

AGENDA
Cleburne County Quorum Court
Thursday, May 9, 2024
6:00 p.m.

Cleburne County Court Building
922 South 9th Street
Heber Springs, AR 72543

1. **Call to Order, Roll Call:**
2. **Reading, Correction, and Disposition of Minutes:**
3. **Report of Treasurer:**
4. **Report of Committees:**
 - a. Emergency Services Oversight Committee-**JP Foust**
 - b. Budget Committee-**JP Evans**
5. **Unfinished Business:**
 - a. Proposed Ordinance No. 2024-Regulation of Dogs (3rd reading)-**JP Foust**
6. **New Business:**
 - a. Board of Equalization Members-**Judge Crosby**
 - b. Disposal of County Property-**Judge Crosby**
 - c. Proposed Ordinance No. 2024-Adult Drug Court-**JP Moorehead**
 - d. Proposed Ordinance No. 2024-Juvenile Drug Court-**JP Evans**
 - e. Proposed Ordinance No. 2024-Amend 2024 Budget-Hwy 92 Property-**JP Malone**
 - f. Proposed Ordinance No. 2024-Amend Starting Salaries-Library-**JP Henegar**
 - g. Proposed Ordinance No. 2024-Amend Ordinances 2023-37 and 2023-38-County Library-**JP Evans**
7. **Comments from the Public:**
8. **Announcements:**
 - a. Next Regular Quorum Court Meeting is Thursday, June 13, 2024.
9. **Adjournment:**

CLEBURNE COUNTY QUORUM COURT JOURNAL OF PROCEEDINGS

April 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 6:01 p.m. County Judge Eric Crosby presided.

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

VACANT: JP 11

READING, CORRECTION, AND DISPOSITION OF MINUTES:

Motion was made by JP Caldwell to approve the minutes of the March 14, 2024, regular meeting, seconded by JP Owens. 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 brought to the committee the ambulance contract passed by the Heber Springs City Council. Due to changes in the contract that were made by the City of Heber Springs there is a need for the Cleburne County Quorum Court to adopt the amended version. After discussion, JP Foust made a motion, seconded by JP Martin to strike "and" in Section 7 Participation in Ambulance Oversight Committee(s). After further discussion, JP Foust withdrew the first motion to amend, and made a motion, seconded by JP Malone, to amend the Ambulance Contract as follows:

7, Participation in Ambulance Oversight Committee(s).

There is hereby created an Ambulance Oversight Committee (AOC) whose membership shall consist of the Hospital Administrator, two representatives from Contractor, Cleburne County Judge, Mayors of Heber Springs, Quitman, Greers Ferry, Higden and Concord and/or their designee. Also OEM/911 Director, 2 Heber Springs City Council members, 2 Quorum Court members and Fire Chiefs. The Cleburne County Judge will preside over the committee. The committee shall meet quarterly or as called by the County Judge. The purpose of the AOC is to recommend any improvements, adjustments or aid in communication between the contractor and interested parties.

Voice vote, motion carried unanimously. JP Foust made a motion to approve the Ambulance contract as amended. Voice vote, motion carried unanimously.

Finance Committee: JP Evans reported the committee met April 2, 2024 for the March meeting. The committee approved the request for assistance from Pine Snag/Lobo for \$9,729.00 as budgeted in the 2024 County Budget. Topics to come before the Committee include jail, anticipated stipends/raises, and insurance. Next meeting is set for Monday, April 22, 2024.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

Proposed Ordinance No. 2024-Regulation of Dogs

BE IT ENACTED BY THE QUORUM COURT OF THE COUNTY OF CLEBURNE, STATE OF ARKANSAS; AN ORDINANCE TO BE ENTITLED: "AN ORDINANCE RELATED TO THE REGULATION OF DOGS; PRESCRIBING THE RESPONSIBILITIES OF OWNERS THEREOF AND FIXING PENALTIES FOR VIOLATIONS; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES". JP Foust placed the proposed ordinance on the second reading. JP Foust read the

proposed ordinance in its entirety. JP Foust placed the proposed ordinance on the May 2024 agenda for the third and final reading.

NEW BUSINESS:

Election Commissioner Joe Tournear reported to the Court regarding the Cleburne County Election Commission's audit of the 2024 Preferential Primary which took place on April 7, 2024. Five vote centers were randomly selected, and with 1,922 ballots counted there were no errors found.

Proposed Ordinance No. 2024-Amend Ordinance 2023-36 Starting Salaries

JP Henegar 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 AMENDING ORDINANCE 2023-36 ESTABLISHING THE NUMBER OF POSITIONS AND STARTING SALARIES FOR NON-ELECTED COUNTY POSITIONS".**

JP Henegar made a motion, seconded by JP Owens, to suspend the rules and place the ordinance on the second reading by title only. Roll call was taken. Ayes: Caldwell, Evans, Fletcher, Foust, Henegar, Malone, Martin, Moorehead, Owens, Tamburo. Nays: None. JP Henegar read the ordinance by title only. JP Henegar made a motion, seconded by JP Evans, to place the ordinance on the third and final reading by title only. Roll call was taken. Ayes: Caldwell, Evans, Fletcher, Foust, Henegar, Malone, Martin, Moorehead, Owens, Tamburo. Nays: None. JP Henegar made a motion, seconded by JP Evans, to adopt the ordinance. Roll call was taken. Ayes: Caldwell, Evans, Fletcher, Foust, Henegar, Malone, Martin, Moorehead, Owens, Tamburo. Nays: None.

Passed and adopted as Ordinance 2024-15.

JP Martin made a motion, seconded by JP Fletcher, to add Proposed Resolution 2024-Reaffirm Right to Life. Voice vote, motion carried unanimously.

JP Martin introduced a Resolution. **BE IT RESOLVED BY THE QUORUM COURT OF CLEBURNE COUNTY, STATE OF ARKANSAS, A RESOLUTION TO BE ENTITLED: "A RESOLUTION TO REAFFIRM THE STATUS OF CLEBURNE COUNTY, ARKANSAS AS A PRO-LIFE COUNTY; AND TO OPPOSE THE PROPOSED ARKANSAS ABORTION AMENDMENT IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE POLICY OF CLEBURNE COUNTY, ARKANSAS".**

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

Passed and adopted as Resolution 2024-07.

Judge Crosby reported disposal of County property by Order 2024-10.

COMMENTS FROM PUBLIC:

Mr. Keisler addressed the Court regarding the County's support of Cleburne County Fair pageant contestants.

Mr. Sullivan addressed the Court regarding the audit of the Preferential Primary Election.

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

Next Regular Quorum Court Meeting is Thursday, May 9, 2024, at 6:00 p.m.

ADJOURNMENT:

JP Caldwell made a motion to adjourn, seconded by JP Owens. The meeting was adjourned at 7:12 p.m.

ATTESTED:

Rachelle Evans, Cleburne County Clerk

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PROPOSED ORDINANCE NO. 2024-REGULATION OF DOGS

BE IT ENACTED BY THE QUORUM COURT OF CLEBURNE COUNTY, STATE OF ARKANSAS; AN ORDINANCE TO BE ENTITLED: "AN ORDINANCE RELATED TO THE REGULATION OF DOGS; PRESCRIBING THE RESPONSIBILITIES OF OWNERS THEREOF AND FIXING PENALTIES FOR VIOLATIONS; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES."

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ENACTED BY THE QUORUM COURT OF CLEBURNE COUNTY, ARKANSAS:

Section 1. Except as specified herein, This Ordinance does not pertain to areas of the incorporated municipalities of Cleburne County, but does include all other areas of Cleburne County.

Section 2. The following words and phrases shall for purposes of this article have the following meanings:

- (a) **Owner.** Every person, firm, partnership or corporation, owning, keeping or harboring a dog within the geographical limits of Cleburne County. Ownership is also established by a person whose name appears on the identification tag affixed to the collar or harness of the dog.
- (b) **Dogs.** When used herein shall include animals of all ages, both male and female, which are members of the canine or dog family.
- (c) **Competent (responsible) person.** A person who is capable of controlling and governing the dog in question.
- (d) **Injured or Neglected.** Any dogs running at large in Cleburne County that are ill, wounded, and/or that have no obvious owner and/or that require a quick response regarding rabies vaccination when a dog bite occurs.
- (e) **Animal Control Officer.** Any person or entity employed or appointed or contracted by Cleburne County who is authorized to investigate and/or enforce violations relating to animal control.
- (f) **Vicious Dog.**
 - 1. Any dog which when unprovoked, in a vicious or terrorizing manner approaches any person in apparent attitude of attack upon the streets, sidewalks, or any public grounds or places; or
 - 2. Any dog with a known propensity, tendency or disposition to attack unprovoked, to cause injury or to otherwise endanger the safety of persons, domestic animals or livestock; or
 - 3. Any dog which bites, inflicts injury, assaults or otherwise attacks a person, domestic animal or livestock without provocation on public or private property; or
 - 4. Any dog owned or harbored primarily or in part for the purpose of dog fighting or any dog trained for dog fighting.
 - 5. Notwithstanding the definition of a vicious dog above, no dog may be declared vicious if any injury or damage is sustained by a person who, at the time such injury was sustained, was committing a willful trespass or other tort upon premises occupied by the owner or keeper of the dog, or was teasing, tormenting, abusing or assaulting the dog or was committing or attempting to commit a crime.
 - 6. No dog may be declared vicious if any injury or damage was sustained by a domestic animal or livestock which at the time of such injury or damage the domestic animal, livestock or a person was teasing, tormenting, abusing or assaulting the dog.
 - 7. No dog may be declared vicious if the dog was protecting or defending a person within the immediate vicinity of the dog from an unjustified attack or assault.
- (g) **Nuisance.** An animal shall be considered a nuisance if it damages, soils, defiles, or defecates on private property other than the owner's or on public walks or recreation areas; causes unsanitary, dangerous, or offensive conditions; causes a disturbance by excessive barking or other noise

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making; or interferes with persons in the public right-of-way; or chases vehicles; or roams at large upon the real property of a person other than its owner, or onto a public right-of-way.

(h) **Stray.** Any dog that is at large.

1. **At large.** Any dog shall be deemed to be at large where it is off the premises of its owner's real property and not properly restrained by a competent person, regardless of whether the owner had actual knowledge that the dog had left the owner's premises or real property.

Section 3. Vicious Dogs.

- (a) No owner of, custodian of, or person with authority to control a vicious dog shall suffer or permit such a dog to go unconfined on the premises of any other person's real property or onto a public right-of-way. A vicious dog is "unconfined", as the term is used in this section, if such a dog is not securely confined indoors or confined in a secure enclosed and locked pen or a dog run area upon the premises of said person.
- (b) No owner of, custodian of, or person with authority to control a vicious dog shall suffer or permit such a dog to go beyond the premises of said owner unless the vicious dog is securely muzzled and restrained with a restraint having a minimum tensile strength of 300 pounds and not exceeding three (3) feet in length. The dog must be handled by a person competent to maintain control at all times.
- (c) The owner of a dog declared vicious must have the animal spayed/neutered by a veterinarian and must possess veterinary certification of such.
- (d) Notification of escape or bite incident. The owner or keeper of a vicious dog shall notify the Cleburne County Sheriff's Department and animal control authority immediately if such dog escapes from its enclosure or restraint and is at large. Such immediate notification shall also be required if the dog bites or attacks a person, domestic animal or livestock.
- (e) If any dog(s), while unconfined and off the property of the owner, custodian, or person with authority to control, bites or seriously injures a person, domestic animal or livestock, it is a violation of this article. The dog(s) involved shall be immediately surrendered to the local animal control authority or Cleburne County Sheriff's Office and a citation will be issued. The owner, custodian, or person with authority to control, must verify the animal has been properly vaccinated according to Arkansas state law. Failure to appear may result in the immediate order of euthanasia of the animal for submission to the state lab for rabies testing. All other state or federal laws concerning restitution and liability shall remain in force and may be used in conjunction herewith.
- (f) No person shall own or harbor any dog for the purpose of dog fighting or to train, torment, badger, bait or use any dog for the purpose of causing or encouraging said dog to unprovoked attacks upon persons, domestic animals or livestock.
- (g) No person shall possess with intent to sell, offer for sale, breed, or buy or attempt to buy within the county any vicious dog.
- (h) Failure to comply. It shall be unlawful and a misdemeanor for any owner of a vicious dog to fail to comply with all the requirements and conditions set forth in this section. Any dog found to be in violation of this section shall be subject to immediate seizure and impoundment.
- (i) Any person found guilty of violating this section shall pay all expenses, including shelter, food and veterinary expenses necessitated by the seizure of any dog for the protection of the public, and such other expenses as may be required for the destruction of such dog.
- (j) Any vicious dog which attacks a person, domestic animal or livestock may be ordered destroyed, when in the court's judgement, such a vicious dog represents a continuing threat of serious harm to persons, domestic animals, livestock, or to personal or real property.

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Section 4. Containment Exceptions.

- (a) Dogs officially entered in shows or competition requiring completion of entrance forms and taking place on land designated for the purpose of said dog show or competition.
- (b) Dogs secured (housed and/or fenced) within a gate, doorway or animal carrier on the private property of the owner or others with the actual implied, customary or constructive consent of the owner of such private premises.
- (c) Dogs used for official business or purposes by any law enforcement agency or disabled person.
- (d) Dogs actively being used for lawful hunting purposes by an owner, custodian or person with authority to control said dogs. Dogs used for hunting shall at all times be under the supervision or control of the responsible person.

Section 5. Complaints.

Enforcement personnel (either the Cleburne County Sheriff's Department or animal control authority) will investigate all complaints against dogs in the county. If the complaint includes a bite, the dog(s) involved will immediately be surrendered to either the Cleburne County Sheriff's Department or animal control authorities for mandatory quarantine. If it is determined during any complaint investigation that the owner is out of compliance with this Ordinance, the owner will be cited.

Section 6. Enforcement.

The Cleburne County Sheriff's Office and other law enforcement officials authorized by state or local law, are authorized, for violation of any portion of this article to give to the owner, custodian, or person with authority to control, a summons in lieu of arrest, to appear in the Cleburne County District Court, Criminal Division.

Section 7. Regulations of Dogs.

- (a) Each owner shall have on his, her or its dog collar or harness to which is securely fastened a metal plate or tag which is legibly and permanently inscribed the name, address and/or phone number of its owner and verification that the dog has been vaccinated against rabies as required by state law.
- (b) It shall be unlawful for any person, firm or corporation to abandon any dog in Cleburne County.

Section 8. Penalty.

- (a) Any person in violation or aiding in or abetting the violation of any provision of this Ordinance, or resisting, obstructing, or impeding the Sheriff or any authorized officer in enforcing this Ordinance or refusing to produce for inoculation any dog in his possession, or who removes a tag from a dog for purposes of destroying or concealing its identity, is guilty of a petty offense, for a first or second offense and shall be fined not less than \$25 nor more than \$200, and for a third and subsequent offense shall be fined not less than \$250.00 or more than \$500.00, except that if an act prohibited herein or rendered unlawful is, in its nature, continuous in respect to time, the fine for allowing continuance thereof in violation of the Ordinance shall not exceed \$250.00 for each day that the same is unlawfully continued.

Section 9. In the event that any provision of this Ordinance or the application thereof to any person or circumstance is held to be invalid, such invalidity shall not affect the other provisions or applications to this Ordinance which can be given effect without the invalid provision or application, and to this end, the provisions of this Ordinance are declared to be severable.

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Section 10. All Ordinances and parts of Ordinances in conflict herewith are hereby repealed to the extent of such conflict.

PASSED AND ADOPTED this _____th day of _____ 2024.

ATTEST:

APPROVED:

Rachelle Evans, Cleburne County Clerk

Eric Crosby, Cleburne County Judge

Recorded: Book _____ Page(s) _____

PROPOSED

PROPOSED ORDINANCE NO. 2024-AMEND 2024 BUDGET-ADULT DRUG COURT

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 ADD THE ADULT DRUG COURT BUDGET".

WHEREAS, the Cleburne County Adult Drug Court has received funds from the Arkansas Administrative Office of the Courts from the Opioid Settlement in the amount of \$16,225.62, and

WHEREAS, an Adult Drug Court Budget needs to be added to the 2024 Budget and the funds appropriated.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ENACTED BY THE QUORUM COURT OF CLEBURNE COUNTY, ARKANSAS:

Section 1. The budget shall be amended by the following appropriation:

Fund 3048 Adult Drug Court, Department 0422 Adult Drug Court

LINE ITEM	FROM	TO	CHANGE
3048-0422-3100 Miscellaneous	\$0.00	\$16,255.62	+\$16,255.62
TOTAL CHANGE IN ADULT DRUG COURT BUDGET			+\$16,255.62

Fund 3048 Anticipated Revenue

REVENUE CODE	FROM	TO	CHANGE
3048-7017 State Aide, Opioid Settlement	\$0.00	\$16,255.62	+\$16,255.62
TOTAL CHANGE IN ANTICIPATED REVENUE			+\$16,255.62

Section 2. In the event that any provision of this Ordinance or the application thereof to any person or circumstance is held to be invalid, such invalidity shall not affect the other provisions or applications to this Ordinance which can be given effect without the invalid provision or application, and to this end, the provisions of this Ordinance are declared to be severable.

Section 3. All Ordinances and parts of Ordinances in conflict herewith are hereby repealed to the extent of such conflict.

PASSED AND ADOPTED this _____th day of _____ 2024.

ATTEST:

APPROVED:

Rachelle Evans, Cleburne County Clerk

Eric Crosby, Cleburne County Judge

Recorded: Book _____ Page(s) _____

**PROPOSED ORDINANCE NO. 2024-AMEND 2024 BUDGET
JUVENILE DRUG COURT GRANT**

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 ADD THE JUVENILE DRUG COURT GRANT BUDGET.”

WHEREAS, a Juvenile Drug Court Grant has been awarded and the 2024 Budget needs to be amended.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ENACTED BY THE QUORUM COURT OF CLEBURNE COUNTY, ARKANSAS:

Section 1. The following appropriation is hereby approved:

Fund-3509 Juvenile Drug Court Grant, Department-0414 Juvenile Court

LINE ITEM	FROM	TO	CHANGE
3509-0414-3030 Travel	\$0.00	\$172.64	+\$172.64
3509-0414-3100 Other Miscellaneous	\$0.00	\$47.08	+\$47.08
TOTAL CHANGE IN THE JUVENILE DRUG COURT GRANT BUDGET			+\$219.72

Fund-3509 Anticipated Revenue

REVENUE CODE	FROM	TO	CHANGE
3509-7010 State Grants	\$0.00	\$219.72	+\$219.72
TOTAL CHANGE IN ANTICIPATED REVENUE			+\$219.72

Section 2. In the event that any provision of this Ordinance or the application thereof to any person or circumstance is held to be invalid, such invalidity shall not affect the other provisions or applications to this Ordinance which can be given effect without the invalid provision or application, and to this end, the provisions of this Ordinance are declared to be severable.

Section 3. All Ordinances and parts of Ordinances in conflict herewith are hereby repealed to the extent of such conflict.

PASSED AND ADOPTED this ____th day of _____ 2024.

ATTEST:

APPROVED:

Rachelle Evans, Cleburne County Clerk

Eric Crosby, Cleburne County Judge

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PROPOSED ORDINANCE NO. 2024-AMEND 2024 BUDGET-ADD HWY #92 PROPERTY BUDGET

BE IT ENACTED BY THE QUORUM COURT OF CLEBURNE COUNTY, STATE OF ARKANSAS, AN ORDINANCE TO BE ENTITLED: “AN APPROPRIATION ORDINANCE AMENDING ORDINANCE NO. 2023-38 TO ADD THE HIGHWAY #92 PROPERTY BUDGET”.

WHEREAS, the Quorum Court recognizes the importance and need for an ambulance service to provide emergency services to the residents of Cleburne County; and,

WHEREAS, the Quorum Court adopted Ordinance No. 2022-027 that authorized the issuance of an ambulance service contract in pursuant to A.C.A. 14-266-107, A.C.A. 14-14-802(2020) and A.C.A 14-266-102 for purposes of providing ambulance services throughout Cleburne County; and,

WHEREAS, the need exists to establish a budget for the Highway #92 Property

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ENACTED BY THE QUORUM COURT OF CLEBURNE COUNTY, ARKANSAS:

Section 1. The Cleburne County Quorum Court adopted Ordinance No. 2022-027 which authorized the issuance of a contract for ambulance services in Cleburne County.

Section 2. Contractor agrees to provide one exclusive full-time ALS ambulance dedicated to the area of Cleburne County that is located North of Greers Ferry Lake.

Section 3. Cleburne County has acquired property North of Greers Ferry Lake for purposes of housing said full-time ALS ambulance.

Section 4. Cleburne County wishes to construct and provide adequate housing for said ambulance, subject to terms of the existing contract as adopted under Ordinance No. 2022-027

Section 5. The following appropriation is hereby approved:

Fund-1000 County General, Department-120 Highway #92 Property

LINE ITEM	FROM	TO	CHANGE
1000-0120 -2001 General Supplies	\$0.00	\$500.00	+\$500.00
1000-0120-2023 Parts and Repairs	\$0.00	\$3,000.00	+\$3,000.00
1000-0120-3023 Internet Connections	\$0.00	\$500.00	+\$500.00
1000-0120-3060 Electricity	\$0.00	\$1,500.00	+\$1,500.00
1000-0120-3061 Gas	\$0.00	\$500.00	+\$500.00
1000-0120-3062 Water	\$0.00	\$1,500.00	+\$1,500.00
1000-0120-3054 Other Sundry Insurance	\$0.00	\$500.00	+\$500.00
1000-0120-4002 Buildings	\$0.00	\$74,000.00	+\$74,000.00
TOTAL INCREASE IN HIGHWAY #92 PROPERTY BUDGET			+\$82,000.00

Section 6. In the event that any provision of this Ordinance or the application thereof to any person or circumstance is held to be invalid, such invalidity shall not affect the other provisions or applications to this Ordinance which can be given effect without the invalid provision or application, and to this end, the provisions of this Ordinance are declared to be severable.

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Section 7. All Ordinances and parts of Ordinances in conflict herewith are hereby repealed to the extent of such conflict.

PASSED AND ADOPTED this _____ day of _____ 2024.

ATTEST:

APPROVED:

Rachelle Evans, Cleburne County Clerk

Eric Crosby, Cleburne County Judge

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**PROPOSED ORDINANCE NO. 2024-AMEND ORDINANCE 2023-36
STARTING SALARIES-LIBRARY**

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 FOR THE PURPOSE OF ADDING COUNTY LIBRARY EMPLOYEES".

WHEREAS, in December of 2023 the Cleburne County Quorum Court passed Ordinance No. 2023-36, establishing the number of positions and starting salaries for year 2024, and

WHEREAS, there is need to revise the County's number of positions and staffing salaries for non-elected County positions in regards to the County Library,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ENACTED BY THE QUORUM COURT OF CLEBURNE COUNTY, ARKANSAS:

Section 1. The following shall be the authorized positions, number of positions, and starting salary for each non-elected position of the County Library for calendar year 2024.

COUNTY LIBRARY

Librarian	\$34,677.00
Children's Librarian	\$31,662.00
Deputy Clerk (5)	\$27,602.00

Section 2. In the event that any provision of this Ordinance or the application thereof to any person or circumstance is held to be invalid, such invalidity shall not affect the other provisions or applications to this Ordinance which can be given effect without the invalid provision or application, and to this end, the provisions of this Ordinance are declared to be severable.

Section 3. All Ordinances and parts of Ordinances in conflict herewith are hereby repealed to the extent of such conflict.

PASSED AND ADOPTED this _____ day of _____ 2024.

ATTEST:

APPROVED:

Rachelle Evans, Cleburne County Clerk

Eric Crosby, Cleburne County Judge

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**PROPOSED ORDINANCE NO. 2024-AMEND ORDINANCES 2023-37 AND 2023-38
COUNTY LIBRARY**

BE IT ENACTED BY THE QUORUM COURT OF CLEBURNE COUNTY, STATE OF ARKANSAS, AN ORDINANCE TO BE ENTITLED: “AN APPROPRIATION ORDINANCE AMENDING ORDINANCE NO. 2023-38, WHICH ADOPTED THE BUDGET FOR THE CALENDAR YEAR 2024 AND/OR OTHER PURPOSES TO AMEND THE COUNTY LIBRARY BUDGET AND AMENDING ORDINANCE 2023-37 ESTABLISHING THE NUMBER OF EMPLOYEES AND AUTHORIZED SALARY PER EMPLOYEE FOR EACH DEPARTMENT OF THE CLEBURNE COUNTY GOVERNMENT TO BRING THE COUNTY LIBRARY EMPLOYEES SALARIES TO COMPARABLE COUNTY SALARIES”.

WHEREAS, need exists for the County Library salaries to be established and set by the Quorum Court, and

WHEREAS, the Quorum Court sees need to establish the salary amounts to be comparable to other County Employees in similar positions, and

WHEREAS, need exists to amend Ordinance No. 2023-37 which established the number of employees and authorized annual salary per employee for each department of the Cleburne County Government to reflect the changes in library salaries, and

WHEREAS, need exists to amend Ordinance No. 2023-38 which adopted the budget for the calendar year 2024.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ENACTED BY THE QUORUM COURT OF CLEBURNE COUNTY:

Section 1. The following amendments to Ordinance No. 2023-37 are hereby approved:

DEPARTMENT	POSITION	SALARY	COUNTY SALARY
County Library	Clerk	\$31,630.00	\$36,194.00
County Library	Clerk	\$26,047.00	\$30,104.00
County Library	Clerk	\$25,868.00	\$27,923.00
County Library	Clerk	\$27,883.00	\$32,016.00

Section 2. The following appropriations amending Ordinance 2023-38 are hereby approved:

Fund 3008 County Library, Department 600 County Library

LINE ITEM	FROM	TO	CHANGE
3008-600-1001 Salaries Full Time	\$226,660.00	\$235,774.00	\$9,114.00
3008-600-1006 Social Security Matching	\$23,394.00	\$24,094.00	\$700.00
3008-600-1008 Non-Contributory Retirement	\$35,435.00	\$36,835.00	\$1,400.00
TOTAL CHANGE IN COUNTY LIBRARY BUDGET			+\$11,214.00

Section 3. In the event that any provision of this Ordinance or the application thereof to any person or circumstance is held to be invalid, such invalidity shall not affect the other provisions or applications to this Ordinance which can be given effect without the invalid provision or application, and to this end, the provisions of this Ordinance are declared to be severable.

**PROPOSED ORDINANCE NO. 2024-AMEND ORDINANCES 2023-37 AND 2023-38
COUNTY LIBRARY**

Section 4. All Ordinances and parts of Ordinances in conflict herewith are hereby repealed to the extent of such conflict.

Section 5. Emergency Clause. The Quorum Court hereby determines an emergency to exist and that this Ordinance being necessary for the preservation of the public peace, health, and safety shall be in effect as of May 5, 2024.

PASSED AND ADOPTED this _____th day of _____ 2024.

ATTEST:

APPROVED:

Rachelle Evans, Cleburne County Clerk

Eric Crosby, Cleburne County Judge

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