

ORDINANCE NO. 341

AN ORDINANCE REGARDING ATTENDANCE BY THE CITY COUNCIL AT REGULAR COUNCIL MEETINGS AND ESTABLISHING PENALTIES FOR FAILURE TO ATTEND REGULAR COUNCIL MEETINGS.

WHEREAS, it is important that members of the City Council attend scheduled regular council meetings; and

WHEREAS, City Council members are paid a monthly salary; and

WHEREAS, City Council meetings require a majority of its members to be present in order to conduct business; and

WHEREAS, it has become evident that some council members have not attended all council meetings which has caused at times lack of members necessary to make up a majority of the members to conduct business; and

WHEREAS, there are times when a council member cannot be present either in person, by phone or by zoom video conferencing; and

WHEREAS, the City Council wishes to establish that any council member who does not attend three council meetings within a calendar year without being in attendance either in person, by phone or zoom video conferencing shall forfeit payment of salary for that month.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF CARLISLE, ARKANSAS:

1. That should any council member fail to be present at any regular monthly council meeting and fail to be present by phone or zoom video conferencing for three (3) meetings within one calendar year will forfeit salary for that month not in attendance.

2. That any forfeited pay may be reinstated by a majority vote of the City Council at the next regular council meeting.

3. That it is determined by the City Council that it is important to encourage regular attendance by all City Council Members at regular meetings in person, by telephone or zoom video conferencing. The City Council has declared an emergency and this Ordinance shall become effective after its passage and publication.

APPROVED AND ADOPTED this _____ day of _____, 2024.

Approved:

Ray Glover, Mayor

Attest:

Sissy Drye, Clerk-Treasurer