

CLEBURNE COUNTY QUORUM COURT JOURNAL OF PROCEEDINGS

September 8, 2022

The Cleburne County Quorum Court met in regular session in the Cleburne Court Building, 922 South 9th Street, Heber Springs, Arkansas. The meeting was called to order at 6:01 p.m. County Judge Karl Martin presided.

PRESENT: Henegar, Blackburn, Malone, Evans, Martin, Foust, Tamburo, Holmes. ABSENT: Caldwell, Hall.

VACANT: JP 10

READING, CORRECTION, AND DISPOSITION OF MINUTES:

Motion was made by JP Malone to approve the minutes of the August 11, 2022, regular meeting, seconded by JP Martin. Voice vote, motion carried.

REPORT OF TREASURER:

Motion was made by JP Martin to accept the Treasurer's report, seconded by JP Evans. Voice vote, motion carried.

REPORT OF COMMITTEES:

Ambulance: JP Foust had a meeting regarding the contract with Survival Flight and the Order issued from Judge Weaver. A copy of the current, signed contract was distributed to the Quorum Court members. JP Foust advised that the only changes from the July 2021 contract were the beginning dates. JP Blackburn wanted clarification from County Attorney Drew Smith that, with this contract, Survival Flight has been awarded a Franchise agreement for the area covered in pink, of which Mr. Smith agreed. The issue of this franchise interfering with volunteer services is an area that will need to be reviewed. JP Henegar advised that the ambulance committee met to make sure the Quorum Court complied with the Order from Judge Weaver, the franchise agreement contents were not discussed as to any specific issues. JP Evans requested the Ambulance Committee meet and come back to the Court with recommendations on any issues that need to be addressed regarding the Franchise Agreement.

Jail: JP Evans reported the Jail Committee will meet next week.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

None

NEW BUSINESS:

Proposed Resolution No. 2022-Declaring a Vacancy in JP District 10

JP Evans introduced a Resolution: **"A RESOLUTION DECLARING A VACANCY IN THE OFFICE OF JUSTICE OF THE PEACE, DISTRICT TEN (10), CLEBURNE COUNTY, STATE OF ARKANSAS"**.

JP Malone made a motion to adopt the Resolution, seconded by JP Martin. Roll Call was taken. Ayes: Blackburn, Evans, Foust, Henegar, Holmes, Malone, Martin, Tamburo. Nays: None.

Passed and adopted as Resolution 2022-07.

Susan Vowels, Arkansas Community Foundation of Cleburne County, spoke to make the Court aware of this foundation and how this foundation uses "smart giving" to improve communities in Cleburne County.

Proposed Resolution No. 2022-Tigg Tax Back

JP Evans introduced a Resolution: **"RESOLUTION OF THE QUORUM COURT OF CLEBURNE COUNTY CERTIFYING LOCAL GOVERNMENT ENDORSEMENT OF TIGG HOLDINGS, LLC, DBA TIGG, LLC, A NEWTERRA COMPANY TO PARTICIPATE IN THE TAX BACK PROGRAM (AS AUTHORIZED BY SECTION 15-4-2706(d) OF THE CONSOLIDATED INCENTIVE ACT OF 2003)"**.

JP Evans made a motion to adopt the Resolution, seconded by JP Tamburo. Discussion followed. Roll Call was taken. Ayes: Blackburn, Evans, Foust, Henegar, Holmes, Malone, Martin, Tamburo. Nays: None.

Passed and adopted as Resolution 2022-08.

Proposed Ordinance No. 2022-Pine Snag/Lobo EMS Service

JP Malone introduced an Ordinance: **BE IT ENACTED BY THE QUORUM COURT OF THE COUNTY OF CLEBURNE, STATE OF ARKANSAS; AN ORDINANCE TO BE ENTITLED: "AN APPROPRIATION ORDINANCE FOR THE PURCHASE OF SERVICE EQUIPMENT FOR VOLUNTEER EMS SERVICE"**.

JP Malone made a motion to adopt the Ordinance, seconded by JP Foust. Lengthy discussion followed. JP Henegar did add that as announced in the July meeting the budget committee is working on an Ordinance to adopt procedures for EMS services to apply for funds from the County so the process is consistent. Also, it was mentioned that the Court needs time to make sure what is allowable under the Franchise Agreement with Survival Flight. Roll Call was taken. Ayes: Foust, Holmes, Malone. Nays: Blackburn, Evans, Henegar, Martin, Tamburo. Proposed Ordinance failed to meet the required two-thirds vote. Ordinance failed.

COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC:

Sigrid Davis addressed the Court regarding the Pine Snag/Lobo Service.

Allison Hall addressed the Court regarding the Midway Bridge and public access to the water.

Sonia Flanigan addressed the Court regarding a possible Ordinance on the matter of grass clippings on county roads.

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

- Judge Martin reported that no issues came to the auditor’s attention to report concerning the 2021 Audit.
- The next regular Quorum Court meeting will be held Thursday, October 13, 2022.
- Anticipated Revenue meeting is scheduled for October 11, 2022, at 9 a.m. in the Judge’s office.

ADJOURNMENT:

JP Martin made a motion to adjourn, seconded by JP Evans. Meeting adjourned at 7:22 p.m.

ATTESTED:



 Rachelle Evans, Cleburne County Clerk Date

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 RACHELLE EVANS
 CLEBURNE COUNTY CLERK