

ORDINANCE NO. 2016 - 66

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

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING ORDINANCE NO. 2013-72, "AN ORDINANCE ESTABLISHING A VOLUNTARY CONTRIBUTION ON EVERY TAX STATEMENT FOR REAL PROPERTY IN BAXTER COUNTY FOR THE PURPOSE OF ANIMAL CONTROL FUNDING."

WHEREAS, the following modifications to the Title and Sections 1 and 2 of Ordinance No. 2013-72 (highlighted) are hereby recommended for the purpose of providing the option to personal property owners to make a voluntary contribution to Animal Control Services.

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

ORDINANCE NO. 2013-72: AN ORDINANCE ESTABLISHING A VOLUNTARY CONTRIBUTION ON EVERY TAX STATEMENT FOR REAL AND PERSONAL PROPERTY IN BAXTER COUNTY FOR THE PURPOSE OF ANIMAL CONTROL FUNDING.

Section 1. There is hereby levied an annual Voluntary Contribution at a minimum \$15.00 per every tax statement for real and personal property in Baxter County for the purpose of additional funding of the Baxter County Animal Control facility.

Section 2. The Baxter County Tax Collector is hereby directed to include on the annual tax statement mailed to each real and personal property owner subject to taxation the Voluntary Contribution for Animal Control Services. Upon receipt of the statement, the taxpayer will have the option of making the voluntary contribution or not.

Section 3. The collections from the Voluntary Contribution shall be placed in the Animal Control Fund (#1800). As per Arkansas Code Ann. § 26-25-106, these funds shall be used exclusively to finance the operation and maintenance of Animal Control services for the County.

Section 4. The Baxter County Judge is hereby authorized to expand animal control services by this Voluntary Contribution. Such services may include, but are not limited to the expansion of facilities, equipment, personnel, training, operation and maintenance. If, in the opinion of the Quorum Court, it would be in the best interest of the County to contract for the provision of any such services, then the County Judge is hereby authorized to enter into all necessary contracts to provide animal control services.

Section 5. It is hereby determined by the Quorum Court of Baxter County that a dire need exists for additional funding of animal control services 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.

Section 6. Emergency Clause. This ordinance, being necessary to meet the deadlines for the printing of tax statements by the Collector's office in 2017, constitutes an emergency and, therefore, this ordinance shall take effect immediately upon its passage and approval.

Section 7. Codification. This ordinance, as amended, shall be codified in the Baxter County Code of Ordinances.



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COUNTY AND CIRCUIT CLERK
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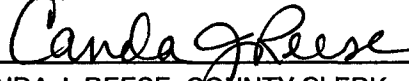
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APPROVED:



MICKEY D. PENDERGRASS, COUNTY JUDGE
Date Signed: 12/06/2016

ATTEST:



CANDA J. REESE, COUNTY CLERK
Sponsor: Leon Alexander, JP-11
Date Adopted: 12/06/2016
Votes: For: 10 Against: 0
Abstain: 0 Present: 0 Absent: 1