

BAXTER COUNTY QUORUM COURT AGENDA

OCTOBER 6, 2020

THE BAXTER COUNTY QUORUM COURT WILL MEET FOR REGULAR SESSION ON TUESDAY, OCTOBER 6, 2020 AT 6:00 PM IN THE 2ND FLOOR COURTROOM OF THE COURTHOUSE, WITH JUDGE MICKEY PENDERGRASS PRESIDING.

- CALL TO ORDER
- DISPOSITION OF MINUTES FROM PREVIOUS MEETING
- COMMITTEE REPORTS:
- NEW BUSINESS
 1. AN ORDINANCE APPROPRIATING FEES AND REIMBURSEMENTS RECEIVED IN THE MONTH OF AUGUST TO THE SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT 2020 BUDGET.
 2. AN ORDINANCE APPROPRIATING FUNDS IN THE AMOUNT OF \$20,091.00 TO THE CLERK'S ELECTION GRANT (CTCL) FUND.
 3. AN ORDINANCE APPROPRIATING AND RE-APPROPRIATING FUNDS IN THE AMOUNT OF \$32,966.26 IN THE SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT 2020 BUDGET.
 4. AN ORDINANCE APPROPRIATING FUNDS IN THE AMOUNT OF \$42,000.00 FROM EXCESS REVENUE EMERGENCY 911 FUND (#3020) INTO THE EMERGENCY 911 #3020 2020 BUDGET.
 5. AN ORDINANCE APPROPRIATING FUNDS IN THE AMOUNT OF \$20,000.00 FROM ROAD & BRIDGE REVENUE FUND #2000 INTO ROAD & BRIDGE 2020 BUDGET.
 6. AN ORDINANCE TO ESTABLISH SUB-FUND OF COUNTY GENERAL TO BE CALLED THE CORONAVIRUS RELIEF FUND; AND TO DECLARE AN EMERGENCY.
 7. A RESOLUTION BY BAXTER COUNTY SUPPORTING ISSUE 1, PROPOSING AN AMENDMENT TO THE ARKANSAS CONSTITUTION TO CONTINUE TO LEVY A ONE-HALF PERCENT SALES AND USE TAX FOR STATE HIGHWAYS AND BRIDGES; COUNTY ROADS, BRIDGES, AND OTHER SURFACE TRANSPORTATION; AND CITY STREETS, BRIDGES, AND OTHER SURFACE TRANSPORTATION AFTER THE RETIREMENT OF THE BONDS AUTHORIZED IN ARKANSAS CONSTITUTION, AMENDMENT 91, AS SPECIAL REVENUE TO BE DISTRIBUTED UNDER THE ARKANSAS HIGHWAY REVENUE DISTRIBUTION LAW.
 8. A RESOLUTION ADOPTED IN FURTHERANCE OF THE CARES ACT AND IN RESPONSE TO THE COVID-19 PANDEMIC EMERGENCY.
 9. A RESOLUTION ADOPTED IN FURTHERANCE OF THE CARES ACT FOR THE SUPPORT OF FOOD BANK IN RESPONSE TO THE COVID-19 PANDEMIC EMERGENCY.
 10. A RESOLUTION ADOPTED IN FURTHERANCE OF THE CARES ACT FOR THE SUPPORT OF THE BAXTER COUNTY FAIR BOARD IN RESPONSE TO THE COVID-19 PANDEMIC EMERGENCY.
 11. A RESOLUTION ADOPTED IN FURTHERANCE OF THE CARES ACT FOR THE SUPPORT OF THE BAXTER COUNTY FIRE CHIEFS ASSOCIATION IN RESPONSE TO THE COVID-19 PANDEMIC EMERGENCY
 12. A RESOLUTION CONFIRMING THE APPOINTMENT OF JOHN BOLDING BY THE COUNTY JUDGE TO THE TRACY AREA FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS.
 13. A RESOLUTION CONFIRMING THE RE-APPOINTMENT OF WAYNE ROTH BY THE COUNTY JUDGE TO THE GAMALIEL FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS.
- ANNOUNCEMENT:
 - AAC Safety Award to David Stultz
 - Changing date of November Meeting due to Election Day
- ADJOURNMENT

APPROPRIATION ORDINANCE NO. 2020 - _____

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

AN ORDINANCE APPROPRIATING FEES AND REIMBURSEMENTS RECEIVED IN THE MONTH OF AUGUST TO THE SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT 2020 BUDGET.

WHEREAS, the Sheriff's Department has collected the following fees, reimbursements and donations in excess of the anticipated budgeted revenue amount in the month of August, 2020:

\$ 92.50 received from DWI Fines from District Court
\$ 35.00 received from Drug Enforcement Fines from District Court
\$ 1,795.75 received from Act 770 fees
\$ 3,385.96 received for Installment Fees
\$ 3,612.00 received for Sale of Boat
\$ 70.00 received for Court Ordered Restitution (Drug Buy Fund)
\$ 271.72 received for Donation
\$ 4,689.11 received for Donation
\$ 110.41 reimbursement Inmates' Medical
\$ 170.00 reimbursement for Court Ordered Restitution (Extradition – Reserve Per Diem)
\$ 318.92 reimbursement for Inmates' Prescriptions
\$ 358.05 reimbursement Court Ordered Restitution (Extradition Prisoner Transport)
\$ 42.84 reimbursement Court Ordered Restitution (Medical Bills)
\$ 3,412.76 reimbursement Insurance

WHEREAS, it is necessary to appropriate said monies totaling **\$18,365.02** to the appropriate line items in the Sheriff's Department 2020 budget.

Section 1. There is hereby appropriated from the 2020 County General Fund (#1000) **\$10,689.89** for the following designated expenditures:

\$ 2,067.47 to GL# 1000-0400-2001 (Sheriff: General Supplies)
\$ 450.55 to GL# 1000-0400-2007 (Sheriff: Fuel, Oil, Lubricants)
\$ 3,412.76 to GL# 1000-0400-2023 (Sheriff: Parts & Repairs)
\$ 70.00 to GL# 1000-0400-3093 (Sheriff: Misc. Law Enforcement)
\$ 4,689.11 to GL# 1000-0400-4004 (Sheriff: Machinery & Equip)

Section 2. There is hereby appropriated from the 2020 County Jail Fund (#3401) **\$642.17** for the following designated expenditures:

\$ 170.00 to GL# 3401-0418-1099 (Jail: Transport For Prisoners)
\$ 318.92 to GL# 3401-0418-2004 (Jail: Medicine & Drugs)
\$ 153.25 to GL# 3401-0418-3006 (Jail: Medical, Dental & Hospital)

Section 3. There is hereby appropriated from the 2020 Sheriff's Special Projects Fund (#3400) \$3,420.96 the following designated expenditures:

- \$ 35.00 to GL# 3400-0400-2065 (Drug Enforcement - Sheriff's Projects)
- \$ 3,385.96 to GL# 3400-0400-3003 (Computer Services – Sheriff's Projects)

Section 4. There is hereby appropriated from the 2020 Boating Safety Fund (#3019) the following designated expenditures:

- \$ 3,612.00 to GL# 3019-0424-2001 (General Supplies – Boating Safety)

APPROVED:

MICKEY D. PENDERGRASS, COUNTY JUDGE
Date Signed: _____

ATTEST:

CANDA J. REESE, COUNTY CLERK
SPONSOR: _____
Date Adopted: _____
Votes: For: _____ Against: _____
Abstain: _____ Present: _____ Absent: _____

APPROPRIATION ORDINANCE NO. 2020 -

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

AN ORDINANCE APPROPRIATING FUNDS IN THE AMOUNT OF \$20,091.00 TO THE CLERK'S ELECTION GRANT (CTCL) FUND.

WHEREAS, these funds are not included in the anticipated revenue figures and it is necessary to appropriate said monies into the line items from where they will be expenses.

WHEREAS, the County Clerk has applied for and received a grant from The Center for Civic and Tech Life in the amount of \$20,091.00 to be used for COVID-19 related expenses for temporary staffing and absentee voting equipment;

WHEREAS, it is necessary to appropriate funds in the amount of \$20,091.00 for these specific expenditures, according to the grant guidelines.

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

Section 1: The Baxter County Quorum Court authorizes the IT Manager to make the following appropriation to the newly created Clerk's Election Grant (CTCL) Fund budget:

\$11,880.45 appropriated into GL# 3450-0109-4004 (Machinery and Equipment)

\$8,120.55 appropriated into GL# 3450-0109-3009 (Other Professional Services)

APPROVED:

MICKEY D. PENDERGRASS, COUNTY JUDGE

Date Signed: _____

ATTEST:

CANDA J. REESE, COUNTY CLERK

SPONSOR: _____

Date Adopted: _____

Votes: For: _____ Against: _____

Abstain: _____ Present: _____ Absent: _____

APPROPRIATION ORDINANCE NO. 2020 - _____

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

AN ORDINANCE APPROPRIATING AND RE-APPROPRIATING FUNDS IN THE AMOUNT OF \$32,966.26 WITHIN THE SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT BUDGET.

WHEREAS, the Sheriff's Department is requesting a re-distribution of funds within their budget for the proper assignment of anticipated expenditures; and

WHEREAS, there is sufficient funds available within the Sheriff's Department for said transfers.

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

Section 1. The County Treasurer is hereby authorized to transfer:

\$20,500.00 from #3017 Special Jail Fees Fund into #3401 Jail Maintenance and Operations Fund

\$ 2,500.00 from #3018 County Detention Facility Fund into #3401 Jail Maintenance & Operation Fund

Section 2. The Baxter County Quorum Court authorizes the IT Manager to make the following re-appropriations within the Sheriff's Department Budget:

\$ 4,000.00 appropriated from Fund #3017 into GL# 3401-0418-3009 (Other Professional Services)

\$16,500.00 appropriated from Fund #3017 into GL# 3401-0418-4004 (Machinery and Equipment)

\$ 2,000.00 appropriated from Fund #3017 into GL# 3017-0418-2001 (General Supplies)

\$ 1,000.00 appropriated from Fund #3018 into GL# 3401-0418-3020 (Telephone and Fax)

\$ 1,500.00 appropriated from Fund #3018 into GL# 3401-0418-2006 (Clothing and Uniforms)

\$ 2,966.26 appropriated from GL#1000-0400-4005 into GL# 1000-0400-2023 (Parts and Repairs)

\$ 5,000.00 appropriated from GL#1000-0400-2007 into GL#1000-0400-2023 (Parts and Repairs)

APPROVED:

MICKEY D. PENDERGRASS, COUNTY JUDGE

Date Signed: _____

ATTEST:

CANDA J. REESE, COUNTY CLERK

SPONSOR: _____

Date Adopted: _____

Votes: For: _____ Against: _____

Abstain: _____ Present: _____ Absent: _____

APPROPRIATION ORDINANCE NO. 2020 - _____

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

AN ORDINANCE APPROPRIATING FUNDS IN THE AMOUNT OF \$42,000.00 FROM EXCESS REVENUE EMERGENCY 911 FUND (#3020) INTO THE EMERGENCY 911 (#3020) 2020 BUDGET.

WHEREAS, 911 Department is requesting that available funds from Excess Revenue Fund (#3020) be appropriated into the (#3020) Budget for the purpose of computer expenditures.

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

Section 1. The IT Manager is hereby authorized to make the following appropriation within the 911 Excess Revenue Fund (#3020) into the following GL line item in the (#3020) Fund:

\$35,000.00 appropriated to 3020-0501-3003 (Computer Services)

\$ 7,000.00 appropriated to 3020-0501-2024 (Maintenance Contracts)

APPROVED:

MICKEY D. PENDERGRASS, COUNTY JUDGE

Date Signed: _____

A TEST:

CANDA J. REESE, COUNTY CLERK

SPONSOR: _____

Date Adopted: _____

Votes: For: _____ Against: _____

Abstain: _____ Present: _____ Absent: _____

APPROPRIATION ORDINANCE NO. 2020 - _____

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

AN ORDINANCE APPROPRIATING FUNDS IN THE AMOUNT OF \$20,000.00 FROM THE ROAD AND BRIDGE REVENUE FUND (#2000) INTO THE ROAD AND BRIDGE 2020 BUDGET.

WHEREAS, it is necessary to appropriate Revenue Funds from the sale of equipment to the Road and Bridge Department Budget to a line item in the Road and Bridge Department Machinery and Equipment for the purpose of buying a grapple truck.

WHEREAS, there are sufficient funds available in the Road and Bridge Revenue Fund for said transfer.

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

Section 1: The IT Manager is hereby authorized to make the following appropriation from Road and Bridge Fund (#2000) from Revenue Fund #2000-8711 into the designated budget line item in the Road and Bridge Department Budget (#2000).

\$20,000.00 appropriated to GL #2000-0200-4004 (Machinery and Equipment)

APPROVED:

MICKEY D. PENDERGRASS, COUNTY JUDGE

Date Signed: _____

ATTEST:

CANDA J. REESE, COUNTY CLERK

SPONSOR: _____

Date Adopted: _____

Votes: For: _____ Against: _____

Abstain: _____ Present: _____ Absent: _____

APPROPRIATION ORDINANCE NO. 2020 - _____

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

AN ORDINANCE TO ESTABLISH A SUB-FUND OF COUNTY GENERAL TO BE CALLED THE
CORONAVIRUS RELIEF FUND; AND TO DECLARE AN EMERGENCY.

Article 1. Affirmation. It comes before this Court that there is a need to establish a fund on the books of the county as a sub fund of the County General Fund (#1000) to track the revenues, expenditures and/or appropriated transfers of federal assistance through the CARES Act as received by the county from the State of Arkansas. This Court recognizes and affirms the need for such a fund to properly account for and control all such revenues received and expenditures made in compliance with all applicable laws.

Article 2. Establishment of Fund. There is hereby created on the books of the Baxter County Treasurer and the books of the Baxter County Clerk or Comptroller a fund to be known as the Coronavirus Relief Fund with a fund number as 1005 as assigned by Arkansas Legislative Audit. The revenue code for the federal assistance through the CARES Act, as assigned by Legislative Audit is 7112 – Federal Coronavirus Relief.

Article 3. Operation of Fund. The Coronavirus Relief Fund is subject to all the normal county budgeting, appropriation and expenditure regulations of Arkansas Code Annotated, Title 14 and by the County Financial Management System. As a sub fund of the County General Fund any balance in the fund is considered accruable to County General and is part of the general fund balance in aggregate as defined in A.C.A. 14-15-805(3). Any revenue received from the CRF for an approved county project shall be used exclusively for said project. Any revenue received from the CRF to compensate the county for eligible and approved expenditures made by the county due to the public health emergency with respect to COVID-19 is unrestricted county revenue and may be expended for any legal county expense.

Article 4. Emergency Clause. It is found by this Court that the arrival of federal assistance funds from the CARES Act are imminent making it necessary to establish the Coronavirus Relief Fund, a sub fund of County General in order to be able to properly track the revenue, appropriated expenditures and/or appropriated transfers. Therefore, an emergency is declared to exist and this ordinance shall be in full force and effect from the date of passage and approval.

APPROVED:

MICKEY D. PENDERGRASS, COUNTY JUDGE

Date Signed: _____

ATTEST:

CANDA J. REESE, COUNTY CLERK

SPONSOR: _____

Date Adopted: _____

Votes: For: _____ Against: _____

Abstain: _____ Present: _____ Absent: _____

RESOLUTION NO. 2020-

A RESOLUTION BY BAXTER COUNTY SUPPORTING ISSUE 1, PROPOSING AN AMENDMENT TO THE ARKANSAS CONSTITUTION TO CONTINUE A LEVY OF A ONE-HALF PERCENT SALES AND USE TAX FOR STATE HIGHWAYS AND BRIDGES; COUNTY ROADS, BRIDGES, AND OTHER SURFACE TRANSPORTATION; AND CITY STREETS, BRIDGES, AND OTHER SURFACE TRANSPORTATION AFTER THE RETIREMENT OF THE BONDS AUTHORIZED IN ARKANSAS CONSTITUTION, AMENDMENT 91, AS SPECIAL REVENUE TO BE DISTRIBUTED UNDER THE ARKANSAS HIGHWAY REVENUE DISTRIBUTION LAW.

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE QUORUM COURT OF THE COUNTY OF BAXTER, STATE OF ARKANSAS, THAT:

WHEREAS, Arkansas Constitution, Amendment 91, levies a one-half percent sales and use tax to provide additional funding for the state's four-lane highway system, county roads, and city streets; and,

WHEREAS, the one-half percent sales and use tax under Arkansas Constitution, Amendment 91, is due to expire on June 30, 2023 unless a new constitutional amendment is passed; and

WHEREAS, Issue 1 proposes that the sales and use tax levied under Arkansas Constitution, Amendment 91 be continued to provide special revenues for use of maintaining, repairing, and improving the state's system of highways, county roads, and city streets; and,

WHEREAS, without continuation of this sales and use tax the state will be unable to meet the severe and pressing needs to maintain and improve the state's system of state highways, county roads, and city streets; and,

WHEREAS, Baxter County will lose more than \$650,000.00 annually and growing each year, for our local county roads without the continuation of this sales and use tax, and

WHEREAS, The Cities of Baxter County will lose in excess of \$488,000.00 of benefits for their city streets, and

WHEREAS, the continuation of the one-half percent sales and use tax will ensure future investment in the state highway system, county roads, and city streets; and

WHEREAS, this investment will create jobs, aid in economic development, improve quality of life, and provide additional transportation infrastructure, including specifically, a four-lane highway construction plan designed to connect all regions of the state; and

WHEREAS, the Arkansas Department of Transportation plan dedicates 76 percent of state highway funds to system preservation, improve almost 7,000 miles of non-interstate highways over 10 years, repair/replace poor condition bridges over 10 years; and,

WHEREAS, it is beneficial for all counties to support Issue 1 as a necessary funding mechanism for our travel-infrastructure and will serve as an economic boom for the State.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOVLED, that the Baxter County Quorum Court expresses full support for the legal proposals found in Issue 1, as well as its adoption by the people of the State of Arkansas at the next general election.

APPROVED:

MICKEY D. PENDERGRASS, COUNTY JUDGE
Date Signed: _____

ATTEST:

CANDA J. REESE, COUNTY CLERK
SPONSOR: JP District 9-Cameron Davis
Date Adopted: _____
Votes: For: _____ Against: _____
Abstain: _____ Present: _____ Absent: _____

RESOLUTION NO. 2020-

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE QUORUM COURT OF THE COUNTY OF BAXTER, STATE OF ARKANSAS, THAT:

A RESOLUTION ADOPTED IN FURTHERANCE OF THE CARES ACT AND IN RESPONSE TO THE COVID-19 PANDEMIC EMERGENCY.

WHEREAS, the Coronavirus Aid, Relief and Economic Security Act (“CARES”) Act was passed by Congress and signed by the President on March 27, 2020, to provide fast relief and response to the COVID-19 pandemic emergency;

WHEREAS, the Governor of the State of Arkansas, the General Assembly and Cares Act Steering Committee have authorized the application for grants and use of funds for use in responding and providing relief for the COVID-19 pandemic emergency, including the supporting and funding for *hazard pay* for certain public safety *employees of counties and cities potentially exposed to COVID-19 in the performance of their public safety duties in response to COVID-19*;

WHEREAS, jailers, transport officers, certified law enforcement officers, bailiffs, coroners employed by the county may be recognized as public safety officers under the CARES Act as part of the front line response to COVID-19, due to their day to day activities;

WHEREAS, certified law enforcement officers employed by this county are hereby acknowledged as public safety officers for purposes of the CARES Act, they are potentially exposed to COVID-19 in the performance of their day to day duties as law enforcement officers in: their response to calls for assistance, making arrests, booking and transporting detainees, conducting investigation, making traffic stops, tending to courthouse screenings, performing bailiff functions, administering crowd control, enforcing laws and enforcing COVID-19 directives;

WHEREAS, the jailers and transport officers employed by this county are hereby acknowledged as public safety officers for purposes of the CARES Act and potentially exposed to COVID-19, due to their day to day activities in: booking, transporting, moving and segregating detainees within the jail—and to and from the county jail, state penitentiaries or courthouses;

WHEREAS, the coroner and deputy coroners employed by this county are hereby acknowledged as public safety officers for purposes of the CARES Act and potentially exposed to COVID-19, due to their day to day activities in: investigating the cause and manner of deaths, conducting and administering test for COVID-19 of the deceased, and in transportation and examination of the deceased;

WHEREAS, the 911 dispatchers and law enforcement dispatchers employed by this county may be recognized as public safety officers under the CARES Act and are hereby acknowledged as potentially exposed to COVID-19 due to their day to day work within close proximity to persons arrested, booked and detained with the county jail facility;

WHEREAS, the Quorum Court is resolved and hereby supports the application for the hazard pay for the aforementioned public safety employees of this county, recognized as such for purposes of the CARES Act, due to front line role in response to the COVID-19 pandemic, and their acknowledged potential exposure to COVID-19;

WHEREAS, if the application for CARES Act funds submitted by the county is approved and funds received, in whole or in part, for these potentially exposed public safety employees under the CARES Act, the Quorum Court is resolved to adopt an appropriation ordinance for hazard pay for these specifically eligible public safety employees to the extent the funding request is granted and received from CARES Act funding;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOVLED, by the Quorum Court of Baxter County, Arkansas, to support the subject request for relief under the CARES Act for hazard pay for the aforementioned front line COVID-19 response public safety officers.

APPROVED:

MICKEY D. PENDERGRASS, COUNTY JUDGE
Date Signed: _____

ATTEST:

CANDA J. REESE, COUNTY CLERK
SPONSOR: _____
Date Adopted: _____
Votes: For: _____ Against: _____
Abstain: _____ Present: _____ Absent: _____

RESOLUTION NO. 2020-_____

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE QUORUM COURT OF THE COUNTY OF BAXTER, STATE OF ARKANSAS, THAT:

A RESOLUTION ADOPTED IN FURTHERANCE OF THE CARES ACT FOR THE SUPPORT OF FOOD BANK OF NORTH CENTRAL ARKANSAS IN RESPONSE TO THE COVID-19 PANDEMIC EMERGENCY.

WHEREAS, The Coronavirus Aid, Relief and Economic Security Act ("CARES") Act was passed by Congress and signed by the President on March 27, 2020, to provide fast relief and response to the COVID-19 pandemic emergency;

WHEREAS, the Governor of the State of Arkansas, the General Assembly and Cares Act Steering Committee have authorized the application for grants and use of funds for use in responding and providing relief for the COVID-19 pandemic emergency, *including the supporting and funding for Food Banks in Arkansas for our vulnerable citizens*; and

WHEREAS, Food Bank of North Central Arkansas has served the citizens of this county by operating a Food Bank in our county for 38 years and has made written application to the county for the sum of \$500,000.00 for use in costs for: the purchase of food, staff for preparing and delivering food, transportation of food and operation of a food pantries serving our citizens, { A copy of the application is attached hereto and marked **Exhibit "A"** }

WHEREAS, a contract for services has been entered into by and between the county and Food Bank of North Central Arkansas for the provision of food and the aforementioned costs for the period from March 1, 2020, through December 30, 2020, { A copy of the contract for services is attached hereto and marked **Exhibit "B"** }

WHEREAS, the viability and enforceability of the contract is entirely dependent upon the award of the application and receipt of the Cares Act funding in the sum of \$500,000.00 or lesser sum if awarded; and

WHEREAS, the Quorum Court is resolved and supports the application for the subject grant and if the grant is awarded and funds received shall appropriate the funds received under the CARES Act for the use by the applicant and in accordance with the subject contract for services and requirements of the United States and State of Arkansas under the CARES Act.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOVLED, by the Quorum Court of Baxter County, Arkansas, to support the subject request for relief under the CARES Act for the vulnerable citizens of Baxter County, Arkansas.

APPROVED:

MICKEY D. PENDERGRASS, COUNTY JUDGE
Date Signed: _____

ATTEST:

CANDA J. REESE, COUNTY CLERK
SPONSOR: _____
Date Adopted: _____
Votes: For: _____ Against: _____
Abstain: _____ Present: _____ Absent: _____

RESOLUTION NO. 2020-_____

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE QUORUM COURT OF THE COUNTY OF BAXTER, STATE OF ARKANSAS, THAT:

A RESOLUTION ADOPTED IN FURTHERANCE OF THE CARES ACT FOR THE SUPPORT OF THE BAXTER COUNTY FAIR BOARD IN RESPONSE TO THE COVID-19 PANDEMIC EMERGENCY.

WHEREAS, the Coronavirus Aid, Relief and Economic Security Act ("CARES") Act was passed by Congress and signed by the President on March 27, 2020, to provide fast relief and response to the COVID-19 pandemic emergency;

WHEREAS, the Governor of the State of Arkansas, the General Assembly and Cares Act Steering Committee have authorized the application for grants and use of funds in responding and providing relief for the COVID-19 pandemic emergency;

WHEREAS, Arkansas Code Ann. § 14-14-802(b) explicitly authorizes the county quorum court to provide for any services or function not expressly prohibited by the Arkansas Constitution or by law, and explicitly authorizes appropriations for: *fairs and livestock shows, economic development, community, exhibitions, cultural and civic services*;

WHEREAS, due to COVID-19 pandemic emergency, the 2020 Baxter County Fair scheduled for September 15-19, 2020, was cancelled;

WHEREAS, the cancellation of the Baxter County Fair due to COVID-19 has directly created a hardship to the Baxter County Fair Board;

WHEREAS, Baxter County Fair Board has made written application for a contract for services and assistance relief from the COVID-19 pandemic for their *assistance, support, rent, utilities and insurance coverage* for the period from March 1, 2020 through December 30, 2020, a copy of the application of Baxter County Fair Board is attached hereto and marked **Exhibit "A"**;

WHEREAS, a contract for services has been entered into by and between Baxter County and the Baxter County Fair Board for the sum of \$172,200.00 for *assistance, support, rent, utilities and insurance coverage* for the period from March 1, 2020 through December 30, 2020, a copy of the contract for services is attached hereto and marked **Exhibit "B"**; and

WHEREAS, the viability and enforceability of the contract for services is absolutely dependent upon appropriation of the sum requested of \$172,200.00 or a lesser sum by the Quorum Court;

WHEREAS, the Quorum Court is committed to appropriate the sum requested of \$172,200.00 or a lesser sum regardless of whether or not the grant is awarded and funds provided under the CARES Act; and

WHEREAS, the Quorum Court supports the grant request for Cares Act funds;

WHEREAS, the applicant has agreed under the contract for services that it will abide by all audit request by the county, state of Arkansas, and the United States over the funds received by the grant or appropriated by the Quorum Court of Baxter County, Arkansas.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOVLED, by the Quorum Court of Baxter County, Arkansas, to support the subject request for relief under the CARES Act and to provide assistance and support for the Baxter County Fair.

APPROVED:

MICKEY D. PENDERGRASS, COUNTY JUDGE
Date Signed: _____

ATTEST:

CANDA J. REESE, COUNTY CLERK
SPONSOR: _____
Date Adopted: _____
Votes: For: _____ Against: _____
Abstain: _____ Present: _____ Absent: _____

RESOLUTION NO. 2020-_____

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE QUORUM COURT OF THE COUNTY OF BAXTER, STATE OF ARKANSAS, THAT:

A RESOLUTION ADOPTED IN FURTHERANCE OF THE CARES ACT FOR THE SUPPORT OF THE BAXTER COUNTY FIRE CHIEFS ASSOCIATION IN RESPONSE TO THE COVID-19 PANDEMIC EMERGENCY.

WHEREAS, the Coronavirus Aid, Relief and Economic Security Act ("CARES") Act was passed by Congress and signed by the President on March 27, 2020, to provide fast relief and response to the COVID-19 pandemic emergency; and

WHEREAS, the Governor of the State of Arkansas, the General Assembly and Cares Act Steering Committee have authorized the application for grants and use of funds in responding and providing relief for the COVID-19 pandemic emergency; and

WHEREAS, Arkansas Code Ann. § 14-14-802(b) explicitly authorizes the county quorum court to provide for any services or function not expressly prohibited by the Arkansas Constitution or by law, and explicitly authorizes appropriations for: loss of revenue, special response equipment due to pandemic and possible contamination due to COVID-19; and

WHEREAS, the cancellation of many fundraising events by its members due to COVID-19 has directly created a hardship to the Baxter County Fire Protection Districts; and

WHEREAS, Baxter County Fire Chiefs Association has made written application for a contract for services and assistance relief from the COVID-19 pandemic for their *assistance, support, rent, utilities and insurance coverage and emergency response equipment* for the period from March 1, 2020 through December 30, 2020, a copy of the application of Baxter County Fire Chief's Association is attached hereto and marked **Exhibit "A"**;

WHEREAS, a contract for services has been entered into by and between Baxter County and the Baxter County Fire Chiefs Association for the sum of \$94,000.00 for *assistance, support, rent, utilities and insurance coverage and emergency response equipment* for the period from March 1, 2020 through December 30, 2020, a copy of the contract for services is attached hereto and marked **Exhibit "B"**; and

WHEREAS, the viability and enforceability of the contract for services is absolutely dependent upon appropriation of the sum requested of \$94,000.00 or a lesser sum by the Quorum Court; and

WHEREAS, the Quorum Court is committed to appropriate the sum requested of \$94,000.00 or a lesser sum regardless of whether or not the grant is awarded and funds provided under the CARES Act; and

WHEREAS, the Quorum Court supports the grant request for Cares Act funds;

WHEREAS, the applicant has agreed under the contract for services that it will abide by all audit request by the County, State of Arkansas, and the United States over the funds received by the grant or appropriated by the Quorum Court of Baxter County, Arkansas.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, by the Quorum Court of Baxter County, Arkansas, to support the subject request for relief under the CARES Act and to provide assistance and support for the Baxter County Fire Chief's Association.

APPROVED:

MICKEY D. PENDERGRASS, COUNTY JUDGE
Date Signed: _____

ATTEST:

CANDA J. REESE, COUNTY CLERK
SPONSOR: _____
Date Adopted: _____
Votes: For: _____ Against: _____
Abstain: ____ Present: ____ Absent: _____

RESOLUTION NO. 2020 - _____

A RESOLUTION CONFIRMING THE APPOINTMENT OF JOHN BOLDING BY THE COUNTY JUDGE TO THE TRACY AREA FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS.

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE QUORUM COURT OF THE COUNTY OF BAXTER, STATE OF ARKANSAS, THAT:

WHEREAS, a member of the Tracy Area Fire Protection District Board of Commissioners, Alfred Moore, is unable to complete his three-year term on the Board..

Section 1. The Quorum Court hereby confirms the following person to complete the three year term on the Tracy Area Fire Protection District Board of Commissioners, set to expire June, 2021:

JOHN BOLDING

Section 2. This resolution shall be in full force and effect from and after its passage and approval.

APPROVAL:

MICKEY D. PENDERGRASS, COUNTY JUDGE

Date Signed: _____

ATTEST:

CANDA J. REESE, COUNTY CLERK

Sponsor: C. Davis – JP-8

Date Adopted: _____

Votes: For: _____ Against: _____

Abstain: _____ Present: _____ Absent: _____

RESOLUTION NO. 2019 - _____

A RESOLUTION CONFIRMING THE RE-APPOINTMENT OF WAYNE ROTH BY THE COUNTY JUDGE TO THE GAMALIEL FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS.

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE QUORUM COURT OF BAXTER COUNTY, ARKANSAS, THAT:

Section 1. The following members of the Gamaliel Fire Protection District Board of Commissioners, having been re-appointed by the County Judge for terms of three (3) years to expire August 2023, are hereby confirmed by the Quorum Court:

WAYNE ROTH

Section 2. This resolution shall be in full force and effect from and after its passage and approval.

APPROVAL:

MICKEY D. PENDERGRASS, COUNTY JUDGE
Date Signed: _____

ATTEST:

CANDA J. REESE, COUNTY CLERK

Sponsors: R. Lowery – JP #3

Date Adopted: _____

Votes: For: _____ Against: _____

Abstain: _____ Present: _____ Absent: _____