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CLEBURNE COUNTY QUORUM COURT JOURNAL OF PROCEEDINGS

February 9, 2023

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 Eric Crosby presided.

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

ABSENT: Tamburo.

READING, CORRECTION, AND DISPOSITION OF MINUTES:

Motion was made by JP Caldwell, seconded by JP Martin to approve the January 2023 minutes. Voice vote, motion carried.

REPORT OF TREASURER:

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

REPORT OF COMMITTEES:

Emergency Services Oversight Committee Meeting February 7, 2023. JP Foust reported it was a very productive meeting. Topics discussed: Training for dispatchers to provide better 911 services, County to pursue more permanent locations for ALS units, UHF/VHF radios to resolve communication issues. Dispatch report was distributed to the Court. The next meeting is scheduled for March 7, 2023.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

Proposed Resolution No. 2023-Sheriff Interim Filling of Vacancies

JP Martin introduced a Resolution: **A RESOLUTION PROVIDING FOR THE INTERIM FILLING OF VACANCIES FOR THE OFFICE OF CLEBURNE COUNTY SHERIFF DURING TIMES OF EMERGENCY.**

JP Martin made a motion, seconded by JP Fletcher to adopt the Resolution. Lengthy discussion followed that since the current Chief Deputy lives outside of Cleburne County should this position be on the list to fill the vacancy. JP Henegar made a motion to amend the resolution as follows: to strike Chief Deputy from number one and place CID Lieutenant to position one by name and move Patrol Lieutenant to position 2 by name and strike position 3. Attorney Haney advise that statute requires three in line for succession. JP Henegar added that position three be Alan Roberson. Motion to amend was seconded by JP Caldwell. A question was raised--Can the JP choose the line of succession or is that the decision of the Sheriff? Attorney Haney advised that according to statute the line of succession shall be designated by policy statement of the Sheriff and signed by the Sheriff and passed by Resolution of the Quorum court with signature of the Sheriff. Because the Resolution on the table did not include a signature line for the Sheriff, Attorney Haney advised to table the Resolution. JP Henegar retracted his motion and made a motion to table indefinitely, seconded by JP Caldwell. Roll call was taken on motion to table indefinitely. Ayes: Caldwell, Evans, Fletcher, Foust, Henegar, Malone, Martin, Moorehead, Owens, Wildmon. Nays: None. Absent: Tamburo

NEW BUSINESS:

Judge Crosby brought for discussion the White/Cleburne County Mutual Aid Agreement. The documents were placed in the Quorum Court packet for review. JP Foust made a motion to allow the Judge to proceed with the Interlocal Agreement. Voice vote, motion carried.

Proposed Ordinance No. 2023- Amend 2023 Budget-Other Sundry Insurance

JP Evans 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 FOR OTHER PURPOSES TO AMEND THE OTHER SUNDRY INSURANCE LINE ITEM".**

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

Passed and adopted as Ordinance 2023-04

Proposed Ordinance No. 2023- Amend County Handbook-Sheriff

JP Wildmon placed an Ordinance on the first reading: **BE IT ENACTED BY THE QUORUM COURT OF THE COUNTY OF CLEBURNE, STATE OF ARKANSAS; AN ORDINANCE TO BE ENTITLED: "AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE CLEBURNE COUNTY EMPLOYMENT POLICIES AND PROCEDURES HANDBOOK 7TH EDITION".**

The proposed Ordinance will be placed on the second reading at the March 2023 Quorum Court regular meeting.

Proposed Ordinance No. 2023- Amend 2023 Budget-Juvenile Court

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 AMENDING ORDINANCE NO. 2022-040, WHICH ADOPTED THE BUDGET FOR THE CALENDAR YEAR 2023 AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES TO AMEND THE JUVENILE COURT BUDGET".**

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

Passed and adopted as Ordinance 2023-05

Proposed Ordinance No. 2023- Law Enforcement Stipend

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 AMENDING ORDINANCE NO. 2022-040, WHICH ADOPTED THE BUDGET FOR THE CALENDAR YEAR 2023 AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES TO AMEND SHERIFF BUDGET FOR THE LAW ENFORCEMENT STIPEND**

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

Passed and adopted as Ordinance 2023-06

Proposed Resolution No. 2023-Land Exchange

JP Foust introduced a Resolution: **BE IT APPROVED BY THE QUORUM COURT OF THE COUNTY OF CLEBURNE, STATE OF ARKANSAS; A RESOLUTION TO BE ENTITLED: "A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE ENTRY INTO DISCUSSIONS WITH THE U.S. ARMY CORPS OF ENGINEERS FOR THE PURPOSE OF INQUIRING ABOUT A LAND EXCHANGE WITH THE COUNTY.**

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

Passed and adopted as Resolution 2023-02.

JP Evans made a motion to add Proposed Ordinance No. 2023-Senior Center Grant to the agenda, seconded by JP Martin. Voice vote, motion carried.

Proposed Ordinance No. 2023- Senior Center Grant

JP Evans 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 FOR OTHER PURPOSES TO ADD A BUDGET FOR THE CLEBURNE COUNTY SENIOR CENTER GRANT".**

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

Passed and adopted as Ordinance 2023-07

COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC:

- Mr. Lynn Hartman addressed the Court with his view regarding the paper ballot issue.
- Members of the Election Committee are JP Martin, JP Fletcher, JP Owens, Commissioner Yarbrough. Judge advised he will be checking with Commissioner Crabtree so that both parties are represented on the committee. Attorney Haney advised that the ballots can only be opened by those declared in A.C.A 7-4-121. Attorney Haney asked that the Election Committee review the memorandums sent regarding Resolution 2023-01.

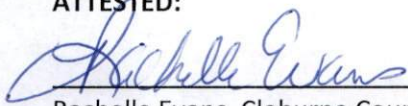
ANNOUNCEMENTS:

- The next regular Quorum Court meeting will be held Thursday, March 9, 2022.

ADJOURNMENT:

JP Malone made a motion to adjourn, seconded by JP Martin. The meeting adjourned at 7:46 p.m.

ATTESTED:



Rachelle Evans, Cleburne County Clerk

3-9-2023

Date

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