

**AN ORDINANCE AMENDING ORDINANCE NO. 170 AND PROVIDING A COURT COSTS IN THE MUNICIPAL COURT IN CLINTON TO BE KNOWN AS THE CRIMINAL JUSTICE FUND.**

BE IT ORDAINED by the City Council of the City of Clinton, Arkansas:

**Section 1.** Ordinance No. 170 established a court cost in the amount of \$5.00 for all misdemeanors and traffic violations on the City's side of the docket in the Clinton Municipal Court. The court costs and funds derived therefrom were to be utilized for the limited purpose of reimbursing then Municipal Judge, Stephen E. James, P. A., for the purchase of a computer and related hardware and software which is presently being used by the acting Municipal Court Judge. Said Ordinance further provided that the funds derived from said court costs would be placed in a Criminal Justice Fund which would be used solely for the reimbursement of Stephen E. James, P.A., for the expenses related to said computer and related equipment.

**Section 2.** That there is no further need for any funds to be utilized for the limited reimbursement purposes as set out in Ordinance No. 170. However, there is a continuing need for the existence of the Criminal Justice Funds established in said Ordinance. Moreover, court costs have continued to be collected despite the limited purpose of Ordinance No. 170. Therefore, the court costs collected pursuant to Act 580 of 1987 and the establishment of a criminal justice fund shall continue as before and all costs collected heretofore are hereby ratified and approved.

**Section 3.** The court costs established by Ordinance No. 170 and those authorized by Act 580 of 1987 in the amount of \$5.00 for all misdemeanor and traffic violations in the City of Clinton shall continue to be levied by the Municipal Court. Said court costs shall be distributed to the City Clerk who shall credit said funds to a Criminal Justice Fund for the sole of maintaining the office, equipment, supplies and personnel of the Municipal Court.

**Section 4.** That there is an immediate need for the aforementioned funds for maintenance of office, equipment, supplies and personnel of the Municipal Court and an emergency is therefore declared to exist and this Ordinance being necessary for the immediate preservation of the public peace, health and safety through enhanced judicial efficiency shall be in full force and effect from and after its passage and approval.

PASSED this 9th day of September, 1993.

APPROVED:

  
MAYOR

ATTEST:

  
CLERK/RECORDER