

Garland County
Finance Committee Meeting
August 1, 2022
Minutes

Members Present: Chairman McKee, Vice Chairman Braziel, Justices Horner, Owen, Anderson, Hunter, and Raney

Members Absent: None

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

Chairman McKee called the meeting to order and gave the invocation.

Chairman McKee asked for consideration of an ordinance to amend Ordinance O-16-41, adopting policies and rates for certain vehicle towing services required by the Garland County Sheriff's Department. A motion for a do pass was made by Justice Anderson, seconded by Justice Braziel. Chairman McKee asked for questions or discussion. There was some discussion on the rotation and policies. With nothing further, the motion passed without opposition.

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

- a. The County Judge deposited a refund of \$31,539.00 for the 2021 workmen's compensation premium overpayment with the County Treasurer. The County General Fund received \$19,840.00, and the Detention Facility Fund received \$11,699.00. The County Judge would like to appropriate the County General Fund share to various budgets in the County General Fund, and he would like to appropriate \$9,143.62 of the \$11,699.00 received by the Detention Facility Fund to the County Jail Budget. These appropriations are to pay for 2022 workmen's compensation under-appropriated amounts.
- b. The County Judge requests to un-appropriate and re-appropriate through line item transfers of \$3,812.92 within the personal services line items in various funds and budgets to pay for additional 2022 workmen's compensation under-appropriated amounts, resulting in no change to the total budgeted amounts.
- c. The County Judge requests to un-appropriate and re-appropriate through line item transfers of \$100,000.00 within the personal services line items of the General Reserve Fund, Special Projects Budget to appropriate Health Reimbursement Arrangements (HRA) correctly and to pay the county's federal tax on the program.
- d. The County Judge requests an appropriation of \$26,014.28 for insurance on property and vehicles purchased in 2022 in various funds and budgets.
- e. The County Judge deposited \$32,585.67 with the County Treasurer with \$30,111.00 from the sale of a 2022 Ford truck that was wrecked, purchased back from insurance, and sold, also \$2,474.67 for reimbursement from Tillery's Towing for cleanup. He would like these proceeds appropriated in the Solid Waste Fund, Solid Waste Budget.
- f. The County Judge requests an appropriation of \$5,622.83 for a ballot printing system in the County General Fund, Election Commission Budget.

Judge Mahoney explained each line in detail. A motion for a do pass was made by Justice Raney, seconded by Justice Braziel. Chairman McKee asked for questions or discussion. There was

some discussion on the life expectancy on the printers, and Judge Mahoney stated that he felt we could get ten years out of them. With nothing further, the motion passed without opposition.

Chairman McKee asked for consideration of 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 Clerk requests an appropriation of \$1,500.00 for overtime in the County General Fund, County Clerk's Budget.
- b. The Sheriff requests an appropriation for \$361,544.82 from the County General Fund, Sheriff's Budget to pay for outfitting and reimburse the American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) Revenue Replacement Fund for vehicles and graphics.
- c. The Sheriff requests to un-appropriate \$30,876.00 from the County General Fund, Juvenile Detention Budget, and to re-appropriate it in the County General Fund, Juvenile Housing and Transport Budget.
- d. The Sheriff requests an appropriation for \$34,787.00 from the County General Fund, Juvenile Housing and Transport Budget to reimburse the ARPA Revenue Replacement Fund for the Juvenile transport van.
- e. The Sheriff requests an appropriation for \$18,736.00 from the Detention Facility Fund, County Jail Budget to pay for the increased cost of the security system due to the bid coming back higher than expected.
- f. The County Judge requests an appropriation for \$248,125.10 from the Solid Waste Fund, Solid Waste Budget to reimburse the ARPA Revenue Replacement Fund for the 2015 Frontload Trash Truck.
- g. The Sheriff requests an appropriation of \$51,304.73 to complete the Peers Achieving Collaborative Treatment (PACT) Grant. The appropriation includes \$1,304.73 to pay the third payroll in September of approximately \$1,000.00 and the cell phone charges of \$304.73. Additionally, the Sheriff requests to pay back the Ouachita Memorial Hospital (OMH) Sale Fund \$50,000.00 used to fund the grant.

Judge Mahoney indicated he would be happy to answer any question. A motion for a do pass was made by Justice Anderson, seconded by Justice Hunter. Chairman McKee asked Sheriff McCormick if he would like to address the security system. He indicated that the bids came in higher than expected, and this is the first upgrade since building the new facility. There was some discussion; with nothing further, the motion passed without opposition.

Chairman McKee asked for consideration of 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 Sheriff applied for the Arkansas Full-Time Law Enforcement Officer Salary Stipend Act of 2022 grant and received \$339,097.50 from the Department of Finance Administration. This grant was approved by Ordinance O-22-27, and the receipt is to pay for 63 eligible county law enforcement officers at \$5,000.00 each plus the social security matching. He would like to appropriate and transfer \$5,382.50 to the American Rescue Plan (ARP) Fund, Sheriff's Budget to pay one eligible officer, and appropriate and transfer \$53,825.00 to the Detention Facility Fund, County Jail Budget to pay ten eligible

officers. The remaining \$279,890.00 will be used to pay 52 eligible officers by an appropriation from the County General Fund, Sheriff's Budget.

- b. The Sheriff requests an appropriation of \$47,268.00 in the County General Fund, Sheriff's Budget; \$766.00 in the American Rescue Plan (ARP) Fund, Sheriff's Budget; and \$7,660.00 in the Detention Facility Fund, County Jail Budget to pay retirement matching on stipends received in these budgets.
- c. The Prosecuting Attorney applied for the Arkansas Full-Time Law Enforcement Officer Salary Stipend Act of 2022 grant and anticipates receiving \$10,765.00 from the Department of Finance Administration. This grant was approved by Ordinance O-22-27; she anticipates receiving funds to pay for two eligible county law enforcement officers at \$5,000.00 each plus the social security matching. She would like to appropriate \$5,382.50 to the County General Fund, Prosecuting Attorney's Budget, and \$5,382.50 to the DTF Investigator Fund, Prosecuting Attorney's Budget.
- d. The Prosecuting Attorney requests an appropriation of \$766.00 in the County General Fund, Prosecuting Attorney's Budget, and \$766.00 in the DTF Investigator Fund, Prosecuting Attorney's Budget to pay retirement matching on stipends anticipated to be received by the Prosecuting Attorney's office.

A motion for a do pass was made by Justice Raney, seconded by Justice Braziel. Chairman McKee asked for questions or discussion. There was some discussion on how this would be paid; with nothing further, the motion passed without opposition.

Chairman McKee asked for consideration of a transfer in the Justice Assistance Grant (JAG) Fund for \$449.83 from the cell line item cell phones and pagers to machinery and equipment as follows:

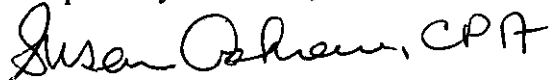
Transfer Out	Transfer In	Amount
3554.0400.3022	3554.0400.4004	\$449.83

A motion for a do pass was made by Justice Braziel, seconded by Justice Anderson. Chairman McKee asked for questions or discussion, and with none, the motion passed without opposition.

Chairman McKee introduced Mr. Cole McCaskill, the Vice President of Economic Development at Hot Springs Metro Partnership (HSMP). Mr. McCaskill reported on the projects HSMP has been working on in July. A motion for a do pass was made by Justice Horner, seconded by Justice Anderson. Chairman McKee asked for questions or discussion, and with none, the motion passed without opposition.

Chairman McKee asked the Justices to review the position changes, overtime, sales tax, Oaklawn, and grant reports. There was some discussion on staffing; then, the meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully Submitted,



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Garland County Comptroller