

ORDINANCE NO. 272

AN ORDINANCE PROVIDING FOR THE ADOPTION OF A BUDGET FOR THE WASTEWATER DEPARTMENT OF THE CITY OF BETHEL HEIGHTS, ARKANSAS, FOR THE TWELVE (12) MONTHS BEGINNING JANUARY 1, 2009 AND ENDING DECEMBER 31, 2009. APPROPRIATING MONEY FOR EACH ITEM OF EXPENDITURE THEREIN PROVIDED FOR, DECLARING AN EMERGENCY TO EXIST, AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

WHEREAS, the Wastewater Committee has made a comprehensive study and review of the proposed budget submitted by the Wastewater Commissioner, and has approved said budget;

WHEREAS, it is the finding and conclusion of the City Council that the schedules and exhibits of anticipated revenues and expenditures for the calendar year appear to be as accurate as possible for budgetary purposes.

NOW, THEREFORE, be it resolved by the City Council of Bethel Heights, Arkansas:

SECTION 1: This ordinance shall be known as the budget ordinance for the Wastewater Department of the City of Bethel Heights, Arkansas, for the twelve-month period beginning January 1, 2009 and ending December 31, 2009. The attached budget incorporated herein as if set out word for word and figure for figure, reflects estimated revenues and expenditures as set forth on the succeeding pages.

SECTION 2: The respective funds for each item of expenditure proposed in the budget for 2009 are hereby approved and adopted for operation of the Wastewater Department of the City of Bethel Heights, Arkansas, by the City Council on this date and constitute an appropriation of funds which are lawfully applicable to the items contained within the budget. This budget may be altered or revised by action of this governing body and non-pledged funds may be subsequently appropriated to another purpose except as prohibited by law.

SECTION 3: The Wastewater Commissioner or duly authorized representative may approve for payment, out of funds previously appropriated for that purpose, or may disapprove any bills, debts, or liabilities asserted as claims against the Wastewater Department up to a maximum of \$10,000.00 and the payment or disapproval of any bills, debts or liabilities exceeding that amount shall require the confirmation of this governing body.

SECTION 4: WHEREAS, The efficient operation of the Wastewater Department requires that a budget be planned and adopted by the governing body, and that without a budget the Wastewater Department may not pay its bills, debts, or liabilities. Now, therefore, an emergency is hereby declared to exist and this ordinance being necessary for the preservation of the public peace, health, and safety shall take effect and be in force from and after its passage and approval.

Passed and approved this 16<sup>th</sup> day of December 2008.

APPROVED: \_\_\_\_\_

Mayor

ATTEST: \_\_\_\_\_

Recorder / Treasurer

