

**FIRE, POLICE & SAFETY  
MARCH 3, 2023 1:30 ANNEX BUILDING**

**ATTENDANCE:** Chairman Justice Neil Burge; Justice Tobye McClanahan; Justice Betty Hepler; Justice Melinda Martin; Justice Rick Ash; Justice Drake Brown; Justice Reggie Cullom; Sheriff Dale Cook; Major Rob Rounsavall; Captain Bo McCullom; Finance Kelli Jones.

1. Meeting was called to order by Justice Rick Ash. First item on the agenda was sale of old vehicles in the Sheriff's Department. Justice Ash turned the meeting over to Sheriff Dale Cook. A list was handed out on vehicles that would be sold. Fred Fleeman would handle the auction. Motion was made by Justice Betty Hepler to move forward with the Ordinance to sell the vehicles. Second was made by Justice Tobye McClanahan. Motion passed.

2. Wilson Fire Department requested a truck be donated to the department. 2014 Dodge Ram 2500. Motion was made by Justice Betty Hepler for the Ordinance for the Wilson Fire Department truck donation. Second was made by Justice Melinda Martin. Motion passed.

3. Grant for full body scanner for the jail. \$100,000.00 was awarded. Scanner cost \$120,000.00. \$20,000.00 was budgeted in another line item. Appropriation for \$100,000.00 would be a pass thru. Motion was made by Justice Betty Hepler to appropriate \$100,000.00 to accept the grant as a pass thru. Second was made by Justice Tobye McClanahan. Motion passed.

4. M & M software update. Going back to M & M and getting away from Justice Solutions. Two days training was \$57,000.00. Data conversion \$10,000.00. Annual software agreement \$15,000.00 annual rate. Total \$82,000.00. New server \$20,000.00. \$102,000.00.

5. Funding notification from the Department of Arkansas on a LLEBG grant. \$3,000.00. Patrol wanted to use the money to buy 1 or 2 night scopes. Equipment was needed to patrol at night. Would be a pass thru grant.

6. More deputies were needed in the Blytheville Courthouse. Security was hard for two people. Justice Ash stated the first day of court was difficult to scan everyone. One more person may be needed when court was in progress. Patrol Captain asked for two more deputies. Justice Burge suggested the Sheriff put together what they needed and present it to the Court.

7. Wayne Reynolds with 911 called about the hyper link license. \$10,000.00. Was paid for the first year with ARP funds. The question was to send to ARP committee for approval. Several Justices had not received any notifications. Justice McClanahan would like to company to provide metrics on what had been done with their service. Justice Burge wanted Mr. Reynolds to give a report on metrics from the service.

8. Meeting adjourned.

Minutes submitted by: Cindy George

