

CLEBURNE COUNTY QUORUM COURT JOURNAL OF PROCEEDINGS

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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 Crosby presided.

PRESENT: Moorehead, Henegar, Beavers, Fletcher, Malone, Evans, Martin, Foust, Tamburo, Baugh, McClung.

ABSENT: None.

2025 OCT 12 AM 9:38
SHERYL LUGAN
CLEBURNE COUNTY CLERK

READING, CORRECTION, AND DISPOSITION OF MINUTES:

Motion was made by JP Malone to approve the minutes of October 20, 2025, regular meeting, seconded by JP Martin with a correction to read Judge Crosby instead of JP Crosby. Voice vote, motion carried.

REPORT OF TREASURER:

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

REPORT OF COMMITTEES:

Emergency Services Oversight Committee: JP Foust said topics at last meeting included Wilburn's siren being fixed, radio repeaters are doing better and being worked on each month, several Mountain Top Water fire hydrants aren't working, and med flight usage and how it works. The next meeting is rescheduled to December 2 at 10:00 a.m.

Budget Committee: JP Evans stated that he would pass until several budget ordinances were to be read later.

Jail Committee: JP Evans reported that this would be passed as well when the resolution was read.

COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC:

None.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

None.

NEW BUSINESS:

Cleburne County Fair Board discussion. Discussion involved the election process for the fair board. Vice President Jay Strain who has assumed the President's duties after the resignation of the previous President and John Haste, not a member, addressed the court about confusion dealing with the election process. Lengthy discussion followed. JP Henegar made a motion for Mr. Haney to draft an Ordinance that allows the Court to take over authority to appoint each position and each executive position, seconded by JP Evans. Roll call was taken. Ayes: Baugh, Beavers, Evans, Fletcher, Foust, Henegar, Malone, Martin, McClung, Moorehead, Tamburo. Nays: None. Motion carried.

New Library Director. Judge Crosby welcomed new library director, Denise Meli. JP Martin made a motion to add to agenda a resolution pertaining to library, seconded by JP Malone. Voice vote, motion carried.

Proposed Resolution No. 2025- Authorizing the County Clerk to write a letter to the White River Regional Library

JP Martin introduced a Resolution. **"A RESOLUTION FOR THE PURPOSE OF AUTHORIZING THE COUNTY CLERK TO WRITE A LETTER GIVING NOTICE THAT THE CLEBURNE COUNTY LIBRARY IS LEAVING THE WHITE RIVER REGIONAL LIBRARY"**

Cleburne County Library Board Chairman Skye Wright was in attendance to answer any questions. JP Martin made a motion to adopt the Resolution, seconded by JP Evans. Roll call was taken. Ayes: Baugh, Beavers, Evans, Fletcher, Foust, Henegar, Malone, Martin, McClung, Moorehead, Tamburo. Nays: None.

Passed and adopted as Resolution 2025-10.

Proposed Resolution No. 2025-Authorize Judge to enter contract with SouthBuild

JP Evans introduced a Resolution. **"A RESOLUTION FOR THE PURPOSE OF AUTHORIZING THE JUDGE OF CLEBURNE COUNTY, ARKANSAS TO ENTER INTO A CONTRACT WITH SOUTHBUILD."** JP Evans made a motion to adopt the Resolution, seconded by JP Martin. Roll call was taken. Ayes: Baugh, Beavers, Evans, Fletcher, Foust, Henegar, Malone, Martin, McClung, Moorehead, Tamburo. Nays: None.

Passed and adopted as Resolution 2025-11.

2025 DEC 12 AM 9:36

Proposed Ordinance No. 2025-Amend Jail, Aging, and Road Budgets

JP Henegar introduced an Ordinance. **"BE IT ENACTED BY THE QUORUM COURT OF CLEBURNE COUNTY, STATE OF ARKANSAS, AN ORDINANCE TO BE ENTITLED: AN APPROPRIATION ORDINANCE AMENDING ORDINANCE NO. 2024-42 WHICH ADOPTED THE BUDGET FOR THE CALENDAR YEAR 2025 AND/OR OTHER PURPOSES."** JP Henegar made a motion to adopt the Ordinance, seconded by JP Malone. Roll call was taken. Ayes: Baugh, Beavers, Evans, Fletcher, Foust, Henegar, Malone, Martin, McClung, Moorehead, Tamburo. Nays: None.

Passed and adopted as Ordinance 2025-22.

Proposed Ordinance No. 2025-2026 Budget

JP Foust introduced an Ordinance. **"BE IT ENACTED BY THE COUNTY OF CLEBURNE, STATE OF ARKANSAS; AN APPROPRIATION ORDINANCE TO BE ENTITLED: "AN APPROPRIATION ORDINANCE ADOPTING AND APPROVING THE BUDGET FOR CLEBURNE COUNTY, ARKANSAS FOR THE YEAR 2026, MAKING SPECIFIC APPROPRIATIONS OF FUNDS SET IN THE BUDGET."** JP Foust made a motion to suspend the rules of a formal reading and place the Ordinance on reading by title only, seconded by JP Malone. Voice vote, motion carried. JP Foust read the Ordinance by title only. JP Foust made a motion to adopt the Ordinance, seconded by JP Malone. Roll Call was taken. Ayes: Baugh, Beavers, Evans, Fletcher, Foust, Henegar, Malone, Martin, McClung, Moorehead, Tamburo. Nays: None.

Passed and adopted as Ordinance 2025-23.

Proposed Ordinance No. 2025-Positions and Starting Salaries

JP Evans introduced an Ordinance. **"BE IT ENACTED BY THE QUORUM COURT COUNTY OF CLEBURNE STATE OF ARKANSAS, AN ORDINANCE TO BE ENTITLED: "AN ORDINANCE TO ESTABLISH THE NUMBER OF POSITIONS AND STARTING SALARIES FOR NON-ELECTED COUNTY POSITIONS."** JP Evans made a motion to suspend rules and place the Ordinance on a reading by title only, seconded by JP Tamburo. Voice vote, motion carried. JP Evans made a motion to adopt the Ordinance, seconded by JP Moorehead. Roll Call was taken. Ayes: Baugh, Beavers, Evans, Fletcher, Foust, Henegar, Malone, Martin, McClung, Moorehead, Tamburo. Nays: None.

Passed and adopted as Ordinance 2025-24.

Proposed Ordinance No. 2025-Max Salary per Employee

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 ESTABLISHING THE NUMBER OF EMPLOYEES AND AUTHORIZING THE NUMBER OF EMPLOYEES AND AUTHORIZED SALARY PER EMPLOYEE FOR EACH DEPARTMENT OF THE CLEBURNE COUNTY GOVERNMENT."** JP Malone made a motion to suspend the full reading and read by title only, seconded by JP Evans. Voice vote, motion carried. JP Malone read the Ordinance by title only. JP Malone made a motion to correct Indigent/Public Defender Contract Labor so both lines read \$7,580.00 on page six, seconded by JP Martin. Voice vote, motion carried. JP Malone made a motion to adopt the Ordinance, seconded by JP Martin. Roll call was taken, Ayes: Baugh, Beavers, Evans, Fletcher, Foust, Henegar, Malone, Martin, McClung, Moorehead, Tamburo. Nays: None.

Passed and adopted as Ordinance 2025-25.

Proposed Ordinance No.2025-Establish Millage

JP Moorehead introduced an Ordinance. **"BE IT ENACTED BY THE QUORUM COURT OF THE COUNTY OF CLEBURNE, STATE OR ARKANSAS; AN ORDINANCE TO BE ENTITLED: "AN APPROPRIATION ORDINANCE ESTABLISHING THE MILLAGE RATES FOR 2026."** JP Moorehead made a motion to suspend the rules and place the Ordinance on reading by title only, seconded by JP Martin. Voice vote, motion carried. JP Moorehead read the Ordinance by title only. JP

Moorehead made a motion to adopt the Ordinance, seconded by JP Evans. Roll call was taken. Ayes: Baugh, Beavers, Evans, Fletcher, Foust, Henegar, Malone, Martin, McClung, Moorehead, Tamburo. Nays: None.

Passed and adopted as Ordinance No. 2025-26.

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Judge Crosby reported on the disposal of County property, Order No. 2025-19, Order No. 2025-21, and Order No. 2025-22.

JP Evans made a motion to add an Ordinance to the agenda, seconded by JP Fletcher. Voice vote, motion carried.

Proposed Ordinance No. 2025- Interlocal Agreement

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 ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE COUNTY JUDGE TO EXECUTE INTERLOCAL COOPERATIVE AGREEMENTS REGARDING DISPATCHING SERVICES."** JP Evans made a motion to suspend the rules and place the Ordinance on reading by title only, seconded by JP Martin. JP Evans read the Ordinance by title only. JP Evans made a motion to amend to add "Appendix A" to the page showing formula, seconded by JP Martin. Voice vote, motion carried. Quarterly meetings will be held with cities to go over finances. JP Evans made a motion to adopt the Ordinance, seconded by JP Martin. Discussion followed. Roll call was taken. Ayes: Baugh, Beavers, Evans, Fletcher, Foust, Henegar, Malone, Martin, McClung, Moorehead Tamburo. Nays: None.

Passed and adopted as Ordinance 2025-27.

JP Martin made a motion to add an Ordinance to the agenda, seconded by JP Fletcher. Voice vote, motion carried.

Proposed Ordinance No. 2025-Pine Snag Lobo Ballot Question

JP Foust introduced an Ordinance. **"AN ORDINANCE TO REFER TO THE QUALIFIED ELECTORS OF THE PINE SNAG LOBO FIRE ASSOCIATION SERVICE AREA A BALLOT QUESTION PURSUANT TO ARKANSAS CODE § 14-20-108 AND OTHER PURPOSES."** JP Foust read the Ordinance. JP Foust made a motion to suspend the rules of further reading, seconded by JP Martin. Lengthy discussion followed. JP Martin made a motion to strike any instance of the words "levy and" seconded by JP Moorehead. Voice vote, motion carried. JP Foust made a motion to adopt the Ordinance, seconded by JP Martin. Roll call was taken. Ayes: Baugh, Beavers, Evans, Fletcher, Foust, Henegar, Malone, Martin, McClung, Moorehead, Tamburo. Nays: None.

Passed and adopted as Ordinance No. 2025-28.

COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC:

- Mr. Haney announced that the Cleburne County won the Arkansas Supreme Court case.
- Riley Hooten spoke of her experience with the Cleburne County Fair Board.

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

- The next regular Quorum Court meeting will be held Thursday, December 11, 2025.

ADJOURNMENT:

JP Moorehead made the motion to adjourn, seconded by JP Foust. The meeting was adjourned at 8:45 p.m.

ATTESTED:


Sherry Logan, Cleburne County Clerk by Kim Wallace

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