

ROAD COMMITTEE MINUTES

July 12, 2021

Committee Chairman Steve Cline called the meeting to order at 5:47 pm.

Present were Justices Terry Couch, David Tennison and Carolyn Lewis. Eugene Neff, Road Superintendent also attended the meeting.

Chairman Cline presented 1 replat for approval from the committee received from Sye Barnett, property located at 125 CR 673, Bay, Arkansas. Justice Terry Couch made a motion to approve, seconded by Carolyn Lewis, all were in favor.

Eugene Neff, Road Superintendent, shared updates on the road department projects.

With no other business, Justice David Tennison made a motion to adjourn, seconded by Justice Carolyn Lewis.

The meeting adjourned at 5:51 pm.

Public Service Committee Meeting

7/12/21

The Public Service Committee meeting was called to order at 5:50 p.m. by Chairman Richard Rogers. Those in attendance were Justice Noel, Justice Williams, Justice Price, Sheriff Marty Boyd and Judge Marvin Day.

First item on the agenda was an Appropriation Ordinance to amend the 2021 Annual Operating budget to add Fund 1888, Department 0500, AWIN Infrastructure Fund, to transfer \$ 450,000 from Fund 1005, Coronavirus Relief Fund to Fund 1888, to appropriate \$450,000 in Fund 1888 to upgrade the rural fire and road department AWIN Communications System, and for other purposes. A motion was made by Justice Noel and 2nd by Justice Williams. Motion passed to move to full court for approval.

Next item was a resolution to re-appoint Derek McCormick and Bob Blankenship to the Craighead County Solid Waste Board to a three year term, beginning July 31, 2021 and expiring July 22, 2024. Motion to approve was made by Justice Williams and 2nd by Justice Noel. Motion passed to move to full court for approval.

With no other business a motion to adjourn was made by Justice Williams and 2nd by Justice Price. Meeting adjourned at 5:55 P.M.

Finance Committee Minutes July 12, 2021

Chairman Josh Longmire called the Finance Committee meeting to order at 5:48 pm. Committee members present were Justices Vince Percy, Dan Pasmore, Darrel Cook, and Barbara Weinstock.

Chairman Longmire recognized Jonesboro Chamber President Mark Young and Steven Lamb to speak on the Resolution asking Craighead County to approve Nestle Prepared Foods Company's participation in the Tax Back Program. Nestle is investing \$100 million in the project and adding 100 jobs to the local facility. The motion to accept the Resolution was made by Justice Weinstock and seconded by Justice Pasmore. All approved and the Resolution will go to the full court for approval.

Tax Collector Wes Eddington shared that \$2.7 million in total taxes was collected in June 2021. That was \$363,293 less than collected in June 2020, but overall collections for the year are up 10.4%.

Treasurer McNatt presented the June financial reports. The General fund ended the month with \$6.3 million. Capital fund ended with \$2.0 million. Road fund was \$6.8 million. Sales tax collections were up 30.67% compared to last June. There is 57.876% remaining in the 2021 budget. Treasurer McNatt mentioned that the Cities of Egypt, Bay and Cash still owe money to Craighead County. Year to date comparison through June 2021 shows the County \$11.2 million stronger financially than 2020, and that includes \$10.7 million of American Rescue Plan funds.

Chairman Longmire read the Appropriation Ordinance for Fund 3540, FEMA Hazard Mitigation Grant Program to write Craighead County's Hazard Mitigation Plan. The motion was made by Justice Cook and seconded by Justice Percy. Motion passed and the ordinance will be heard by the full court. Judge Day explained that every five years, the County must update the Hazard Mitigation Plan, and the East Arkansas Planning and Development District (EAPDD) would handle administering the grant and updating the plan.

With no other business, Justice Cook made the motion to adjourn, seconded by Justice Weinstock. All were in favor. The Finance Committee adjourned at 6:15 pm.