

**FIRE, POLICE & SAFETY COMMITTEE MEETING
MARCH 11, 2021 ANNEX BUILDING**

ATTENDANCE: Chairman, Justice Rick Ash; Justice, Neil Burge; Justice, Betty Hepler; Justice, Molly Jackson; Justice, Aaron Fleeman; Justice, Tobbye McClanahan; Justice, Michael White; Justice, Harbans Mangat; Justice, Cecil McDonald; OEM, Wayne Reynolds; Public Affairs, Steven Savage; NEA Town Courier, Revis Blaylock.

1. Meeting was called to order by Justice, Rick Ash. Justice Ash stated there would be two things presented to the committee.

2. 911 Coordinator position terminated. Mr. Lendennie served as OEM deputy. \$4,000.00 of the OEM salary dedicated for the deputy. State law required a deputy when the OEM officer was not able to answer phone. Justice Ash asked Mr. Reynolds if he had spoken to Judge Nelson about deputy. Mr. Reynolds stated the Judge was favorable for the person in mind. Mr. Lendennie served as my deputy in the past. Steve Crosskno, Fire Chief for the Dell fire department was interested in the position. Mr. Crosskno is trained in the command system, and emergency plans. A stipend was recommended for Mr. Crosskno. \$2,500.00 per year. Recommendation needed to go to Personnel to create slot. Justice, Molly Jackson made a motion to create a slot for the OEM deputy. Second was made by Justice, Betty Hepler. Motion passed. Justice White stated if the slot was not removed the recommendation would not need to go to Finance.

3. Mississippi County Safety Plan. Mr. Reynolds stated AAC recommended creating light duty for employees injured. Less lost time. Mr. Reynolds revised the old safety plan. On page 6. Whenever possible the supervisor will put the injured employee on light duty. When employee came in there was no lost time incident. Mr. Reynolds talked about inspections. When inspections were performed and tools in proper working condition lowered accidents. Check lists were included in the plan. Justice Ash stated most accidents could be avoided by doing inspections. Resolution was needed to present to Quorum Court. Motion was made by Justice, Neil Burge to present the Resolution to Quorum Court. Second was made by Justice, Cecil McDonald. Motion passed.

4. Ms. Black from Turn Key Health and Sheriff, Dale Cook were coming to the meeting today. Ms. Black was quarantined. Meeting would be rescheduled.

5. Act 833 money. State funds from Little Rock directed to fire departments. Justice White stated the lump sum was distributed between fire departments based on population and coverage area. Mayor, Rodney Robertson in Leachville asked the County to review district coverage for their fire department. Mr. Reynolds stated if changes needed to be made the Fire Chiefs needed to decide the lines and then Mayors agree. The County would then help. Mr. Reynolds would give a report at next Fire, Police & Safety Meeting. ANC would host a COVID-19 vaccination clinic March 12, 2021.

6. Meeting adjourned.

Minutes submitted by: Cindy George