RESOLUTION NO. 2023-____

CITY OF TONTITOWN, WASHINGTON COUNTY, ARKANSAS

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO SUBMIT AN APPLICATION TO THE ARKANSAS DEPARTMENT OF PARKS, HERITAGE, AND TOURISM FOR ASSISTANCE TO DEVELOP RECREATIONAL FACILITIES IN THE CITY OF TONTITOWN, ARKANSAS.

WHEREAS, the City of Tontitown is seeking to improve its recreational facilities and wishes to seek grant funding assistance; and

WHEREAS, in order to obtain the funds necessary to develop and/or improve the site for such a recreation area, it is necessary to obtain an "Outdoor Recreation Grant" from the Arkansas Department of Parks, Heritage, and Tourism; and

WHEREAS, the City understands the grantee and grantor will enter into a binding agreement which obligates both parties to policies and procedures contained within the Outdoor Recreation Grant Application Guide, including, but not limited to the following; the park area defined by the project boundary map, submitted with the application, must remain in outdoor recreation use in perpetuity, regardless if the property is bought or developed with grant funds and; all future overhead utility lines within the project boundary must be placed underground and; the project area must remain open and available for use by the public at all reasonable times of the day and year; facilities can be reserved for special events, league play, etc. but cannot be reserved, leased or assigned for exclusive use, and; the project area must be kept clean, maintained, and operated in a safe and healthful manner; and

WHEREAS, City Council has reviewed the grant requirements and application and has determined that it is in the best interest and benefit of the community to authorize the Mayor to submit an application to the Arkansas Department of Parks, Heritage, and Tourism for grant funding to develop and/or improve the recreational facilities in the City of Tontitown.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the City Council of the City of Tontitown, Arkansas:

Section 1. The Mayor is hereby authorized to submit an application to the Arkansas Department of Parks, Heritage, and Tourism in order to obtain grant funding up to \$100,000.00 to develop and/or improve recreational facilities in the City of Tontitown.

Section 2. The Mayor and her designee are hereby authorized to take all such action as necessary in connection therewith.

PASSED AND APPROVED this ____ day of August 2023.

APPROVED:

Angela Russell, Mayor

ATTEST:

Rhonda Ardemagni, City Clerk-Treasurer (SEAL)