AN ORDINANCE DISSOLVING THE OFFICE OF RECORDER/TREASURER AND CREATING THE OFFICES OF CITY RECORDER AND CITY TREASURER AND PRESCRIBING THE POWERS AND DUTIES OF THE OFFICES OF CITY RECORDER AND CITY TREASURER OF DIAMOND CITY, ARKANSAS

WHEREAS, the office of City Recorder and City Treasurer are statutory offices of cities of the second class; and

WHEREAS, the City of Diamond City, Arkansas hereby dissolves the office of Recorder/Treasurer and creates two separate offices known as "City Recorder" and "City Treasurer"; and

WHEREAS, it is necessary for the City of Diamond City, Arkansas to establish the powers and duties of the office of City Recorder;

WHEREAS, it is necessary for the City of Diamond City, Arkansas to establish the powers and duties of the office of City Treasurer;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COUNCIL FOR THE CITY OF DIAMOND CITY, ARKANSAS:

SECTION 1: The office of City Recorder/Treasurer is hereby dissolved effective at the end of the current term of the elected Recorder/Treasurer on December 31, 2016.

SECTION II: The office of the City Recorder is hereby created effective January 1, 2017. The elected term of office shall be for four (4) years.

   a) Powers and General Duties are described in the Diamond City Personnel Handbook.
   b) The City Recorder shall work under the general direction of the Mayor of the city.
   c) The salary and benefits of the City Recorder shall be set by the Diamond City City Council.

SECTION III: The office of the City Treasurer is hereby created effective January 1, 2017. The elected term of office shall be for four (4) years.

   a) Power and General Duties are described in the Diamond City Personnel Handbook.
   b) The City Treasurer shall work under the general direction of the Mayor.
   c) The salary and benefits of the City Treasurer shall be set by the Diamond City City Council.

SECTION IV: EMERGENCY CLAUSE It is hereby declared this ordinance is necessary and urgent for the continued operations of the City of Diamond City. This ordinance needs to be passed prior to the general elections scheduled in 2016 to provide information for the county election officials to prepare the proper voting ballots and so that citizens of the City of Diamond City, Arkansas have the time to properly register as a candidate for the office(s) prior the general elections in November of 2016.
SECTION V: SEVERABILITY: This Ordinance and the various parts thereof are hereby declared to be severable. Should any section or subsection be declared by the courts to be unconstitutional or invalid, such decision shall not affect the Ordinance as a whole, or any portion thereof the section or subsection to be declared unconstitutional or invalid.

SECTION VI: Ordinance 8-93 or any Ordinance thereof in conflict herewith is hereby repealed.

Approved and adopted by roll call vote as follows this 26 day of January, 2016
Ayes 5 Nays _____ Abstentions _____ Absent 1

ATTEST:
Cheryl Guthrie, Recorder Treasurer

APPROVED:
Jan Hudson, Mayor