CLEBURNE COUNTY QUORUM COURT JOURNAL OF PROCEEDINGS

February 8, 2024

The Cleburne County Quorum Court met in regular session in the Cleburne Court Building, 822 South 9th Street, Heber Springs, Arkansas. The meeting was called to order at 6:00 p.m. County Judge Eric Crosby 9: 36 presided.

PRESENT: Moorehead, Henegar, Caldwell, Fletcher, Malone, Evans, Martin, Foust, Tamburo, Owens Martin, Fletcher, Malone, Evans, Martin, Foust, Tamburo, Owens Martin, Fletcher, Malone, Evans, Martin, Foust, Tamburo, Owens Martin, Fletcher, Malone, Evans, Martin, Fletcher, Malone, Malone

READING, CORRECTION, AND DISPOSITION OF MINUTES:

Motion was made by JP Caldwell to approve the minutes of the January 11, 2024, regular meeting, seconded by JP Owens. Voice vote, motion carried.

REPORT OF TREASURER:

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

REPORT OF COMMITTEES:

<u>Emergency Services Oversight Committee</u>: JP Foust reported the repeater system is up and there is an Ordinance to be presented tonight to appropriate funds for programing costs to get the system fully operational. Also, the Heber Springs City Council will be holding a public meeting February 20, 2024, to discuss the ambulance contract.

Finance Committee: JP Evans reported the Finance Committee will meet February 26, 2024.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

None

NEW BUSINESS:

Proposed Resolution No. 2024-Declare Vacancy-JP11

JP Foust introduced a Resolution. "A RESOLUTION DECLARING A VACANCY IN THE OFFICE OF JUSTICE OF THE PEACE, DISTRICT ELEVEN (11), CLEBURNE COUNTY, STATE OF ARKANSAS".

JP Foust made a motion to adopt the Resolution, seconded by JP Malone. Roll call was taken. Ayes: Caldwell, Evans, Fletcher, Foust, Henegar, Malone, Martin, Moorehead, Owens, Tamburo. Nays: None. Passed and adopted as Resolution 2024-03.

Proposed Resolution No. 2024-Prim Fire Department Grant

JP Henegar introduced a Resolution. **BE IT RESOLVED BY THE QUORUM COURT OF CLEBURNE COUNTY, STATE OF ARKANSAS, A RESOLUTION ENTITLED:** "PURCHASE OF TURNOUT GEAR FOR THE PRIM FIRE DEPARTMENT".

JP Henegar made a motion to adopt the Resolution, seconded by JP Caldwell. Roll Call was taken. Ayes: Caldwell, Evans, Fletcher, Foust, Henegar, Malone, Martin, Moorehead, Owens, Tamburo. Nays: None. Passed and adopted as Resolution 2024-04.

Proposed Resolution No. 2024-Hazard Mitigation Plan

JP Foust introduced a Resolution. "A RESOLUTION ADOPTING THE CLEBURNE COUNTY MULTI-JURISDICTIONAL HAZARD MITIGATION PLAN WITH INTENT TO PARTICIPATE AND TO WORK TOWARD BECOMING A SAFER COMMUNITY".

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

Passed and adopted as Resolution 2024-05.

Proposed Resolution No. 2024-Increase in Transfer Station Fees

JP Evans introduced a Resolution. "A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING A NEW FEE SCHEDULE WITH WASTE CONNECTIONS TRANSFER STATION".

JP Evans made a motion to adopt the Resolution, seconded by JP Owens. Brief discussion followed. JP Foust mentioned recycling to possibly be discussed in the future. Roll call was taken. Ayes: Caldwell, Evans, Fletcher, Foust, Henegar, Malone, Martin, Moorehead, Owens, Tamburo. Nays: None. Passed and adopted as Resolution 2024-06.

Proposed Ordinance No. 2024-Amend 2024 Budget-911

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. 2023-038, WHICH ADOPTED THE BUDGET FOR THE CALENDAR YEAR 2024 AND/OR OTHER PURPOSES TO AMEND THE 911 BUDGET".

JP Foust made a motion to adopt the Ordinance, seconded by JP Martin. Roll call was taken. Ayes: Caldwell, Evans, Fletcher, Foust, Henegar, Malone, Martin, Moorehead, Owens, Tamburo. Nays: None. Passed and adopted as Ordinance 2024-06.

Proposed Ordinance No. 2024-Fire Department Sales Tax Funds

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 ORDINANCE ESTABLISHING THE SALES TAX FUNDS FOR RURAL FIRE DEPARTMENTS".

JP Caldwell read the Ordinance. JP Caldwell made a motion to suspend the rules of formal readings and read by title only, seconded by JP Evans. Voice vote, motion carried with no opposition. JP Caldwell made a motion to adopt the Ordinance, seconded by JP Evans. Discussion followed. Mr. Haney was asked to research whether the rate percentages can be different for the fire departments. Roll call was taken. Ayes: Caldwell, Evans, Fletcher, Foust, Henegar, Malone, Martin, Moorehead, Owens, Tamburo. Nays: None.

Passed and adopted as Ordinance 2024-07.

Proposed Ordinance No. 2024-Amend 2023 Budget (Department Clean-up)

JP Evans made a motion to suspend the rules of formal readings and read by title only, seconded by JP Martin. Voice vote, motion carried with no opposition.

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 NO. 2022-040, WHICH ADOPTED THE BUDGET FOR CALENDAR YEAR 2023 AND/OR OTHER PURPOSES FOR THE PURPOSE OF AMENDING CERTAIN DEPARTMENTS' BUDGETS".

JP Evans made a motion to adopt the Ordinance, seconded by JP Malone. Roll call was taken. Ayes: Caldwell, Evans, Fletcher, Foust, Henegar, Malone, Martin, Moorehead, Owens, Tamburo. Nays: None. Passed and adopted as Ordinance 2024-08.

COMMENTS FROM PUBLIC:

Mr. David Lisenbee with Ambassadors for Christ, an organization to pray for local officials, addressed the Court to let the officials know they are praying for them as they conduct county business.

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

Next Regular Quorum Court Meeting is Thursday, March 14, 2024, at 6:00 p.m.

ADJOURNMENT:

JP Martin made a motion to adjourn, seconded by JP Caldwell. The meeting was adjourned at 6:50 p.m.

ATTESTED:	
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Rachelle Evans, Cleburne County Clerk	
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