BAXTER COUNTY QUORUM COURT AGENDA

JULY 7, 2026

THE BAXTER COUNTY QUORUM COURT WILL MEET FOR REGULAR SESSION ON **TUESDAY, JULY 7, 2026 AT 5:30 PM** IN THE 2ND FLOOR COURTROOM OF THE COURTHOUSE, WITH JUDGE KEVIN LITTY PRESIDING.

- CALL TO ORDER
- PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE AND MOMENT OF SILENCE
- ROLL CALL
- DISPOSITION OF MINUTES FROM PREVIOUS MEETING
- TREASURER'S REPORT – JENAY MIZE
- COMMITTEE REPORTS:
- PRESENTATION – DIAHANNE VAN GULICK – MRUK FAMILY CENTER (ROCK STEADY PROGRAM)
- OLD BUSINESS
- NEW BUSINESS

1. AN ORDINANCE APPROPRIATING FEES AND REIMBURSEMENTS IN THE AMOUNT OF $9,221.84 RECEIVED IN THE MONTH OF MAY TO THE SHERIFF'S OFFICE 2026 BUDGET.
2. AN ORDINANCE APPROPRIATING FUNDS IN THE AMOUNT OF $36,000.00 FROM SPECIAL JAIL FEES FUND (3017) INTO THE SPECIAL JAIL FEES 2026 BUDGET AND JAIL MAINTENANCE & OPERATIONS 2026 BUDGET.
3. AN ORDINANCE APPROPRIATING REIMBURSEMENT FUNDS IN THE AMOUNT OF $1,959.50 INTO JUVENILE SERVICES DEPARTMENT 2026 BUDGET.
4. AN ORDINANCE APPROPRIATING GRANT FUNDS IN THE AMOUNT OF $15,000.00 RECEIVED FROM THE ARKANSAS SUPREME COURT COMMITTEE ON SECURITY AND EMERGENCY PREPAREDNESS INTO THE BUILDING & GROUNDS DEPARTMENT 2026 BUDGET.
5. AN ORDINANCE APPROPRIATING FUNDS IN THE AMOUNT OF $82,910.34 FROM THE CASEY HOUSE RESTORATION GRANT FUND (3507) INTO THE CASEY HOUSE RESTORATION GRANT FUND 2026 BUDGET.
6. AN ORDINANCE APPROPRIATING GRANT FUNDS IN THE AMOUNT OF $262,500.07 RECEIVED FROM ARKANSAS GAME & FISH MARINE FUEL TAX GRANT INTO THE ROAD AND BRIDGE DEPARTMENT 2026 BUDGET.
7. AN ORDINANCE APPROPRIATING DONATED FUNDS IN THE AMOUNT OF $8,705.00 INTO THE RECYCLING GRANT FUND 2026 BUDGET.
8. AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE SALE AND TRANSFER OF COUNTY PROPERTY TO MARION COUNTY, ARKANSAS PURSUANT TO CODE §14-16-116; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.
9. A RESOLUTION CONFIRMING THE APPOINTMENT OF LUCIAN "SKIP" LANE BY THE COUNTY JUDGE TO THE RODNEY-JORDAN VOLUNTEER FIRE DEPARTMENT BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS.
10. A RESOLUTION CONFIRMING THE RE-APPOINTMENT OF DAVID MCQUEEN AND THE APPOINTMENT OF DENNIS LORE TO THE HAND COVE FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS.
11. A RESOLUTION CONFIRMING THE APPOOINTMENT OF CINDY HORVATH TO THE MIDWAY FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS.

12. A RESOLUTION RECOGNIZING THE 10-YEAR ANNIVERSARY OF THE ROCK STEADY BOXING PROGRAM OF THE BAXTER HEALTH MRUK FAMILY CENTER ON AGING.

- ANNOUNCEMENTS:

- ADJOURNMENT

APPROPRIATION ORDINANCE NO. 2026 - _____

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

AN ORDINANCE APPROPRIATING FEES AND REIMBURSEMENTS IN THE AMOUNT OF $9,221.84 RECEIVED IN THE MONTH OF MAY TO THE SHERIFF'S OFFICE 2026 BUDGET.

Article 1. Affirmation: This court affirms that the Baxter County Sheriff's Office has collected the following fees, reimbursements and donations in excess of the anticipated budgeted revenue amount in the month of May 2026:

$ 660.00	received from DWI Fines from District Court
$ 2,670.50	received from Act 770 Fees
$ 3,275.74	received for Installment Fees
$ 75.00	received VIN Checks
$ 400.00	received for Inmate Social Security
$ 50.00	received Animal Adoption (Check)
$ 50.00	received for Donation (Cash)
$ 218.25	received for Scrap Metal (Cash)
$ 432.84	reimbursement Inmates' Medical
$ 824.51	reimbursement Inmate Prescriptions (Sent from BXSO to Treasurer's Office)
$ 565.00	reimbursement Court Ordered Restitution (Extradition – Prisoner Transport) (Check)

Article 2. Designation: There are sufficient funds available for said transfers.

Article 3. Appropriation: It is necessary for the Clerk's Office to appropriate said monies totaling **$9,221.84** to the appropriate line items in the Sheriff's Office 2026 budgets.

There is hereby appropriated from the 2026 County General Fund (#1000) **$3,970.50** for the following designated expenditures:

$ 2,745.50 to GL# 1000-0400-2001 (Sheriff: General Supplies)

$ 1,225.00 to GL# 1000-0400-2007 (Sheriff: Fuel, Oil & Lubricant)

There is hereby appropriated from the 2026 Animal Control Fund (#1800) **$100.00** for the following designated expenditures:

$ 100.00 to GL# 1800-0191-2001 (Animal Control: General Supplies)

There is hereby appropriated from the 2026 Sheriff's Special Projects Fund (#3400) **$3,493.99** for the following designated expenditures:

$ 218.25 to GL# 3400-0400-2020 (Sheriff's Projects: Building Material / Supplies)

$ 3,275.74 to GL# 3400-0400-3003 (Sheriff's Projects: Computer Services)

There is hereby appropriated from the 2026 County Jail Fund (#3401) **$1,657.35** the following designated expenditures:

$ 824.51 to GL# 3401-0418-2004 (Jail: Medicine & Drugs)
$ 832.84 to GL# 3401-0418-3006 (Jail: Med, Den & Hosp)

Article 4. Effective Date: This appropriation ordinance shall be effective immediately upon its passage by the quorum court.

APPROVED:

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KEVIN LITTY, COUNTY JUDGE
Date Signed:_____

ATTEST:

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

APPROPRIATION ORDINANCE NO. 2026 -_____

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 $36,000.00 FROM SPECIAL JAIL FEES FUND (3017) INTO THE SPECIAL JAIL FEES 2026 BUDGET AND JAIL MAINTENANCE & OPERATIONS 2026 BUDGET.

Article 1. Affirmation: The Sheriff's Office is requesting an allocation of funds within the 2026 budget for the purpose of appropriate assignment of expenditures.

Article 2. Designation: There are sufficient funds available for said transfers.

Article 3. Appropriation: The County Treasurer is authorized to transfer $12,000.00 from Special Jail Fees Fund (3017) into the Jail Maintenance & Operations Fund (3401).

The Quorum Court authorizes the Clerk's Office to make the following appropriations into the designated line items:

$ 6,000.00 from Special Jail Fees Fund #3017 to GL #3017-0418-2002 (Small Equipment)

$18,000.00 from Special Jail Fees Fund #3017 to GL #3017-0418-3101 (Training)

$ 2,000.00 from Special Jail Fees Fund #3017 to GL #3401-0418-1099 (Transport for Prisoners)

$10,000.00 from Special Jail Fees Fund #3017 to GL #3401-0418-3009 (Other Professional Services)

Article 4. Effective Date: This appropriation ordinance shall be effective immediately upon its passage by the quorum court.

APPROVED:

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KEVIN LITTY, COUNTY JUDGE

Date Signed:_____

ATTEST:

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CANDA J. REESE, COUNTY CLERK

SPONSOR: _____

Date Adopted: _____

Votes: For:_____ Against:_____

Abstain:_____ Present:_____ Absent:_____

APPROPRIATION ORDINANCE NO. 2026 -_____

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

AN ORDINANCE APPROPRIATING REIMBURSEMENT FUNDS IN THE AMOUNT OF $1,959.50 INTO JUVENILE SERVICES DEPARTMENT 2026 BUDGET.

Article 1. Affirmation: This Court affirms that the Baxter County Juvenile Services Department has collected the following reimbursements in the month of June.

Article 2. Appropriation: The Quorum Court authorizes the Clerk's Office to make the following appropriation into the designated line item:

$1,959.50 to GL #1000-0415-3053 (Fleet Insurance)

Article 3. Effective Date: This appropriation ordinance shall be effective immediately upon its passage by the Quorum Court.

APPROVED:

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KEVIN LITTY, COUNTY JUDGE

Date Signed:_____

ATTEST:

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CANDA J. REESE, COUNTY CLERK

SPONSOR: _____

Date Adopted: _____

Votes: For:_____ Against:_____

Abstain:_____ Present: Absent:_____

APPROPRIATION ORDINANCE NO. 2026 –

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

AN ORDINANCE APPROPRIATING GRANT FUNDS IN THE AMOUNT OF $15,000.00 RECEIVED FROM THE ARKANSAS SUPREME COURT COMMITTEE ON SECURITY AND EMERGENCY PREPAREDNESS INTO THE BUILDING & GROUNDS DEPARTMENT 2026 BUDGET.

Article 1. Affirmation: funds in the amount of $15,000.00 from the Arkansas Supreme Court Committee on Security and Emergency Preparedness will be appropriated for expenses related to a generator transfer switch at the county Courthouse; and

Article 2. Appropriation: funds received by the County Treasurer will be available for appropriation to the Buildings and Grounds Department 2026 Budget for said expenditure. The Quorum Court authorizes the Clerk's Office to make the following appropriation into the designated line item:

$15,000.00 appropriated to GL# 1000-0111-3009 (Other Professional Services)

Article 3. Effective Date: This appropriation ordinance shall be effective immediately upon its passage by the quorum court.

APPROVED:

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KEVIN LITTY, COUNTY JUDGE

Date Signed:_____

ATTEST:

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CANDA J. REESE, COUNTY CLERK

SPONSOR: _____

Date Adopted: _____

Votes: For:_____ Against:_____

Abstain:_____ Present:_____ Absent:_____

APPROPRIATION ORDINANCE NO. 2026 -_____

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 $82,910.34 FROM THE CASEY HOUSE RESTORATION GRANT FUND (3507) INTO THE CASEY HOUSE RESTORTION GRANT FUND 2026 BUDGET.

Article 1. Affirmation: Baxter County has received grant funds designated for the restoration of the historic Casey House for the roof restoration project and has received donated funds from the Historical Society to rebuild the back porch. The transfer of funds is needed to properly account for and pay project expenses.

Article 2. Designation: There are sufficient funds available for said transfers.

Appropriation: The Quorum Court authorizes the Clerk's Office to make the following appropriation into the designated line item:

$82,910.34 to GL #3507-0112-3009 (Other Prof Serv)

Article 4. Effective Date: This appropriation ordinance shall be effective immediately upon its passage by the quorum court.

APPROVED:

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KEVIN LITTY, COUNTY JUDGE

Date Signed:_____

ATTEST:

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CANDA J. REESE, COUNTY CLERK

SPONSOR: _____

Date Adopted: _____

Votes: For:_____ Against:_____

Abstain:_____ Present:_____ Absent:_____

APPROPRIATION ORDINANCE NO. 2026 - _____

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

AN ORDINANCE APPROPRIATING GRANT FUNDS IN THE AMOUNT OF $262,500.07 RECEIVED FROM ARKANSAS GAME & FISH MARINE FUEL TAX GRANT INTO ROAD AND BRIDGE 2026 BUDGET.

Article 1. Affirmation: The Road and Bridge Department received grant funds in the amount of $262,500.07 from the Arkansas Game & Fish Marine Fuel Tax Grant for Robinson Point Road overlay and is requesting the funds to be appropriated into the Road and Bridge 2026 Budget for proper use of expenditures.

Article 2. Designation: There are sufficient funds available for said transfer.

Article 3. Appropriation: The Quorum Court authorizes the Clerk's Office to make the following appropriation:

$262,500.07 to GL #2000-0200-2020 (Road Construction Materials)

Article 4. Effective Date: This appropriation ordinance shall be effective immediately upon its passage by the quorum court.

APPROVED:

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KEVIN LITTY, COUNTY JUDGE

Date Signed:_____

ATTEST:

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CANDA J. REESE, COUNTY CLERK

SPONSOR: _____

Date Adopted: _____

Votes: For:_____ Against:_____

Abstain:_____ Present:_____ Absent:_____

APPROPRIATION ORDINANCE NO. 2026 - _____

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

AN ORDINANCE TO APPROPRIATE DONATED FUNDS IN THE AMOUNT OF $8,705.00 TO THE RECYCLING GRANT FUND (3515) 2026 BUDGET.

Article 1. Affirmation. The Recycling Grant Fund received donated funds in the amount of $8,705.00 from the warranties on two new transport vans that were recently purchased and is requesting the funds to be appropriated into the Recycling Grant Fund (3515) 2026 Budget for proper use of expenditures.

Article 2. Designation. There are sufficient funds available for said transfer.

Article 3. Appropriation. The Quorum Court authorizes the Clerk's Office to appropriate funds in the amount of $8,705.00 into the Recycling Grant Fund (3515) 2026 Budget and make the following appropriation:

$8,705.00 to GL #3515-0138-4005 (Purchase of Vehicle)

Article 4. Effective Date. This appropriation ordinance shall be effective immediately upon its passage by the quorum court.

APPROVED:

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KEVIN LITTY, COUNTY JUDGE

ATTEST:

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

ORDINANCE NO. 2026 –

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

AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE SALE AND TRANSER OF COUNTY PROPERTY TO MARION COUNTY, ARKANSAS PURSUANT TO ARKANSAS CODE §14-16-116; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Article 1. Affirmation: Baxter County is the lawful owner of a 2016 Chevrolet Tahoe, used for official county purposes. Marion County, Arkansas has expressed a need for this vehicle for continued governmental use. Arkansas Code §14-16-116 authorizes counties to sell, exchange, or transfer property to another county or political subdivision for public use. The vehicle is no longer needed for its operations, and its sale will serve the best interest of Baxter County. Marion County has agreed to purchase the vehicle for **Thirteen Thousand Dollars ($13,000.00).**

Article 2. Designation: The Baxter County Quorum Court hereby designates the following county property for sale and transfer to Marion County, Arkansas:

One (1) 2016 Chevrolet Tahoe VIN:1GNSKFEC1GR413096 Mileage: 105,000

The Baxter County Judge is authorized to execute all necessary documents, including a bill of sale and title transfer, to complete the transaction.

Article 3. Appropriation: The sum of **$13,000.00** received from the sale of the 2016 Chevrolet Tahoe shall be deposited into the appropriate Baxter County fund as determined by the County Treasurer and in accordance with the county accounting purposes.

Article 4. Emergency Clause: The Quorum Court finds that the timely sale and transfer of this vehicle is necessary for the efficient operation of county government. Therefore, an emergency is declared to exist, and this ordinance shall be in full force and effect immediately upon passage.

APPROVED:

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KEVIN LITTY, COUNTY JUDGE

Date Signed:_____

ATTEST:

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CANDA J. REESE, COUNTY CLERK

SPONSOR: _____

Date Adopted: _____

Votes: For:_____ Against:_____

Abstain:_____ Present:_____ Absent:_____

RESOLUTION NO. 2026 - _____

A RESOLUTION CONFIRMING THE APPOINTMENT OF LUCIAN "SKIP" LANE BY THE COUNTY JUDGE TO THE RODNEY-JORDAN VOLUNTEER FIRE DEPARTMENT BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS.

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

Section 1. The following member of the Rodney-Jordan Fire Department Board of Commissioners, having been appointed by the County Judge to fill the remaining term of recently deceased Carol Pior set to expire in October 2027, is hereby confirmed by the Quorum Court:

LUCIAN "SKIP" LANE

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

APPROVAL:

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KEVIN LITTY, COUNTY JUDGE

Date Signed:_____

ATTEST:

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CANDA J. REESE, COUNTY CLERK

Sponsor: Eric Payne – JP District 11

Date Adopted: _____

Votes: For:_____ Against:_____

Abstain:_____ Present:_____ Absent:_____

RESOLUTION NO. 2026 - _____

A RESOLUTION CONFIRMING THE RE-APPOINTMENT OF DAVID MCQUEEN AND THE APPROINTMENT OF DENNIS LORE BY THE COUNTY JUDGE TO THE HAND COVE FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS.

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

Section 1. The following member of the Hand Cove Fire Protection District Board of Commissioners, having been re-appointed by the County Judge for a term of three (3) years set to expire July 2029, IS hereby confirmed by the Quorum Court:

DAVID MCQUEEN

Section 2. The following member of the Hand Cove Fire Protection District Board of Commissioners, having been appointed by the County Judge for a term of three (3) years set to expire July 2029, IS hereby confirmed by the Quorum Court.

DENNIS LORE

Section 3. This resolution shall be in full force and effect from and after its passage and approval.

APPROVAL:

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KEVIN LITTY, COUNTY JUDGE

Date Signed:_____

ATTEST:

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CANDA J. REESE, COUNTY CLERK

Sponsor: R. Steiner, JP- 3

Date Adopted: _____

Votes: For:_____ Against:_____

Abstain:_____ Present:_____ Absent:_____

RESOLUTION NO. 2026 - _____

A RESOLUTION CONFIRMING THE APPOINTMENT OF CINDY HORVATH BY THE COUNTY JUDGE TO THE MIDWAY FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS TO FILL A VACANT SEAT DUE TO RESIGNATION OF DAVID LYBRAND.

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

Section 1. The following member of the Midway Fire Protection District Board of Commissioners, having been appointed by the County Judge to fill the vacant seat left by the resignation of David Lybrand, set to expire in November 2026 is hereby confirmed by the Quorum Court.

CINDY HORVATH

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

APPROVAL:

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KEVIN LITTY, COUNTY JUDGE

Date Signed:_____

ATTEST:

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CANDA J. REESE, COUNTY CLERK

Sponsors: D. Frank – JP – 1; L. House – JP - 6

Date Adopted: _____

Votes: For:_____ Against:_____

Abstain:_____ Present:_____ Absent:_____

RESOLUTION NO. 2026 - _____

A RESOLUTION RECOGNIZING THE 10-YEAR ANNIVERSARY OF THE ROCK STEADY BOXING PROGRAM OF THE BAXTER HEALTH MRUK FAMILY CENTER ON AGING.

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

WHEREAS, The Baxter Health Mruk Family Center on Aging provides a variety of programs and services that support older adults, caregivers, and individuals living with chronic health conditions throughout our community; and

WHEREAS, Rock Steady Boxing is one of the Center's programs and has served individuals living with Parkinson's disease in Baxter County and the surrounding area for the past ten years; and

WHEREAS, through regular exercise, encouragement, and fellowship, participants have worked to improve their strength, balance, mobility, and confidence while remaining active in their communities; and

WHEREAS, the dedication of the staff, volunteers, participants, families, and supporters has made the program a valued resource and an important part of the services provided by the Mruk Family Center on Aging;

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

The Quorum Court recognizes the 10th Anniversary of the Rock Steady Boxing Program and commends the Baxter Health Mruk Family Center on Aging for its continued commitment to improving the lives of individuals living with Parkinson's disease through this program and its many other services.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that July 13, 2026, is hereby proclaimed "Rock Steady Boxing Day" in Baxter County in recognition of the program's ten years of service and its positive impact on the lives of those it serves.

APPROVAL:

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KEVIN LITTY, COUNTY JUDGE

Date Signed:_____

ATTEST:

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CANDA J. REESE, COUNTY CLERK

Sponsor: Bob Nault – JP District 7

Date Adopted: _____

Votes: For:_____ Against:_____

Abstain:_____ Present:_____ Absent:_____