

Garland County
Ordinance Committee
September 13, 2021
Minutes

Members Present: Chairman Owen, Vice-Chairman Brown, Justices Hunter, Faulkner, Reagan, and Young

Members Absent: Justice Braziel

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

Chairman Owen called the meeting to order and introduced Resolution **R-21-22** a resolution authorizing the Garland County Prosecuting Attorney to apply for a \$70,256.00 Arkansas Department of Finance and Administration, Justice Assistance Grant (JAG) Matching Grant. A motion for a do pass was made by Justice Reagan, seconded by Justice Young. Chairman Owen asked for questions or discussion, with none, the motion passed without opposition.

Chairman Owen introduced Resolution **R-21-23** authorizing the County Judge to establish a policy prohibiting the use of excessive force by law enforcement agencies within the applicant's jurisdiction against individuals engaged in non-violent civil rights demonstrations. A motion for a do pass was made by Justice Reagan, seconded by Justice Brown. Chairman Owen asked for questions or discussion, and with none, the motion passed without opposition.

Chairman Owen introduced Resolution **R-21-24** authorizing the County Judge to apply for an Arkansas Community and Economic Development Program (ACEDP) Grant. A motion for a do pass was made by Justice Reagan, seconded by Justice Hunter. Chairman Owen asked for questions or discussion, and with none, the motion passed without opposition.

Chairman Owen introduced Resolution **R-21-25** authorizing the Sheriff to apply for an FY 2021-2022 Arkansas Peers Achieving Collaborative Treatment (PACT) Grant totaling \$50,000. A motion for a do pass was made by Justice Brown, seconded by Justice Young. Chairman Owen asked for questions or discussion, and with none, the motion passed without opposition.

Chairman Owen introduced Resolution **R-21-26** authorizing the Sheriff to apply for an FY 2021-2022 Juvenile Detention Grant-In-Aid grant totaling \$28,574.00. A motion for a do pass was made by Justice Young, seconded by Justice Hunter. Chairman McKee asked for questions or discussion, and with none, the motion passed without opposition.

Chairman Owen introduced Ordinance **O-21-27** to adopt a catastrophic leave policy. A motion for a do pass was made by Justice Faulkner, seconded by Justice Reagan. Justice Young asked for an amendment to the policy. Correction noted and a motion adopted as amended by Justice Reagan, and seconded by Justice Faulkner. Chairman Owen asked for questions or discussion, and with none, the amended motion passed without opposition.

Chairman Owen introduced Ordinance **O-21-28** to amend the 2021 Budget Ordinance O-20-35; to anticipate revenues and appropriate funds in various budgets:

- a. The County Judge and County Librarian request an appropriation for \$2,924.32 from the Coronavirus Relief Fund, County Judges Budget, and \$581.88 from the County Library Fund, County Library Budget, respectively, to pay for an Employee Assistance Program (EAP) through Southwest EAP.
- b. The County Judge deposited \$4,409.22 with the County Treasurer from recycling and would like it appropriated in the Solid Waste Fund, Solid Waste Budget for overtime pay.
- c. The County Librarian requests an appropriation of \$5,750.00 to pay for half of the cost of a fence from the County Library Fund, County Library Budget.
- d. The County Judge deposited \$1,070.93 with the County Treasurer for reimbursement from the Bulletproof Vest Federal Grant Fund, Circuit and would like to reimburse the Ouachita Memorial Hospital (OMH) Sale Fund by appropriating these funds in the Circuit Court Budget.
- e. The Sheriff has been awarded \$28,574.00 from the Department of Finance and Administration for a Juvenile Detention Grant-in-Aid grant and would like to appropriate these funds in the Juvenile Detention Budget.
- f. The County Judge requests an appropriation of \$14,000.00 from the American Rescue Plan (ARP) Fund to pay for permanent glass partitions in the County Clerk and Circuit Clerk's offices.

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

Adjourned.

Respectfully Submitted,



Susan Ashmore, CPA

Garland County Comptroller