

ORDINANCE NO. 2020 - _____

CITY OF TONTITOWN, WASHINGTON COUNTY, ARKANSAS

**AN ORDINANCE SETTING THE SALARY AND DUTIES FOR THE
OFFICE OF CITY ATTORNEY FOR THE CITY OF TONTITOWN,
ARKANSAS**

WHEREAS, the City of Tontitown believes it is most efficient and advantageous to procure and receive legal services through the retention of experienced attorneys knowledgeable in municipal law and the experienced in the matters and issues which are unique to public entities in Arkansas, and does not rely upon the elected position of City Attorney for those services; and

WHEREAS, as of January 14, 2020, the City of Tontitown ascended to be a City of the First Class; and

WHEREAS, the population of Tontitown according to the 2010 decennial census is 2,460 persons; and

WHEREAS, an elected office of City Attorney is vacant, and the City of Tontitown is serviced by an appointed City Attorney, and the City Council wishes to place anyone who is interested in running for any said elected City Attorney position in the future on notice of the salary and duties of the office of city attorney in Tontitown.

**THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF
TONTITOWN, ARKANSAS:**

Section 1. The duties of the City Attorney shall be only those which are absolutely required by Arkansas law and cannot be performed by the appointed City Attorney or an attorney hired by the City of Tontitown to provide legal representation.

Section 2. There shall be no salary or benefits for the position of elected City Attorney.

Section 3. The City of Tontitown shall have an appointed City Attorney until such time as the City is determined by the decennial census to exceed 5,000 persons in population. At such time, the city shall hire legal counsel to provide legal representation.

Section 4. The provisions of this Ordinance are hereby declared to be separable, and if any section, phrase, or provision shall for any reason be declared to be invalid, such declaration shall not affect the validity of the remainder of the sections, phrases and provisions.

Section 5. Any matters set forth in this Ordinance which are contrary to the existing ordinances of the City of Tontitown shall prevail, and all other ordinances and resolutions or parts of ordinances and resolutions in conflict herewith and therewith are hereby repealed to the extent of such conflict.

PASSED and APPROVED this _____ day of _____, 2020

APPROVED:

Paul Colvin, Jr., Mayor

ATTEST:

Rhonda Ardemagni, City Clerk -Treasurer