## AGENDA CLARK COUNTY QUORUM COURT

#### May 8, 2023

## Clark County Court Complex Building 419 Clay Street, Arkadelphia, AR. 71923

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CALL TO ORDER - 5:30 PM

**ROLL CALL** 

INVOCATION

ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA

**DISPOSITION OF MINUTES** 

COMMITTEE AND OTHER REPORTS

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

#### **NEW BUSINESS**

- A Third and Final Reading Proposed Ordinance 2023-03 "AN ORDINANCE TO ESTABLISH A LIVE STREAM SERVICE AVAILABLE TO THE PUBLIC FOR EACH REGULARLY SCHEDULED MONTHLY QUORUM COURT MEETING" Sponsor Justice Ankton.
- 2. Shelley Short to deliver the first quarter EDCCC report.
- 3. Judge Tucker to present TAP Grant Resolution and Proclamation.
- 4. Public Defender's Office to address the court regarding moving locations.
- 5. Sherriff's office to discuss purchasing new equipment.

DISPOSAL OF PROPERTY

JUDGE TUCKER'S REPORT

OTHER BUSINESS

**ADJOURNMENT** 

# MINUTES CLARK COUNTY QUORUM COURT REGULAR SESSION April 10, 2023

The Clark County Quorum Court met on the above date at 5:30 pm in the District Courtroom. Judge Troy Tucker presided. The roll was called by County Clerk Tracy Rider. The following justices were present: Andrea Angle, Michael Ankton, Wayne Baumgardner, Zach Bledsoe, Tracy Drake, Vanilla Hannah, B.J. Johns, Jimmy King, Albert Neal, Mark Overturf and Jenna Scott.

County Judge Troy Tucker called the meeting to order. Justice Albert Neal gave the invocation.

<u>APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA</u>: Justice Scott made the motion to adopt the agenda by striking item #3 from the agenda. Justice Ankton seconded the motion. With no further discussion, the motion carried by voice vote, no opposition 11-0.

<u>DISPOSITION OF THE MINUTES</u>: Justice Ankton made the motion to adopt the minutes from the February 13, 2023 meeting. Justice Neal asked that we add the first name Leroy to "Reverend Williams". Justice King seconded the motion with one correction. With no further discussion, the motion was carried by voice vote, no opposition 11-0.

Justice Baumgardner made a motion to adopt the minutes from the special Quorum Court meeting held on March 23, 2023. Justice Scott seconded the motion. With no further discussion, the motion was carried by voice vote, no opposition 11-0.

#### COMMITTEE AND OTHER REPORTS:

Personnel Committee did not meet.

Budget Committee did not meet.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS: None

#### **NEW BUSINESS:**

 Justice Neal made a motion to read Proposed Ordinance 2023-05 for its third reading and referenced Senate Bill 290. Justice Bledsoe seconded the motion. With no further discussion, roll call was as follows: Yea: Angle, Ankton, Baumgardner, Bledsoe, Drake, Hannah, Johns, King, Neal, Overturf, Scott. The motion carried 11-0.

Rider read the Proposed Ordinance in its entirety.

Justice Neal made a motion to adopt Proposed Ordinance 2023-05. Justice Overturf seconded the motion. With no further discussion, roll call was as follows:

Yea: Angle, Ankton, Bledsoe, Drake, Hannah, King, Neal, Overturf. Nay: Baumgardner, Johns, Scott. The motion carried 8-3.

2. Justice Scott made a motion to read Proposed Ordinance 2023-03 for its second reading. Justice Angle seconded the motion. With little discussion, roll call was as follows: Yea: Angle, Ankton, Baumgardner, Bledsoe, Drake, Hannah, Johns, King, Neal, Overturf, Scott. The motion carried 11-0.

Rider read the Proposed Ordinance in its entirety.

Justice Ankton made a motion to place the Proposed Ordinance 2023-03 on its third reading in the May meeting. Justice Angle seconded the motion. With no further discussion, roll call was as follows: Yea: Angle, Ankton, Baumgardner, Bledsoe, Drake, Hannah, Johns, King, Neal, Overturf, Scott. The motion carried 11-0.

- 3. Bruce Bell spoke on the half cent sales tax and concerns on the EDCCC grant rules.
- 4. South Central Connect spokespeople Jamie Farrell and Colby Wells gave updates on growth in Clark County.
- 5. Judge Tucker proclaimed The Month of April, 2023 Child Abuse Awareness and Prevention Month and presented Stephanie Hrabal with the Certificate.
- 6. Judge Tucker gave the 2021 Audit report. With there being no wrong findings, Justice Scott made a motion to Adopt the 2021 Audit as presented. Justice Hannah seconded the motion. With no further discussion, the motion was carried by voice vote, no opposition 11-0.

#### DISPOSAL REPORT:

None

#### JUDGE TUCKERS REPORT:

Congratulated Justice Ankton on graduating from HSU.

#### OTHER BUSINESS:

With there being no further business, Justice Johns made a motion to adjourn. Justice ling seconded. The meeting was adjourned at 6:18 pm.

Tracy Rider, Clark County Clerk

#### IN THE QUORUM COURT OF CLARK COUNTY, ARKANSAS

ORDINANCE NO. 2023-03

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

AN ORDINANCE TO ESTABLISH A LIVE STREAM SERVICE AVAILABLE TO THE PUBLIC FOR EACH REGULARLY SCHEDULED MONTHLY QUORUM COURT MEETING.

WHEREAS, the Clark County Quorum Court meets monthly, and those aforementioned meetings are open to the public; and

WHEREAS, the Clark County Quorum Court hereby wishes to provide and/or establish a live stream service to cover every regularly scheduled monthly meeting, which will be available to the general public starting with the year 2023;

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

- **Section 1.** The court will make a live stream service available to the public to cover each regularly scheduled monthly Quorum Court meeting.
- Section 2. This live stream service shall begin in the year 2023 and shall continue unless an unforeseen circumstance prevents the service or unless it is suspended or discontinued by the Quorum Court.

Approved by the Clark County Quorum Court this	s day of, 2023.
ATTEST: Tracy Rider, County Clerk	APPROVED:Troy Tucker, County Judge
DATE:	DATE:
Sponsor <u>Justice Michael L. Ankton</u>	VETOED:

RESOLUTION NO.	

#### A RESOLUTION EXPRESSING THE WILLINGNESS OF

#### **CLARK COUNTY**

### TO UTILIZE FEDERAL-AID TRANSPORTATION ALTERNATIVES PROGRAM OR RECREATIONAL TRAILS PROGRAM FUNDS

WHEREAS, Clark County understands Federal-aid Transportation Alternatives Program or Recreational Trails Program Funds are available at 80% federal participation and 20% local match to develop or improve Clark County Regional Trail System, and

WHEREAS, *Clark County* understands that Federal-aid Funds are available for this project on a reimbursable basis, requiring work to be accomplished and proof of payment prior to actual monetary reimbursement, and

WHEREAS, this project, using federal funding, will be open and available for use by the public and maintained by the applicant for the life of the project.

#### NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY CLARK COUNTY THAT:

**SECTION I:** Clark County will participate in accordance with its designated responsibility, including maintenance of this project.

**SECTION II:** Troy Tucker, Clark County Judge, is hereby authorized and directed to execute all appropriate agreements and contracts necessary to expedite the construction of the above stated project.

**SECTION III:** The **Clark County Quorum Court** pledges its full support and hereby authorizes the Arkansas Department of Transportation to initiate action to implement this project.

THIS RESOLUTION adopted this 8th day of May, 2023.

	Signed:	
	Troy Tucker, Clark County Judge	
ATTEST:		

#### TO ALL TO WHOM THESE PRESENTS COME - GREETINGS:

WHEREAS: During National Foster Care Month, we recommit to caring for all our state's daughters

and sons, and we reaffirm our belief that no young person should feel as though they

are on their own; and

WHEREAS: All children deserve the chance to grow up in a loving, permanent home. When children

lack stable homes and strong support structures, they face enormous barriers to reaching their fullest potential – difficulties no child should have to experience,

especially not on their own; and

WHEREAS: Children are best raised in families, rather than institutions. And each year, men and

women of all backgrounds open their homes and hearts to foster children. These selfless

individuals step up and serve as loving parents and family members along with

dedicated teachers, mentors, caseworkers, and faith leaders - helping foster children

realize their highest aspirations despite facing many difficulties; and

WHEREAS: Many children in Arkansas are waiting for loving homes, and it is important to ensure all

qualified caregivers have the opportunity to serve as foster or adoptive parents; and

There are many ways each of us can work to make a difference in the life of a foster

child in Arkansas;

WHEREAS:

**NOW, THEREFORE, I, TROY TUCKER**, Clark County Judge in Arkadelphia, AR, by virtue of the authority vested in me by the laws of the State of Arkansas, do hereby proclaim May 2023, as

#### ARKANSAS FOSTER CARE MONTH

In the State of Arkansas, and I urge my fellow citizens to identify the ways we can brighten the future of foster children throughout our state and seek for every young Arkansan to know the safety, security, and love of a family.

**IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF**, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State of Arkansas to be affixed this 8<sup>th</sup> day of May, in the year of our Lord 2023.

Troy Tucker, Clark County Judge

#### **Budget Committee Meeting**

4/28/23

1:00 pm

Members Present:

Zach Bledsoe, Wayne Baumgardner, Vanilla Hannah, BJ Johns

Others Present:

Renee Pritchard, Troy Tucker, Jenna Scott, Albert Neal, Joel Phelps, Penny Ross,

Karen Arnold, Raymond Funderburk, Randy Hill, John Nelson, Tracy Rider.

Renee Pritchard addressed the committee regarding moving locations. The new office space would offer more room and convenience but would also be \$6006 more a year.

Justice Johns made a motion to pass it along to be brought before the full Quorum Court in May. Justice Bledsoe seconded the motion. Motion passed by voice vote 4-0.

District Court Clerk Penny Ross addressed the committee asking that Lynn Stephenson be made Chief Deputy. This is not a current position so would need to be created and the funds would need to come from unappropriated funds since the District Court has zero extra funds for this increase. Justice Johns made a motion to pass it along to be brought before the Personnel Committee at their next scheduled meeting. Justice Baumgardner seconded the motion. Motion passed by voice vote 4-0.

Meeting adjourned at 1:36 pm.

Tracy Rider, Clark Sounty Clerk