

MINUTES  
CLARK COUNTY QUORUM COURT  
REGULAR SESSION  
August 14, 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.

APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA: Justice Bledsoe made the motion to adopt the amended agenda removing items 1 and 3 as neither speaker could attend the meeting. Justice Scott seconded the motion. With no further discussion, the motion carried by voice vote 11-0.

DISPOSITION OF THE MINUTES: Justice Johns made the motion to adopt the minutes from the July 10, 2023 meeting as presented. Justice Overturf 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.

COMMITTEE AND OTHER REPORTS:

Personnel Committee did not meet.

Budget Committee did meet and their minutes are attached.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS: None

NEW BUSINESS:

1. Justice Baumgardner made a motion to read A Proposed Ordinance 2023-11 by title only "AN APPROPRIATION ORDINANCE TO AMEND THE 2023 CLARK COUNTY ANNUAL BUDGET ORDINANCE NO. 2022-10 AND AMENDMENTS THERETO; TO APPROPRIATE PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT RECOGNITION PAYMENTS; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES" *Sponsor: Justice King*, 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.

Rider read the Proposed Ordinance by title only.

Justice Neal made a motion to adopt Proposed Ordinance 2023-11. Justice Scott 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.

2. Betsy Fisher gave her annual Library update.
3. Bruce Bell addressed the Quorum Court regarding the half cent sales tax.
4. Johnny Harris addressed the Quorum Court regarding the half cent sales tax.
5. Barry Jefferson addressed the Quorum Court regarding the half cent sales tax.
6. Justice Neal made a motion to read A Proposed Ordinance 2023-12 by title only "AN ORDINANCE AMENDING ORDINANCE NO 2023-08 APPROPRIATING FUNDS; MAKING SPECIFIC ADDITIONS/DELETIONS TO THE CLARK COUNTY BUDGET FOR 2023", Justice Scott 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 by title only.

Justice Scott made a motion to adopt Proposed Ordinance 2023-12. 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.

DISPOSAL REPORT: None

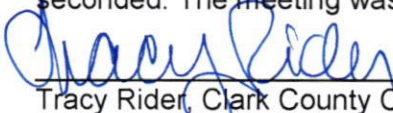
JUDGE TUCKERS REPORT:

Justice Scott gave a report on the AAC meeting that her, Justice Bledsoe, Judge Tucker, Assessor Vance, Treasurer Arnold and Clerk Rider attended in Rogers, AR the previous week.

Justice Neal discussed the Men United's annual backpack giveaway that had taken place the week before.

Judge Tucker announced that Justice Overturf turned in his letter of resignation effective 8/31/23.

With there being no further business, Justice Johns made a motion to adjourn. Justice Bledsoe seconded. The meeting was adjourned at 6:12 pm.

  
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Tracy Rider, Clark County Clerk

**Clark County Appropriation Ordinance No. 2023 - 11**

***Be It Enacted By the Quorum Court of Clark County, State of Arkansas***

**An Appropriation Ordinance to Amend the 2023 Clark County Annual Budget Ordinance No. 2022-10 and Amendments Thereto; to Appropriate Professional Development Recognition Payments; and for Other Purposes.**

**Article 1. Affirmation.** This court acknowledges and affirms that it is the responsibility of the county to disburse, through the county payroll system, the Professional Development Recognition Payments funded by the State of Arkansas to qualifying personnel who actively work with property taxes.

**Article 2. Professional Development Recognition Payments.** In accordance with Act 357 of 2023 the professional development recognition payments authorized by § 14-15-205 for qualifying county assessors and full-time employees of a county assessor's office shall be paid through county payroll as soon as practicable after the funds are received. The lump sum payment of a professional development recognition payment shall not be incorporated into the county base pay of a constitutional officer or a county employee for future salary adjustments. This lump sum payment is subject to withholding of all applicable state and federal taxes but shall not be subject to retirement benefits in accordance with § 14-15-205(e)(1). The professional development recognition payments shall not be construed to be part of a county officer's compensation as defined in Amendment 55, § 5 of the Arkansas Constitution or Arkansas Code Annotated § 14-14-1203(d).

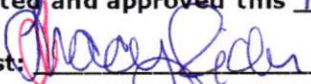
**Article 3. Amendment/Appropriation.** The following is an amendment to the 2023 Clark County Budget Ordinance No. 2022-10 as amended:

<u>Fund/Department/Line Item</u>		<u>Amount</u>
#1000 County General/#0105 Assessor	Line #1005 PDR Payments	\$500.00
	Line #1006 Social Security Match	\$ 38.25
	Total	<u>\$538.25</u>

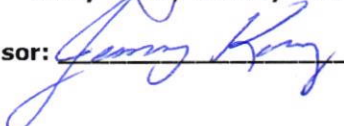
**Article 4. Legislative Intent.** It is the intent of the Clark County Quorum Court that the appropriations contained herein are to be used only for Professional Development Recognition Payments and associated payroll expenses; and this ordinance is only an amendment to the 2023 county operating budget as established by Ordinance No. 2022-10 and other amendments thereto. All other appropriations and policy statements of Ordinance No. 2022-10 shall remain in full force.

**Article 5. Effective Date.** This appropriation ordinance shall be effective immediately upon its passage by the quorum court and approval by the county judge in accordance with Arkansas Code Annotated § 14-14-907(f).

Adopted and approved this 14 day of August, 2023.

Attest:   
Tracy Rider, County Clerk

Troy Tucker   
County Judge

Sponsor: 

APPROPRIATION ORDINANCE NO 2023-1a

BE IT ENACTED BY THE QUORUM COURT OF THE COUNTY OF CLARK, STATE OF ARKANSAS; AN ORDINANCE TO BE ENTITLED "AN ORDINANCE AMENDING ORDINANCE NO 2023-08 APPROPRIATING FUNDS; MAKING SPECIFIC ADDITIONS/DELETIONS TO THE CLARK COUNTY BUDGET FOR 2023".

		ADDITIONS	DELETIONS	BALANCE
<b>Section A</b>	<b>COUNTY GENERAL</b>			
1000	Balance remaining unappropriated (2023-08)			200,727.29
	Add'l Revenue Clark County Communications Equip Fund R#330			11,209.00
	Add'l Revenue AAC Ck for Totaled Charger R#339			18,981.66
	Add'l Revenue State Treasurer R#367			500.00
	Add'l Revenue for Coroner (from 2/13/23 QC Minutes)			5,167.20
	Balance Remaining Unappropriated			236,585.15
1000/0105	Assessor			
	1005 Lump Sum Payment	500.00		
	1006 Social Security Matching	38.00		
1000/0108	Courthouse Maintenance			
	3009 Other Professional Services	926.50		
1000/0400	Sheriff Department			
	2020 Building Material & Supplies	2,725.00		
	3009 Other Professional Services	4,360.00		
	4005 Vehicle	30,190.66		
1000/0409	District Court			
	1001 Salaries, Full Time (from May QC Minutes)	1,500.00		
	1006 Social Security Matching	114.75		
1000/0416	Prosecuting Attorney			
	3009 Other Professional Services	1,785.86		
1000/0418	Jail			
	3009 Other Professional Services	1302.55		
1000/0419	Coroner			
	1001 Salaries, Full Time	4,800.00		
	1005 Social Security Matching	367.20		
1000/0423	Court Complex			
	2020 Building Materials & Supplies	1,144.50		
1000/0500	OEM			
	3009 Other Professional Services	1,998.70		
1000/0602	Grants In Aid Recreation and Culture			
	3103 Grants in Aid (Keep DeGray Lake Beautiful)	1,500.00		
	<b>TOTAL ADDITIONS</b>	<b>53,253.72</b>		
	<b>TOTAL DELETIONS</b>		<b>0.00</b>	
	<b>TOTAL UNAPPROPRIATED BALANCE</b>			<b>183,331.43</b>
<b>Section D</b>	<b>ROAD FUND</b>			
	Balance Remaining Unappropriated (2022-10)			110,531.54
	Add'l Revenue AAC-042458, R#395		A/C damage	8,312.05
	Balance Remaining Unappropriated			118,843.59
	2023 Parts and Repairs	4,312.05		
	3009 Other Professional Services	4,000.00		
	<b>TOTAL ADDITIONS</b>	<b>8,312.05</b>		
	<b>TOTAL DELETIONS</b>		<b>0.00</b>	
	<b>TOTAL UNAPPROPRIATED BALANCE</b>			<b>110,531.54</b>


<b>Section N</b>	<b>SANITATION/SOLID WASTE FUND</b>			
3009/0700	Balance Remaining Unappropriated (2022-10)			767,132.56
	Add'l Revenue R#380 Refund from So. Bancorp			6,099.92
5003	Note Principal	5,489.93		
5004	Note Interest	609.99		
	<b>TOTAL ADDITIONS</b>	<b>6,099.92</b>		
	<b>TOTAL DELETIONS</b>		<b>0.00</b>	
	<b>TOTAL UNAPPROPRIATED BALANCE</b>			<b>767,132.56</b>


<b>Section CC</b>	<b>JAIL MAINTENANCE FUND</b>			
	Balance Remaining Unappropriated (2023-07)			228,876.57
2023	Parts & Repairs	7,080.17		
2030	Concrete	3,967.28		
3009	Other Professional Services	40,680.55		
3071	Machinery & Equipment Rental	21,750.00		
	<b>TOTAL ADDITIONS</b>	<b>73,478.00</b>		
	<b>TOTAL DELETIONS</b>		<b>0.00</b>	
	<b>TOTAL UNAPPROPRIATED BALANCE</b>			<b>155,398.57</b>


<b>Section EE</b>	<b>OEM GRANT FUND</b>			
3500/0500	Balance Remaining Unappropriated (2022-10)			0.00
	Add'l Revenue from State R#293			20,000.00
	Add'l Revenue Blue & You Grant R#168			2,000.00
	Balance Remaining Unappropriated			22,000.00
3100	Other Miscellaneous	22,000.00		
	<b>TOTAL ADDITIONS</b>	<b>22,000.00</b>		
	<b>TOTAL DELETIONS</b>		<b>0.00</b>	
	<b>TOTAL UNAPPROPRIATED BALANCE</b>			<b>0.00</b>

<b>Section FF</b>	<b>SPECIAL GRANT FUND</b>			
3501-0502	Balance Remaining Unappropriated (2022-10)			0.00
	Add'l Rev from US Dept of Justice Grant R#382			11,363.42
	Balance Remaining Unappropriated			11,363.42
3103	Special Grant Fund	11,363.42		
	<b>TOTAL ADDITIONS</b>	<b>11,363.42</b>		
	<b>TOTAL DELETIONS</b>		<b>0.00</b>	
	<b>TOTAL UNAPPROPRIATED BALANCE</b>			<b>0.00</b>

<b>Section JJ</b>	<b>CORONAVIRUS RELIEF FUND</b>			
1005/0100	Balance Remaining Unappropriated (Ord 2023-02)			261,597.23
	Add'l Revenue from State R#128			54,038.00
	Add'l Revenue from State R#161			47,722.95
	Add'l Revenue from State R#208			31,640.00
	Add'l Revenue from State R#271			91,247.00
	Add'l Revenue from State R#311			26,358.40
	<b>TOTAL ADDITIONS</b>	<b>0.00</b>		
	<b>TOTAL DELETIONS</b>		<b>0.00</b>	
	<b>TOTAL UNAPPROPRIATED BALANCE</b>			<b>512,603.58</b>

  
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 Troy Tucker  
 Clark County Judge

  
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 Clark County Clerk

  
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 Albert Neal  
 Justice of the Peace

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Budget Committee Meeting  
08/07/2023  
2:00 p.m.

Members Present: Zach Bledsoe, Mark Overturf, BJ Johns, Wayne Baumgardner.  
Others Present: Troy Tucker, Joe Phelps, Jenna Scott, Tracy Drake, Jenna Scott,  
Sandra Blanton, Mona Vance, Jason Watson, Tracy Rider, Brian  
Daniel.

Judge Tucker went over Proposed Appropriation Ordinance. Justice Overturf made a motion to approve and move to full court. Justice Baumgardner seconded. Motion passed by voice vote 4-0.

Meeting adjourned at 2:17 p.m.



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Tracy Rider, Clark County Clerk

Live Stream Committee Meeting

08/07/2023

2:20 pm

Members Present: Zach Bledsoe, Jenna Scott, Tracy Drake

Others Present: Joel Phelps, Tracy Rider.

Committee discussed Live Stream Packet prepared by Justice Ankton and Presented by Justice Bledsoe. Committee decided to gather more information and schedule another meeting before September's Quorum Court Meeting.

Justice Scott made a motion to elect Justice Ankton as the Committee chair. Justice Bledsoe seconded the motion. The Motion carried 3-0.

Meeting adjourned at 2:35 pm.



Tracy Rider, Clark County Clerk