the Journal of the Proceedings, and such motion was seconded by Justice Yorgey and 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: Met last week and have three (3) appropriation Ordinances to present under "New Business."

Courts & Public Safety: Met last week and have one (1) Ordinance and one (1) Resolution to present under "New Business."

Personnel: No report.

Infrastructure & Roads: No Report.

Public Comments: None

Special Reports: Shane Forrester

Old Business: None

New Business:

The Court discussed Proposed Ordinance 26-24. This is an Ordinance to amend and supplement Faulkner County Ordinance 25 (January 22, 2025), and to declare an emergency. Justice Coats made a motion to accept Proposed Ordinance 26-24, and such motion was seconded by Justice Knight. Counsel Philip Murphy read Proposed Ordinance 26-24 by title only. After discussion, Judge Dodson called for a vote by roll call for Proposed Ordinance 26-24. The roll was called and Proposed Ordinance 26-24 passed with a vote of 11-0.

The Court discussed Proposed Ordinance 26-25. This is an appropriation Ordinance to amend and supplement Faulkner County Ordinance 25-33 (December 18, 2025), and to declare an emergency. Justice Lachowsky made a motion to accept Proposed Ordinance 26-25, and such motion was seconded by Justice Moss. Counsel Philip Murphy read Proposed Ordinance 26-25 by title only. After discussion, Judge Dodson called for a vote by roll call for Proposed Ordinance 26-25. The roll was called and Proposed Ordinance 26-25 passed with a vote of 11-0.

The Court discussed Proposed Ordinance 26-26. An Ordinance to establish a Special Revenue Fund to be called the 287(G) ICE Program-Sheriff Fund 3416 and to declare an emergency. Justice Lachowsky made a motion to accept Proposed Ordinance 26-26, and such motion was seconded by Justice Moss. Counsel Philip Murphy read Proposed Ordinance 26-26 by title only. Justice Yorgey made a motion to table Proposed Ordinance 26-26 until a later date. Such motion was seconded by Justice Pearson. Such motion failed with all Justices voting no and Justice Pearson and Yorgey voting yes. After discussion, Judge Dodson called for a vote by roll call for Proposed Ordinance 26-26. The roll was called and Proposed Ordinance 26-26 passed with a vote of 9-2, with Justice Pearson voting Present and Justice Yorgey voting no.

The Court discussed Proposed Ordinance 26-27. An Ordinance to establish a Special Revenue Fund to be called the 287(G) ICE Program-Sheriff Fund 3417 and to declare an emergency. Justice Lachowsky made a motion to accept Proposed Ordinance 26-27, and such motion was seconded by Justice Moss. Counsel Philip Murphy read Proposed Ordinance 26-27 by title only. After discussion, Judge Dodson called for a vote by roll call for Proposed Ordinance 26-27, as amended. The roll was called and Proposed Ordinance 26-27 passed with a vote of 10-1, with Justice Yorgey voting present.

The Court discussed Proposed Resolution 26-05. A Resolution declaring a vacancy in the Office of Justice of the Peace, District No. 10 for Faulkner County. Justice Knight made a motion to accept Proposed Resolution 26-05, and such motion was seconded by Justice Lachowsky. Counsel Philip Murphy read Proposed Resolution 26-05 by title only. After discussion, Judge Dodson called for a voice vote for Proposed Resolution 26-05. Proposed Resolution 26-05 passed with a vote of 10-1, with Justice Pearson voting no.

Appointment: None

Adjournment: Adjourned at 7:27 PM

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