

ORDINANCE NO. 2026 - 3

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

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING ORDINANCE NO. 2021-9 "AN ORDINANCE ALLOWING
BAXTER COUNTY TO CONDUCT BUSINESS WITH BENNY MAGNESS PURSUANT TO ACT
353 (ACA § 14-14-1202)" TO INCLUDE WHITE RIVER SHIPPING.

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

Article 1: Affirmation. Arkansas Code Annotated § 14-14-1202 states that all quorum court members, county officers and county employees refrain from benefiting economically, either directly or indirectly, from doing business with any vendor paid by the county, except when it is determined to be in the county's best interest. In such circumstances, subsection (2) (A) (i) states that the quorum court may permit the county by ordinance to purchase goods or services directly or indirectly from quorum court members, county officers or county employees; and

Article 2: Designation. It has been determined that it is in the best interest of the county that all offices of Baxter County have the authorization to conduct business with a helicopter pilot for Baxter County Sheriff's Office and a county employee, Benny Magness, who is the owner of Magness Oil Company and co-owner of White River Shipping. Due to the unusual circumstance, and difficulty finding appropriate goods, services and commodities this ordinance allows Baxter County to do business with the named employee.

Article 3: Effective Date. This Ordinance shall be retroactively back dated to February 2024 to include the purchase of a shipping container by the Baxter County Sheriff's Office in the amount of \$1700.00.

Section 4. EMERGENCY CLAUSE. That this policy shall be effective in the manner prescribed by ACA § 14-14-1202 immediately upon its passage and approval by the Baxter County Quorum Court.

APPROVED:

Kevin Litty

KEVIN LITTY, COUNTY JUDGE

Date Signed: 1-6-26

ATTEST:

Canda Reese

CANDA J. REESE, COUNTY CLERK

SPONSOR: Griffin

Date Adopted: 01/06/2026

Votes: For: 11 Against: 0

Abstain: 0 Present: 11 Absent: 0



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BAXTER CO, AR FEE \$0.00

PRESENTED: 01-07-2026 02:00:50 PM

RECORDED: 01-07-2026 02:00:50 PM

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