CLEBURNE COUNTY QUORUM COURT JOURNAL OF PROCEEDINGS

January 11, 2024

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 6:00 p.m. County Judge Eric Classby presided.

PRESENT: Moorehead, Henegar, Caldwell, Fletcher-arrived at 6:05pm, Malone, Evans, Martin, Foust Tamburo, Owens, Wildmon.

READING, CORRECTION, AND DISPOSITION OF MINUTES:

Motion was made by JP Caldwell to approve the minutes of the December 14, 2023, regular meeting seconded by JP Owens. Voice vote, motion carried.

REPORT OF TREASURER:

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

REPORT OF COMMITTEES:

Judge Crosby announced that the Emergency Services Oversight Committee members and the Finance Committee members will remain the same for 2024. Judge Crosby is in the process of selecting members for a Jail Committee.

<u>Emergency Services Oversight Committee</u>: JP Foust reported the meetings will remain as scheduled on the third Tuesday of each month at 10:00 a.m. at the Judge's Office.

<u>Finance Committee</u>: JP Evans reported the Finance Committee meeting will meet January 22, 2024, at 9:00 a.m. in the Judge's office.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

None

NEW BUSINESS:

JP Evans made a motion to suspend the rules of formal readings and read by title only, seconded by JP Malone. Voice vote, motion carried.

Proposed Ordinance No. 2024-Amend Ordinance 2021-029

JP Evans read the Ordinance by title only. **BE IT ENACTED BY THE QUORUM COURT OF THE COUNTY OF CLEBURNE, STATE OF ARKANSAS; AN ORDINANCE TO BE ENTITLED: "AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND ORDINANCE 2021-029 ADOPTING THE SHERIFF'S OFFICE PAY SCALE AND COMPENSATION FOR DUTIES."**

JP Evans made a motion to adopt the Ordinance, seconded by JP Malone. After a brief discussion, roll call was taken. Ayes: Caldwell, Evans, Fletcher, Foust, Henegar, Malone, Martin, Moorehead, Owens, Tamburo, Wildmon. Nays: None.

Passed and adopted as Ordinance 2024-01.

JP Evans made a motion to suspend the rules of formal readings and read by title only items b and c as listed on the agenda, seconded by JP Malone. Voice vote, motion carried.

Proposed Ordinance No. 2024-Amend 2024 Budget-Jail

JP Evans read the Ordinance by title only. BE IT ENACTED BY THE QUORUM COURT OF THE COUNTY OF CLEBURNE, STATE OF ARKANSAS; AN ORDINANCE TO BE ENTITLED: "AN APPROPRIATION ORDINANCE AMENDING ORDINANCE 2023-038, WHICH ADOPTED THE BUDGET FOR THE CALENDAR YEAR 2024 AND/OR OTHER PURPOSES TO AMEND THE JAIL BUDGET."

JP Evans made a motion to adopt the Ordinance, seconded by JP Malone. After a brief discussion, roll call was taken. Ayes: Caldwell, Evans, Fletcher, Foust, Henegar, Malone, Martin, Moorehead, Owens, Tamburo, Wildmon. Nays: None.

Passed and adopted as Ordinance 2024-02.

Proposed Ordinance No. 2024-Amending Ordinance 2023-36

JP Evans read the Ordinance by title only. **BE IT ENACTED BY THE QUORUM COURT OF THE COUNTY OF CLEBURNE, STATE OF ARKANSAS; AN ORDINANCE TO BE ENTITLED:** "AN ORDINANCE AMENDING ORDINANCE 2023-36 ESTABLISHING THE NUMBER OF POSITIONS AND STARTING SALARIES FOR NON-ELECTED COUNTY POSITIONS".

JP Evans made a motion to adopt the Ordinance, seconded by JP Malone. After a brief discussion, roll call was taken. Ayes: Caldwell, Evans, Fletcher, Foust, Henegar, Malone, Martin, Moorehead, Owens, Tamburo, Wildmon. Nays: None.

Passed and adopted as Ordinance 2024-03.

Proposed Ordinance No. 2024-Amend 2023 Budget-Public Defender

JP Foust 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 AMENDING ORDINANCE NO. 2022-040, WHICH ADOPTED THE BUDGET FOR THE CALENDAR YEAR 2023 AND/OR OTHER PURPOSES TO AMEND THE PUBLIC DEFENDER BUDGET".

JP Foust made a motion to adopt the Ordinance, seconded by JP Owens. Discussion followed. Roll call was taken. Ayes: Caldwell, Evans, Fletcher, Foust, Henegar, Malone, Martin, Moorehead, Owens, Tamburo, Wildmon. Nays: None.

Passed and adopted as Ordinance 2024-04.

Proposed Ordinance No. 2024-Amend 2023 Budget-County Health

JP Caldwell 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 AMENDING ORDINANCE NO. 2022-040, WHICH ADOPTED THE BUDGET FOR THE CALENDAR YEAR 2023 AND/OR OTHER PURPOSES TO AMEND THE COUNTY HEALTH BUDGET".

JP Caldwell made a motion to adopt the Ordinance, seconded by JP Moorehead. Discussion followed. Roll call was taken. Ayes: Caldwell, Evans, Fletcher, Foust, Henegar, Malone, Martin, Moorehead, Owens, Tamburo, Wildmon. Nays: None.

Passed and adopted as Ordinance 2024-05.

Proposed Ordinance No. 2024-Amend Ordinance 2023-01-Procedural

JP Fletcher introduced an Ordinance. BE IT ENACTED BY THE QUORUM COURT OF THE COUNTY OF CLEBURNE, STATE OF ARKANSAS; AN ORDINANCE TO BE ENTITLED: "AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND ORDINANCE 2023-01 ESTABLISHING THE TIME, DATE, AND PROCEDURAL RULES OF THE REGULAR MONTHLY MEETING OF THE CLEBURNE COUNTY QUORUM COURT".

JP Fletcher made a motion to suspend the rules and place the Ordinance on the second reading by title only, seconded by JP Malone. Voice yote, motion carried with no opposition. JP Fletcher read the Ordinance by title only. JP Fletcher made a motion to suspend the rules and place the Ordinance on the third and final reading by title only. Voice vote, motion carried with no opposition. JP Fletcher read the Ordinance by title only. JP Fletcher made a motion to adopt the Ordinance. Discussion followed. JP Malone made a motion to amend Section 5 to read "All other sections of Ordinance 2023-01 are to remain unchanged", seconded by JP Fletcher. Voice vote, motion carried with no opposition. JP Caldwell made a motion to adopt the Ordinance as amended, seconded by JP Fletcher. Roll Call was taken. Ayes: Caldwell, Fletcher, Malone, Tamburo, Wildmon. Nays: Evans, Foust, Henegar, Martin, Moorehead, Owens. Ordinance failed with 5 Ayes and 6 Nays voting.

Proposed Resolution No. 2024-Increase Limit on County Credit Card

JP Foust introduced a Resolution. "A RESOLUTION FOR THE PURPOSE OF ESTABLISHING A NEW CREDIT LIMIT ON THE CLEBURNE COUNTY CREDIT CARD FROM \$3,500 TO \$6,000".

JP Foust made a motion to adopt the Resolution. Discussion followed. Roll call was taken. Ayes: Caldwell, Evans, Fletcher, Foust, Henegar, Malone, Martin, Moorehead, Owens, Tamburo, Wildmon. Nays: None.

Passed and adopted as Resolution 2024-01.

JP Evans withdrew Proposed Ordinance No. 2024-Increase in Transfer Station Fees.

JP Foust made a motion to add Proposed Resolution No. 2024-Establishing a New Credit Limit On the Cleburne County Sheriff's Credit Card, seconded by JP Fletcher. Voice vote, motion carried with no opposition.

Proposed Resolution No. 2024-Establishing a New Credit Limit on the Cleburne County Sheriff's Credit Card

JP Foust introduced a Resolution. "A RESOLUTION FOR THE PURPOSE OF ESTABLISHING A NEW CREDIT LIMIT ON THE CLEBURNE COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE CREDIT CARD FROM \$3,500 TO \$6,000".

JP Foust made a motion to adopt the Resolution, seconded by JP Martin. Discussion followed. Roll call was taken. Ayes: Caldwell, Evans, Fletcher, Foust, Henegar, Malone, Martin, Moorehead, Owens, Tamburo, Wildmon. Nays: None.

Passed and adopted as Resolution 2024-02.

Survival Flight-Shaine Keasler, Director of EMS, addressed the Court regarding a rate increase for ambulance services. JP Malone advised that information was distributed to the Court at the January meeting and then it will be discussed with the City of Heber Springs before bringing it to the Quorum Court.

JP Sampson Wildmon announced his resignation from his Justice of the Peace, District 11 position effective immediately due to conflicts between his work schedule and the duties of the JP position.

COMMENTS FROM PUBLIC:

None

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

Next Regular Quorum Court Meeting is Thursday, February 8, 2024, at 6:00 p.m.

ADJOURNMENT:

JP Martin made a motion to adjourn, seconded by JP Caldwell. The meeting was adjourned at 7:30 p.m.

ATTESTED:

Rachelle Evans, Cleburne County Clerk

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