

CITY OF VAN BUREN, ARKANSAS
REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING
MONDAY, FEBRUARY 25, 2019
MUNICIPAL COMPLEX – 5:30 PM

AGENDA

1. Invocation and Pledge of Allegiance – Red Oak Girl Scout Representative.
2. State of the City given by Mayor Joseph P. Hurst.
3. Minutes from the January 28, 2019 Regular City Council Meeting.
4. Resolution – Fixed Asset Disposal.
5. Resolution – Authorize Financial Support of Western Arkansas Intermodal Authority for the Year 2019.
6. Resolution – Adopting a Revised Budget for the Year 2018.
7. Ordinance – Consider Amending Ordinance No. 01-2019 Regarding Places to Post Ordinances.
8. Financial Statements.
9. Reports:
 - Police – Fire – Building Department – Public Works/Planning – Ambulance.
10. Miscellaneous and General Discussion:
 - Street Closing Requests:
 - Art and Education Center Glow Run – June 8, 2019.
 - First Baptist Church VBS – June 3-7, 2019.
11. Adjournment.

CITY OF VAN BUREN, ARKANSAS

RESOLUTION NO. ___ - ___ - 2019

BE IT ENACTED BY THE CITY COUNCIL, FOR THE CITY OF VAN BUREN, ARKANSAS, A RESOLUTION TO BE ENTITLED:

A RESOLUTION TO AUTHORIZE THE MAYOR AND CITY CLERK TO REMOVE AND DISPOSE OF CERTAIN FIXED ASSETS FROM THE CITY OF VAN BUREN'S FIXED ASSET INVENTORY, BY SEALED BID, AUCTION OR OTHER METHODS AUTHORIZED UNDER THE LAW, AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

WHEREAS, the City of Van Buren has certain fixed assets on its Fixed Asset Inventory List which are obsolete, and/or beyond repair, and are no longer cost effective, so as to no longer be needed by the City; and

WHEREAS, after an inventory of fixed assets, it is therefore recommended by our State Auditor that said items or item be removed from the City's Fixed Asset Inventory and disposed of by sealed bid, auction or as otherwise authorized under A.C.A § 14-54-302.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF VAN BUREN, ARKANSAS, THAT:

SECTION 1: The Mayor and City Clerk are hereby authorized to remove the following asset or assets from the Fixed Asset Inventory and to dispose of same by sealed bid, auction or other such methods authorized under the law:

<u>Department</u>	<u>Amount</u>	<u>Description of Inventory</u>	<u>Control #</u>
Police Department	\$23,307.00	2013 Ford Police Interceptor Sedan VIN# 1FAHP2M84DG124141	PD – 713
Police Department	\$ 2,154.60	Canon Scan Front 220 Doc. Scanner S# DS302360	PD – 667

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the City of Van Buren, Arkansas, by its City Council, did pass, approve, and adopt, by a vote of ___ for and ___ against the foregoing Resolution at its regular meeting held on the 25th day of February 2019.

Joseph P. Hurst
Mayor

ATTESTED:

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

Phyllis A. Thomas
City Clerk/Treasurer

Candice A. Settle
City Attorney

CITY OF VAN BUREN, ARKANSAS

RESOLUTION NO. ___ - ___ 2019

BE IT ENACTED BY THE CITY COUNCIL, FOR THE CITY OF VAN BUREN, ARKANSAS, A RESOLUTION TO BE ENTITLED:

A RESOLUTION TO AUTHORIZE THE MAYOR TO PROVIDE FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE TO THE WESTERN ARKANSAS INTERMODAL AUTHORITY FOR REGIONAL ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT.

WHEREAS, the City of Van Buren, Arkansas recognizes the need for regional economic development cooperation; and

WHEREAS, the Western Arkansas Intermodal Authority (WAIA) was formed by the cities of Van Buren and Fort Smith and the counties of Crawford and Sebastian to work toward improving the area's effectiveness in transporting goods while enhancing the potential for economic development in the region; and

WHEREAS, funding is necessary to continue the operations of WAIA and all members of WAIA are asked to share equally in the operational cost of the entity; and

WHEREAS, the City of Van Buren budgeted funds in the 2019 city budget for such operations.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF VAN BUREN, ARKANSAS, THAT:

SECTION 1. The City of Van Buren, Arkansas fully supports WAIA and wishes to continue to support WAIA and the economic development of our region.

SECTION 2. The Mayor of the City of Van Buren, Arkansas is hereby authorized and directed to make payment in the amount of \$21,250.00 as the city's equal share for continued operations of WAIA.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the City of Van Buren, Arkansas, by its City Council, did pass, approve, and adopt, by a vote of ___ for and ___ against, the foregoing Resolution at its regular meeting held on the 25th day of February 2019.

Joseph P. Hurst
Mayor

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CITY OF VAN BUREN, ARKANSAS

RESOLUTION NO. ___ - ___ - 2019

BE IT ENACTED BY THE CITY COUNCIL, FOR THE CITY OF VAN BUREN, ARKANSAS, A RESOLUTION TO BE ENTITLED:

A RESOLUTION ADOPTING A REVISED BUDGET FOR THE YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 2018.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF VAN BUREN, ARKANSAS, THAT:

SECTION 1: 2018 current year's revenues of \$18,551,279.52 (Eighteen Million, Five Hundred Fifty-One Thousand, Two Hundred Seventy Nine Dollars and Fifty-Two Cents) are appropriated and a copy of said Budget is attached hereto and made a part hereof; Said revenue includes the deduction of 2017 revenues which were received in January 2018, and includes the addition of 2018 account receivable listings received in 2019.

SECTION 2: 2018 current year's expenditures of \$17,494,718.27 (Seventeen Million, Four Hundred Ninety Four Thousand, Seven Hundred Eighteen Dollars and Twenty-Seven Cents) including expenditures from prior year's balances are attached hereto and made a part hereof; Said expenditures include the deduction of 2017 expenditures, and includes the addition of 2018 accounts payable listing paid in 2019.

SECTION 3: All expenditures are approved and a copy of the Revised Budget is attached hereto and made a part hereof.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the City of Van Buren, Arkansas, by its City Council, did pass, approve, and adopt, by a vote of ___ for and ___ against, the foregoing Resolution at its regular meeting held on the 25th day of February 2019.

Joe Hurst
Mayor

ATTESTED:

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CITY OF VAN BUREN, ARKANSAS

ORDINANCE NO. ____ - 2019

BE IT ENACTED BY THE CITY COUNCIL, FOR THE CITY OF VAN BUREN, ARKANSAS, AN ORDINANCE TO BE ENTITLED:

**AN ORDINANCE AMENDING ORDINANCE NO. 01-2019
SETTING PLACES FOR THE POSTING OF ORDINANCES; AND
PRESCRIBING OTHER MATTERS RELATED THERETO.**

- WHEREAS, the newspaper previously printed in the City of Van Buren, Arkansas has moved its printing services out of the local area; and
- WHEREAS, the newspaper no longer maintains its primary office in the City of Van Buren, Arkansas although it does still utilize a building in this municipality; and
- WHEREAS, Attorney General Opinion 95-227 sets forth a guideline for determining if a newspaper is “published” in a municipality; and
- WHEREAS, based upon the factors set forth in Attorney General Opinion 95-227, a Court could find that no newspaper is currently published in the City of Van Buren which would result in the posting of ordinances only; and
- WHEREAS, in consideration of the long history of the local newspaper publication in the community, continued coverage of local news in the City of Van Buren, that a large number of subscribers to the local newspaper are in the City of Van Buren, and that it is unclear under the law whether or not a Court would find that the newspaper is “published” in the City of Van Buren, the City of Van Buren desires to continue to utilize the newspaper for publishing ordinances adopted by the City Council in addition to posting in the five public places previously set forth in Ordinance No. 01-2019 in accordance with Ark. Code Ann. Section 14-55-206.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED AND ENACTED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF VAN BUREN, ARKANSAS, THAT:

SECTION 1: The City of Van Buren, Arkansas will continue to publish ordinances in the Press Argus in addition to posting notice at the following five of the most public places in the City to ensure full opportunity for citizens to be given information regarding the passage of ordinances:

Van Buren Municipal Complex
Van Buren Library
Van Buren Municipal Annex
Van Buren Police Department
Van Buren Senior Center

SECTION 2: All ordinances and resolutions and parts thereof in conflict herewith are hereby repealed to the extent of such conflict.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the City of Van Buren, Arkansas, by its City Council, did pass, approve, and adopt, by a vote of ___ for and ___ against, the foregoing Ordinance at its regular meeting held on the 25th day of February 2019.

Joseph P. Hurst
Mayor

ATTESTED:

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

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