## ORDINANCE 06-2023 CITY OF DIAMOND CITY, BOONE COUNTY, ARKANSAS AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CERTAIN SECTION AND STATED INFORMATION OF 07-2021 FOR THE PURPOSE CLARIFICATION AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

WHEREAS: The City of Diamond City owns and operates the water meters for the benefit of the residents of the City. These meters were purchased with the information that a flow alarm and leak alarm was a preprogrammed benefit to these meters. After getting them installed it was found that due to cell service these were not items that apply to our meters.

Amending Section 1: No person shall have the access to tamper with, or obstruct any property or device owned by the City of Diamond City, Arkansas. City employees in the scope of their job with the City are the only ones allowed to turn off or on any meter. The exception to this is with notification to the Public Works Department that a homeowner calls and if they have a leak may turn off the water at the meter. If a homeowner is to have a plumber work on the home and needs them to turn the water off, and after notification may turn the water on or off at the meter.

**Section 2:** The provisions of the Ordinance are hereby declared to be severable and if for any reason be held illegal or invalid, such holding shall not affect the validity of the remainder of the Ordinance.

**Section 3: Emergency Clause;** It is determined by the City Council that the adoption of this Ordinance is immediately necessary to prove clarity to the citizens of Diamond City, Arkansas and to protect the interest of the citizens and the City of Diamond City, Arkansas and an emergency is hereby declared, and that this Ordinance is in full effect for and after passage.

Recorder/ Kathy Pate

Mayor/ Jaime Nuessner