

**JOURNAL OF PROCEEDINGS
CARROLL COUNTY QUORUM COURT
AUGUST 21, 2020**

The Quorum Court held their regular meeting at the Carroll County Courthouse, Berryville. This was a rescheduled meeting from August 17, 2020 due to Circuit Court running long creating a conflict in the meeting space's availability. Notification of the rescheduled meeting was sent and/or called to press, department heads, elected officials, and the Quorum Court members. The meeting was conducted in both Zoom and In-Person. The Invocation and Pledge of Allegiance was done and Judge Sam Barr asked for Roll Call. County Clerk Connie Doss read the roll call. JPs Harrie Farrow, Roger Hall, and Marty Johnson were absent, however, JP Farrow joined via Zoom at approximately 5:10pm.

The Journal of Proceedings from the July 31st meeting was approved after JP Larry Swofford made the motion to accept the Journal and JP Don McNeely motioned the second. JP Jack Deaton made a motion to add an ordinance to the agenda. A second was made and all members present approved the addition of "d" being added. There were no public comments or miscellaneous items for the meeting. There also was no old business.

Under New Business, a discussion to be sponsored by JP Harrie Farrow was tabled as JP Farrow was absent to discuss the topic of how the Quorum Court should hold meetings going forward under the Zoom & In-Person format. A motion by MP Matt Phillips and second by JP Larry Swofford tabled the discussion for next month.

A resolution confirming the appointment of commissioners to The Bluffs at Jackson Cove was approved after a motion was made by JP Chuck Olson and seconded by JP Matt Phillips. JP Olson told those present that these were regular appointments. During the discussion JP Harrie Farrow called County Clerk Connie Doss to have the Zoom link resent to her. Clerk Connie Doss asked indulgence to leave to resend the link. Upon return the Judge asked for the vote. JP Harrie Farrow who had not been in on the discussion responded "Here" when her name was called and voiced that she thought the group was doing roll call. She requested to be brought up to date and County Clerk Doss briefly told her what the resolution was. As nothing was said as to whether JP Farrow was voting or responding to roll call, the roll call sheet reflects "Abstain".

An appropriation to add funds for repairs to the Courthouse Annex fascia/soffit and adding a "dutch door" to the Western District Courthouse and window microphone units to both the District Court and County Clerk doors of the same was next on the agenda. JP Jack Deaton made the motion to accept and JP Chuck Olson made the second. The vote was called and all voted in favor. In the discussion the bid that was accepted included all clean up and finish. JP Olson said that work would begin around November in order to let the Collector's office complete their seasonal cycle of tax collection.

An appropriation ordinance putting funds back into line items for the Sheriff's department's participation in the STEP grant was approved. JP Jack Deaton moved to accept and JP Larry Swofford seconded. It was explained that the STEP program is grant funds for officers working during Holidays making traffic stops. The funds are sent to the Treasurer and then appropriated to the salary line items so the officers can be paid. The Grant also paid for speed radars.

In JP Comments, JP Jack Deaton brought the Quorum Court up to date on the Ordinance time allocated for COVID absences and said that time was looking good. He also let everyone

know that the County Clerk's office was working with the local Post Offices to be sure that there would not be issues with delivery of election materials. He also brought up that several members had looked at a possible property for the county located on Hwy 62 West known by many as the old AP&L building. He said that the owner had not offered any price on the property and that a PowerPoint with pictures of the visit could be looked at. County Clerk Connie Doss was asked to talk about the building. She asked if the file could be sent to everyone to review and it could be put on the agenda for next month. It was agreed. JP Don McNeely thanked the Sheriff's Department for their efforts in the recent drug bust.

Judge Sam Barr wished everyone a good evening and entertained a motion to adjourn which JP Larry Swofford made and JP Jack Deaton seconded. The meeting adjourned at 5:18pm.