



**SALINE COUNTY QUORUM COURT
AGENDA**

DATE-----June 21, 2021

PLACE-----Saline County Courthouse, Courtroom #3

6:30 P.M.-----Call Meeting to Order

INVOCATION

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

CLERK: Call the Roll

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

REPORTS:

OLD BUSINESS:

NEW BUSINESS:

Exhibit "A": Ordinance Amending 2021 Saline County Budget Ordinance 2020-46

Informational Presentation: 2019 Audit Findings

ADD ON:

COMMENTS

**SALINE COUNTY QUORUM COURT
MINUTES
MAY 17, 2021**

The Saline County Quorum Court met on Monday, May 17, 2021 at 6:30 p.m. in Courtroom #3 in the Saline County Courthouse. Proceedings were held by ZOOM, telephone, and in person. County Judge Jeff Arey called the meeting to order. Justice of the Peace Clint Chism gave the invocation and Judge Arey led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Roll call was taken with all members present. Pat Bisbee participated by telephone, and Barbara Howell, Mark Grimmett, and Jim Whitley participated by ZOOM. All other members were present in person.

Saline County Collector Holly Sanders, Collector Chief Deputy Jennifer Carter, County Attorney Will Gruber, County Comptroller Angie Drummond, County Judge Administrative Assistant Vicki Hopkins, County Clerk Doug Curtis, and County Clerk Chief Deputy Lisa Montgomery were present.

Motion made by J.R. Walters and seconded by Tammy Schmidt to approve the minutes from the April 19, 2021 meeting. Motion passed unanimously by voice vote.

OLD BUSINESS:

Exhibit "A": Motion made by J.R. Walters and seconded by Tammy Schmidt to approve the third reading of an Ordinance Adding Roads to the County Road System. Roll call vote was taken. Motion passed unanimously. Ordinance 2021-12.

NEW BUSINESS:

Exhibit "B": Motion made by J.R. Walters and seconded by Ed Albares to approve an Ordinance providing for expansion of electronic funds transfer system. Roll call vote was taken. Motion passed unanimously. Ordinance 2021-13.

Exhibit "C": Motion made by J.R. Walters and seconded by Ed Albares to approve an Ordinance establishing special revenue fund for American Rescue Plan funds. Justice of the Peace Keith Keck had question about the oversight of the funds. Judge Arey and Justice of the Peace Josh Curtis answered that there were guidelines given for the expenditures and that considerations would be given to how best to use monies to serve for the future of Saline County. Roll call vote was taken. Motion passed unanimously. Ordinance 2021-14.

Exhibit "D": Motion made by J.R. Walters and seconded by Tammy Schmidt to approve a Resolution to establish a Good Neighbor Award for Saline County on an annual basis. Motion passed by voice vote. Resolution 2021-4.

Action Item 1: Motion made by J.R. Walters and seconded by Tammy Schmidt to approve the Involuntary Demotion of Transport Officer to Detention Officer, with pay set at \$14.19/hr, retroactive to March 29, 2021. Motion passed unanimously by voice vote.

COMMENTS: Saline County citizen Chaney McDonald, a new Salem community resident, spoke concerning what he felt was excessive burning of leaves, brush, etc. in his area. He stated that it was creating health issues for his family and asked if the Quorum Court could possibly intervene to create an ordinance limiting number of days or setting days for residents to burn. Justices Everette Hatcher, Clint Chism, Jim Whitley, and Josh Curtis expressed their concerns that there would be a negative reaction from majority of residents to such an action.

Motion was made by J.R. Walters and seconded by Josh Curtis to adjourn the meeting. Motion passed by voice vote. Meeting adjourned at 6:53 p.m.

**SALINE COUNTY QUORUM COURT
MINUTES
SPECIAL QUORUM COURT MEETING
MAY 24, 2021**

The Saline County Quorum Court met for a special meeting on Monday, May 24, 2021 at 6:30 p.m. in Courtroom #3 in the Saline County Courthouse. The purpose of the Special Meeting was to address a Resolution Expressing Willingness to Utilize Federal-Aid Transportation Alternatives Program Funds. Proceedings were held by ZOOM, telephone, and in person. Judge Arey called the meeting to order. Roll call vote was taken with 11 members present. Justices of the Peace Pat Bisbee, Carlton Billingsley, Barbara Howell, Mark Grimmett, Tammy Schmidt, and David Gibson participated by ZOOM, J.R. Walters participated by telephone, and Everette Hatcher, Ed Albares, Jim Whitley, and Clint Chism were present. Josh Curtis and Keith Keck were absent.

Saline County Attorney Will Gruber, Comptroller Angie Drummond, and County Clerk Chief Deputy Lisa Montgomery were present.

Motion made by Jim Whitley and seconded by Clint Chism to suspend the rules and accept the additional Resolution for reading. Motion passed unanimously by voice vote.

Exhibit "A" Resolution was read by County Attorney Will Gruber.

Motion made by Jim Whitley and seconded by Everette Hatcher to approve the Resolution Expressing Willingness to Utilize Federal-Aid Transportation Alternatives Program Funds. Motion passed unanimously by voice vote. Resolution 2021-5.

Motion made by Everette Hatcher and seconded by Clint Chism to adjourn. Motion passed unanimously. Meeting adjourned at 6:35 p.m.

EXHIBIT "A"

APPROPRIATION ORDINANCE NO. 2021 - _____

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

"AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND THE 2021 SALINE COUNTY BUDGET ORDINANCE NO. 2020-46; TO ANTICIPATE REVENUES, APPROPRIATE, AND TRANSFER FUNDS THEREFORE TO VARIOUS BUDGETS; AND, FOR OTHER PURPOSES."

WHEREAS, the County Judge has received a \$500.00 refund of an insurance deductible and would like to appropriate these funds in the County Road Fund budget (Article 1); and,

WHEREAS, the County Judge has received a \$2,346.00 refund of the workers compensation premium for 2020 and would like to appropriate these funds in the County General Fund budget (Article 2); and,

WHEREAS, the Financial Management Department has moved to payment of payroll benefits, such as health insurance, through electronic transfer processing, and the County Library pays the premiums for their employees monthly to the County. The County Judge requests to amend the 2021 budget and appropriate anticipated revenues in the County General Fund for the amount of \$153,000.00 and appropriate these funds in the County General Fund budget (Article 3); and,

WHEREAS, the County Judge requests to transfer and appropriate \$10,000.00 from the County General Fund, Veterans Service Officer Department to Part-Time line item to pay part-time salary to assist in the support of the Veterans Office (Article 4); and,

WHEREAS, the County Judge has received \$34,621.63 payment of 2021 insurance premiums from retirees and the Saline County Library and would like to appropriate these funds in the County General Fund budget (Article 5); and,

WHEREAS, the Finance Committee previously met and approved this request.

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

Article 1. That the sum of \$500.00 is hereby appropriated in the County Road Fund, Road Department budget as follows:

Line Item	Description	Amount
2000.0200.3058	General Insurance	\$500.00

Article 2. That the sum of \$2,346.00 is hereby appropriated in the County General Fund, Quorum Court Department budget as follows:

Line Item	Description	Amount
1000.0107.1010	Worker's Compensation	\$2,346.00

Article 3. That the sum of \$153,000.00 is hereby appropriated as anticipated revenues in the County General Fund budget and the sum of \$153,000.00 is hereby appropriated in the County General Fund, Financial Management Department budget as follows:

Line Item	Description	Amount
1000.8301	Insurance Premiums	\$153,000.00
1000.0113.1009	Health Insurance Match	\$153,000.00

Article 4. That the sum of \$10,000.00 is hereby transferred and appropriated in the County General Fund, Veterans Service Officer Department budget as follows:

Transfer From	Description	Transfer To	Description	Amount
1000.0800.0102	Veterans Service Office-Adm. Asst.	1000.0800.1005	Part-Time Help	\$10,000.00

Article 5. That the sum of \$34,621.63 is hereby appropriated in the County General Fund, Financial Management Department budget as follows:

Line Item	Description	Amount
1000.0113.1009	Health Insurance Match	\$34,621.63

Article 11. It is deemed necessary for the smooth operation of Saline County Government that this ordinance be approved.

DATE: JUNE 21, 2021

APPROVED _____
JEFF AREY
SALINE COUNTY JUDGE

ATTEST: _____
DOUG CURTIS
SALINE COUNTY CLERK

SPONSOR: J. R. WALTERS, JP DISTRICT #12