

Garland County  
Ordinance Committee Meeting  
February 6, 2023  
Minutes

Members Present: Chairman Owen, Vice Chairman Braughton, Justices Young, Hunter, Braziel, Myers, and Peters

Members Absent: None

Also present: Citizens, Elected Officials, Staff, and Media

Chairman Owen called the meeting to order and introduced Resolution R-23-04, a resolution expressing support for Garvan Woodland Gardens. A motion for do pass was made by Justice Braziel, seconded by Justice Myers. Chairman Owen asked for questions or discussion, and with none, the motion passed without opposition.

Chairman Owen called the meeting to order and introduced Resolution R-23-05, a resolution confirming the appointment of the Westwood Village Sewer Facilities Board. A motion for do pass was made by Justice Braziel, seconded by Justice Hunter. Attorney Howard said there was some confusion on the term of the person appointed, and the vote is to confirm the Judges appointment. Judge Mahoney explained the organization of the facility. Chairman Owen abstained and asked for questions or discussion, and with none, the motion passed without opposition.

Chairman Owen asked for consideration of Ordinance O-23-06, an ordinance authorizing the County to continue to do business with Brian Peters and, Lake Hamilton Animal Hospital & Hot Springs Animal Hospital. A motion for a do pass was made by Justice Braziel, seconded by Justice Myers. Justice Peters abstained. Chairman Owen asked for questions or discussion; with none, the motion passed without opposition.

Chairman Owen asked for consideration of Ordinance O-23-07, an ordinance to amend the 2022 Garland County Budget Ordinance O-21-45, to anticipate revenues, appropriate, and transfer funds in various budgets.

- a. The County Judge requests an appropriation transfer of \$5,469.06 in the County General Fund to various budgets to offset under-appropriated amounts in personal services.
- b. The County Judge requests an appropriation transfer of \$669.99 in the County Road Fund to the County Road Budget to offset under-appropriated amounts in personal services.
- c. The Sheriff requests an appropriation transfer of \$213.78 in the American Rescue Plan (ARP) Fund to the Sheriff's Budget to offset under-appropriated amounts in personal services.
- d. The County Judge requests an appropriation transfer of \$15.30 in the Solid Waste-Cedar Glades Park Fund to SW Cedar Glades Park Budget to offset under-appropriated amounts in personal services.

- e. The County Judge requests an appropriation transfer of \$60.00 in the Solid Waste-Stormwater Fund to the Solid Waste Environmental Inspections Budget to offset under-appropriated amounts in personal services.
- f. The Sheriff requests an appropriation transfer of \$19.59 in the Selective Traffic Enforcement Program (STEP) Fund to the Sheriff's Budget to offset under-appropriated amounts in personal services.
- g. The Prosecuting Attorney requests an appropriation transfer of \$50.00 in the Victims of Crime Act (VOCA) Fund to the Prosecuting Attorney's Budget to offset under-appropriated amounts in personal services.
- h. The County Librarian requests to anticipate revenues and appropriate \$181,889.10 in the County Library Reserve Fund to the County Library Budget to pay for a community garden, park, and outdoor programming area

A motion for do pass was made by Justice Braziel, seconded by Justice Peters. Chairman Owen asked Judge Mahoney to summarize the ordinance, and he explained the need to clean up the 2022 budget. Chairman Owen asked for questions or discussion, and with none, the motion passed without opposition.

Chairman Owen asked for consideration of Ordinance O-23-08, an ordinance to amend the 2023 Garland County Budget Ordinance O-22-57, to anticipate revenues and appropriate funds to various budgets.

- a. The Sheriff applied for the Arkansas Full-Time Law Enforcement Officer Salary Stipend Act of 2022 grant and received \$10,765.00 from the Department of Finance and Administration. Ordinance O-22-27 approved this grant, and the funding is to pay for two eligible county law enforcement officers at \$5,000.00 each plus the social security matching. He would like to appropriate \$5,382.50 in the County General Fund to the Sheriff's Budget to pay one eligible officer and appropriate \$5,382.50 in the Detention Facility Fund to the County Jail Budget to pay one eligible officer.
- b. The Sheriff requests an appropriation of \$766.00 in the County General Fund to the Sheriff's Budget and \$766.00 in the Detention Facility Fund to the County Jail Budget to pay retirement matching on stipends received in these budgets.
- c. The Sheriff requests an appropriation of \$9,375.00 in the Detention Facility Fund to the County Jail Budget to pay certification pay to nine employees, with \$3,975.00 being paid for 2022 and \$5,400.00 appropriated to be paid for 2023.
- d. The Sheriff requests to carry forward \$24,802.30 in anticipated revenues and appropriations in the Selective Traffic Enforcement Program (STEP) Fund to the Sheriff's Budget to pay for intoximeters and radar equipment.
- e. The County Judge requests an appropriation of \$1,079.25 in the County General Fund to the Grant-In-Aid Budget to increase the County's share of operational costs in the Hot Springs District Court for certification pay.
- f. The County Judge requests an appropriation of \$100,000.00 in the Solid Waste Fund to the Solid Waste Budget for the engineering cost of the Phase III expansion.

- g. The Circuit Court Division II Juvenile Judge requests to carry forward \$15,471.55 in anticipated revenues and appropriations in the Supplemental Juvenile Court Funding Grant Fund to the Circuit Court Division II Budget to pay for juvenile services.
- h. The Assessor requests an appropriation of \$16,000.00 in the Assessor's Late Assessment Fund to the Assessor's Budget to pay for an upgrade in aerial photo imagery.

A motion for do pass was made by Justice Young, seconded by Justice Peters. Chairman Owen asked Sheriff McCormick to summarize the ordinance, and he went through lines a. through e. Judge Mahoney explained lines e. through h., and there was some discussion on the landfill expansion. Chairman Owen asked for questions or discussion, and with none, the motion passed without opposition.

The meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully Submitted,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Susan Ashmore CPA". The signature is written in a cursive style.

Susan Ashmore, CPA  
Garland County Comptroller