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ORDINANCE NO. 2017-10

BE IT ENACTED BY THE QUORUM COURT OF GRANT COUNTY, STATE OF ARKANSAS, AN ORDINANCE TO BE ENTITLED:

AN ORDINANCE TO MANDATE DIRECT DEPOSIT OF GRANT COUNTY EMPLOYEE PAYROLL

WHEREAS, pursuant to Arkansas Code Annotated Section 14-24-121, the quorum court of a county may, by ordinance establish an electronic warrants transfer system, more commonly known as direct deposit; and

WHEREAS, Arkansas Code Annotated Section 14-24-121 further states that a single electronic warrant may contain payments to multiple payees, appropriations, characters, and funds; and

WHEREAS, such funds shall be placed directly into payees' account in financial institutions in payment of any account allowed against the county; and

WHEREAS, the current system of payment is time consuming for both the county and payee; and

WHEREAS, the electronic warrants transfer system or direct deposit is more convenient and efficient for the county to deposit funds and the payee to receive their funds.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT ENACTED BY THE QUORUM COURT OF GRANT COUNTY, STATE OF ARKANSAS:

SECTION 1. Pursuant to the authority granted in Arkansas Code Annotated Section 14-24-121, the Grant County Quorum Court hereby establishes an electronic warrants transfer system or direct deposit system for Grant County.

SECTION 2. All county employees will be paid by this electronic warrants transfer system or direct deposit system starting March 1, 2018. All county employees will provide a financial institution account for their direct deposit.

SECTION 3. All ordinances and parts of ordinances in conflict with this ordinance are hereby repealed. If any provision of this ordinance or the application thereof to any person or circumstance is held to be invalid, such invalidity shall not affect other provisions or application of this ordinance which can be given effect without the invalid provisions or application, and to this end the provisions of this ordinance are declared severable.

SECTION 4. The electronic warrants transfer system or direct deposit system established under Section 1 shall be submitted to and approved by the Legislative Joint Auditing Committee of the Arkansas General Assembly prior to implementation.

SECTION 5. EMERGENCY CLAUSE. The Quorum Court of Grant County hereby finds and determines an immediate clarification of the issuing of county warrants is required to resolve the issue and protect the financial integrity of County Government, therefore, an emergency is hereby declared to exist, and this Ordinance being necessary for the preservation of public peace, health, and safety shall be in effect from and after its passage and approval.

PASSED AND ADOPTED THIS 19 DAY OF December, 2017.

RANDY PRUITT
GRANT COUNTY JUDGE

ATTEST:

TANYA DIOTTE, GRANT COUNTY CLERK