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**MINUTES OF THE  
REGULAR MEETING OF THE  
WASHINGTON COUNTY QUORUM COURT**

Thursday May 26, 2022  
6:00 p.m.  
Washington County Courthouse

2022 JUN 20 PM 2:43  
BECKY LEWALLEN  
CO. & PROBATE CLERK  
WASHINGTON CO. AR

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Judge Joseph Wood called the meeting to order at 5:59PM

JP Butch Pond led with prayer and pledge.

JP Deakins made a motion with a second to add item 22-O-51 to the agenda. The vote was unanimous and was added to the agenda.

JP Deakins made a motion to add item 22-O-52 to the agenda with a second and voice vote with all approving.

JP Deakins made a motion to add item 22-O-53 to the agenda also with a second and with a voice vote all approved.

JP Deakins made a motion with second for item 22-O-54 to be added and with a voice vote, all approved.

JP Deakins made a motion for item 22-O-56 to be added with a second and voice vote was called with some opposing.

A roll call vote was taken and votes were tallied as follows:

- JP Simons-Yes
- JP Ussery-Yes
- JP Deakins-Yes
- JP Ecke-Yes
- JP Duncan-Yes
- JP Washington-No
- JP Madison-No
- JP Dennis-Yes
- JP Highers-No
- JP Leming-Yes
- JP Wilson-Yes
- JP Pond-Yes
- JP Johnson-Yes
- JP Marti-Yes
- JP Rios Stafford-Absent

Motion Passed and item will be added to the agenda.

JP Duncan made a motion to suspend the rules and read all ordinances and resolutions by title only with a second by JP Dennis, with a voice vote all approved.

Citizen's comments were heard from Lowell Taylor, September Plaltsmier, Josh Moody, Brandy Reed, and Al Allen.

JP Leming made a motion to approve the minutes from April 21, 2022 with a second and all approved.

Judge's Report was given and Greenland School Board requested the Quorum court to approve school Board members: Pat Anderson, Audrey Fillmore, and Blake Holte. JP Ecke made a motion to approve members with a second from JP Pond. With a voice vote, approved, with one abstention.

The Law Library also had nominations from the County Bar Association for approval. JP Ecke made a motion to approve members: Tim Watson, Colin Johnson, Janae Randall, and Coleman Taylor and a second from JP Deakins and all members approved.

63 Judge Wood introduced item 8.1, being unfinished business and County Attorney, Brian  
64 Lester read by title only AN ORDINANCE DENYING A CONDITIONAL USE PERMIT  
65 RECOMMENDED FOR DENIAL BY THE PLANNING AND ZONING BOARD Nazareth  
66 Retreat Center Item 22-O-039 on third reading. JP Deakins made a motion to pass  
67 ordinance and second by JP Duncan. Discussion was open among board and then  
68 public comments were taken from owners Cruz Ortiz. Comments from neighbors Scott  
69 Phillips, Clint Harp, Cindy Harp and Tavon Horton.

70 A roll call vote was taken and tallied as follows.

71 JP Simons-Yes  
72 JP Ussery-Yes  
73 JP Deakins-Yes  
74 JP Ecke-Yes  
75 JP Duncan-Yes  
76 JP Washington-No  
77 JP Madison-No  
78 JP Dennis-Yes  
79 JP Highers-No  
80 JP Leming-Yes  
81 JP Wilson-Yes  
82 JP Pond-Yes  
83 JP Johnson-Yes  
84 JP Marti-Yes  
85 JP Rios Stafford-Absent

86 The CUP ordinance was approved for denial.

87 **AN ORDINANCE DENYING A CONDITIONAL USE PERMIT RECOMMENDED FOR**  
88 **DENIAL BY THE PLANNING AND ZONING BOARD Nazareth Retreat Center**  
89 **Item 22-O-039 was ADOPTED ORD 2022-045**

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91 Judge Wood presented item 9.1 and Brian Lester read AN ORDINANCE  
92 APPROPRIATING \$348,050 FROM THE AMERICAN RESCUE PLAN ACT FUND TO  
93 CIRCUIT CLERK BUDGET FOR 2022 Item 22-O-041 on second reading by title only.  
94 JP Deakins made a motion to suspend rules and read for third and final time, second by  
95 JP Simons. Brian Lester read by title only the third and final time. JP Deakins made a  
96 motion of passage and a second was made by JP Simons.

97 A roll call vote was called and votes were tallied as follows:

98 JP Simons-Yes  
99 JP Ussery-Yes  
100 JP Deakins-Yes  
101 JP Ecke-Yes  
102 JP Duncan-Yes  
103 JP Washington-No  
104 JP Madison-No  
105 JP Dennis-Yes  
106 JP Highers-No  
107 JP Leming-Yes  
108 JP Wilson-Yes  
109 JP Pond-Yes  
110 JP Johnson-Yes  
111 JP Marti-Yes  
112 JP Rios Stafford-Absent

113 Motion passed and **AN ORDINANCE APPROPRIATING \$348,050 FROM THE**  
114 **AMERICAN RESCUE PLAN ACT FUND TO CIRCUIT CLERK BUDGET FOR 2022**  
115 **Item 22-O-041 was ADOPTED ORD 2022-046**

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117 Item 10 was read by title only by County Attorney, Brian Lester. A RESOLUTION OF  
118 THE QUORUM COURT OF WASHINGTON COUNTY, ARKANSAS EXPRESSING  
119 APPRECIATION TO THE ARKANSAS COALITION OF MARSHALLESE; ARKANSAS  
120 IMMIGRANT DEFENSE; ARKANSAS UNITED; THE HISPANIC WOMEN'S  
121 ORGANIZATION OF ARKANSAS; THE MARSHALLESE EDUCATIONAL INITIATIVE;  
122 AND ROOTED NORTHWEST ARKANSAS FOR THEIR SERVICE AND DEDICATION  
123 TO THE COMMUNITY Item 22-R-004

124 JP Washington made a motion with a second to be passed.

125 JP Ecke made a motion to amend the resolution and separate each no profit and let  
126 them stand on their own but also strike the ARKANSAS IMMIGRANT DEFENSE and  
127 ARKANSAS UNITED with a second. After discussion from court JP Ecke withdrew her  
128 motion to amend.  
129 JP Washington withdrew her motion to pass the resolution.

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131 Court moved on to new business. County Attorney read by title only AN ORDINANCE  
132 RATIFYING A CONDITIONAL USE PERMIT - Schulenbarger RV Item 22-O-055

133 JP Johnson made a motion to suspend the rules and move to second reading with a  
134 second by JP Pond County Attorney, Brian Lester read a second time. JP Johnson  
135 moved to suspend the rules and move to third and final reading with a second from JP  
136 Pond. County Attorney read CUP for third and final time. JP Johnson made a motion to  
137 pass the ordinance and JP Marti second. Discussion was heard by the court and no  
138 public comments.

139 A roll call vote was taken and tallied as follows:

140 JP Simons-Yes

141 JP Ussery-Yes

142 JP Deakins-Yes

143 JP Ecke-Yes

144 JP Duncan-Yes

145 JP Washington-Yes

146 JP Madison-Yes

147 JP Dennis-Yes

148 JP Highers-Yes

149 JP Leming-Yes

150 JP Wilson-Yes

151 JP Pond-Yes

152 JP Johnson-Yes

153 JP Marti-Yes

154 JP Rios Stafford-Absent

155 Motion passed and **AN ORDINANCE RATIFYING A CONDITIONAL USE PERMIT -**  
156 **Schulenbarger RV Item 22-O-055 was ADOPTED ORD 2022-47**

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158 Judge Wood introduced item 12 and Brian Lester, County Attorney read by title only, A  
159 RESOLUTION OF THE QUORUM COURT OF WASHINGTON COUNTY, ARKANSAS  
160 CERTIFYING LOCAL COUNTY GOVERNMENT ENDORSEMENT OF KAWNEER  
161 COMPANY TO PARTICIPATE IN THE CONSOLIDATED INCENTIVE (TAX BACK)  
162 ACT OF 2003 Item22-R-007 (12.1). JP Ecke made a motion to pass with a second from  
163 JP Leming.

164 A roll call vote was taken and tallied as follows:

165 JP Simons-Yes

166 JP Ussery-Yes

167 JP Deakins-Yes

168 JP Ecke-Yes

169 JP Duncan-Yes

170 JP Washington-Yes

171 JP Madison-Yes

172 JP Dennis-Yes

173 JP Highers-Yes

174 JP Leming-Yes

175 JP Wilson-Yes

176 JP Pond-Yes

177 JP Johnson-Yes

178 JP Marti-Yes

179 JP Rios Stafford-Absent

180 Motion passed and **A RESOLUTION OF THE QUORUM COURT OF WASHINGTON**  
181 **COUNTY, ARKANSAS CERTIFYING LOCAL COUNTY GOVERNMENT**  
182 **ENDORSEMENT OF KAWNEER COMPANY TO PARTICIPATE IN THE**  
183 **CONSOLIDATED INCENTIVE (TAX BACK) ACT OF 2003 Item22-R-007 was**  
184 **ADOPTED RES 2022-05**

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186 Item 13 was introduced and Brian Lester, read by title only, A RESOLUTION OF THE

187 QUORUM COURT OF WASHINGTON COUNTY, ARKANSAS CERTIFYING LOCAL  
188 COUNTY GOVERNMENT ENDORSEMENT OF UNITED PARCEL SERVICE, INC. TO  
189 PARTICIPATE IN THE CONSOLIDATED INCENTIVE (TAX BACK) ACT OF 2003 Item  
190 22-R-008 (13.1) JP Ecke made a motion to pass resolution, with a second from JP  
191 Simons. There were no discussions.

192 A roll call vote was taken and tallied as follows:

193 JP Simons-Yes

194 JP Ussery-Yes

195 JP Deakins-Yes

196 JP Ecke-Yes

197 JP Duncan-Yes

198 JP Washington-Yes

199 JP Madison-Abstain

200 JP Dennis-Yes

201 JP Highers-Yes

202 JP Leming-Yes

203 JP Wilson-Yes

204 JP Pond-Yes

205 JP Johnson-Yes

206 JP Marti-Yes

207 JP Rios Stafford-Absent

208 Motion passed and **A RESOLUTION OF THE QUORUM COURT OF WASHINGTON**  
209 **COUNTY, ARKANSAS CERTIFYING LOCAL COUNTY GOVERNMENT**  
210 **ENDORSEMENT OF UNITED PARCEL SERVICE, INC. TO PARTICIPATE IN THE**  
211 **CONSOLIDATED INCENTIVE (TAX BACK) ACT OF 2003 Item 22-R-008 was**  
212 **ADOPTED RES 2022-06**

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214 Item 14 which was added to the agenda and introduced by JP Deakins was read by title  
215 only by Brian Lester, AN ORDINANCE DE-APPROPRIATING SURPLUS AMOUNTS  
216 FROM FULL-TIME SALARIES FOR VARIOUS DEPARTMENTS AND RESTORING TO  
217 UNAPPROPRIATED RESERVES, AS REQUIRED BY THE 2022 BUDGET  
218 CONTROLS, FOR THE FIRST QUARTER OF 2022 Item 22-O-051 a motion by JP  
219 Deakins with a second from JP Wilson.

220 A roll call vote was taken and tallied as follows:

221 JP Simons-Yes

222 JP Ussery-Yes

223 JP Deakins-Yes

224 JP Ecke-Yes

225 JP Duncan-Yes

226 JP Washington-Yes

227 JP Madison-Yes

228 JP Dennis-Yes

229 JP Highers-Yes

230 JP Leming-Yes

231 JP Wilson-Yes

232 JP Pond-Yes

233 JP Johnson-Yes

234 JP Marti-Yes

235 JP Rios Stafford-Absent

236 Motion passed and **AN ORDINANCE DE-APPROPRIATING SURPLUS AMOUNTS**  
237 **FROM FULL-TIME SALARIES FOR VARIOUS DEPARTMENTS AND RESTORING**  
238 **TO UNAPPROPRIATED RESERVES, AS REQUIRED BY THE 2022 BUDGET**  
239 **CONTROLS, FOR THE FIRST QUARTER OF 2022 Item 22-O-051 was ADOPTED**  
240 **ORD 2022-048**

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242 Item 15 that was added to agenda 22-O-052 was read by title only by County Attorney,  
243 Brian Lester AN ORDINANCE APPROPRIATING \$40,853 FROM UNAPPROPRIATED  
244 RESERVES IN THE GENERAL FUND (1000) TO THE VEHICLES LINE ITEM IN THE  
245 BUILDINGS AND GROUNDS BUDGET (10000108.4005) FOR 2022 Item 22-O-052. JP  
246 Deakins made a motion with a second from JP Simons. There were discussions on the  
247 board and no public comments.

248 A roll call vote was taken and tallied as follows:

249 JP Simons-Yes  
250 JP Ussery-Yes  
251 JP Deakins-Yes  
252 JP Ecke-Yes  
253 JP Duncan-Yes  
254 JP Washington-Yes  
255 JP Madison-Yes  
256 JP Dennis-Yes  
257 JP Highers-Yes  
258 JP Leming-Yes  
259 JP Wilson-Yes  
260 JP Pond-Yes  
261 JP Johnson-Yes  
262 JP Marti-Yes  
263 JP Rios Stafford-Absent

264 Motion passed and **AN ORDINANCE APPROPRIATING \$40,853 FROM**  
265 **UNAPPROPRIATED RESERVES IN THE GENERAL FUND (1000) TO THE**  
266 **VEHICLES LINE ITEM IN THE BUILDINGS AND GROUNDS BUDGET**  
267 **(10000108.4005) FOR 2022 Item 22-O-052 was ADOPTED ORD 2022-049**  
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269 Agenda item 16 that was added was introduced by Judge Wood and read by title only  
270 by Brian Lester, AN ORDINANCE ADJUSTING CARRYOVER REVENUES IN  
271 VARIOUS FUNDS FOR 2022 Item 22-O-053. JP Deakins made a motion to pass and  
272 second by JP Ussery. Discussion from JP Leming with no Public Comments.

273 A roll call vote was taken and tallied as follows:

274 JP Simons-Yes  
275 JP Ussery-Yes  
276 JP Deakins-Yes  
277 JP Ecke-Yes  
278 JP Duncan-Yes  
279 JP Washington-Yes  
280 JP Madison-Yes  
281 JP Dennis-Yes  
282 JP Highers-Yes  
283 JP Leming-Yes  
284 JP Wilson-Yes  
285 JP Pond-Yes  
286 JP Johnson-Yes  
287 JP Marti-Yes  
288 JP Rios Stafford-Absent

289 Motion passed and **AN ORDINANCE ADJUSTING CARRYOVER REVENUES IN**  
290 **VARIOUS FUNDS FOR 2022 Item 22-O-053 was ADOPTED ORD 2022-050**  
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292 Item 17 is 22-O-054 AN ORDINANCE APPROPRIATING THE AMOUNT OF \$335,200  
293 FROM UNAPPROPRIATED RESERVES IN THE GENERAL FUND (1000) TO THE  
294 VEHICLES LINE ITEM IN THE SHERIFF'S BUDGETS (10000400.4005) FOR 2022.  
295 Ordinance was read by title only by Brian Lester. JP Deakins made a motion to pass  
296 with a second from JP Ecke.

297 A roll call vote was taken and tallied as follows:

298 JP Simons-Yes  
299 JP Ussery-Yes  
300 JP Deakins-Yes  
301 JP Ecke-Yes  
302 JP Duncan-Yes  
303 JP Washington-Yes  
304 JP Madison-Yes  
305 JP Dennis-Yes  
306 JP Highers-Yes  
307 JP Leming-Yes  
308 JP Wilson-Yes  
309 JP Pond-Yes  
310 JP Johnson-Yes

311 JP Marti-Yes  
312 JP Rios Stafford-Absent  
313 Motion passed and **AN ORDINANCE APPROPRIATING THE AMOUNT OF \$335,200**  
314 **FROM UNAPPROPRIATED RESERVES IN THE GENERAL FUND (1000) TO THE**  
315 **VEHICLES LINE ITEM IN THE SHERIFF'S BUDGETS (10000400.4005) FOR 2022**  
316 **Item 22-O-054 was ADOPTED ORD 2022-051**

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318 Final agenda item (18) that was added was introduced by Judge Wood and read by  
319 Brian Lester, County Attorney, AN ORDINANCE APPROPRIATING THE AMOUNT OF  
320 \$1,000,000 FROM UNAPPROPRIATED RESERVES IN THE GENERAL RESERVE  
321 FUND (1001) TO THE ENGINEERING AND ARCHITECTURAL LINE ITEM IN THE  
322 JAIL BUDGET (30170418.3004) FOR 2022 Item 22-O-056. JP Deakins made a motion  
323 to pass with a second from JP Pond. There was discussion among the court with Jay  
324 Cantrell answering questions for the court. Public comments were then heard.  
325 A roll call vote was taken and tallied as follows:

326 JP Simons-Yes  
327 JP Ussery-Yes  
328 JP Deakins-Yes  
329 JP Ecke-Yes  
330 JP Duncan-Absent  
331 JP Washington-No  
332 JP Madison-No  
333 JP Dennis-Yes  
334 JP Highers-No  
335 JP Leming-Yes  
336 JP Wilson-Yes  
337 JP Pond-Yes  
338 JP Johnson-Yes  
339 JP Marti-Yes  
340 JP Rios Stafford-Absent

341 Motion passed and **AN ORDINANCE APPROPRIATING THE AMOUNT OF**  
342 **\$1,000,000 FROM UNAPPROPRIATED RESERVES IN THE GENERAL RESERVE**  
343 **FUND (1001) TO THE ENGINEERING AND ARCHITECTURAL LINE ITEM IN THE**  
344 **JAIL BUDGET (30170418.3004) FOR 2022 Item 22-O-056 was ADOPTED**  
345 **ORD 2022-052**

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347 There were no committee meetings, so no reports were given.  
348 Meeting adjourned at 7:21PM

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350 *Myra Collins*  
351 Myra Collins  
352 Quorum Court Coordinator  
353 *Approved MC*  
354 *June 16, 2022*