MARION COUNTY QUORUM COURT MINUTES

September 8, 2026

The Marion County Quorum Court held their monthly meeting beginning at 5:30 p.m. on September 8, 2026.

Judge Stumph presided over the meeting and all Justices with the exception of Justice Kerwood, were present. The invocation was delivered by Sheriff Gregg Alexander and the Pledge was led by Judge Stumph.

The August meeting minutes were approved.

All reports were given and accepted.

Unfinished Business:

New Business:

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

Ordinance 2026-45 – Coroner – Repair of Cooler – Sponsored by Justices Van Velkinburgh, Hopson, Kerwood, Shipman and Dorsey. This Ordinance request funds from the Local Assistance Tribal Consistency Fund for the purpose of repairing and replacing parts in the coroner's cooler, in the amount of $5,023.71. The motion to adopt was made by Justice Dorsey and seconded by Justice Van Velkinburgh. During discussion Justice Lee inquired if these were new repairs. Judge Stumph replied that these were brand new parts with a warranty. The motion to adopt passed unanimously.

Ordinance 2026-46 – Library – Construction and Repairs - Sponsored by Justices Van Velkinburgh, Hopson, Kerwood, Shipman and Dorsey. This ordinance is to transfer unappropriated fund from 3088 Library State Aid to 3088-0600 Library State Aid – Marion County Library for construction and reports at the library, in the amount of $80,000. The motion to adopt was made by Justice Shipman and seconded by Justice Dorsey. Justice Reed questioned if the Library Board had approved this ordinance. Board member Paul Ray Hudson responded in the affirmative. He continued by stating that the library would have to be closed on Saturdays for the construction and repairs to be completed. Stone Construction and Proffitt's Roofing were the only bidders on the project. The motion to adopt passed unanimously.

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Ordinance 2026-47 – Quorum Court – Numbers and Compensation - Sponsored by Justices Van Velkinburgh, Hopson, Kerwood, Shipman and Dorsey. This ordinance is to amend the numbers and compensation portion of Ordinance 2025-56 for payment to the nine Quorum Court members until the end of this year, in the amount of $12,918.00. The motion to adopt was made by Justice Dorsey and seconded by Justice Shipman. The motion passed unanimously.

Ordinance 2026-48 – Detention Center – Repairs and Maintenance - Sponsored by Justices Van Velkinburgh, Hopson, Kerwood, Shipman and Dorsey. This ordinance appropriates unappropriated funds in 3018 County Detention Facility for repairs maintenance and operation of the Marion County Detention Center in the amount of $212,125.33 The motion to adopt was made by Justice Shipman and seconded by Justice Reed. Justice Lee asked if the monies in this fund are rolled over at the beginning of each year. County Attorney responded yes and that these monies would only be used for the operation and maintenance of the facility. Justice Johnson pointed out that the building was now eight years old and needed some upgrades. The motion to adopt passed unanimously.

Resolution 2026-3 – Clerk's Office – Digitizing Survey Books - Sponsored by Justices Van Velkinburgh, Hopson, Kerwood, Shipman and Dorsey. This resolution authorizes the Marion County Judge to apply a grant from the Association of Arkansas Counties in the amount of $22,341.86 to digitize eighteen (18) survey books. The motion to adopt was made by Justice Dorsey and seconded by Justice Shipman. The motion passed unanimously by voice vote.

Resolution 2026-4 – Judge's Office – Amended – Transfer Station - Sponsored by Justices Van Velkinburgh, Hopson, Kerwood, Shipman and Dorsey. This resolution authorizes the Marion County Judge to submit an updated application of formal request to First Service Bank to extend the Letter of Credit for the purposes of satisfying the requirements of the permitting of the Marion County Solid Waste/Transfer Station in the amount of $5,500. The motion to adopt was made by Justice Lee and seconded by Justice Dorsey. The motion passed unanimously by voice vote.

Resolution 2026-5 – Assessor's Office – Mapping Grant - Sponsored by Justices Van Velkinburgh, Hopson, Kerwood, Shipman and Dorsey. This resolution authorizes the Marion County Assessor to apply for funding for the mapping of unmapped properties in Marion County, Arkansas in the amount of $27,000. The motion to adopt was made by Justice Dorsey and seconded by Justice Shipman. The motion passed unanimously by voice vote.

Judge Stumph announced the appointment of Jennifer Beaty to the Marion County Fair and Livestock Show Board for a term that expires on December 31, 2028.

Justice Johnson asked about the current burn ban. Judge Stumph said that 73 counties were under a burn ban at this time. Justice Johnson wondered how many Burn Ban signs Marion County had. Judge stated that he wasn't sure, but the fire departments were in charge ~~of declaring a burn ban~~ and posting the signs.

↑ Not accurate

The meeting was adjourned.

Approved: _____
Jason Stumph, County Judge

Date: 10/19/26

Attest: _____
Dawn Moffet, County & Circuit Clerk

Appropriation Ordinance 2026 - 49

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 2025.56 FOR CALENDAR YEAR 2026 FOR MARION COUNTY, ARKANSAS. TRANSFER UNAPPROPRIATED FUNDS FROM 1000 COUNTY GENERAL TO 1000.0120 COUNTY GENERAL- COURT COMPLEX FOR PAYMENT OF UTILITIES AT THE COURT COMPLEX (ANNEX).

SECTION 1. This appropriation is for the transfer of funds to provide payment for utility bills at the Court Complex (Annex) for the remainder of FY2026.

SECTION 2. Appropriate money in the amount of $8,900.00 from the following fund:

Appropriate **FROM** County General	Amount
1000 County General	$8,900.00
Appropriate TO County General – Court Complex (1000.0120)	**Amount**
1000.0120.3009 Other Professional Ser	$3,200.00
1000.0120.3060 Utilities – Electricit	$4,000.00
1000.0120.3061 Utilities-Gas	$200.00
1000.0120.3061 Utilities – Water	$1,500.00

SECTION 3. All County Employees and Elected Officials involved herein shall prepare all documentation necessary to effectuate the transfer described herein.

SECTION 4. This Ordinance is herein enacted as an appropriation ordinance and therefore effective immediately.

PASSED AND APPROVED BY THE QUORUM COURT OF Marion County, Arkansas on this 13 day of Oct., 2026.

Approved: _____ Jason Stumph, Marion County Judge

Attest: _____ Dawn Moffet, Marion County Circuit & County Clerk

Dated: 10/13/26

Sponsored by: The Budget Committee

Votes for: 9 Votes against _____ Abstain _____

Present: 9 Absent _____

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