

PROPOSED ORDINANCE 23 - 27
ELECTION FOR PINE VILLAGE VOLUNTEER FIRE DEPARTMENT DUES
ON EACH RESIDENCE AND BUSINESS
Sponsored by Justice Samuel Strain

AN ORDINANCE PROVIDING FOR THE ELECTION, AT THE NEXT GENERAL ELECTION, FOR THOSE VOTING WITHIN THE GEOGRAPHICAL BOUNDARIES (MORE SPECIFICALLY DESCRIBED AS AREA ESN 318 ATTACHED AS EXHIBIT "A") WITHIN FAULKNER COUNTY, ARKANSAS; AND PRESCRIBING OTHER MATTERS PERTAINING THERETO.

WHEREAS, The Quorum Court of Faulkner County, Arkansas (the "County"), has received a request from Pine Village Volunteer Fire Department for the levy of volunteer fire department dues; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to Act 1480 of 2009 the Quorum Court by ordinance shall call for an election on the issue of the levy of the volunteer fire department dues on each residence and on each business having an occupiable structure, and on each parcel of unimproved land.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ENACTED by the Quorum Court of Faulkner County, Arkansas;

- Section 1. The Faulkner County Quorum Court, pursuant to Act 1480 of 2009, calls for an election, at the next general election, for those voting within the geographical boundaries (more specifically described as area ESN 318 attached as Exhibit "A") for which Pine Village VFD is responsible on the issue of the levying of Volunteer Fire Department dues on each residence and each business having an occupiable structure, and on each parcel of unimproved land.
- Section 2. Any cost incurred shall be borne by the Pine Village VFD.

- Section 3. The dues levied by the Pine Village VFD shall be collected annually in the respective amounts as approved by the citizens of the Pine Village VFD not to exceed the following amounts:
- a. Sixty dollars (\$60) per residence or non-commercial building (including mobile housing, RV Campers, etc. used as detached living space) on a parcel of up to twenty (20) acres.
 - b. Fifteen dollars (\$15) per parcel of unimproved land up to twenty (20) acres
 - c. Ten cents (\$0.10) per acre for every acre in excess of twenty (20) acres in addition to the dues assessed under (a) or (b).
 - d. Forty-five dollars (\$45) per apartment or duplex unit per parcel.
 - e. One hundred twenty-five dollars (\$125) per parcel for each commercial or industrial business with a structure of five thousand (5000 sq. ft.) square feet or less.
 - f. One hundred fifty dollars (\$150) per parcel for each commercial or industrial business with a structure of five thousand and one (5001 sq. ft.) square feet or more.

Section 4. The dues levied by the Pine Village VFD and listed on the annual real property tax statements, if approved by the voters, shall be collected by the Faulkner County Collector and remitted to the Pine Village VFD or appropriate entity by the Faulkner County Treasurer.

Section 5. That all ordinances and parts thereof in conflict herewith are hereby repealed to the extent of such conflict.

Passed by the Quorum Court on November 21, 2023.

Attest: _____
Margaret Darter
Faulkner County Secretariat
Faulkner County, Arkansas

Affirm: _____
Allen Dodson
Faulkner County Judge
Faulkner County, Arkansas

Dated: November 21, 2023

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