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ORDINANCE NO. 12

AN ORDINANCE OF THE MAYOR AND BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF THE TOWN OF HOCHATOWN, OKLAHOMA, AMENDING THE CODE OR ORDINANCES TITLE 1 "ADMINISTRATION", CHAPTER 6 "ELECTIONS" FOR THE PURPOSE OF DECLARING THAT THE TOWN OF HOCHATOWN SHALL NO LONGER BE GOVERENED BY THE OKLAHOMA TOWN MEETING ACT PROVIDING THAT THE TOWN SHALL ELECT ITS OFFICER AND DECIDE INITIATIVE AND REFERENDUM QUESTIONS THROUGH ELECTIONS CONDUCTED BY THE COUNTY ELECTION BOARD; PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY; PROVIDING FOR REPEALER; AND ESTABLISHING AN EFFECTIVE DATE OF UPON PUBLICATION.

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF THE TOWN OF HOCHATOWN, MCCURTAIN COUNTY, STATE OF OKLAHOMA:

SECTION 1. That Title 1, Chapter 6 of the Code of Ordinances of the Town of Hochatown, Oklahoma is hereby amended and shall hereinafter read as follows:

CHAPTER 6: ELECTIONS

- (A) Pursuant to 11 O.S. § 16-302, the Town hereby declares that it shall not be governed by the State Town Meeting Act, being 11 O.S. §§ 16-301 et seq., as a means of electing its officers and deciding initiative and referendum questions.
- (B) The Town shall elect its officers and decide initiative and referendum questions through elections conducted by the County Election Board, pursuant to 11 O.S. §§ 16-101 et seq., except that the Town Clerk and Town Treasurer are officers of the Town and shall be appointed by the Board of Trustees, and said positions shall be subject to Title I, Chapter 9, Sections 1 and 2 of the Municipal Code of the Town of Hochatown.

SECTION 2. That the remaining portions of Title I of the Code of Ordinances of the Town of Hochatown, Oklahoma shall be unchanged by this Ordinance.

SECTION 7. The provisions of this Ordinance are severable and if any section, subsection, subdivision, paragraph, sentence, clause or phrase or any part thereof is for any reason determined to be unconstitutional or adjudged invalid or ineffective by any Court of competent jurisdiction, such determination or adjudication shall not affect or impair the validity or effectiveness of the remaining parts, provisions or portions hereof.

SECTION 8. Repealer. All Ordinances or parts thereof which are inconsistent with this ordinance are repealed upon effective date of this ordinance.

SECTION 9. This Ordinance shall become effective upon publication.

SECTION 10. Pursuant to 11 O.S. §14-108, the Town Clerk is authorized to include this ordinance in the official Code of Ordinances for the Town of Hochatown, it being the intent to authorize recodification with the inclusion of this ordinance upon approval.

PASSED AND APPROVED by the Town Trustees of the Town of Hochatown, Oklahoma this the day of November, 2024.

ATTEST:

Helen Harden, Town Clerk

Dian Jordan, Mayor



Received by Stephanie Maje on november 18, 2024

