MARION COUNTY QUORUM COURT MINUTES

June 10, 2025

The Marion County Quorum Court held their monthly meeting beginning at 5:30 p.m. on June 10, 2025.

Judge Stumph presided over the meeting and all Justices were present, with the exception of Justice Shipman. The invocation was delivered by Ms. Karen Carter and the Pledge was led by Andrew Stroud.

The May minutes were approved.

All reports were given and accepted.

Unfinished Business:

New Business:

FILED FOR RECORD at 930 o'clock A M

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The motion to read the ordinances by title only was made by Justice Dorsey and seconded by Justice Reed. The motion passed unanimously.

Ordinance 2025-22 – Judge's Office – Insurance Reimbursement – Sponsored by Justices Lee, Hopson, Kerwood, Shipman and Dorsey. This ordinance transfers monies received from an insurance reimbursement from County General to various other funds to cover the costs of repairs and replacement of property destroyed in the flood of July 17, 2024, in the amount of \$54942.38. The motion to adopt was made by Justice Reed and seconded by Justice Van Velkinburgh. The motion passed unanimously.

Ordinance 2025-23 – Judge's Office – Transfer for Laptops and Software – Sponsored by Justices Lee, Hopson, Kerwood, Shipman and Dorsey. This ordinance transfers \$9735.95 from County General to cover the cost of laptops and software for the County Judge's Office and the Justices of the Peace. The motion to adopt was made by Justice Lee and seconded by Justice Dorsey. The motion passed unanimously.

Ordinance 2025-23 – Judge's Office – Audio and Video System – Sponsored by Justices Van Velkinbugh, Lee, Jensen, Kerwood and Dorsey. This ordinance will appropriate \$68730.00 from the Circuit Court Automation Fund (3002) to the Other Professional Services line item in said fund. These monies will be used to cover the cost of the installation of a new audio and video recoding system in the Courthouse and the Courthouse Annex Courtrooms. The motion to adopt was



made by Justice Reed and seconded by Justice Dorsey. Justice Johnson asked if the video capabilities would include option of inmates at the jail to be seen in court over Zoom. The answer was yes. Justice Reed pointed out that there is no line item of Other Professional Services in the Circuit Court Automation Fund, but that it would have to be created. The motion to adopt passed unanimously.

Ordinance 2025-25 – Sheriff's Office – Breathalyzer – Sponsored by Justices Lee, Hopson, Kerwood, Shipman and Dorsey. This ordinance appropriates \$6268.21 from the Breathalyzer fund (3016) into the Other Miscellaneous line item. These monies will be used for the purpose of purchasing Breathalyzer Intoximeters for the Department. The motion to adopt was made by Justice Reed and seconded by Justice Dorsey. During the discussion, Justice Johnson asked if this was going to replace the current machine. Sheriff Alexander stated no, this money was going to be spent to have portable breathalyzer in the vehicles. The motion to adopt passed unanimously.

Judge Stumph requested the Court to approve three appointments. Colby Harris and Paul Henricks were approved for the Marion County Regional Airport Board and Telicia Wade Perry was approved for the Marion County Equalization Board.

The meeting was adjourned.

Approved: Judge Judge

Date: 18125

FILED FOR RECORD at 1150 o'clock A M

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ORDINANCE 2025-<u>27</u>

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

AN ORDINANCE ESTABLISHING A VOLIUNTARY CONTRIBUTION ON EVERY TAX STATEMENT FOR REAL PROPERTY AND PERSONAL IN MARION COUNTY FOR THE PURPOSE OF FUNDING FOR SCHOOL OF NEW HOPE.

WHEREAS, this ordinance provides a funding mechanism by which to carry out services provided by the School of New Hope in Marion County, AR for adults with disabilities.

WHEREAS, Arkansas Code Ann. §26-25-106 and §26-73-103(a) authorizes the imposition and levying of voluntary taxes (contributions/donations) for the benefit of residents; and the Arkansas Attorney General in Option NO. 94-003 and 2011-149 has opined that a county quorum court can establish a voluntary tax ordinance; and

WHEREAS, Arkansas Code Ann. §14-14-802 states that a county government acting through the quorum court, may provide through ordinance for community services, such as services for developmentally disabled adults; and

WHEREAS, the Marion County Budget Committee met on the 27th day of May, 2025 and recommended that the Marion County Quorum Court establish a voluntary tax (contribution/donation) for the purpose of additional funding for services provided by the School of New Hope for training, education, transportation, and therapies for developmentally disabled adults to improve their abilities, promoting self-support and independence. That School of New Hope was established in 1969 and incorporated in 1972 providing services to the citizens of Marion County.

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

<u>SECTION 1</u>: There is hereby levied an annual Voluntary Contribution in the amount of \$10.00 per every tax statement for real and personal property in Marion County for the purpose of additional funding of the School of New Hope.

<u>SECTION 2</u>: The Marion County Tax Collector is hereby directed to include on the annual tax statement mailed to each real and personal property owner the Voluntary Contribution for School of New Hope. Upon receipt of the statement, the taxpayer will have the option of making the voluntary contribution or not or in an amount greater than or less than the voluntary contribution amount.

<u>SECTION 3</u>: The collections from the Voluntary Contribution shall be placed in the School of New Hope Fund. As per Arkansas Code Ann. §26-25-106, these funds shall be



used exclusively for services provided by the School of New Hope for training, education, transportation, and therapies for developmentally disabled adults to improve their abilities, promoting self-support and independence.

<u>SECTION 4</u>: The Marion County Judge is hereby authorized to execute contracts necessary to provide services for developmentally disabled adults in Marion County, Arkansas with the School of New Hope.

<u>SECTION 5</u>: The provisions of this Ordinance are hereby declared to be severable and of any provision shall for any reason be held invalid such holding shall not affect the validity of the remainder of this Ordinance.

SECTION 6: It is hereby determined by the Quorum Court of Marion County that a need exists for additional funding for services provided to developmentally disabled adults for the county to protect the life, health; safety and welfare of its residents and that a Voluntary Contribution is the best mechanism for the provision of such services at this time.

<u>SECTION 7.</u> All county employees and elected officials involved herein shall prepare all documentation necessary to effectuate this transfer described above.

<u>SECTION 8.</u> This Ordinance is hereby enacted as an Ordinance and therefore is effective immediately.

PASSED AND APPROVED BY THE QUORUM COURT OF Marion County, Arkansas on this day of day of day 2025.

Approved:

Jason Stumph, Marion County Judge

Attest:

Dawn Moffet, Marion County & Circuit Clerk

SPONSOR: Sandra Lee, JP #2; Leslie Kerwood, JP #6; Tommy Dorsey, JP #8

Date adopted:

Votes for:

Votes against

Abstain

Present:

Absent

ORDINANCE 2025-**27**

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SECONDED BY JUSTICE Shipman	

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JUSTICE KOLTON JENSEN (District #4)				
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ORDINANCE 2025-**27**

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MOTION TO: Do Suspend the Rules and Place the Ordinance On Second Reading By Dille Only MOVED BY JUSTICE_Read
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APPROPRIATION ORDINANCE 2025 - 26

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

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE ANNUAL OPERATING BUDGET AND NUMBERS AND COMPENSATION ORDINANCE 2024-61 FOR CALENDAR YEAR 2025 FOR MARION COUNTY ARKANSAS. TRANSFER UNAPPROPRIATED FUNDS FROM 1000 COUNTY GENERAL TO 1000.0119 COUNTY GENERAL- REIMBURSABLES FOR REFUND OF OVERPAYMENT ON MARCH 2025 COLONIAL LIFE PREMIUM PAYMENT.

Section 1. This appropriation is for the transfer of unappropriated funds for refund of overpayment on March 2025 Colonial Life premium payment.

Section 2. Appropriate money of in the amount of \$31.82 from the following fund:

Appropriate From County General:	Amount
1000 - County General	\$31.82
Appropriate To County General-Reimbursables:	Amount
1000.0119.1016 Life Insurance	\$31.82
Section 3. All county employees and elected officials involved herein shall documentation necessary to effectuate this transfer and purchase described	l prepare all l above.
Section 4. This Ordinance is herein enacted as an Appropriation Ordinanc effective immediately.	e and therefore
PASSED AND APPROVED BY THE QUORUM COURT OF Marion Code day of Lucy , 2025. Approved:	unty, Arkansas on this
Attest: Jason Shumph, Marion County Judge Attest: Dawn Moffet, Marion County & Circuit Clerk	
Dated: July 8, 2025	
Sponsors: Justice Lee #2; Justice Kerwood #6; Justice Dorsey #8	
Date adopted: 7/8/25	
Votes for: 9 Votes against Abstain	
Present: 9 Absent	

APPROPRIATION ORDINANCE 2025 - 28

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

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE ANNUAL OPERATING BUDGET AND NUMBERS AND COMPENSATION ORDINANCE 2024-61 FOR CALENDAR YEAR 2025 FOR MARION COUNTY ARKANSAS. TRANSFER UNAPPROPRIATED FUNDS FROM 1000 COUNTY GENERAL TO 1000.0119 COUNTY GENERAL- REIMBURSABLES FOR REIMBURSEMENT OF OVERPAYMENT AND INTEREST ON 2024 QUARTER 4 941 PAYMENT.

Amount \$1,128.84

Section 1. This appropriation is for the transfer of unappropriated funds for reimbursement of overpayment and interest on 2024 Quarter 4 941 payment.

Section 2. Appropriate money of in the amount of \$1,128.84 from the following fund:

Appropriate From County General:

1000 - County General	\$1,128.84
Appropriate To County General- Reimbursables:	Amount
1000.0119.1006 Social Security Matching	\$1,128.84
Section 3. All county employees and elected officials involved herein shall processary to effectuate this transfer and purchase described above.	repare all documentation
Section 4. This Ordinance is herein enacted as an Appropriation Ordinance a immediately.	nd therefore effective
PASSED AND APPROVED BY THE QUORUM COURT OF Marion Count day of Luly, 2025.	y, Arkansas on this
Approved: Jason Syumph, Marion County Judge	FILED FOR RECORD at 843 o'clock A M
Attest: Dawn Moffet, Marion County & Circuit Clerk	JUL 18 2025
Dated: Puly 8, 2025	Merivin County Glerk D.C.
Sponsors: Justice Lee #2; Justice Kerwood #6; Justice Dorsey #8	
Date adopted: 1825	
Votes for: Votes against Abstain	
Present: 4 Absent_	

Ordinance 2025- 09

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE COMPENSATION STRUCTURE FOR THE DEPUTIES OF THE MARION COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE AMENDING ORDINANCE 2018-4 IDENTIFIED AS THE MARION COUNTY PERSONNEL POLICY AND ORDINANCE 2022-82 IDENTIFIED AS ESTABLISHING THE ADDITIONAL COMPENSATION STRUCTURE FOR THE DEPUTIES OF THE MARION COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE. THIS ORDINANCE AMENDS THE NORMAL WORK WEEK HOURS AND ADDS COMPENSATION HOURS FOR SPECIAL ASSIGNMENT/TRAINING DUTIES FOR LAW ENFORCEMENT.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE QUORUM COURT OF MARION COUNTY, ARKKANSAS:

Article 1. The Marion County Personnel Policy is amended as follows:

The normal work period shall be 40 hours per week for all employees except employees engaged in the provision of law enforcement services. The normal work week for law enforcement personnel shall be no more than 86 hours in a 14 consecutive day work period.

Law Enforcement personnel: Law Enforcement personnel may accrue an additional 160 hours of compensatory time for special assignment/training hours. After earning the additional 160 hours of compensatory time, law enforcement personnel shall receive overtime pay in cash of one-and one-half times (1-1/2) the rate earned for each hour worked in excess of the normal work period. Compensatory time will be scheduled at the direction of the supervisor and may carry over into the next year and must be used within one year of accumulation. Compensatory time earned shall be reported on time sheets turned into the HR/Payroll office.

Article 2. Severability Clause: If any provision or article of this Ordinance is held invalid by a court of competent jurisdiction, such invalidity shall not affect other provisions and articles of this Ordinance, and to such end the provisions and articles of the Ordinance are cleared severable.

Article 3. All county employees and elected officials involved herein are directed to prepare any documentation necessary and to perform all duties necessary to effectuate this ordinance.

Article 4. Emergency Clause: The passage of this ordinance directly affects the daily operation of the Marion County Sheriff's Office and the Quorum Court finds that the immediate implementation of this ordinance is necessary for the preservation of the public's peace, health, safety, welfare, and property, an emergency is hereby declared to exist and that this Ordinance is to be in effect immediately after its adoption.

PASSED AND APPROVED BY THE QUORUM COURT OF Marion County, Arkansas on this O	
day of July 2025.	FILED FOR RECORD at 948 o'clock A M
APPROVED Jason Symph Marion County Judge	JUL 18 2025
Attest: Dawn Moffet, Marion County & Circuit Clerk	DAWN MOFFET Myrio County Clark D.C.
Sponsors: Chuck Van Velkinburgh JP#1, Sandra Lee JP#2, Kolton Jensen JP#4, Leslie Kerwood JP#6	
Date adopted: (July 8, 2025	
Votes For: Votes Against:	Abstain:
Present: Absent:	