



**PUBLIC WORKS AND SAFETY COMMITTEE MEETING
AND
FINANCE COMMITTEE MEETING
AGENDA**

DATE----- July 6, 2021

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

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

PUBLIC WORKS AND SAFETY COMMITTEE MEETING:

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Exhibit "A": Ordinance Adding Roads to the County Road System (1st Reading)

Exhibit "B": Appointment to Saline County Library Board

Exhibit "C": Appointment to Saline County Library Board

Exhibit "D": Resolution in Support of Benton Lady Panthers Softball Team

Exhibit "E": Resolution Expressing Willingness to Utilize STBG Program Funds for the Southwest Trail

Exhibit "F": Resolution in Support of Fiscal Year 2021 JAG Program

FINANCE COMMITTEE MEETING:

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

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

Exhibit "H": Ordinance Appropriating County General Funds and Establishing Compensation—Saline County Airport

Action Item 1: Saline County Sheriff's Office—Movement of Chief Deputy Pay to Midpoint

Action Item 2: Saline County Sheriff's Office—Movement of Detention Lieutenant Pay to Budgeted Amount

Informational Item: Saline County District Court—Transfer of Funds to Avoid Fees

ADD-ON:

COMMENTS:

PUBLIC WORKS & SAFETY COMMITTEE MEETING
and
FINANCE COMMITTEE MEETING
June 7, 2021 MINUTES

Committee Members:

Pat Bisbee, District 1	ABSENT	Josh Curtis, District 7
Everette Hatcher, District 2		Ed Albares, District 8
Carlton Billingsley, District 3		David Gibson, District 9
Barbara Howell, District 4		Jim Whitley, District 10
Mark Grimmatt, District 5		Clint Chism, District 11
Tammy Schmidt, District 6		J. R. Walters, District 12
		Keith Keck, District 13

PUBLIC WORKS AND SAFETY COMMITTEE MEETING

Josh Curtis stated that as there was no business to discuss he was going to move straight into the Finance Committee Meeting.

FINANCE COMMITTEE MEETING

Josh Curtis called the meeting to order. Motion made by Barbara Howell, second by Mark Grimmatt to approve the Minutes from the Finance Committee meeting held on May 3, 2021. Vote was unanimous, motion passed.

Exhibit "A" – Ordinance Amending 2021 Saline County Budget Ordinance 2020-46 – Motion made by J. R. Walters, second by Barbara Howell to approve Exhibit A. Vote was unanimous, Motion approved.

Chair recognized Angie Drummond for an Informational Presentation.

Informational Presentation: 2019 Audit Findings. Angie discussed the findings of the 2019 Audit and the reasons for them. There were no questions asked by Committee Members.

There was no public comment.

Motion made by J. R. Walters, second by Jim Whitley to adjourn the meeting. Vote was unanimous, meeting was adjourned by Josh Curtis.

ORDINANCE NO. 2021-_____

BE IT ENACTED BY THE QUORUM COURT OF SALINE COUNTY, STATE OF ARKANSAS, AN ORDINANCE TO BE ENTITLED: "AN ORDINANCE AMENDING ORD. 92-36 FOR THE PURPOSE OF ADDING ROADS TO THE COUNTY ROAD SYSTEM".

Article 1. The following roads in Saline County have been inspected and found to be in compliance with Ordinances 88-32 and 99-47 and therefore eligible to be included in the county road system. Therefore, these roads are hereby accepted and added to the County Road System.

Avilla Hills Cove	828 Feet
Ferndale Cove	1,025 Feet
Saddle Ridge Road	782 Feet of Extension
Reuben Drive	1,058 Feet of Extension
Indigo Valley Road	1,317 Feet

Article 2. It is deemed necessary for the smooth operation of Saline County Government that this ordinance be approved.

DATED: July 19, 2021

APPROVED _____
JEFF AREY
SALINE COUNTY JUDGE

ATTEST _____
DOUG CURTIS
SALINE COUNTY CLERK

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

1st Reading

APPOINTMENT

**IN THE MATTER OF AN APPOINTMENT TO
THE SALINE COUNTY PUBLIC LIBRARY BOARD**

WHEREAS, Board member Susan Benzick resigned as a member of the Saline County Public Library Board, thus creating a vacancy. **Allison Nolly** was appointed on December 21, 2020 to fill the remainder of Ms. Benzick's term, which was set to expire on June 30, 2021.

WHEREAS, it is considered to be in the best interest of the Library Board and the citizens of Saline County that **Allison Nolly** be appointed to the Library Board for a full term.

Therefore, in accordance with Ordinance No. 78-1, **Allison Nolly** is hereby appointed for a five (5) year term to a term on said Board to expire on June 30, 2026.

**JEFF AREY
SALINE COUNTY JUDGE**

DATE: July 19, 2021

APPOINTMENT

**IN THE MATTER OF AN APPOINTMENT TO
THE SALINE COUNTY PUBLIC LIBRARY BOARD**

WHEREAS, Board member Dustin Sanders has resigned as a member of the Saline County Public Library Board, thus creating a vacancy. It is considered to be in the best interest of the Library Board and the citizens of Saline County that Laine Holleran be appointed to fill this vacancy.

Therefore, in accordance with Ordinance No. 78-1, Laine Holleran is hereby appointed to a term on said Board to expire on June 30, 2022.

JEFF AREY
SALINE COUNTY JUDGE

DATE: July 19, 2021

RESOLUTION NO. 2021-

**A RESOLUTION DECLARING APPRECIATION FOR THE
2021 LADY PANTHERS SOFTBALL TEAM**

WHEREAS, the Benton Lady Panthers Softball Team (Lady Panthers) impressively completed the 2021 season by going undefeated, 30-0, and winning all 14 5A Central Conference games played; and,

WHEREAS, the Lady Panthers shut out 18 opponents and won all of their 5A Central Conference games by at least nine (9) runs; and,

WHEREAS, the Lady Panthers assertively defeated Class 6A powers Bentonville (twice), Cabot (twice), Bryant, and Rogers, outscoring Bryant, Bentonville and Cabot 38-5; and,

WHEREAS, Lady Panthers Coach Heidi Cox noted in the Arkansas Democrat-Gazette that because of the impact of COVID-19 during the 2020 season, it taught the team not to take anything for granted, and the team did not take anything for granted; and,

WHEREAS, the Lady Panthers decisively defeated the Greenwood Lady Bulldogs, 8-1, in the 5A Central Conference Championship Game on May 20, winning the 2021 State Championship; and,

WHEREAS, the Lady Panthers have now won four (4) State Championships; and,

WHEREAS, Coach Heidi Cox was named the Outstanding Girls Coach of the Year and Softball Coach of the Year; and,

WHEREAS, the Saline County Quorum Court, all of the Saline County elected officials and employees, and the citizens of Saline County are very proud of the accomplishments of the Lady Panthers.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE QUORUM COURT OF SALINE COUNTY, ARKANSAS.

DATED: July 19, 2021

APPROVED _____
JEFF AREY
SALINE COUNTY JUDGE

ATTEST _____
DOUG CURTIS
SALINE COUNTY CLERK

SPONSORS: SALINE COUNTY QUORUM COURT

RESOLUTION NO. 2021-_____

A RESOLUTION EXPRESSING THE WILLINGNESS OF SALINE COUNTY TO UTILIZE FEDERAL-AID SURFACE TRANSPORTATION BLOCK GRANT PROGRAM FUNDS.

WHEREAS, Saline County understands the Federal-aid Surface Transportation Block Grant Program funds are available at 80% federal participation and 20% local match to develop or improve the Southwest Trail; and

WHEREAS, Saline County understands the Federal-aid Funds are available for this project on a reimbursable basis, requiring work to be accomplished and proof of payment prior to actual money reimbursement; and

WHEREAS, this project, using federal funding, will be open and available for use by the general public and maintained by the applicant for the life of the project.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT:

SECTION I: Saline County will participate in accordance with its designated responsibility, including maintenance of this project.

SECTION II: Saline County Judge Jeff Arey is hereby authorized and directed to execute all appropriate agreements and contracts necessary to expedite the construction of the above stated project.

SECTION III: Saline County pledges its full support and hereby authorizes the Arkansas Department of Transportation to initiate action to implement this project

THIS RESOLUTION adopted this 19th day of July, 2021

APPROVED: _____

JEFF AREY
SALINE COUNTY JUDGE

ATTEST: _____

DOUG CURTIS
SALINE COUNTY CLERK

RESOLUTION NO. 2021 - _____

SALINE COUNTY QUORUM COURT

A RESOLUTION authorizing the grant application process for the Edward Byrne Memorial Justice Assistance Grant (JAG) Program – FY 2021 Local Solicitation, and providing other assurances.

WHEREAS, the need for additional radios for Saline County Sheriff’s Office Patrol Deputies is an ongoing need; and

WHEREAS, the need for radios and other small equipment to assist Saline County Sheriff’s Office is compliant with the National Preparedness Goal, and

WHEREAS, the funding requested through the Edward Byrne Memorial Justice Assistance Grant (JAG) Program – FY 2021 Local Solicitation will provide \$15,054 to address these needs, and matching funds are not required; and

WHEREAS, the members of the Saline County Quorum Court have had an opportunity to review and comment on the contents of the 2021 Edward Byrne Memorial Justice Assistance Program grant application; and

WHEREAS, the Saline County Quorum Court Assures the United States Department of Justice, Office of Justice Programs, Bureau of Justice Assistance that the application or any future amendments have been or will be made public and an opportunity to comment has been or will be provided to citizens.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Saline County Quorum Court hereby authorizes and directs the Saline County Grants Administrator to submit the Edward Byrne Memorial Justice Assistance Grant (JAG) Program - FY 2021 Local Solicitation grant application.

DATE: JULY 19, 2021

APPROVED: _____
JEFF AREY
SALINE COUNTY JUDGE

Attest: _____
DOUG CURTIS
SALINE COUNTY CLERK

EXHIBIT "G"

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 APPROPRIATE AND TRANSFER FUNDS THEREFORE TO THE VARIOUS BUDGETS; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES."

WHEREAS, the Public Defender's office has a part-time employee who has met the hourly and 90-day threshold that requires wages to be subject to both retirement benefits and withholding through Arkansas Public Employees Retirement System (APERS) due to the number of hours worked in a consecutive 90-day time period by such employee. The Public Defender requests to transfer \$3,000.00 from the Public Defender Fund, Small Equipment line item to the Retirement line item (Article 1); and,

WHEREAS, the Sheriff requests funds of \$536.46 be appropriated to the salary line item for additional pay for the Sheriff's Administrative Assistant for bilingual language skills and duties (Article 2); 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 \$3,000.00 is hereby transferred in the Public Defender Fund budget as follows:

Transfer From	Description	Transfer To	Description	Amount
3024.0417.2002	Small Equipment	3024.0417.1008	Retirement	\$3,000.00

Article 2. That the sum of \$536.46 is hereby appropriated in the County General Fund, Sheriff Department budget as follows:

Line Item	Description	Amount
1000.0400.0142	Sheriff Admin. Assistant	\$536.46

Article 3. It is deemed necessary for the smooth operation of Saline County Government that this ordinance be approved.

DATE: JULY 19, 2021

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SALINE COUNTY JUDGE

ATTEST: _____
DOUG CURTIS
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SPONSOR: J. R. WALTERS, JP DISTRICT #12

APPROPRIATION ORDINANCE NO. 2021 - _____

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"AN ORDINANCE APPROPRIATING REVENUE, ESTABLISHING THE COMPENSATION AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS FOR A NEW AIRPORT MAINTENANCE/ATTENDANT POSITION IN THE AIRPORT FUND FOR THE YEAR 2021".

WHEREAS, the Airport Commission has approved a new full-time position, Airport Maintenance/Attendant, for the Airport; and

WHEREAS, the County Financial Management Department is responsible for the payroll of Airport employees; and

WHEREAS, the appropriated expenses will be reimbursed by the Central Arkansas Planning and Development District and the County Judge requests to amend the 2021 budget and appropriate anticipated revenues in the Airport Fund for the amount of \$19,657.64; and

WHEREAS, the position shall only exist as long as the reimbursement is received; 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. Funds are hereby appropriated as follows:

Line Item	Description	Amount
3037.8725	Revenues - Reimbursement – Miscellaneous	<u>\$19,657.64</u>
3037.0900.0102	Airport Maintenance/Attendant	\$14,260.00
3037.0900.1006	Social Security Match	\$ 1,100.00
3037.0900.1008	Retirement Match	\$ 2,200.00
3037.0900.1009	Health Ins. Match	<u>\$ 2,097.64</u>
Total Funds Appropriated		<u>\$19,657.64</u>

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