

ORDINANCE NO. 2018-01

**AN ORDINANCE SPECIFICALLY PERMITTING THE EMPLOYMENT OF A SPOUSE OF A CHEROKEE VILLAGE ELECTED OFFICIAL AND PRESCRIBING THE EXTENT OF SUCH EMPLOYMENT; DECLARING AN EMERGENCY; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.**

WHEREAS, the City of Cherokee Village, Arkansas, has a very limited workforce, and

WHEREAS, from time to time, Betty Stokes, the spouse of the mayor of the city, has volunteered her time and efforts to answer the city's telephones and perform the duties of the administrative assistant of the city in the absence of the employee, and

WHEREAS, it is now necessary due to extenuating circumstances to temporarily employ Betty Stokes until the administrative assistant returns to duty.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF CHEROKEE VILLAGE, SHARP AND FULTON COUNTIES, ARKANSAS, THAT:**

SECTION 1: In order to comply with Arkansas Code Ann. §14-42-107 (1987), the City Council of Cherokee Village, Arkansas, specifically authorizes the City to compensate Betty Stokes for her time spent in filling in for and performing the functions of the absent city employee, at the rate of \$ 9.50 per hour, not to exceed 40 hours per week.

SECTION 2: If any provision of this ordinance or the application thereof to any person or circumstance is held invalid, such invalidity shall not affect other provisions or applications of this ordinance which can be given effect without the invalid provision or application, and to this end the provisions of this ordinance are declared to be severable.

Emergency Clause. The City Council of the City of Cherokee Village, Arkansas, recognizes that providing compensation to Betty Stokes for the time spent in performing the work obligations of the absent city employee is necessary for the continued operation of the City and this Ordinance authorizing compensation is necessary for the preservation of the public peace, health, comfort, convenience, morals, safety and welfare of the City of Cherokee Village, Arkansas; therefor, an emergency is declared to exist, and this Ordinance shall be in full force and effect from and after its passage.

**PASSED AND APPROVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF CHEROKEE VILLAGE, ARKANSAS**

DATED: 6/21/18

APPROVED: Russell Stokes, Jr.  
Russell Stokes, Jr., Mayor

ATTEST: Deborah Weichinger  
Deborah Weichinger, Clerk