

**AGENDA FOR THE QUORUM COURT
COMMITTEE MEETING
Tuesday, January 4, 2022
JEFFERSON COUNTY COURTHOUSE
101 W. BARRAQUE ST.
PINE BLUFF, AR
TIME 5:30 P.M.**

**I. ROLL CALL
II. REPORT OF THE COMMITTEES**

Human Resource– Justice Cedric Jackson

1. AN ORDINANCE APPROVING A COUNTY-WIDE HIRING FREEZE;
PRESCRIBING OTHER MATTERS PERTAINING THERETO;

Public Safety– Justice Conley Byrd

1. AN ORDINANCE PROHIBITING UNREASONABLY LOUD NOISES AND
DISTURBANCE OF THE PEACE IN JEFFERSON COUNTY; LEVYING A
FINE FOR AN VIOLATIONS OF SUCH, AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Budget and Finance– Justice Jimmy Fisher

1. AN ORDINANCE APPROVING A COUNTY-WIDE HIRING FREEZE;
PRESCRIBING OTHER MATTERS PERTAINING THERETO;
2. AN ORDINANCE PROHIBITING UNREASONABLY LOUD NOISES AND
DISTURBANCE OF THE PEACE IN JEFFERSON COUNTY; LEVYING A
FINE FOR AN VIOLATIONS OF SUCH, AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES
3. AN APPROPRIATION ORDINANCE TO APPROPRIATE FUNDS FOR
AMERICAN RESCUE PLAN FUND (3046)
4. AN APPROPRIATIONAN APPROPRIATION ORDINANCE TO
APPROPRIATE FUNDS FOR FUNDS (3515-500-4001) HMGP PROPERTY
ACQUISITION GRANT, (3516-500-3114) FMA PROPERTY ELEVATION
GRANT, AND (3517-500-4001) FMA PROPERTY ACQUISITON GRANT
5. AN APPROPRIATION ORDINANCE TO TRANSFER AND APPROPRIATE
FUNDS FROM AMERICAN RESCUE PLAN FUND (3046) TO AMERICAN
RESCUE PLAN SPECIAL PROJECTS (3046-100-3114) AND TO AMERICAN
RESCUE PLAN VACCINE INCENTIVE (3046-100-3116).

III. ADJOURNMENT

State of Arkansas
County of Jefferson
Quorum Court

ORDINANCE NO. 2022- _____

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

AN ORDINANCE APPROVING A COUNTY-WIDE HIRING FREEZE; PRESCRIBING OTHER MATTERS PERTAINING THERETO;

WHEREAS, the Quorum Court of Jefferson County has determined that due to the ongoing County-wide economic crisis, it is in the best interests of the County and public to continue the hiring freeze through December 31, 2022; and

WHEREAS, the institution of a hiring freeze will also subject all vacant positions of county employment to the hiring freeze.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED:

ARTICLE I. This Ordinance shall apply to all regular, temporary, and acting positions of county employment regardless of which branch of government, except:

- (1) the chief administrators of the circuit and district courts;
- (2) commissioned law enforcement positions within the sheriff's office;
- (3) custody and corrections officers within the sheriff's office;
- (4) juvenile intake, probations and corrections officer positions at the Jack Jones Juvenile Detention Center;
- (5) any position funded entirely by one or more grants, the use of which is restricted by law or contract; and
- (6) temporary positions supporting within the elections division of the county.
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ARTICLE II. There is hereby imposed a hiring freeze on all positions of county employment for non-emergency personnel in all departments. The filling of any current or future vacancy is prohibited except as expressly provided herein.

AN ORDINANCE APPROVING A COUNTY-WIDE
HIRING FREEZE; PRESCRIBING OTHER MATTERS
PERTAINING THERETO;

- (1) The Quorum Court may by motion exempt one or more specific appointments from application of this section upon a determination that the appointment is;
 - (a) Necessary for performance of a critical health or safety function;
 - (b) Necessary for satisfaction of a legal mandate;
 - (c) Necessary for efficient and cost-effective operation of the county;
or
 - (d) Substantially funded by a federal or state grant or other dedicated revenue source and is necessary to carry out a county obligation under a related grant or other contract.
- (2) Any action exempting an appointment from application of this Ordinance will be made at a public meeting after consultation with the requesting elected official as provided herein.
- (3) Any county elected official or court administrator may request that the Quorum Court exempt an appointment from application of this ordinance. The request must be in writing and shall include relevant fiscal information and the recommendation of the County Judge and department of human resources, if any. The County Judge shall process the request promptly and submit it to the Quorum Court, which in no event shall occur more than five working days after the written request is delivered to the County Judge, and the requesting official shall add such additional information as the County Judge deems appropriate.

ARTICLE III. This ordinance shall not apply to any bona fide offer of county employment tendered and accepted prior to the adoption and actual notice of this ordinance, regardless of when the employee actually begins work for the County. The County Clerk shall forthwith distribute copies of this ordinance to all county elected officials and department heads and to such other county officers as

directed by the Chairperson of the Finance Committee.

AN ORDINANCE APPROVING A COUNTY-WIDE
HIRING FREEZE; PRESCRIBING OTHER MATTERS
PERTAINING THERETO;

ARTICLE IV. The Jefferson County Quorum Court finds that this ordinance is necessary to respond to recent 2021 and 2022 projected ongoing County-wide crisis, that immediate action is needed to help curtail expenditures, and that this ordinance is necessary for the support of county government and its existing institutions. Based on the foregoing, the Quorum Court declares that an emergency exists and this ordinance shall take effect immediately.

AN ORDINANCE APPROVING A COUNTY-WIDE
HIRING FREEZE; PRESCRIBING OTHER MATTERS
PERTAINING THERETO;

INTRODUCED BY:

APPROVED BY:

CEDRIC JACKSON
JUSTICE OF THE PEACE
JEFFERSON COUNTY, ARKANSAS

TERRY WYNNE
COUNTY ATTORNEY
JEFFERSON COUNTY, ARKANSAS

APPROVED:

ATTEST:

GERALD ROBINSON
COUNTY JUDGE
JEFFERSON COUNTY, ARKANSAS

SHAWNDRA TAGGART
COUNTY CLERK
JEFFERSON COUNTY, ARKANSAS

DATED: _____

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ORDINANCE NO. 2022- ____

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

"AN ORDINANCE PROHIBITING UNREASONABLY LOUD NOISES AND DISTURBANCE OF THE PEACE IN JEFFERSON COUNTY; LEVYING A FINE FOR AN VIOLATIONS OF SUCH, AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES."

Section 1. The causing of any unread really loud and disturbing noises of such volume or duration as to be detrimental to the life or Health of any individual, or to disturb the public peace and welfare is prohibited.

Section 2. In addition to the disturbances set forth in Section 1, the following are specifically prohibited; the playing of any radio, stereo, music reproduction system or musical instruments in such manner or of such volume, particular between the hours of 10 p.m. and 6 a.m., asked to disturb the peace and quiet of residence; and sustained engine noises.

Section 3. Penalty.
Any violation of this ordinance shall be punishable by fine not to exceed five hundred dollars (\$500); double that sum for each repetition thereof. The Jefferson County Sheriff's Office shall enforce this ordinance.

Section 4. This ordinance covers only those areas of Jefferson County, Arkansas which are unincorporated.

Section 5. Severability.
If any part of this ordinance is held invalid, such invalidity shall not affect any other portion of this ordinance

Section 6. Repeal of Conflicting Ordinances and Resolutions.
All laws and parts of laws in conflict with this ordinance are hereby repealed.

Section 7. Codification.
This ordinance shall be codified in the Jefferson County Code of Ordinances and the sections may be renumbered and re-lettered to accomplish such intention.

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FINE FOR AN VIOLATIONS OF SUCH, AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES."

INTRODUCED BY:

APPROVED BY:

DR. CONLEY F. BYRD, JR.
JUSTICE OF THE PEACE
JEFFERSON COUNTY, ARKANSAS

TERRY WYNNE
COUNTY ATTORNEY
JEFFERSON COUNTY, ARKANSAS

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JEFFERSON COUNTY JUDGE
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State of Arkansas
County of Jefferson
Quorum Court

APPROPRIATION ORDINANCE NO. 2022-_____

AN APPROPRIATION ORDINANCE TO APPROPRIATE FUNDS FOR AMERICAN RESCUE PLAN FUND (3046).

BE IT ENACTED THE QUORUM COURT OF THE COUNTY OF JEFFERSON, STATE OF ARKANSAS

Article I. The County Judge is now authorized to appropriate funds for \$673,906.08 for American Rescue Plan Fund (3046) as detailed in the attachment hereto.

Article II. The County Judge is now authorized to appropriate funds as outlined in Article I.

Article III. The County Treasurer can authorize funds for \$673,906.08 for Fund 3046 American Rescue Plan.

Article III. That this Appropriation Ordinance shall be in full force and effect from and after its passage and approval.

AN APPROPRIATION ORDINANCE TO APPROPRIATE FUNDS FOR AMERICAN RESCUE PLAN FUND (3046)

BY:

APPROVED BY:

JIMMY FISHER
JUSTICE OF THE PEACE
JEFFERSON COUNTY, ARKANSAS

TERRY WYNNE
COUNTY ATTORNEY
JEFFERSON COUNTY, ARKANSAS

APPROVED:

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Gerald Robinson

Jefferson County Judge

101 WEST BARRAQUE, SUITE 107

PINE BLUFF, ARKANSAS 71601

PHONE: (870) 541-5360

FAX: (870) 536-2977

WEBSITE: WWW.JEFFERSONCOUNTYAR.GOV

TO: Jefferson County Quorum Court
FROM: Gerald Robinson, County Judge
DATE: December 17, 2021
RE: Appropriation Request for County Judge

1.) Please appropriate \$673,906.08 of unused funds from the American Rescue Plan Fund (3046) for the 2022 Budget Year.

If additional information is needed, please contact my Chief of Staff, Pamela Jenkins, via email (pamelajenkins@jeffersoncountyar.gov) or at 870.541.5360. Thanks in advance for your cooperation.

PAMELA JENKINS
CHIEF OF STAFF

THADDEUS HANDLEY
LEGISLATIVE OFFICER

HANK WILKINS, V
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APPROPRIATION ORDINANCE NO. 2022-_____

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BE IT ENACTED THE QUORUM COURT OF THE COUNTY OF JEFFERSON, STATE OF ARKANSAS

Article I. The County Judge is now authorized to appropriate funds for: \$1,014,171.90 in (3515-500-4001) HMGP Property Acquisition Grant, \$302,510.86 in (3516-500-3114) FMA Property Elevation Grant, and \$876,308.48 in (3517-500-4001) FMA Property Acquisition Grant detailed in the attachment hereto.

Article II. The County Judge is now authorized to appropriate as outlined in Article I.

Article III. The County Treasurer can authorize funds for \$1,014,171.90 in (3515-500-4001) HMGP Property Acquisition Grant, \$302,510.86 in (3516-500-3114) FMA Property Elevation Grant, and \$876,308.48 in (3517-500-4001) FMA Property Acquisition Grant

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JEFFERSON COUNTY OFFICE OF EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT

101 W. Barraque Street, Pine Bluff, AR 71601

Office (870) 541-5470

Fax (870) 541-5477

TO: County Judge Gerald Robinson
FROM: Karen Blevins *KB*
DATE: December 13, 2021
SUBJECT: Appropriation needed for Flood Mitigation Grants

Due to slow progress during the 2021 year on the mitigation grants, the following amounts have not been spent in 2021 and are needed to be appropriated for 2022.

HMGP Property Acquisition Grant	Line Item 3515.0500.4001	\$1,014,171.90
FMA Property Elevation Grant	Line Item 3516.0500.3114	\$302,510.86
FMA Property Acquisition Grant	Line Item 3517.0500.4001	\$876,308.48

Jefferson
2022

New Budget Report

Fund: 1000 - 6009

Dept: 100-9999

Item: 1001 - 9999

Line Item	Description	Year to Date Transfers	Year to Date Appropriations	Year to Date Expenditures	Budgeted Amount	Year to Date Balance	New Budget Amount	Init
Fund: 3516 FLOOD MITIGATION ASSISTANCE GRANT								
Group: 05000100 - 05001999 PERSONAL SERVICES								
3516 - 05001001	SALARIES (FULL TIME)	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00		
3516 - 05001002	SALARIES (PART TIME)	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00		
3516 - 05001003	EXTRA HELP	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00		
3516 - 05001004	CONTRACT LABOR	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00		
3516 - 05001005	OVERTIME	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00		
Group Totals:		\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00		
Group: 05003000 - 05003999 OTHER SERVICES & CHARGES								
3516 - 05003114	SPECIAL PROJECTS	\$0.00	\$302,590.22	\$79.36	\$0.00	\$302,510.86		
Group Totals:		\$0.00	\$302,590.22	\$79.36	\$0.00	\$302,510.86		
Department Totals:		\$0.00	\$302,590.22	\$79.36	\$0.00	\$302,510.86		
Fund Totals:		\$0.00	\$302,590.22	\$79.36	\$0.00	\$302,510.86		

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Fund: 3515 HAZARD MITIGATION GRANT RAM500 OFFICE OF EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT								
Group: 05000100 - 05001999 PERSONAL SERVICES								
3515 - 05001001	SALARIES (FULL TIME)	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00		
3515 - 05001002	SALARIES (PART TIME)	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00		
3515 - 05001003	EXTRA HELP	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00		
3515 - 05001004	CONTRACT LABOR	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00		
3515 - 05001005	OVERTIME	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00		
Group Totals:		\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00		
Group: 05004000 - 05004999 CAPITAL OUTLAY								
3515 - 05004001	LAND PURCHASE EXPENSES	\$0.00	1,019,017.60	\$4,845.70	\$0.00	\$1,014,171.90		
Group Totals:		\$0.00	\$1,019,017.60	\$4,845.70	\$0.00	\$1,014,171.90		
Department Totals:		\$0.00	\$1,019,017.60	\$4,845.70	\$0.00	\$1,014,171.90		
Fund Totals:		\$0.00	\$1,019,017.60	\$4,845.70	\$0.00	\$1,014,171.90		

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Fund: 3517	FLOOD MITIGATION BUY-OUT GRANT							
Group: 05004000	- 05004999 CAPITAL OUTLAY							
3517 - 05004001	LAND PURCHASE AND EXPENSES	\$0.00	\$878,129.18	\$1,820.70	\$0.00	\$876,308.48		
	Group Totals:	\$0.00	\$878,129.18	\$1,820.70	\$0.00	\$876,308.48		
	Department Totals:	\$0.00	\$878,129.18	\$1,820.70	\$0.00	\$876,308.48		
	Fund Totals:	\$0.00	\$878,129.18	\$1,820.70	\$0.00	\$876,308.48		

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BE IT ENACTED THE QUORUM COURT OF THE COUNTY OF JEFFERSON, STATE OF ARKANSAS

Article I. The County Judge is now authorized to transfer and appropriate funds for \$10,782.57 from American Rescue Plan Fund (3046) to (3046-100-3114) American Rescue Plan Special Projects and \$50,000.00 to (3046-100-3116) American Rescue Plan Vaccination Incentive as detailed in the attachment hereto.

Article II. The County Judge is now authorized to transfer the appropriation as outlined in Article I.

Article III. The County Treasurer is now authorized to transfer funds for \$10,782.57 from Fund 3046 American Rescue Plan to Fund (3046-100-3114) County American Rescue Plan Special Projects and \$50,000.00 to (3046-100-3116) American Rescue Plan Vaccination Incentive.

Article III. That this Appropriation Ordinance shall be in full force and effect from and after its passage and approval.

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BY:

APPROVED BY:

JIMMY FISHER
JUSTICE OF THE PEACE
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TO: Jefferson County Quorum Court
FROM: Gerald Robinson, County Judge
DATE: December 17, 2021
RE: Appropriation Request for County Judge

- 1.) Please appropriate \$10,782.57 from American Rescue Plan Fund (3046) to American Rescue Plan Special Projects (3046-100-3114).
- 2.) Please appropriate \$50,000.00 from American Rescue Plan Fund (3046) to American Rescue Plan Vaccine Incentive (3046-100-3116).

If additional information is needed, please contact my Chief of Staff, Pamela Jenkins, via email (pamelajenkins@jeffersoncountyar.gov) or at 870.541.5360. Thanks in advance for your cooperation.

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