

CLEBURNE COUNTY QUORUM COURT JOURNAL OF PROCEEDINGS

September 9, 2021

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 6:02 p.m. County Judge Jerry Holmes presided.

PRESENT: Pearson, Henegar, Caldwell, Blackburn, Malone, Evans, Martin, Foust, Tamburo, Owens.

ABSENT: Roberts

READING, CORRECTION, AND DISPOSITION OF MINUTES:

Motion was made by JP Caldwell to approve the minutes of the August 12, 2021, 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 Martin. Voice vote, motion carried.

REPORT OF COMMITTEES:

None

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

Proposed Ordinance No. 2021-Voluntary Emergency Medical Services Funding.

JP Blackburn placed the Ordinance on the Second Reading: **BE IT ENACTED BY THE QUORUM COURT OF THE COUNTY OF CLEBURNE, STATE OF ARKANSAS: AN ORDINANCE TO BE ENTITLED: "AN ORDINANCE APPROVING THE FUNDING OF EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES FOR VOLUNTARY NON-PROFIT FIRE DEPARTMENTS AND/OR VOLUNTARY EMS AGENCIES THROUGHOUT CLEBURNE COUNTY"**.

JP Blackburn read the Ordinance by title only. Proposed Ordinance will be placed on the October 2021 Agenda for third reading.

NEW BUSINESS:

JP Evans withdrew proposed Ordinance 2021-Step-Raise Replacement Ordinance. This matter will be brought before the Budget Committee.

Proposed Ordinance No. 2021-Amend County Treasurer's Automation Budget

JP Foust 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 THE 2021 COUNTY TREASURER'S AUTOMATION BUDGET"**.

JP Foust made a motion to adopt the Ordinance, seconded by JP Owens. Roll Call was taken. Ayes: Blackburn, Caldwell, Evans, Foust, Henegar, Malone, Martin, Owens, Pearson, Tamburo. Nays: None. Passed and adopted as Ordinance 2021-023.

Proposed Ordinance No. 2021-Senior Center Roof (White River) Grant

JP Evans 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. 2020-032, WHICH ADOPTED THE BUDGET FOR THE CALENDAR YEAR 2021 AND/OR OTHER PURPOSES"**.

JP Evans made a motion to adopt the Ordinance, seconded by JP Martin. Roll Call was taken. Ayes: Blackburn, Caldwell, Evans, Foust, Henegar, Malone, Martin, Owens, Pearson, Tamburo. Nays: None. Passed and adopted as Ordinance 2021-024.

Proposed Resolution No. 2021- Contract of Obligation with ADEQ

JP Malone introduced a Resolution: **"A RESOLUTION FOR THE PURPOSE OF AUTHORIZING THE COUNTY JUDGE OF CLEBURNE COUNTY, ARKANSAS; TO ENTER INTO A CONTRACT OF OBLIGATION WITH THE ARKANSAS DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY (ADEQ)"**.

JP Malone made a motion to adopt the Resolution, seconded by JP Pearson. JP Malone noted that there is a price increase. Roll Call was taken. Ayes: Blackburn, Caldwell, Evans, Foust, Henegar, Malone, Martin, Owens, Pearson, Tamburo. Nays: None
Passed and adopted as Resolution 2021-010.

Proposed Ordinance No. 2021-Adoption of Heber Springs, AR City Ordinance 2019-08

JP Blackburn 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 ADOPT HEBER SPRINGS, ARKANSAS CITY ORDINANCE 2019-08, {AN ORDINANCE AWARDDING AN EXCLUSIVE FRANCHISE FOR BUSINESS OF TRANSPORTING PERSONS WITHIN THE CITY OF HEBER SPRINGS BY MOTOR AMBULANCE FOR COMPENSATION; PROVIDING FOR APPROVAL OF RATE SCHEDULES; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES}".

JP Blackburn read the Ordinance. Proposed Ordinance will be place on the October 2021 Agenda for a second reading.

COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC:

Ms. Lenora Hazelwood expressed her concern with the current ambulance situation.

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

- Anticipated Revenue meeting is scheduled for Friday, October 8, 2021, at 9:00 a.m. in the Judge's Office.
- Judge Holmes announced the 2021 Budget Committee: JP Evans-Chairman, JP Henegar, JP Caldwell.
- Budget Committee meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, September 28, 2021, at 2:00 p.m. in the Judge's Office.
- Judge Holmes announced that a \$2,957,040 Broadband Grant for the Van Buren County and Edgemont area was awarded through the Arkansas Telephone Company.
- Judge Holmes announced that the old road shop was in process of being sold with closing date scheduled for October 15, 2021. The seventy-five percent (75%) of the appraised value equaled \$137,970 with an offer of \$145,710 for purchase.
- Judge Holmes reported on the HVAC system for the Courthouse with a probable cost of \$677,213.47 and Architect fee of \$60,363 for a total of \$737,576. The County was awarded a \$250,000 grant.
- The next regular Quorum Court meeting will be held Thursday, October 14, 2021.

ADJOURNMENT:

JP Caldwell made the motion to adjourn, seconded by JP Owens. Meeting adjourned at 10:42 p.m.

ATTESTED:



Rachelle Evans, Cleburne County Clerk

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This 14th day of October 2021

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