

VAN BUREN COUNTY QUORUM COURT
JOURNAL OF PROCEEDINGS
October 19, 2023

The Van Buren County Court met Thursday, October 19, 2023, at the Van Buren County Courthouse Annex in Clinton, Arkansas for the regular monthly meeting, with Judge James presiding. Members of the Quorum Court attending were Justice of the Peace N. Brown, S. Brown, M. Bradford, J. Bradford, D. Holcomb, B. Page, E. Bass and M. Philips. Also in attendance was Attorney Carol Crews and Pam Bradford County Clerk.

Next: PRAYER: Given by J.P. D. Holcomb

Next: PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE: Was recited by all

Next: ROLL CALL: J.P. V. Lemings absent

Next: AGENDA: J.P. M. Bradford made a motion to approve the agenda with the addition of 2 Ordinances, seconded by J.P. S. Brown. The agenda was unanimously approved.

Next: MINUTES, TREASURER'S REPORT, APPROPRIATION ANALYSIS: J.P. D. Holcomb made a motion to accept the Minutes, Treasurer's Report and Appropriation Analysis as printed. J.P. N. Brown seconded the motion. Judge James asked for any discussion, there was none. The Minute's, Treasurer's Report and Appropriation Analysis were approved unanimously.

Next: COUNTY ROAD AND EQUIPMENT REPORT: [Report Attached]

Next: SHERIFF'S REPORT: [Report Attached]

Next: COUNTY JUDGE'S COMMENTS: [None]

Next: COUNTY BOARDS/COMMITTEES ADDRESS THE COURT: J.P. N. Brown gave the court an update on the recent Budget Committee meeting. The next Budget Committee meeting will be held October 24, 2023.

Next: ELECTED OFFICIALS/DEPARTMENT HEADS ADDRESS THE COURT:

OLD BUSINESS: [None]

NEW BUSINESS:

- A. NEXT: J.P. M. PHILIPS READ AN APPROPRIATION ORDINANCE TO AMEND THE ORIGINAL APPROPRIATION ORDINANCE #O-2022-58, THE ANNUAL OPERATING BUDGET FOR 2023, TO INCREASE THE PROJECTED REVENUE AND APPROPRIATE \$3,199.19 INTO COUNTY GENERAL, \$565.04 INTO COUNTY ROAD, AND \$16.96 INTO SOLID WASTE.** After reading the ordinance, J.P. M. Philips made a motion to adopt, seconded by J.P. N. Brown. Judge James asked for any discussion. J.P. E. Bass stated the totals on the Ordinance did not match. J.P. E. Bass made a motion to amend the Ordinance, seconded by J.P. N. Brown. The ordinance was approved with amendment and given **No. O-2023-42**
- B. NEXT: J.P. N. BROWN READ AN EMERGENCY ORDINANCE APPROVING EXPENDITURE CLASSIFICATIONS FOR FUND #1006 ARPA REVENUE REPLACEMENT FUND.** After reading the ordinance J.P. N. Brown made a motion to adopt, seconded by J.P. M. Bradford. Judge James asked for any discussion. There was none. J.P. B. Page made a motion to acknowledge the Emergency Clause, seconded by J.P. N. Brown. The ordinance was approved and given **No. O-2023-43**
- C. NEXT: J.P. D. HOLCOMB READ AND ORDINANCE TO AMEND ORDINANCE # O-2023-20, TO INCREASE THE PROJECTED REVENUE AND APPROPRIATE \$2,596.98 INTO COUNTY GENERAL #1000-120 FOR THE COURTHOUSE ANNEX.** After reading the Ordinance J.P. D. Holcomb made a motion to adopt, seconded by J.P. M. Philips. Judge James asked for any discussion. There was none. The Ordinance was approved and given **No. O-2023-44**
- D. NEXT: J.P. M. PHILIPS READ AN APPROPRIATION ORDINANCE TO AMEND THE ORIGINAL APPROPRIATION ORDINANCE #2022-58, THE ANNUAL OPERATING BUDGET FOR 2023, TO INCREASE THE PROJECTED REVENUE AND APPROPRIATE \$65,674.01 INTO THE E911 BUDGET #3020-501.** After reading the Ordinance J.P. M. Philips made a motion to adopt, seconded by J.P. M. Bradford. Judge James stated the current budget had an extra month included due to having to pay FFB for December 2022. J.P. S. Brown asked if there was a cap on the comp. time. Judy Wells addressed the court on the loss of two employees at the beginning of the year and the loss of three employees just this week. County Clerk Bradford stated the reason the increase is needed is because of the employees leaving had to be paid out. The employees that resign must be paid out on their last paycheck. J.P. D. Holcomb asked the status of the generator for 911. J. Wells stated the estimated ship date id December 19, 2023. The Ordinance was approved and given **No. O-2023-45**
- E. NEXT: J.P. N. BROWN READ AN APPROPRIATION ORDINANCE TO AMEND THE ORIGIANL APPROPRIATION ORDINANCE #O-2022-58, THE ANNUAL OPERATING BUDGET FOR 2023, TO INCREASE THE PROJECTED REVENUE AND APPROPRIATE \$40,655.58 INTO THE SHERIFF'S OFFICE BUDGET #1000-0400-2007, FUELS, OIL AND LUBRICANTS.** After reading the Ordinance J.P. N. Brown made a motion to adopt, seconded by J.P. D. Holcomb. Judge James asked for any discussion. J.P. J. Bradford questioned the amount

of money still remaining in the budget. J.P. N. Brown stated the fuel line item was currently in the red and the amount requested "padded" the budget for overages. The Ordinance was approved and given **No. O-2023-46**

F. NEXT: J.P. N. BROWN READ AN APPROPRIATION ORDINANCE TO AMEND THE ORIGINAL APPROPRIATION ORDINANCE #O-2022-58, THE ANNUAL OPERATING BUDGET FOR 2023, TO INCREASE THE PROJECTED REVENUE AND TRANSFER AND APPROPRIATE \$50,000.00 INTO THE SHERIFF'S OFFICE BUDGET #1000-400-4009 EQUIPMENT-TRIBAL FUNDS, FROM FUND #1007-LOCAL ASSISTANCE & TRIBAL CONSISTENCY FUND TO PURCHASE DASH CAMERAS FOR PATROL VEHICLES. After reading the Ordinance, J.P. n. Brown made a motion to adopt, seconded by J.P. M. Philips. After discussion, J.P. N. Brown made a motion to amend the Ordinance, seconded by J.P. D. Holcomb. After continued discussion, J.P. S. Brown made a motion to table the Ordinance, seconded by J.P. J. Bradford.

1. NEXT: J.P. E. BASS READ A RESOLUTION TO REMOVE A FORMER EMPLOYEE FROM THE VAN BUREN COUNTY BANK ACCOUNT #XXXX000 AT FIRST SERVICE BANK AND ADD A NEW COUNTY EMPLOYEE. After reading the Resolution, J.P. E. Bass made a motion to adopt, seconded by J.P. N. Brown. Judge James asked for any discussion. There was none. The Resolution was passed and given **No. R-2023-13**

TRANSFERS: None

J.P J. Bradford motioned to adjourn, seconded by all.

Pam Bradford, Van Buren County Clerk

COUNTY ROAD AND EQUIPMENT REPORT

OCTOBER 2023

We have had enough moisture to continue normal grading routes. We are receiving a LOT of calls requesting mowing. We have all our mowers out working every day. Some of the calls are coming from roads which have been mowed three times already this year. We are working to hit every road at least once. Limited equipment and staff prevent us from keeping the roads tidy all year, but we can do much more than in the past.

Chip/Seal patch work was completed on several roads where needed. Total of approx. 3 miles was laid.

We are working on spreading the millings we received from ARDOT. They are going to Brock Road in Alread as well as the county roads that abut Brock. After Brock Road is completed, we will do Watson Road.

The State Aid Project on Linn Creek and Whistle Stop is coming along very well. Rogers Group was the bid winner and they have done an incredible job.

Pre-work has begun on the Mitigation Grant funded project on Baker Lake Road. We have a year to complete the project to replace a series of large culverts with a pre-fabricated bridge.

We have submitted the grant request for Oyler Road which is for \$500,000.00. We should hear if the project is approved by next month's meeting. I think we have a good chance.



VAN BUREN COUNTY SHERIFF

Sheriff Eric Koonce

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Clinton, Arkansas 72031

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81 Total Incident Reports for September 2023

Misdemeanor:

Drug Violations - 4

Personal - 18

Property - 9

Felony:

Drug Violations - 2

Personal - 5

Property - 5

CID Call Outs - 6

Search Warrants - 10

Felony Affidavits - 8

Detention Statistics from 9/1/2023 to 9/30/2023

Agency	Booked			Released			Transferred				
	Male	Female	Unk	Male	Female	Unk	Male	Female	Unk	Total	
Van Buren County Sheriffs Office	39	13	0	35	11	0	46	1	1	0	2
Arkansas State Police	3	0	0	3	0	0	3	0	0	0	0
Clinton Police Department	3	0	0	3	0	0	3	0	0	0	0
Fairfield Bay Police Department	2	1	0	3	1	0	2	0	0	0	0
Us Marshalls Office	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	4	0	0	4
Totals:	47	14	0	61	12	0	54	5	1	0	6



Type Total Report

Print Date: 01-Oct-23
Print Time: 01:00:10
User Name: jwells

Incidents Created From: 01-Sep-23 00:00:00 To: 30-Sep-23 23:59:59 ; Unit Org: VAN BUREN.LAW.VAN BUREN LAW.VAN BUREN CO SO; Unit(s): All; Source: All; Community: All

Unit Org	Event	Event Description	Type Count
VAN BUREN CO SO	ABND/HU/OPEN	ABANDONED/HU/OPEN	3
VAN BUREN CO SO	ACIC	ACIC QUERY	211
VAN BUREN CO SO	ANML	ANIMAL	37
VAN BUREN CO SO	ASSAULT	ASSAULT	1
VAN BUREN CO SO	ASSIST	ASSIST AGENCY	4
VAN BUREN CO SO	COMPLAINT	COMPLAINT	1
VAN BUREN CO SO	COURT	COURT	6
VAN BUREN CO SO	DISTURBANCE	DISTURBANCE	2
VAN BUREN CO SO	EXTRA PATROL	EXTRA PATROL	41
VAN BUREN CO SO	FG	GRASS FIRE	1
VAN BUREN CO SO	FIRE ALARM	FIRE ALARM	1
VAN BUREN CO SO	FPS	FIRE PUBLIC SERVICE	1
VAN BUREN CO SO	FS	STRUCTURE FIRE	1
VAN BUREN CO SO	FV	VEHICLE FIRE	3
VAN BUREN CO SO	INFO	INFORMATION ONLY	4
VAN BUREN CO SO	LAW ALARM	LAW ALARM	11
VAN BUREN CO SO	LPS	LAW PUBLIC SERVICE	16
VAN BUREN CO SO	MED	EMERGENCY MEDICAL CALL	11
VAN BUREN CO SO	MISSING PERSON	MISSING PERSON	3
VAN BUREN CO SO	MOTORIST ASSIST	MOTORIST ASSIST	20
VAN BUREN CO SO	MVA	MOTOR VEHICLE ACCIDENT	14
VAN BUREN CO SO	PD	POLICE	135
VAN BUREN CO SO	PHYSICAL DOMESTIC	PHYSICAL DOMESTIC	5
VAN BUREN CO SO	PROPERTY CHECK	PROPERTY CHECK	52
VAN BUREN CO SO	PROPERTY DAMAGE	PROPERTY DAMAGE	2
VAN BUREN CO SO	PROWLER	PROWLER	3
VAN BUREN CO SO	PS	PUBLIC SERVICE	6
VAN BUREN CO SO	REPO	REPOSESSION	1
VAN BUREN CO SO	REPORT	REPORT	43

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Print Date: 01-Oct-23
Print Time: 01:00:11
User Name: jwells

Incidents Created From: 01-Sep-23 00:00:00 To: 30-Sep-23 23:59:59 ; Unit Org: VAN BUREN.LAW.VAN BUREN CO SO; Unit(s): All; Source: All; Community: All

Unit Org	Event	Event Description	Type Count
VAN BUREN CO SO	RUNAWAY	RUNAWAY	1
VAN BUREN CO SO	SHOTS FIRED	SHOTS FIRED	1
VAN BUREN CO SO	STOLEN VEHICLE	STOLEN VEHICLE	1
VAN BUREN CO SO	SUICIDE ATTEMPT	SUICIDE ATTEMPT	1
VAN BUREN CO SO	SUICIDE THREAT	SUICIDE THREAT	2
VAN BUREN CO SO	SUSPICIOUS PERSON	SUSPICIOUS PERSON	9
VAN BUREN CO SO	SUSPICIOUS VEHICLE	SUSPICIOUS VEHICLE	10
VAN BUREN CO SO	THEFT OF PROPERTY	THEFT OF PROPERTY	7
VAN BUREN CO SO	TRAN	TRANSFER/TRANSPORT	41
VAN BUREN CO SO	TRANSFERRED CALL	TRANSFERRED CALL	1
VAN BUREN CO SO	TRF	TRAFFIC CONTROL	3
VAN BUREN CO SO	TRFC	TRAFFIC RECKLESS DRIVER	10
VAN BUREN CO SO	TS	TRAFFIC STOP	236
VAN BUREN CO SO	VERBAL DOMESTIC	VERBAL DOMESTIC	9
VAN BUREN CO SO	WARRANT	WARRANT SERVICE	57
VAN BUREN CO SO	WELFARE CHECK	WELFARE CHECK	25
VAN BUREN CO SO	WOODS	FIRE IN WOODS	1

Type Count -VAN BUREN CO SO: 1054

Total Incidents: 1054