RESOLUTION NO. R-87-46

WHEREAS, Resolution No. R-87-45 was passed by the City Council establishing a Blue Ribbon Committee to study the boards and commissions of the City of Conway; and

WHEREAS, ten members have been appointed to the Blue Ribbon Committee as prescribed in Resolution No. R-87-45; and

WHEREAS, this Resolution is intended to serve as the written charge to the Committee setting forth its mission and the scope of its mission along with a time frame for completion.

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

1. For organizational purposes the Mayor shall serve as temporary chairman for the first meeting of the Committee at which time a permanent Chairperson, Vice-Chairperson and Secretary shall be elected. A full and complete record shall be kept of all meetings and hearings conducted by the Committee. The City Council will appropriate such funds as may be required for travel, legal, clerical and/or secretarial expenses necessary to the completion of this report.

2. The Blue Ribbon Committee will prepare a white paper report that shall include, but not be limited to the following: a study of the methods of appointment to municipal boards and commissions; a study of the accountability and responsibility of the boards to the public; their methods of operation, and performance according to the Statutes; and any recommendations for improvements. This is not a financial audit or rate audit except in the context of comparison of services delivered. Copies of audits and all other records shall be made available if needed. Any requests for information from the boards or commissions shall come in writing from the Blue Ribbon Committee Chairman to the board or commission with time allowed to prepare a response.

3. The Blue Ribbon Committee interviews shall include but not be limited to interviews with current or past board members, managers or chairmen, Mayor, City Council and the public to gain an historical perspective or to gather such information as may be needed for the report. Comparisons with other municipalities similar to Conway may be sought. The legal and historical background leading to the current method of selection shall be explored. At least one advertised public hearing for each board or commission must be held for public input. All meetings of the Committee shall be public meetings.
4. The Blue Ribbon Committee shall have six months to prepare the report. The report may contain recommendations for any changes that the committee feels might best serve the interests of the electorate and consumers of Conway's municipal services. It will be understood that these recommendations will not be binding but final responsibility for any changes will be at the discretion of the City Council.

PASSED 6-26-87

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