



WASHINGTON COUNTY, ARKANSAS
County Courthouse

REGULAR MEETING OF THE
WASHINGTON COUNTY QUORUM COURT

Thursday, July 20, 2023
6:00 p.m.
Washington County Quorum Court Room

AGENDA

1. **CALL TO ORDER AND WELCOME** **JUDGE DEAKINS**
2. **PRAYER AND PLEDGE**
3. **ADOPTION OF AGENDA**
At the beginning of each meeting, the agenda shall be approved. Any JP may request an item be added or removed from the agenda subject to approval of the Quorum Court.
4. **PRELIMINARY MOTIONS**
5. **CITIZEN'S COMMENTS**
Fifteen-minute comment period with a three-minute limit for each individual to comment on items on the agenda or other items.
6. **APPROVAL OF MINUTES** – Approval of minutes Regular Quorum Court Meeting June 15, 2023.
7. **COUNTY JUDGE'S REPORT** (7.1)

JUDGE DEAKINS

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

8. **AN ORDINANCE AMENDING ORDINANCE 2018-50 TO UPDATE THE VACATION POLICY IN THE WASHINGTON COUNTY EMPLOYEE HANDBOOK** Item 23-O-063 (8.1)
JP ECKE

- 9. **AN ORDINANCE REPEALING ORDINANCES 2009-33, 2009-43, AND 2009-67 TO ALLOW APPEALS OF THE DECISIONS TO BE FILED IN CIRCUIT COURT.**
Item 23-O-76 (9.1) JP LYONS
- 10. **AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE ARPA FUND BUDGET FOR 2023.**
Item 23-O-88 (10.1) JP COGER

NEW BUSINESS

11. CONSENT AGENDA

- 1. **AN ORDINANCE RECOGNIZING ADDITIONAL REVENUE IN THE AMOUNT OF \$75,000 IN THE RURAL COMMUNITY GRANT FUND FOR 2023.**
Item 23-O-091(11.1) JP LYONS
- 2. **AN ORDINANCE ANTICIPATING AND APPROPRIATING ADDITIONAL GRANT FUNDS AND REPEALING ORDINANCE 2023-080.**
Item 23-O-098(11.2) JP RICKER
- 3. **AN ORDINANCE ANTICIPATING ADDITIONAL REVENUE OF \$399,996 IN THE DRUG COURT GRANT FUND.** Item 23-O-099(11.3) JP ECKE
- 4. **AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE AMBULANCE FUND BUDGET FOR 2023.**
Item 23-O-100(11.4) JP RICKER
- 5. **AN ORDINANCE RECOGNIZING AND APPROPRIATING ADDITIONAL REVENUE OF \$9,138 IN THE RURAL COMMUNITY GRANT FUND FOR 2023.**
Item 23-O-101(11.5) JP RICKER
- 6. **AN ORDINANCE AMENDING VARIOUS BUDGETS FOR 2023.**
Item 23-O-102(11.6) JP ECKE
- 7. **AN ORDINANCE RECOGNIZING AND APPROPRIATING ADDITIONAL REVENUE OF \$10,000 IN THE AOC JUVENILE COURT GRANT FUND FOR 2023.** Item 23-O-103(11.7) JP RICKER
- 8. **AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE PROSECUTING ATTORNEY'S BUDGET FOR 2023.** Item 23-O-105 (11.8) JP LEMING
- 9. **AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE ASSESSOR'S BUDGET FOR 2023.**
Item 23-O-106 (11.9) JP RICKER
- 10. **AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE CIRCUIT COURT VIII'S BUDGET FOR 2023.** Item 23-O-107(11.10) JP ECKE

- 12. **AN ORDINANCE RATIFYING A CONDITIONAL USE PERMIT RECOMMENDED FOR APPROVAL BY THE PLANNING BOARD Langham Shop Addition.**
Item 23-O-109 (12.1) JP TAYLOR

13. **AN ORDINANCE RATIFYING A CONDITIONAL USE PERMIT RECOMMENDED FOR APPROVAL BY THE PLANNING BOARD Wrapology.**
Item 23-O-110 (13.1) JP POND
14. **AN ORDINANCE RATIFYING A CONDITIONAL USE PERMITRECOMMENDED FOR APPROVAL BY THE PLANNING BOARD Anytime Hauling.**
Item 23-O-111 (14.1) JP LEMING
15. **AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING A SHORT-TERM FINANCING PURCHASE PURSUANT TO THE PROVISIONS OF ACT 1808 OF 2001 AND AMENDMENT 78 TO THE ARKANSAS CONSTITUTION.** Item 23-O-097 (15.1) JP LYONS
16. **AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE COUNTY ATTORNEY'S BUDGET FOR 2023.** Item 23-O-104 (16.1) JP ECKE
17. **COMMITTEE REPORTS-**
- COUNTY SERVICES-NO MEETING
 - FINANCE & BUDGET(17.1)
18. **ADJOURNMENT**

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

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Thursday, June 15, 2023
6:00 PM
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9 Judge Patrick Deakins called the meeting to order at 6:00 PM.

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11 The following members were present, Taylor, Wilson, Simons, Lyons, Ecke, Dean,
12 Washington, Cogger, Dennis, Highers, Rios Stafford, Leming, Ricker, Pond.

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14 Prayer and Pledge was led by JP Wilson.

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16 JP Lyons made a motion to amend the agenda and remove the Beaver Lake Tiny
17 Homes CUP Appeal until July Quorum Court meeting. JP Lyons made a motion to
18 adopt the agenda as amended with a second from JP Dean and passed with voice vote.

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20 JP Dean made a motion to read all ordinances and resolutions by title only, second was
21 made by JP Lyons and passed with a voice vote.

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23 Citizen's comments were heard from several and JP Cogger made a motion to extend
24 citizen's comments by 12 minutes to accommodate all who were in line to speak,
25 second from JP Rios Stafford and passed with a voice vote.

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27 Judge presented Item 6 with no corrections to the Minutes from May 18, 2023 Meetings
28 they were approved.

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30 Judge's Report as follows:

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1. Thank you to the Washington County Master Gardeners for the snacks and refreshments for tonight's meeting
 2. Disposal report is in your packet
 3. I signed a proclamation declaring today, June 15th 2023, World Elder Abuse Awareness Day in Washington County. It is my honor to help call attention and better understanding of the sad realities of elder abuse and neglect. As our population continues to age, taking care and ensuring the dignity of our elders is tremendously important. The National Center on Elder Abuse and our very own Washington County Sheriff's Office recognize the importance of taking action to raise awareness, and look forward to working with local citizens to help in these efforts. A local resident is doing great work calling attention to these issues and has authored a book. I invite everyone to look this resource up to learn more.
 4. Prelude to budget season – Comptroller Story has delivered the preliminary worksheets for the budget. This is the start to your process as a QC. We will get those back and start planning our walk through that over the next several

46 months. Washington County is growing and we are seeing tremendous effects
47 from the continued inflation this country is seeing. I stress that everyone exercise
48 extreme fiscal caution as we move into a new budget season. The county, like all
49 our citizens, is really struggling with inflation our county is seeing. We have
50 several large challenges that we are already seeing as a county:

- 51 a. Major adjustments remaining to salary and wages
 - 52 i. Re-grading process that we have been working on as a county is
53 coming to fruition. That will certainly have a cost to it.
 - 54 ii. Possible huge increases to law enforcement and county-wide labor
55 to remain competitive.
 - 56 iii. Huge increases to our property insurance, initially showing a 77%
57 increase
 - 58 iv. I would ask each of you to think about the spending we have taken
59 even so far this year. Those challenges are only going to grow.
 - 60 v. I think each of you will gain much more insight into these
61 challenges as we move through budget season.
- 62 5. Road Tour – Reminder of our Quorum Court road tour coming up on Wednesday
63 June 28th.
 - 64 a. Our road department is very excited to host each of you to give you a
65 glimpse into their facilities and major projects
 - 66 b. Due to how much we have to show you, we are planning this to be an all-
67 day event. Just a few suggestions: wear clothing you are not worried
68 about getting dirty, especially dusty. I would suggest pants and close toed
69 shoes for safety, and, of course, we suggest you dress for the heat and
70 humidity.
 - 71 c. The tour will start at the road department that morning at 8a. We will tour
72 the west side of the county that morning. For lunch, we will stop back by
73 the Sheriff's department as they have agreed to serve lunch. I want to
74 sincerely thank Sheriff Cantrell and his team for their hospitality, and for
75 the opportunity to fellowship with him and his team.
- 76 6. Finally I want to make additional comments about our proposed EOC project
 - 77 a. We have selected WER Architects to start the architectural and design
78 work. They have a lot of experience with public sector projects, and they
79 have specific and applicable experience in hardened facilities. Our initial
80 meetings have been great, and I think they will be a great resource for our
81 project.
 - 82 b. This EOC will be a wonderful resource for everyone in our county
 - 83 c. Emergency management team has been doing great work with one arm
84 tied behind their back
 - 85 d. We owe it to not only his team, but every citizen of Washington County to
86 be in a place to respond to the worst incidents, incidents that can only be
87 limited by your imagination

- 88 e. I think about this in the most granular of levels. I want our first responders
89 to have a proper place to get the training they deserve, and should the
90 worst happen, I want that first responder to have a safe place to house
91 during and emergency.
- 92 f. There is no question in my mind that the highest and best use of these
93 dollars will be to fund an EOC. Every citizen of Washington County will
94 benefit from this facility. To direct funding away from this facility to other
95 uses before we know specifics of construction would be robbing from our
96 first responders and their ability to serve our citizens. I certainly cannot
97 justify that in my mind.

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99 Judge introduced item 8 unfinished business, AN ORDINANCE RATIFYING A
100 CONDITIONAL USE PERMIT RECOMMENDED FOR APPROVAL - Grand at Willow
101 Springs Item 23-O-077, on second reading. County Attorney Lester read ordinance by title
102 only. JP Leming made a motion to suspend the rules and move to a third and final reading,
103 second made my JP Lyons, motion passed with a voice vote. Attorney Lester read
104 ordinance by title only for third and final reading. JP Leming made a motion to pass
105 ordinance with a second by JP Dennis. Public comments were heard. A roll call vote was
106 taken and tallied as follows:

- 107 JP Taylor-Yes
108 JP Wilson-Yes
109 JP Simons-Yes
110 JP Lyons-Yes
111 JP Ecke-Yes
112 JP Dean-Yes
113 JP Washington-No
114 JP Cogger-No
115 JP Dennis-Yes
116 JP Highers-No
117 JP Rios Stafford-No
118 JP Leming-Yes
119 JP Ricker-Yes
120 JP Pond-Yes

121 Motion passed and **AN ORDINANCE RATIFYING A CONDITIONAL USE PERMIT**
122 **RECOMMENDED FOR APPROVAL** - Grand at Willow Springs Item 23-O-077 was adopted
123 as **ORD 2023-069**

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125 Judge Deakins introduced item 9 under unfinished business, AN ORDINANCE AMENDING
126 ORDINANCE 2018-50 TO UPDATE THE VACATION POLICY IN THE WASHINGTON
127 COUNTY EMPLOYEE HANDBOOK Item 23-O-063, on second reading, Attorney Lester
128 read ordinance by title only. JP Ecke made a motion to suspend the rules and move to the
129 third and final reading, with a second from JP Dean. A roll call vote was taken to move the
130 ordinance to the third and final reading. Roll call was taken and tallied as follows.

- 131 JP Taylor-Absent
132 JP Wilson-Yes

133 JP Simons-Yes
134 JP Lyons-Yes
135 JP Ecke-Yes
136 JP Dean-Yes
137 JP Washington-No
138 JP Cogger-No
139 JP Dennis-Yes
140 JP Highers-No
141 JP Rios Stafford-No
142 JP Leming-No
143 JP Ricker-Yes
144 JP Pond-Yes

145 Motion failed to carry to suspend the rules and move to third and final reading.
146 Ordinance will move to July Quorum Court for third and final reading.
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148 Judge Deakins presented item 10 under new business, which is the Consent Agenda.
149 Attorney Lester read each ordinance by title only. JP Simons made a motion to adopt
150 consent agenda with a second from JP Ricker. There were no public comments and roll
151 call was taken and tallied as follows:

152 JP Taylor-Yes
153 JP Wilson-Yes
154 JP Simons-Yes
155 JP Lyons-Yes
156 JP Ecke-Yes
157 JP Dean-Yes
158 JP Washington-Yes
159 JP Cogger-Yes
160 JP Dennis-Yes
161 JP Highers-Yes
162 JP Rios Stafford-Yes
163 JP Leming-Abstain
164 JP Ricker-Yes
165 JP Pond-Yes

166 Motion passed on the Consent Agenda and ordinances and resolutions were adopted
167 as follows:

- 168 1. **AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE SHERIFF AND COUNTY JAIL BUDGETS**
169 **FOR 2023** item 23-O-081(10.1) was adopted as **ORD 2023-070**
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- 171 2. **AN ORDINANCE APPROPRIATING \$259,207 TO CLEAN, CAULK, AND SEAL**
172 **THE EXTERIOR OF THE WASHINGTON COUNTY COURTHOUSE** Item 23-O-
173 082(10.2) was adopted as **ORD 2023-071**
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- 175 3. **AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE COLLECTOR'S AUTOMATION FUND**
176 **BUDGET FOR 2023** Item 23-O-083(10.3) was adopted as **ORD 2023-072**
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- 178 4. **AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE JAIL BUDGET FOR 2023** (HR Generalist)
179 Item 23-O-085(10.4) was adopted as **ORD 2023-073**
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181 5. **AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE HUMAN RESOURCES BUDGET FOR 2023**
182 Item 23-O-086(10.5) was adopted as **ORD 2023-074**
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184 6. **AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE JAIL BUDGET FOR 2023** (Mechanic) Item 23-
185 O-087(10.6) was adopted as **ORD 2023-075**
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187 7. **AN ORDINANCE RECOGNIZING REVENUE IN THE AMOUNT OF \$20,000 IN**
188 **THE COURT SECURITY GRANT FUND** Item 23-O-089(10.7) was adopted as
189 **ORD 2023-076**
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191 8. **AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE 2023 BUDGET TO PURCHASE NEW X-RAY**
192 **INSPECTION MACHINES** Item 23-O-090 (10.8) was adopted as **ORD 2023-077**
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194 9. **A RESOLUTION EXPRESSING THE QUORUM COURT TO UTILIZE FEDERAL-**
195 **AID FUNDS FOR THE Wheeler RoadClabber Creek Bridge Project** Item 23-R-
196 007(10.9) was adopted as **RES 2023-008**
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198 10. **A RESOLUTION EXPRESSING THE QUORUM COURT TO UTILIZE FEDERAL-**
199 **AID FUNDS FOR THE JACKSON HIGHWAY BRIDGE PROJECT** Item 23-R-
200 008(10.10) was adopted as **RES 2023-009**
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202 Since item 11-13, CUP Appeal for Beaver Lake Tine Homes was removed from the
203 agenda until next month the Judge introduced item 14, Overbey's Automotive CUP
204 Appeal. The Planning Director Ata presented findings from the Planning board. Bron
205 and James Overbey, the applicants, gave a presentation to the Court as well. Public
206 comments were then heard and among the court as well. JP Pond made a motion to
207 pass item 23-O-095 with a second from JP Ecke, County Attorney Lester read the
208 ordinance for the first time by title only. JP Pond made a motion to suspend the rules
209 and read ordinance by title only, second by JP Ecke and passed with a voice vote,
210 Attorney Lester read for second time by title only. JP Pond made a motion to suspend
211 the rules and read for third and final reading second by JP Ecke passed with a voice
212 vote. Attorney Lester read for third and final time by title only. JP Pond made a motion
213 to pass ordinance with second by JP Ecke. Public comments were heard and roll call
214 was taken and tallied as follows:

215 JP Taylor-Yes
216 JP Wilson-Yes
217 JP Simons-Yes
218 JP Lyons-Yes
219 JP Ecke-Yes
220 JP Dean-Yes
221 JP Washington-No
222 JP Cogger-No
223 JP Dennis-Yes
224 JP Highers-Yes

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226 JP Rios Stafford-Yes
227 JP Leming-Yes
228 JP Ricker-Yes
229 JP Pond-Yes
230 Motion passes and **AN ORDINANCE RATIFYING A CONDITIONAL USE PERMIT**
231 **RECOMMENDED FOR DENIAL**- Overbey Automotive item 23-O-095 was adopted as
232 **ORD 2023-078**
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234 Judge Deakins introduced item 17 and Attorney Lester read by title only, AN
235 ORDINANCE RATIFYING A CONDITIONAL USE PERMIT RECOMMENDED FOR
236 APPROVAL BY THE PLANNING BOARD - Cedar Bell Wedding Item 23-O-092
237 JP Dennis requested a 5 minute recess at 8:04pm with JP Rios Stafford seconding it and
238 passed with a voice vote. Quorum Court resumed at 8:10pm. Item 17 had been read and JP
239 Lyons made a motion to suspend rules and pass to second reading with a second by JP
240 Dean, passed with a voice vote. Attorney Lester read item for second reading by title only.
241 JP Lyons made a motion to suspend the rules and move to third and final reading with a
242 second by JP Dean, motion passed with voice vote, Attorney Lester read ordinance for third
243 and final reading. JP Lyons made a motion to pass ordinance with a second from JP Dean
244 there were no public comments and roll call was taken and tallied as follows:

245 JP Taylor-Yes
246 JP Wilson-Yes
247 JP Simons-Yes
248 JP Lyons-Yes
249 JP Ecke-Yes
250 JP Dean-Yes
251 JP Washington-No
252 JP Cogger-No
253 JP Dennis-Yes
254 JP Highers-Yes
255 JP Rios Stafford-Yes
256 JP Leming-Yes
257 JP Ricker-Yes
258 JP Pond-Yes

259 Motion passed and **AN ORDINANCE RATIFYING A CONDITIONAL USE PERMIT**
260 **RECOMMENDED FOR APPROVAL BY THE PLANNING BOARD** - Cedar Bell Wedding
261 Item 23-O-092 was adopted as **ORD 2023-079**
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263 Judge Deakins introduced item 18 and Attorney Lester read by title only, AN
264 ORDINANCE PROVIDING FOR ONLINE POSTING OF ALL WASHINGTON COUNTY
265 RESOLUTIONS AND ORDINANCES Item 23-O-008. JP Taylor made a motion to amend
266 the ordinance and add an article 2 It shall be the responsibility of the County Clerk to
267 ensure that ordinances and resolutions are posted online. JP Leming made a second.
268 JP Washington called a Point of Order to direct JP Wilson's comments to remain on the
269 amendment. The Judge sided with JP Wilson that his comments were pertaining to the
270 amendment. JP Lyons Called the Question second by JP Taylor passed with a voice

271 vote. A roll call vote was taken on the amendment to the ordinance and tallied as
272 follows:

- 273 JP Taylor-Yes
- 274 JP Wilson-Yes
- 275 JP Simons-Yes
- 276 JP Lyons-Yes
- 277 JP Ecke-Yes
- 278 JP Dean-Yes
- 279 JP Washington-No
- 280 JP Coger-No
- 281 JP Dennis-Yes
- 282 JP Highers-Yes
- 283 JP Rios Stafford-Yes
- 284 JP Leming-Yes
- 285 JP Ricker-Yes
- 286 JP Pond-Yes

287 Motion passed to amend the ordinance.

288 JP Coger introduced the ordinance as amended and made a motion to suspend the
289 rules and move to the second reading with second by JP Washington passed with a
290 voice vote and Attorney Lester read ordinance by title only for second reading. JP
291 Coger made a motion to suspend the rules and move to the third reading, second made
292 by JP Washington and passed with a voice vote. Attorney Lester read by title only for
293 the third and final reading. JP Coger made a motion to pass ordinance with a second
294 from JP Washington. Discussion was heard by the court. JP Dennis called the Question
295 with a second by JP Ricker. Public comments were heard and a roll call vote was taken
296 and tallied as follows:

- 297 JP Taylor-Yes
- 298 JP Wilson-No
- 299 JP Simons-No
- 300 JP Lyons-No
- 301 JP Ecke-No
- 302 JP Dean-No
- 303 JP Washington-Yes
- 304 JP Coger-Yes
- 305 JP Dennis-No
- 306 JP Highers-Yes
- 307 JP Rios Stafford-Yes
- 308 JP Leming-Yes
- 309 JP Ricker-No
- 310 JP Pond-No

311 Motion did not get ten votes and fails.

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313 Judge Deakins introduced item 19 and Attorney Lester read by title only, AN
314 ORDINANCE REPEALING ORDINANCES 2009-33, 2009-43, AND 2009-67 TO ALLOW
315 APPEALS OF THE DECISIONS OF THE COUNTY PLANNING BOARD AND THE
316 COUNTY BOARD OF ZONING ADJUSTMENTS TO BE FILED IN CIRCUIT COURT Item

317 23-O-076 and JP Lyons presented to the court and did not make a motion so ordinance will
318 move to July meeting for the second reading.

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320 Judge introduced item 20 and Attorney Lester read by title only, AN ORDINANCE
321 AMENDING THE CIRCUIT COURT IV BUDGET FOR 2023 Item 23-O-084. JP Lyons made
322 a motion to amend the ordinance to include three positions with a second by JP Highers.
323 Judge Beaumont spoke on ordinance. The amendment passed with a voice vote. JP Ecke
324 made a motion to pass ordinance as amended with a second from JP Lyons. No public
325 comments and a roll call vote was taken and passed unanimously.
326 Motion passed and **AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE CIRCUIT COURT IV BUDGET**
327 **FOR 2023 Item 23-O-084** was adopted as **ORD 2023-080**

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329 Judge Deakins introduced item 21 and Attorney Lester read by title only AN
330 ORDINANCE AMENDING THE ARPA FUND BUDGET FOR 2023 Item 23-O-088. JP
331 Coger made a motion to pass with a second by JP Highers. JP Ricker made a motion to
332 amend the ordinance to remove Credit Counseling of Arkansas and Washington County
333 Historical Society, motion did not receive a second and motion died. Discussion was heard
334 by the court. JP Lyons Called the Question with second by JP Simons and passed with a
335 voice vote. Public comments were heard and a roll call vote was taken and tallied as
336 follows:

- 337 JP Taylor-No
- 338 JP Wilson-No
- 339 JP Simons-Yes
- 340 JP Lyons-No
- 341 JP Ecke-No
- 342 JP Dean-No
- 343 JP Washington-Yes
- 344 JP Coger-Yes
- 345 JP Dennis-Abstain
- 346 JP Highers-Yes
- 347 JP Rios Stafford-Yes
- 348 JP Leming-No
- 349 JP Ricker-Yes
- 350 JP Pond-Abstain

351 Motion did not get 10 votes and will move to July Quorum Court for second reading.

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353 Committee Reports as follows:
354 The County Services Committee met Tuesday, May 30, 2023 at 6:00PM. Members
355 present were Taylor, Wilson, Simons, Lyons, Ecke, Dean, Washington, Coger, Dennis,
356 Rios Stafford, Leming, Ricker and Pond. Members absent was Highers.
357 JP Ecke opened with pledge and prayer.
358 During the adoption of the agenda AN ORDINANCE PROVIDING FOR
359 RECONSIDERATION OF CERTAIN AMERICAN RESCUE PLAN ACT (ARPA)
360 APPLICATIONS was brought to the court to add but failed by roll call vote. The agenda
361 was amended and Circuit Clerk Kyle Sylvester with Justification letters was added.
362 JDC Director Tinsley and CJCC Coordinator Smith were out of town but reports for the
363 jail were heard by Sheriff Cantrell and an update on the Jail Expansion was given.

364 Jim Petty gave a presentation and progress report of the Patriot Park Project to the
365 Quorum Court and answered questions and concerns.
366 Director Russell presented information on two bridge projects that meet criteria for
367 federal grants. The Resolutions supporting Director Russell to apply for these grants
368 was passed on to the Quorum Court in a consent agenda.
369 The committee approved Circuit Clerk Sylvester justification letters for two positions to
370 be moved to 1st quartile.
371 The Committee passed two ordinances on to the Quorum Court.
372 Public comments were heard and meeting was adjourned at 8:12pm

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374 The Finance & Budget Committee met Tuesday, June 6, 2023 at 6:00PM. JP Taylor led
375 prayer and pledge. Reports were heard from Treasurer Hill, Employee's Insurance
376 Report from Charles Angel and Comptroller's report from Director Story. The Committee
377 reviewed ten ordinances, making amendments to two of them. All ten ordinances were
378 passed on to the Quorum Court. There were no public comments and meeting was
379 adjourned at 7:16pm.

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381 Quorum Court meeting was adjourned at 9:47PM

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383 *Myra Collins*
384 Myra Collins
385 Quorum Court Coordinator

Patrick Deakins
County Judge



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Fixed Asset Manager

WASHINGTON COUNTY, ARKANSAS
Purchasing Department Disposal of County Property

June, 2023

A.C.A. §14-16-106 provides for the disposal of surplus property owned by a county. If it is determined by the county judge and the county assessor that any personal property owned by a county is junk, scrap, discarded, or otherwise of no value to the county, then the property may be disposed of in any manner deemed appropriate by the county judge. There was no property disposed for the month of June, 2023.

Court Order	File Date	Description

Item 23-O-063

Requested by: County Judge Patrick W. Deakins
Drafted by: County Attorney Brian R. Lester

ORDINANCE NO. 2023-

BE IT ENACTED BY THE QUORUM COURT OF THE COUNTY OF WASHINGTON, STATE OF ARKANSAS, AN ORDINANCE TO BE ENTITLED:

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING ORDINANCE 2018-50 TO UPDATE THE VACATION POLICY IN THE WASHINGTON COUNTY EMPLOYEE HANDBOOK.

WHEREAS, Ordinance 2018-50 repealed all prior versions of the Washington County Employee Handbook and replaced it with version 11-2018; and,

WHEREAS, the County desires to update the vacation policy contained in the Washington County Employee Handbook to update policy.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE QUORUM COURT OF WASHINGTON COUNTY, ARKANSAS:

ARTICLE 1. On August 1, 2023, Section 12 of the Washington County Employee is repealed in its entirety and replaced as follows:

12. VACATION

The purpose of this policy is to establish uniform guidelines for the accrual, use and payout of vacation leave for regular full-time and part-time employees.

- A. All regular full-time and part-time employees are eligible for vacation leave accrual.
- B. Seasonal and temporary employees are not eligible for vacation leave accrual.
- C. Uniformed law enforcement employees are eligible for vacation leave accrual.

Vacation leave is available for use once it has been accrued following their eligibility period.

Policies concerning vacation time for all employees in no way alters Washington County’s at-will employment policy as described in this Personnel Handbook.

Accruals

Vacation is accrued on a monthly basis. Eligible employees will be able to begin utilizing their vacation accruals following a six month eligibility period from their hire date. The rate of vacation accrual shall be stair-stepped in order to reward longevity, per the annual vacation accrual schedules below:

<u>Years of Service</u>	<u>Regular Full-Time</u>	<u>Uniformed Officers</u>	<u>Part-Time</u>	<u>Seasonal & Temporary</u>
Up to 3 years	84 hrs.	126 hrs.	36 hrs.	0 hrs.

3+ years	120 hrs.	180 hrs.	60 hrs.	0 hrs.
10+ years	168 hrs.	192 hrs.	120 hrs.	0 hrs.
20+ years	204 hrs.	240 hrs.	168 hrs.	0 hrs.

40 To the extent it differs from the procedure set forth, the uniformed law enforcement
 41 employees shall accrue vacation days in accordance with the provisions set forth in the
 42 relevant Arkansas statutes, if any.

43 **Maximum Accrual**

44 The employees calendar year* will be based on the employee’s most recent hire date in
 45 their eligible position that they hold.

46 At times there are circumstances where employees are not able to utilize all of their
 47 allotted vacation time within a calendar year; to accommodate this, employees will be
 48 allowed to carry over into the next calendar year up to the amounts listed below in the
 49 carryover rubric

<u>Years of Service</u>	<u>Regular Full-Time</u>	<u>Uniformed Officers</u>	<u>Part-Time</u>	<u>Seasonal & Temporary</u>
Up to 3 years	44 hrs.	86 hrs.	18 hrs.	0 hrs.
3+ years	80 hrs.	140 hrs.	30 hrs.	0 hrs.
10+ years	128 hrs.	152 hrs.	60 hrs.	0 hrs.
20+ years	164 hrs.	200 hrs.	84 hrs.	0 hrs.

- 50 ▪ Employee will be allowed to accrue the maximum amount for their years of
 51 service in addition to maintaining a carryover balance.
- 52 ▪ When employment has ended the carryover balance will only be paid out in the
 53 event that the maximum accrued amount has not been exceeded (This is covered
 54 in payout section).
- 55 ▪ Excess vacation that exceeds the maximum carryover amounts will be lost on the
 56 employee’s anniversary date each year and be donated to the Catastrophic Sick
 57 Leave Bank in that employee’s name.
- 58 ▪ Full-time employees will be required to use a minimum of 40 hours a year or lose
 59 it.

60 *For purposes of accrual calculations, an employee’s calendar year will be based off of
 61 their current hire date with the County. Every employee’s accrual rates will accumulate
 62 on a rolling calendar.

63 **Suspension of Accrual**

64 Employees on unpaid status* will have their vacation leave accrual suspended the first
 65 of the month following the beginning of said status, with the exception of unpaid status
 66 due to Worker’s Compensation.

67 *Unpaid Status: Unpaid status typically refers to when an employee is on an approved
 68 FMLA, Catastrophic, or Workers Compensation leave. This also applies to a leave
 69 without pay status.

70 **Usage**

71 ~~An employee who is hired with the County on or prior to the 15th day of any month, or~~
 72 ~~separates from service on or after the 16th day of any month, shall earn vacation leave~~
 73 ~~for that month.~~

74 Employees are encouraged to utilize their vacation and Department Heads or Elected
 75 Officials should make their best efforts to accommodate employee requests when they

76 can.

- 77 ▪ With the exception of FMLA or ADA, employees shall not be allowed to take more
- 78 than 10 consecutive working days off without the prior written approval of their
- 79 elected official or department head.
- 80 ▪ To be authorized for leave under this policy, an employee must make his/her
- 81 request to the appropriate supervisor according to the procedures established by
- 82 their Elected Official.
- 83 ▪ Each elected official and department head will be responsible for enforcing the
- 84 rules and procedures for requesting the use of vacation.
- 85 ▪ An employee who fails to comply with departmental procedures for the
- 86 notification and scheduling of vacation leave may be denied paid leave and be
- 87 subject to disciplinary action, up to and including termination of employment.

88 Washington County policy* requires all applicable leave be used prior to authorizing an
89 unpaid leave of absence. In accordance with this directive, vacation time and other leave
90 (except sick time) will be automatically substituted when there is an insufficient balance
91 of a requested leave. In the case of FMLA, sick leave will automatically be used first
92 based on the FMLA policy set-forth by Washington County.

93 * The County reserves the right to alter vacation schedules.

94 **Pay Outs**

95 Full-time, uniformed law enforcement officers and part-time employees transferring to
96 a seasonal or temporary position will be paid for any unused vacation at the time of
97 transfer.

- 98 ▪ Accruals will be carried over if an employee transfers from a regular full-time
- 99 position to a uniformed law enforcement officer or part-time classified position
- 100 unless accrued time exceeds the maximum allowed. In these circumstances the
- 101 difference of the allowed time will be paid out to the employee at the time of
- 102 transfer at their previous rate of pay.
- 103 ▪ Employees will be paid for accumulated, unused vacation time upon separation
- 104 of employment, if the separation was not as a result of disciplinary action.
- 105 ▪ Employees are required to work their final day of employment to be eligible for
- 106 payout*.
- 107 ▪ An employee that is out on approved Catastrophic Leave or FMLA will be paid
- 108 out for their remaining vacation time if they are not able to return due to medical
- 109 reasons; documentation is required prior to payout being granted. However,
- 110 employees will only be paid for the amount of vacation that has accrued to date as
- 111 well as the difference for the entire current calendar year if that employee has
- 112 carryover accrual time to equal the full amount**.
- 113 ▪ If business operations allow for it then the employee may be required by their
- 114 Department Head or Elected Official to take their accrued time off prior to their
- 115 retirement date.
- 116 ▪ Elected Officials have the discretion over procedural stipulations with the
- 117 exception of unpaid status procedures pertaining to payouts and usage.

118 *This requirement for law enforcement personnel will be at the discretion of the Sheriff
119 due to court related issues that may arise.

120 **An employee with an initial hire date of January 1, 2019 with 50 hours of carryover
121 vacation retires on June 16, 2022. So far this employee has accumulated 60 hours of

122 vacation time, therefore the total hours owed for vacation accrual payout to this
123 employee is 110 hours. However, if the employee had terminated in August of the same
124 year and they still had the same 50 hour carryover with a new accumulated amount of
125 80 hours then the maximum payout for this employee would only be 120 hours.
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127 **Grandfathering**

128 There will be a compliance period where employees who are currently active upon this
129 policy being passed will have a full year from that date of passage to come into
130 compliance with accrual amounts. The full year is independent of your calendar year* as
131 defined in this policy.
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139 PATRICK W. DEAKINS, County Judge

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142 BECKY LEWALLEN, County Clerk

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144 Introduced by: JP Lisa Ecke
145 Date of Adoption:
146 Members Voting For:
147 Members Voting Against:
148 Members Abstaining:
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151 Committee History: County Services-(5-1-23); passed to QC

152 Quorum Court History: Quorum Court (5-18-23); Amended and moved to June QC for second reading
153 Quorum Court (6-15-23); moved to July for third and final reading
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Item 23-O-076

Requested by: Justice of the Peace Kyle Lyons
 Drafted by: County Attorney Brian R. Lester

ORDINANCE NO. 2023-

**BE IT ENACTED BY THE QUORUM COURT OF THE
 COUNTY OF WASHINGTON, STATE OF ARKANSAS, AN
 ORDINANCE TO BE ENTITLED:**

**AN ORDINANCE REPEALING ORDINANCES 2009-
 33, 2009-43, AND 2009-67 TO ALLOW APPEALS OF
 THE DECISIONS OF THE COUNTY PLANNING
 BOARD AND THE COUNTY BOARD OF ZONING
 ADJUSTMENTS TO BE FILED IN CIRCUIT COURT.**

WHEREAS, Act 565 of 2007 authorized Quorum Courts to act as a board of administrative appeal prior to an appeal to circuit court from a decision of the county planning board and the board of zoning adjustment; and,

WHEREAS, Washington County passed Ordinance 2009-33 (amended by Ordinance 2009-43 and 2009-67) on July 9, 2009 in which the Quorum Court elected to act as a board of administrative appeal prior to an appeal to circuit court from a decision of the planning board and the board of zoning adjustment; and,

WHEREAS, the Quorum Court no longer desires to act as a board of administrative appeal prior to an appeal to circuit court from a decision of the planning board and the board of zoning adjustment.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE QUORUM
 COURT OF WASHINGTON COUNTY, ARKANSAS:**

ARTICLE 1. Ordinances 2009-33, 2009-43, and 2009-67 are hereby repealed in their entirety.

ARTICLE 2. Appeals of the County Planning Board and the County Board of Zoning Adjustment shall be filed in the Circuit Court of Washington County, pursuant to Arkansas law and the Arkansas Rules of Civil Procedure.

 PATRICK W. DEAKINS, County Judge

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Introduced by: JP Kyle Lyons
Date of Adoption:
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Members Abstaining:
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Committee History: County Services (5-30-23); passed on to June QC
Quorum Court History: Quorum Court (6-15-23); move to July for second reading

Item 23-O-088

Requested by: Quorum Court
Drafted by: County Attorney Brian R. Lester

ORDINANCE NO. 2023-

APPROPRIATION ORDINANCE

BE IT ENACTED BY THE QUORUM COURT OF THE COUNTY OF WASHINGTON, STATE OF ARKANSAS, AN ORDINANCE TO BE ENTITLED:

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE ARPA FUND BUDGET FOR 2023.

WHEREAS, The Quorum Court has deemed eleven ARPA Fund applicants eligible based on federal, state, and local rules and restriction for federal funding; and,

WHEREAS, the Quorum Court desires to appropriate the total amount of \$564,681 of ARPA funds for various non-profits, as set forth herein; and,

WHEREAS, the Quorum Court authorizes the County Judge to disburse said funds upon said non-profits executing indemnification agreements with the County.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE QUORUM COURT OF WASHINGTON COUNTY, ARKANSAS:

ARTICLE 1. There is hereby appropriated the total amount of \$598,117 from the ARPA Fund (3046) to the Pass Through Payments line item in the ARPA Fund Budget (3046.3014) for the following non-profits in the following maximum amounts:

Northwest Arkansas Food Bank	\$100,000
Area Agency on Aging – Fayetteville	87,000
Ronald McDonald House Charities – Arkoma	70,681
Fayetteville Lions Club	70,000
Responder 1 st Assistance Program	60,000
Area Agency on Aging – Farmington	48,000
Area Agency on Aging – Elkins	41,000
Area Agency on Aging – Prairie Grove	30,000
Area Agency on Aging – Lincoln	25,000
Washington County Historical Society	23,000
Credit Counseling of Arkansas	10,000
Magdalene Serenity House	33,436

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Committee History: F&B (6-6-23); Amended and passed to QC
Quorum Court History: Quorum Court (6-15-23); moves to July for second reading

Item 23-O-091

Requested by: County Judge Patrick W. Deakins
Drafted by: County Attorney Brian R. Lester

ORDINANCE NO. 2023-

APPROPRIATION ORDINANCE

**BE IT ENACTED BY THE QUORUM COURT OF THE
COUNTY OF WASHINGTON, STATE OF ARKANSAS, AN
ORDINANCE TO BE ENTITLED:**

**AN ORDINANCE ANTICIPATING AND
APPROPRIATING ADDITIONAL REVENUE OF
\$75,000 IN THE RURAL COMMUNITY GRANT
FUND FOR 2023.**

WHEREAS, Washington County has been notified that it will receive \$75,000 in additional revenue as a result of its Grant Application to the Arkansas Unpaved Roads Grant.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE QUORUM
COURT OF WASHINGTON COUNTY, ARKANSAS:**

ARTICLE 1. There is hereby anticipated revenue in the amount of \$75,000 within the Rural Community Grant Fund (3503.0635) for 2023.

ARTICLE 2. There is hereby appropriated \$75,000 within the Rural Community Grant Fund (3503.0635) to the Engineering and Architectural line item in the Rural Community Grant Fund Budget (35030635.3004) for 2023.

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52 Committee History: Finance and Budget Committee Meeting 07-11-23, passed to QC

53 Quorum Court History:

Item 23-O-098

Requested by: Circuit Judge Cristi Beaumont
Drafted by: County Attorney Brian R. Lester

ORDINANCE NO. 2023-

APPROPRIATION ORDINANCE

BE IT ENACTED BY THE QUORUM COURT OF THE COUNTY OF WASHINGTON, STATE OF ARKANSAS, AN ORDINANCE TO BE ENTITLED:

AN ORDINANCE ANTICIPATING AND APPROPRIATING ADDITIONAL GRANT FUNDS AND REPEALING ORDINANCE 2023-080.

WHEREAS, the Quorum Court approved Ordinance 2023-080 at its June 15, 2023 meeting; and,

WHEREAS, for financial and grant accounting purposes, said Ordinance needs to be repealed and replaced in its entirety; and,

WHEREAS, this Ordinance will correct fund numbers and information needed to track the grant funds and will repeal Ordinance 2023-080.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE QUORUM COURT OF WASHINGTON COUNTY, ARKANSAS:

ARTICLE 1. There is hereby anticipated an additional amount of \$150,000 in the Drug Court Grant Fund (3513) for 2023.

ARTICLE 2. There is hereby created the Peer Support Budget (35131423) for 2023.

ARTICLE 3. There are hereby created the positions of Peer Support Specialists, position numbers 1423001, 1423002, and 1423003, in the Peer Support Budget (35131423) for 2023.

ARTICLE 4. There is hereby appropriated the total amount of \$150,000 from the unappropriated reserves of the Drug Court Grant Fund (3513) to the following line items in the Peer Support Budget (35131423) for 2023:

Salary Full-Time	35131423.1001	\$106,429.80
Social Security Matching	35131423.1006	8,141.88
Employer Retirement Contribution	35131423.1008	16,305.06
Health Insurance Matching	35131423.1009	18,640.08

43	Workmen's Compensation	35131423.1010	87.18
44	Life Insurance	35131423.1016	396.00

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ARTICLE 5. Ordinance 2023-080 is hereby repealed.

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Committee History: Finance & Budget (7-11-23); Passed to QC
Quorum Court History:

Item 23-O-099

Requested by: County Judge Patrick W. Deakins
 Drafted by: County Attorney Brian R. Lester

ORDINANCE NO. 2023-

APPROPRIATION ORDINANCE

BE IT ENACTED BY THE QUORUM COURT OF THE COUNTY OF WASHINGTON, STATE OF ARKANSAS, AN ORDINANCE TO BE ENTITLED:

AN ORDINANCE ANTICIPATING ADDITIONAL REVENUE OF \$399,996 IN THE DRUG COURT GRANT FUND; AND, APPROPRIATING THE AMOUNT OF \$399,996 FROM THE DRUG COURT GRANT FUND TO THE SAMHSA 2023/2024 BUDGET FOR 2023.

WHEREAS, Washington County has received notification that it will receive \$399,996 from the Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration (SAMHSA) to help provide substance abuse treatment for participants in the Washington/Madison County Drug Court Program.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE QUORUM COURT OF WASHINGTON COUNTY, ARKANSAS:

ARTICLE 1. There is hereby anticipated additional revenue of \$399,996 in the Other Federal Grants Revenue line item of the Drug Court Grant Fund (35137109) for 2023.

ARTICLE 2. There is hereby appropriated the amount of \$399,996 from the Drug Court Grant Fund to the following line items in the SAMHSA 2023/2024 Grant Budget for 2023:

Salary, Full-Time	35131489.1001	\$ 41,284
Salaries, Part-Time	35131489.1002	12,917
Social Security Matching	35131489.1006	4,147
Employer Retirement Contribution	35131489.1008	8,304
Health Insurance Matching	35131489.1009	6,214
Workmen’s Compensation	35131489.1010	43
Life Insurance	35131489.1016	132
General Supplies	351314892001	31,000
Medicine & Drugs	35131489.2004	5,400
Medical/Dental/Hospital	35131489.3006	188,675
Other Professional Services	35131489.3009	85,800
Training/Education	35131489.3101	16,080

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Committee History: Finance & Budget (7-11-23); Passed to QC

Quorum Court History:

Item 23-O-100

Requested by: County Judge Patrick W. Deakins
Drafted by: County Attorney Brian R. Lester

ORDINANCE NO. 2023-

APPROPRIATION ORDINANCE

BE IT ENACTED BY THE QUORUM COURT OF THE COUNTY OF WASHINGTON, STATE OF ARKANSAS, AN ORDINANCE TO BE ENTITLED:

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE AMBULANCE SERVICE FUND BUDGET FOR 2023.

WHEREAS, the Ambulance Service Fund was underfunded for 2023 by \$15,532; and,

WHEREAS, an appropriation is necessary to meet the County’s obligation for the current year.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE QUORUM COURT OF WASHINGTON COUNTY, ARKANSAS:

ARTICLE 1. There is hereby appropriated the amount of \$15,532 from the unappropriated reserves in the General Fund (1000) to the Medical/Dental/Hospital line item in the Ambulance Services Budget (10000301.3006) for 2023.

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44 Committee History: Finance & Budget (7-11-23); Passed to QC
45 Quorum Court History:

Item 23-O-101

Requested by: County Judge Patrick W. Deakins
Drafted by: County Attorney Brian R. Lester

ORDINANCE NO. 2023-

APPROPRIATION ORDINANCE

**BE IT ENACTED BY THE QUORUM COURT OF THE
COUNTY OF WASHINGTON, STATE OF ARKANSAS, AN
ORDINANCE TO BE ENTITLED:**

**AN ORDINANCE RECOGNIZING AND
APPROPRIATING ADDITIONAL REVENUE OF
\$9,138 IN THE RURAL COMMUNITY GRANT FUND
FOR 2023.**

WHEREAS, Washington County has been approved for a Rural
Community Grant in the amount of \$9,138 to purchase four sets of bunker gear and an
extractor for the Boston Mountain Fire Department.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE QUORUM
COURT OF WASHINGTON COUNTY, ARKANSAS:**

ARTICLE 1. There is hereby recognized additional revenue of
\$9,138 in the Rural Community Grant Fund (35030636.7010) for the benefit of the
Boston Mountain Fire Department for 2023.

ARTICLE 2. There is hereby appropriated the amount of \$9,138
from the Rural Community Grant Fund to the Small Equipment line item in the Boston
Mountain Fire Department Budget (35030636.2002) for 2023.

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47 Committee History: Finance & Budget (7-11-23); Passed to QC
48 Quorum Court History:

Item 23-O-102

Requested by: County Judge Patrick W. Deakins
 Drafted by: County Attorney Brian R. Lester

ORDINANCE NO. 2023-

APPROPRIATION ORDINANCE

BE IT ENACTED BY THE QUORUM COURT OF THE COUNTY OF WASHINGTON, STATE OF ARKANSAS, AN ORDINANCE TO BE ENTITLED:

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING VARIOUS BUDGETS FOR 2023.

WHEREAS, insurance premiums for Washington County increased by \$743,212 over the budgeted amount; and,

WHEREAS, an appropriation is needed to cover the budgeted shortfalls for said increase.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE QUORUM COURT OF WASHINGTON COUNTY, ARKANSAS:

ARTICLE 1. There is hereby appropriated the total amount of \$288,343 from the unappropriated reserves in the General Fund (1000) to the Fire and Extended Coverage line item (3052) in the following budgets for 2023:

County Judge	10000100.3052	\$ 429
Circuit Clerk	10000102.3052	3,164
County Tax Assessor	10000105.3052	1,727
Quorum Court	10000107.3052	420
Buildings and Grounds	10000108.3052	245,013
Election Commission	10000109.3052	5,636
County Planning	10000110.3052	437
County Comptroller	10000113.3052	300
Information Technology	10000115.3052	6,654
Purchasing	10000118.3052	122
Archiving/Records Management	10000119.3052	392
Grants Administration	10000120.3052	34
Human Resources	10000121.3052	224
County Attorney	10000122.3052	10
Animal Shelter	10000308.3052	946
County Sheriff	10000400.3052	7,429
Circuit Court I	10000401.3052	212
Circuit Court II	10000402.3052	176

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44	Circuit Court IV	10000404.3052	331
45	Circuit Court V	10000405.3052	234
46	Circuit Court VI	10000406.3052	455
47	Circuit Court VII	10000407.3052	136
48	Prosecuting Attorney	10000416.3052	881
49	Public Defender	10000417.3052	664
50	County Coroner	10000419.3052	188
51	Juvenile Detention Center	10000444.3052	1,017
52	Emergency Management	10000500.3052	10,451
53	Environmental Affairs	10000702.3052	106
54	Veterans Services	10000800.3052	249
55	Extension Office	10000801.3052	45

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57 **ARTICLE 2.** There is hereby appropriated the total amount of
58 \$50,930 from the unappropriated reserves in the Road Department Fund (2000) to the
59 Fire and Extended Coverage line item (3052) in the Road Department Budget
60 (20000200.3052) for 2023.

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62 **ARTICLE 3.** There is hereby appropriated the total amount of
63 \$243 from the unappropriated reserves in the County Treasurer’s Automation Fund
64 (3000) to the Fire and Extended Coverage line item (3052) in the County Treasurer’s
65 Automation Fund Budget (30000103.3052) for 2023.

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67 **ARTICLE 4.** There is hereby appropriated the total amount of
68 \$231 from the unappropriated reserves in the County Tax Collector’s Automation Fund
69 (3001) to the Fire and Extended Coverage line item (3052) in the County Tax Collector’s
70 Automation Fund Budget (30010104.3052) for 2023.

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72 **ARTICLE 5.** There is hereby appropriated the total amount of
73 \$383 from the unappropriated reserves in the County Clerk’s Cost Fund (3005) to the
74 Fire and Extended Coverage line item (3052) in the County Clerk’s Cost Fund Budget
75 (30050101.3052) for 2023.

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77 **ARTICLE 6.** There is hereby appropriated the total amount of
78 \$4,054 from the unappropriated reserves in the County Library Fund (3008) to the Fire
79 and Extended Coverage line item (3052) in the County Library Budget for 2023.

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81 **ARTICLE 7.** There is hereby appropriated the total amount of
82 \$390,576 from the unappropriated reserves in the County Jail Operations & Maintenance
83 Fund (3017) to the Fire and Extended Coverage line item (3052) in the following budgets
84 for 2023:

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86	Jail-Maintenance	30170127.3052	386,531
87	County Jail	30170418.3052	4,045
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89 **ARTICLE 8.** There is hereby appropriated the total amount of

90 \$8,177 from the unappropriated reserves in the Emergency 911 Fund (3020) to the Fire
91 and Extended Coverage line item (3052) in the Emergency 911 Budget for 2023.

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93 **ARTICLE 9.** There is hereby appropriated the total amount of
94 \$161 from the unappropriated reserves in the HIV Clinic Fund (3401) to the Fire and
95 Extended Coverage line item (3052) in the HIV Clinic Budget for 2023.

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97 **ARTICLE 10.** There is hereby appropriated the total amount of
98 \$114 from the unappropriated reserves in the Law Library Fund (3402) to the Fire and
99 Extended Coverage line item (3052) in the Law Library Budget for 2023.

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117 Committee History: Finance & Budget (7-11-23); Passed to QC
118 Quorum Court History:

Item 23-O-103

Requested by: Judge Diane Warren
Drafted by: County Attorney Brian R. Lester

ORDINANCE NO. 2023-

APPROPRIATION ORDINANCE

BE IT ENACTED BY THE QUORUM COURT OF THE COUNTY OF WASHINGTON, STATE OF ARKANSAS, AN ORDINANCE TO BE ENTITLED:

AN ORDINANCE RECOGNIZING AND APPROPRIATING ADDITIONAL REVENUE OF \$10,000 IN THE AOC JUVENILE COURT GRANT FUND FOR 2023.

WHEREAS, Washington County received a \$10,000 grant award from the Administrative Office of the Courts (“AOC”) to be used by the Juvenile Court; and,

WHEREAS, Washington County desires to appropriate said \$10,000 to the AOC Juvenile court Division 8 Grant Fund (3519) for 2023.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE QUORUM COURT OF WASHINGTON COUNTY, ARKANSAS:

ARTICLE 1. There is hereby appropriated the total amount of \$10,000 from the Juvenile Court Grant Fund (3519) to the following line items in the AOC Juvenile Court Division 8 Grant Budget (35191521) for 2023:

General Supplies	35191521.2001	\$ 3,000
Food	35191521.2005	4,000
Other Professional Services	35191521.3009	3,000

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49 Committee History: Finance & Budget (7-11-23); Passed to QC
50 Quorum Court History:

Item 23-O-105

Requested by: Prosecuting Attorney Matt Durrett
Drafted by: County Attorney Brian R. Lester

ORDINANCE NO. 2023-

APPROPRIATION ORDINANCE

**BE IT ENACTED BY THE QUORUM COURT OF THE
COUNTY OF WASHINGTON, STATE OF ARKANSAS, AN
ORDINANCE TO BE ENTITLED:**

**AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE PROSECUTING
ATTORNEY’S BUDGET FOR 2023.**

WHEREAS, Prosecuting Attorney Matt Durrett requests that the Office
Administrator’s salary be increased due to her experience and qualifications; and,

WHEREAS, the Quorum Court approves the salary increase.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE QUORUM
COURT OF WASHINGTON COUNTY, ARKANSAS:**

ARTICLE 1. There is hereby appropriated the total amount of
\$4,006.34 from the unappropriated reserves in the General Fund (1000) to the following
line items in the Prosecuting Attorney’s Budget for 2023:

Salary, Full-Time	10000416.1001	\$ 3,255.81
Social Security Matching	10000416.1006	249.07
Employer Retirement Contribution	10000416.1008	498.79
Workmen’s Compensation	10000416.1010	2.67

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47 Committee History: Finance & Budget (7-11-23); Passed to QC
48 Quorum Court History:

Item 23-O-106

Requested by: Assessor Russell Hill
Drafted by: County Attorney Brian R. Lester

ORDINANCE NO. 2023-

APPROPRIATION ORDINANCE

**BE IT ENACTED BY THE QUORUM COURT OF THE
COUNTY OF WASHINGTON, STATE OF ARKANSAS, AN
ORDINANCE TO BE ENTITLED:**

**AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE ASSESSOR’S
BUDGET FOR 2023.**

WHEREAS, Assessor Russell Hill requests the title change of two
positions within his department; and,

WHEREAS, the Quorum Court approves the title changes.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE QUORUM
COURT OF WASHINGTON COUNTY, ARKANSAS:**

ARTICLE 1. The title of Field Appraiser/Data Collector (PCN
0105036) is hereby changed to Appraisal Assistant Data Collector in the Assessor’s
Budget (10000105) for 2023.

ARTICLE 2. The titles of Business Personal Property Deputy
Assessor (PCNs 0105042, 0105043, 0105044, 0105045, and 0105046) are hereby
changed to Business Personal Property Appraiser.

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46 Committee History: Finance & Budget (7-11-23); Passed to QC

47 Quorum Court History:

Item 23-O-107

Requested by: Circuit Judge Diane Warren
Drafted by: County Attorney Brian R. Lester

ORDINANCE NO. 2023-

APPROPRIATION ORDINANCE

BE IT ENACTED BY THE QUORUM COURT OF THE COUNTY OF WASHINGTON, STATE OF ARKANSAS, AN ORDINANCE TO BE ENTITLED:

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE CIRCUIT COURT VIII'S BUDGET FOR 2023.

WHEREAS, Circuit Judge Diane Warren requests to change the titles and salaries for two positions within her department and requests an additional personnel position; and,

WHEREAS, the Quorum Court approves the changes in titles and salaries for two positions and the addition of one personnel position.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE QUORUM COURT OF WASHINGTON COUNTY, ARKANSAS:

ARTICLE 1. The titles of Juvenile Intake/Diversion Officer-Multilingual (PCNs 0408003 and 0408004), Grade 12, are hereby changed to Juvenile Intake Officer (PCNs 0408016 and 0408017), Grade 13, in the Circuit Court VIII's Budget (10000408) for 2023.

ARTICLE 2. There is hereby created the position of Juvenile Intake Officer (PCN 0408018), Grade 13, in the Circuit Court VIII's Budget (10000408) for 2023.

ARTICLE 3. There is hereby appropriated the total amount of \$34,705 from the unappropriated reserves in the General Fund (1000) to the following line items in the Circuit Court VIII's Budget (10000408) for 2023:

Salary, Full-Time	10000408.1001	\$ 28,203.55
Social Security Matching	10000408.1006	2,157.57
Employer Retirement Contribution	10000408.1008	4,320.78
Workmen's Compensation	10000408.1010	23.10

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51 Date of Adoption:

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58 Committee History: Finance & Budget (7-11-23); Passed to QC

59 Quorum Court History:

Item 23-O-109

Requested by: County Judge Patrick W. Deakins (Planning Department)
Drafted by: County Attorney Brian R. Lester

ORDINANCE NO. 2023-

BE IT ENACTED BY THE QUORUM COURT OF THE COUNTY OF WASHINGTON, STATE OF ARKANSAS, AN ORDINANCE TO BE ENTITLED:

AN ORDINANCE RATIFYING A CONDITIONAL USE PERMIT RECOMMENDED FOR APPROVAL BY THE PLANNING BOARD.

WHEREAS, the Planning Board voted to recommend approval of a Conditional Use Permit for the **Langham Shop Addition** project on **July 13, 2023**; and,

WHEREAS, ratification is required by the Quorum Court; and,

WHEREAS, ratification will not affect any appeal rights any person may have.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE QUORUM COURT OF WASHINGTON COUNTY, ARKANSAS:

ARTICLE 1. The Conditional Use Permit for the **Langham Shop Addition** Project recommended for approval by the Planning and Zoning Board is hereby ratified.

PATRICK W. DEAKINS, County Judge

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Introduced by: JP Coleman Taylor

Date of Adoption:

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Committee History: Planning 07-13-23

Quorum Court History:

Item 23-O-110

Requested by: County Judge Patrick W. Deakins (Planning Department)
Drafted by: County Attorney Brian R. Lester

ORDINANCE NO. 2023-

BE IT ENACTED BY THE QUORUM COURT OF THE COUNTY OF WASHINGTON, STATE OF ARKANSAS, AN ORDINANCE TO BE ENTITLED:

AN ORDINANCE RATIFYING A CONDITIONAL USE PERMIT RECOMMENDED FOR APPROVAL BY THE PLANNING BOARD.

WHEREAS, the Planning Board voted to recommend approval of a Conditional Use Permit for the **Wrapology** project on **July 13, 2023**; and,

WHEREAS, ratification is required by the Quorum Court; and,

WHEREAS, ratification will not affect any appeal rights any person may have.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE QUORUM COURT OF WASHINGTON COUNTY, ARKANSAS:

ARTICLE 1. The Conditional Use Permit for the **Wrapology** Project recommended for approval by the Planning and Zoning Board is hereby ratified.

PATRICK W. DEAKINS, County Judge

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Introduced by: JP Butch Pond
Date of Adoption:
Members Voting For:
Members Voting Against:
Members Abstaining:
Members Absent:
Committee History: Planning 07-13-23
Quorum Court History:

Item 23-O-111

Requested by: County Judge Patrick W. Deakins (Planning Department)
Drafted by: County Attorney Brian R. Lester

ORDINANCE NO. 2023-

BE IT ENACTED BY THE QUORUM COURT OF THE COUNTY OF WASHINGTON, STATE OF ARKANSAS, AN ORDINANCE TO BE ENTITLED:

AN ORDINANCE RATIFYING A CONDITIONAL USE PERMIT RECOMMENDED FOR APPROVAL BY THE PLANNING BOARD.

WHEREAS, the Planning Board voted to recommend approval of a Conditional Use Permit for the **Anytime Hauling** project on **July 13, 2023**; and,

WHEREAS, ratification is required by the Quorum Court; and,

WHEREAS, ratification will not affect any appeal rights any person may have.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE QUORUM COURT OF WASHINGTON COUNTY, ARKANSAS:

ARTICLE 1. The Conditional Use Permit for the **Anytime Hauling** Project recommended for approval by the Planning and Zoning Board is hereby ratified.

PATRICK W. DEAKINS, County Judge

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53 Committee History: Planning 07-13-23
54 Quorum Court History:

Item 23-O-097

Requested by: County Judge Patrick W. Deakins
Drafted by: County Attorney Brian R. Lester

ORDINANCE NO. 2023-

APPROPRIATION ORDINANCE

BE IT ENACTED BY THE QUORUM COURT OF THE COUNTY OF WASHINGTON, STATE OF ARKANSAS, AN ORDINANCE TO BE ENTITLED:

AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING A SHORT-TERM FINANCING PURCHASE PURSUANT TO THE PROVISIONS OF ACT 1808 OF 2001 AND AMENDMENT 78 TO THE ARKANSAS CONSTITUTION.

WHEREAS, Washington County desires to enter into a short term financing obligation to purchase four (4) new dump trucks; and,

WHEREAS, Arkansas law allows counties to enter into such short term financing obligations pursuant to Act 1808 of 2001 and Amendment 78 to the Arkansas Constitution.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE QUORUM COURT OF WASHINGTON COUNTY, ARKANSAS:

ARTICLE 1. Washington County is authorized to enter into a short-term financing agreement with KS State Bank in the principal amount of \$814,360, payable in the amount of \$134,256.95 per year for the first four (4) years with a final fifth payment in the fifth year of \$420,900. The interest rate is 6.62%.

ARTICLE 2. The obligations will be paid from the road fund revenues.

ARTICLE 3. These obligations are issued under the provisions of Act 1808 of 2001 and Amendment 78 to the Arkansas Constitution.

PATRICK W. DEAKINS, County Judge

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Committee History: Finance & Budget (7-11-23); Passed to QC
Quorum Court History:

Item 23-O-104

Requested by: County Judge Patrick W. Deakins
Drafted by: County Attorney Brian R. Lester

ORDINANCE NO. 2023-

APPROPRIATION ORDINANCE

BE IT ENACTED BY THE QUORUM COURT OF THE COUNTY OF WASHINGTON, STATE OF ARKANSAS, AN ORDINANCE TO BE ENTITLED:

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE COUNTY ATTORNEY’S BUDGET FOR 2023.

WHEREAS, County Judge Patrick W. Deakins requests that the Deputy County Attorney’s salary be increased to the top of the first quartile due to her experience and qualifications; and,

WHEREAS, the Quorum Court approves the salary increase.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE QUORUM COURT OF WASHINGTON COUNTY, ARKANSAS:

ARTICLE 1. There is hereby appropriated the total amount of \$7,469.12 from the unappropriated reserves in the General Fund (1000) to the following line items in the County Attorney’s Budget for 2023:

Salary, Full-Time	10000122.1001	\$ 6,069.89
Social Security Matching	10000122.1006	464.35
Employer Retirement Contribution	10000122.1008	929.91
Workmen’s Compensation	10000122.1010	4.97

PATRICK W. DEAKINS, County Judge

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BECKY LEWALLEN, County Clerk

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WASHINGTON COUNTY, ARKANSAS

County Courthouse

FINANCE & BUDGET COMMITTEE REPORT – JULY

Judge Deakins

The Finance & Budget Committee met Tuesday, July 11, 2023 at 6:00PM. All members were present. JP Simons led the prayer and pledge.

Reports were heard from Treasurer Bobby Hill, Employee's Insurance Report from Charles Angel and Comptroller's report from Director Wayne Story.

The Committee passed twelve ordinances onto Quorum Court with ten of those being placed on the consent agenda.

There were no public comments and meeting was adjourned at 6:52 pm.