



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

DATE-----December 4, 2023
PLACE-----Saline County Courthouse, Courtroom #3
7:00 P.M.-----Call meeting to Order

PUBLIC WORKS AND SAFETY COMMITTEE MEETING:

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

FINANCE COMMITTEE MEETING:

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

- Exhibit A: Ordinance Approving 2023 Millage Rates in Saline County**
- Exhibit B: Ordinance Amending the 2023 Budget Ordinance 2022-36**

ADD-ON:

OTHER BUSINESS:

**PUBLIC WORKS & SAFETY COMMITTEE MEETING
and
FINANCE COMMITTEE MEETING
November 6, 2023 MINUTES**

Committee Members:

Pat Bisbee, District 1	Josh Curtis, District 7
Everette Hatcher, District 2	Ed Albares, District 8
Carlton Billingsley, District 3	C. J. Engel, District 9
Barbara Howell, District 4	Jim Whitley, District 10
Justin Rue, District 5	Clint Chism, District 11
Rick Bellinger, District 6	VACANT - District 12
	Keith Keck, District 13

PUBLIC WORKS AND SAFETY COMMITTEE MEETING

Pat Bisbee called the meeting to order. Motion made by Carlton Billingsley, second by Barbara Howell, to approve the minutes from the Public Works & Safety Committee Meeting held on October 2, 2023. Motion carried.

Exhibit A: A Resolution Declaring a Vacancy in the Office of Justice of the Peace for District No. 12 - Motion to approve made by Jim Whitley, second by CJ Engel. Vote was unanimous, motion carried.

Exhibit B: A Resolution Adopting the Recommendation of the Saline County Intergovernmental Cooperation Council regarding the Apportionment of Act 833 Funds - Motion to approve made by Keith Keck, second by Clint Chism. Vote was unanimous, motion carried.

Motion to Adjourn made by Jim Whitley, second by Clint Chism, vote was unanimous, meeting was adjourned.

FINANCE COMMITTEE MEETING

Josh Curtis called the Finance Committee Meeting to Order. Motion to approve the Minutes for the Finance Committee Meeting held on October 2, 2023 made by Carlton Billingsley, second by Barbara Howell. Vote was unanimous, motion carried.

Exhibit C: Ordinance Amending 2023 Saline County Budget Ordinance 2022-36 - Motion to approve made by CJ Engel, second by Pat Bisbee. After some discussion among the Committee Members and Judge, a vote was taken. The vote was unanimous, motion carried.

ACTION ITEM: Request to Increase two new hire detention officers to \$17.28 due to the prior correctional officer experience they are bringing to the position, retroactive to initial hiring date of both employees. No additional funds needed for this request. After noting that this item was approved at the H. R. meeting held prior to the Committees Meeting, a Motion was made by Carlton Billingsley, second by Justin Rue, to approve. Vote was unanimous, motion carried.

Pat Bisbee made a motion to suspend the rules to include an add on. Second by Jim Whitley, vote was unanimous, motion carried.

ADD-ON:

Action Item:

- Request to increase the budgeted amount of line 1000.0156.0107 to promote an established employee (DOH 6/01/21) to this position at the rate of \$38,694, which is the same as another similarly situated employee in that office. Due the fact the position has been vacant, no monies will be needed for this increase to the line.
- Due to the final retirement date of another employee in this department, the Assessor requests to post this position after approval from the Finance Committee but not fill it until final verbal approval from the Quorum Court on November 20, 2023.

JESAP and HR Committees passed the action item. Jim Whitley explained the need to pass the action item and broke it down into the two items that need approval.

- Fill @ 90% of midpoint – Motion to approve made by Pat Bisbee, second by Jim Whitley. Vote was unanimous, motion carried.
- Vacancy created by promotion – asking for permission to advertise early so they will be ready to hire when the vacancy occurs. Motion to approve made by CJ Engel, second by Justin Rue. Vote was unanimous, motion carried.

Josh Curtis shared an "Information Only" Hot Checks report from the Prosecuting Attorney for the Committee Members to review.

Angie spoke to the Committee regarding the upcoming budget for 2024 and answered questions from the Committee. There was also some discussion about the upcoming insurance quote for 2024. Although there was not a formal vote taken, the Committee agreed to make the move to Municipal League for employee health insurance in FY 2024 and continue to provide employer paid coverage for employee only in FY 2024.

Josh Curtis added that there would be a budget meeting immediately following the Quorum Court meeting scheduled for November 20, 2023.

COMMENTS: No comments from the public.

Motion to adjourn made by Clint Chism, second by Justin Rue. Vote was unanimous, meeting adjourned.

APPROPRIATION ORDINANCE NO. 2023 – _____

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE QUORUM COURT OF SALINE COUNTY, STATE OF ARKANSAS, AN ORDINANCE TO BE ENTITLED: "AN ORDINANCE APPROVING THE MILLAGE RATES IN THE COUNTY".

Article 1. The following reflects the millage rates made in accordance with A.C.A. 14-14-904. The following millage shall be collected in the year 2024 for the year 2023.

<u>CITY TAX</u>	<u>REAL & PERSONAL</u>
City of Alexander	.0015
City of Bauxite	.0050
City of Benton	.0038 (City .0028; Fire .0010)
City of Bryant	.0032
City of Haskell	.0050
City of Shannon Hills	.0040
City of Traskwood	.0050
 <u>COUNTY TAX</u>	
County General	.0050
County Road	.0030
County Library	.0017
Timber Lands	.20 CENTS
 <u>SCHOOL TAX</u>	
#1 Harmony Grove	.0445
#3 Glen Rose	.0382
#8 Benton	.0419
#14 Bauxite	.0386
#25 Bryant	.0406
#18 Fountain Lake	.0348
#37 Grant - Sheridan	.0360
#74 Pulaski Special	.0407
#17 Jessieville	.0387

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

DATE: NOVEMBER 20, 2023

APPROVED _____
MATT BRUMLEY
SALINE COUNTY JUDGE

ATTEST _____
DOUG CURTIS
SALINE COUNTY CLERK

SPONSOR: BARBARA HOWELL, JP DISTRICT #4

APPROPRIATION ORDINANCE NO. 2023 - _____

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

"AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND THE 2023 SALINE COUNTY BUDGET ORDINANCE NO. 2022-36; TO APPROPRIATE/TRANSFER FUNDS THEREFORE TO THE VARIOUS BUDGETS; AND, FOR OTHER PURPOSES."

WHEREAS, the OEM Director requests to transfer and appropriate funds in Fund 1000 – County General, OEM Department budget (0500) for the purchase of a new vehicle for the OEM Department. The department currently has two (2) vehicles in need of repairs that will cost approximately \$9,000. The plan is to use trade-ins of the current vehicles to obtain a newer used vehicle that will be reliable and meet the needs of the department (Article 1);

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

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

Article 1. That the sum of \$9,000.00 is hereby transferred in Fund 1000 – OEM Department (0500) budget as follows:

Transfer From	Description	Transfer To	Description	Amount
1000.0500.4004	Capt Outlay-Equip	1000.0500.4005	Capt Outlay-Vehicles	\$3,000.00
1000.0500.3009	Other Prof Services	1000.0500.4005	Capt Outlay-Vehicles	\$6,000.00

Article 2. It is deemed necessary for the smooth operation of Saline County Government that this ordinance be approved. It has been approved by Saline County Finance Committee on December 4, 2023 and recorded in the minutes.

DATE: DECEMBER 18, 2023

APPROVED _____
MATT BRUMLEY
SALINE COUNTY JUDGE

ATTEST: _____
DOUG CURTIS
SALINE COUNTY CLERK

SPONSOR: BARBARA HOWELL, JP DISTRICT #4