

Quorum Court Minutes

07/28/2014

Appropriation Ordinance No. 2014-5: APPROVED

Resolution No. 2014-11: APPROVED

July 28, 2014 Quorum Court Meeting

9 Justices of the Peace present. Justice Terry Couch, Justice Michael Hawkins, Justice Josh Longmire and Justice Dana Watkins were absent.

Judge Ed Hill called the meeting to order.

Justice Barbara Weinstock moved to approve the minutes from June. The motion was seconded by Justice Ken Stacks.

Justice Stacks read the minutes from the Public Services Committee meeting of July 14, 2014 – *Appendix 1*

John Reeves asked the Court how many are appointed to the Jonesboro/Craighead Library Board of Directors, what their duties are, and how they are paid. Judge Ed Hill answered that there are seven members of the Board, four of which are appointed by the county, and they govern the Jonesboro and Craighead Library. The members are not paid.

Justice Jim Bryant read the minutes from the Finance Committee meeting of July 14, 2014 – *Appendix 2*

Eastern District County Clerk Lesia Couch addressed the Court on the possible purchase of the Lake City building adjacent to the Sheriff's Office. She emphasized the need for storage as well as the opportunity to move Circuit Court or the Revenue Office to this new building, allowing more storage in their existing building. Justice Bob Blankenship encouraged the Court to consider the purchase for storage as well as a way to relieve the existing office during its busier times. Justice Kenneth Hendrix encouraged the court to inquire whether the Revenue office would be willing to pay rent if given access to the new building. Sun Staff Writer Dustin Azlin asked who owned the building that was up for discussion. Judge Hill stated that Rob and Linda Hanson own the building.

Justice Ray Kidd read the minutes from the Road Committee meetings of July 14, 2014 – *Appendix 3*

Judge Hill reminded the Court of the AAC meeting coming up at the end of August and encouraged those on the Court who wished to attend to call Jeanne Taylor.

Justice Kidd stated in reference to the Finance Committee minutes he hopes the county will find a health insurance that will save the county money but will also have satisfactory coverage for the employees.

Justice Kidd asked County Treasurer Terry McNatt for an update on the highway tax. McNatt stated that revenues are above the projected totals.

Judge Hill mentioned to the Court that they are looking to purchase new carpet in the offices.

Ordinance 2014-5 was read - Appendix 4. Justice Weinstock moved to pass. Justice Bowers seconded. Passed unanimously.

Resolution 2014-5 was read – *Appendix 5*. Justice Bowers moved to pass. Justice Weinstock seconded. Passed unanimously.

Azlin addressed the Court concerning a proposition by Bono Water Superintendent Rick Thomas to create a partnership for a countywide mosquito larvicide program. Justice Provost said it was a commendable project but that it would be a large cost to the county. Judge Hill invited Thomas to the next Public Service Committee meeting to discuss the matter further.

Also distributed again was the Monthly Sheriff's Report - Appendix 6

Justice Bryant moved to adjourn. Justice Max Render seconded.

AGENDA (AMENDED) CRAIGHEAD COUNTY QUORUM COURT JULY 28, 2014 7:00 P.M.

Assembly and Pledge of Allegiance

OPENING PRAYER

1. Roll Call

W. Approval of minutes for June, 2014 meeting.

JM Committee Reports:

2. Public Service Committee Report.

b. Finance and Administration Committee Report.

c. Roads and Transportation Report

IV. Old Business None

V. New Business

a Resolution appointing Janice Griffin to the Jonesboro/Craighead County Library Board of Directors.

b. Ordinance regarding amending the 2014 Annual Budget to add Fund 1899, Dept. 0100, Land Lock Case, Gestaut V. Adkins-CO 2013-4 and to pay for services and materials regarding this case.

Appendox 1

QUORUM COURT MINUTES FOR PUBLIC SERVICE COMMITTEE JULY 14, 2014 7:00 P.M.

Members of Public Service assembled after full court assembly and briefing by Judge Ed Hill.

Justice Ken Stacks called the meeting to order. Members present were Justice Ken Stacks, Chair, Josh Longmire, Fred Bowers. Barbara Weinstock was absent.

1. Brief discussion regarding state mandated programs and the lack of proper funding after they are in place.

2. Question about the final cost of the Bono Lake Project. Final cost will be available at a later date,

3. Janice Griffin was recommended to serve on the Jonesboro/Craighead Library Board of Directors. All members present voted "Yes" after a motion by Fred Bowers and a second by Josh Longmire.

With no more business at hand, meeting adjourned at 7:25 p.m.

Finance Committee Meeting July 14, 2014

Finance Committee Members present: Chairman Jim Bryant and Justices Bob Blankenship, Kenny Hendrix, and Brett Provost.

Justice Dana Watkins was absent

Others present: Al Haines, County Clerk Kade Holliday, County Treasurer Terry McNatt, County Collector Marsha Phillips, Deputy Collector Teresa Presley, and John Reeves.

Justice Bryant called the Finance Committee Meeting to order at 7:15 PM after the full court meeting and discussed the following:

Reviewed revenue and expenditure reports for June 2014.

Justice Bryant recommended, and the committee agreed, that they would like to meet with some of the upcoming health insurance representatives beginning in August in hopes of achieving the best health insurance proposals for the upcoming year and to avoid a time restriction situation. Justice Provost suggested that hiring an independent insurance consultant may be an option to consider.

Another suggestion of the Finance committee was to begin 2015 budget meetings in October rather than November.

In reference to the possible purchase of the Lake City building adjacent to the Sheriff's Office, Justice Blankenship emphasized that the county needs additional office space in the area for records storage and to free up the safe room for other purposes. Justice Hendrix emphasized that if the structure has a flat roof, it should be evaluated for future cost of leaks and repairs.

Treasurer McNatt advised the committee that four lane highway revenues are coming in slightly ahead of projections, additionally; the Capital Fund is gaining approximately \$1,000 per month in interest revenue.

Collector Phillips advised that tax collections are up more than \$800,000 above a year ago collections.

With no other business to be discussed, the Finance Committee stood adjourned at 7:30 PM.

Appender 3

Craighead County Quorum Court Meeting July 14, 2014 Roads and Transportation Committee

Members of the Roads and Transportation Committee assembled after the meeting of the full court. Members present included: Terry Couch, Mike Hawkins, Ray Kidd, and Max Render.

Others present included Judge Ed Hill, Eugene Neff—Road Superintendent and Wes Ward.

Justice Couch called the meeting to order at 7:15 pm and the following business was discussed:

Eugene Neff delivered his monthly road report (also distributed to the full court) and updated the committee regarding on-going projects. An update was provided on current paving projects and bridge repairs.

Additional discussion was held related to the upcoming bid opening for State Aid paving projects, cooperation with municipal entities, and the amount of paving versus maintenance of asphalt on County Roads. Various equipment needs were also discussed.

With no other business, the committee adjourned.

APPROPRIATION ORDINANCE NO. 2014-5

BE IT ENACTED BY THE QUORUM COURT OF CRAIGHEAD COUNTY, ARKANSAS; AN ORDINANCE TO BE ENTITLED:

An Ordinance amending the 2014 Annual Operating Budget to add Fund 1899, Dept 0100, Land Lock Case, Gestaut V. Adkins-CO-2013-4 and to pay for services and materials associated to this case.

SECTION 1. That county court order, case # CO-2013-4 states that the Petitioner will deposit \$15,000 in a special unique general fund in the County Treasury in an interest bearing account and that all interest will accrue in favor of the Petitioner. The Treasurer shall maintain all account information and make general information regarding such account available to the parties hereto at their reasonable request.

SECTION 2. That these monies shall not be distributed except upon Order of the County Court to pay necessary expenses related to the land lock court order, including appointing and paying viewers, gathering maps, plats, surveys, reviewing evidence, filing reports, and any other necessary costs.

SECTION 3. That this new fund, department, and line categories will be created in the 2014 Annual Operating Budget to allow for accurate accounting of escrow fund receipts and expenditures, as described below.

Fund 1899	Land Lock Case, Gestaut V. Adkins Fund	New	Change	Old
Dept 0100		\$15,000.00	\$15,000.00	\$0.00
Acct. #	Description	New	Change	
1004	Contract Labor	\$5,000.00	\$5,000.00	Old \$0.00
3005	Special Legal	\$5,000.00	\$5,000.00	\$0.00
3100	Other Miscellaneous	\$5,000.00	\$5,000.00	\$0.00
		Total Amount	\$15,000.00	Ψ0.00

There is hereby appropriated \$15,000.00 into Fund 1899, Dept 0100, Land Lock Case, Gestaut V. Adkins-CO-2013-4 for appointing and paying viewers, gathering maps, plats, surveys, viewing evidence, filing reports, and any other related costs or purposes as described above. These funds shall be established in the chart of accounts by the County Treasurer and entered into the accounts payable appropriations journal by the County Clerk as described, upon passage of this appropriation ordinance.

Dated this 28 day of July, 2014.

Approved:

Ed Hill

Craighead County Judge

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KADE HOLLIDAY COUNTY & PROBATE COURT CLERK

Kade Holliday

Craighead County Clerk

RESOLUTION NO. ZOI4-11

A RESOLUTION APPROVING THE APPOINTMENT OF A BOARD MEMBER TO THE CRAIGHEAD COUNTY/JONESBORO PUBLIC LIBRARY BOARD OF DIRECTORS.

WHEREAS, ACT 742 OF THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ARKANSAS, STATES THAT THE COUNTY JUDGE OF EACH COUNTY IS THE APPROPRIATE PERSON TO APPOINT AND REAPPOINT BOARD MEMBERS TO THE CRAIGHEAD COUNTY/JONESBORO PUBLIC LIBRARY BOARD OF DIRECTORS.

WHEREAS, A VACANCY CURRENTLY EXISTS ON THE LIBRARY BOARD OF DIRECTORS, LEAVING A NEED TO APPOINT A BOARD MEMBER TO FILL THE VACANCY.

WHEREAS, JANICE GRIFFIN, 1017 LAKECREST DRIVE, JONESBORO, ARKANSAS 72404 HAS BEEN RECOMMENDED TO FILL THIS VACANCY ON THE CRAIGHEAD COUNTY/JONESBORO PUBLIC LIBRARY BOARD OF DIRECTORS.

BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED BY THE CRAIGHEAD COUNTY QUORUM COURT THAT JANICE GRIFFIN BE APPOINTED TO FILL THIS VACANCY ON THE CRAIGHEAD COUNTY/JONESBORO PUBLIC LIBRARY BOARD OF DIRECTORS, SAID TERM TO BECOME EFFECTIVE UPON PASSAGE AND FILING OF THIS RESOLUTION; AND EXPIRING ON DECEMBER 31, 2018.

DATED THIS 28th DAY OF JULY, 2014.

APPROVED:

JUDGE ED HILL

CRAIGHEAD COUNTY JUDGE

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CRAIGHEAD COUNTY CLERK

Craighea	head County Sheriff's Data through June 30, 2014	ff's Data throu	ugh June 30,	2014
•	Apr	May	June	Total
Warrants Served	570	452	410	4881
Civil Papers Served	135	154	127	724
Police Dispatch for Service		1399	1505	10473
Deputy Transport Miles	7950	7824	8265	61,297
Western Dist Circuit Account	\$54,118.12	\$32,103.43	\$47,118.78	lotal \$281,058.66
Fine and Bond	\$30,252.98	\$30,335.66	\$20,243.23	\$261,149.09
Civil Process	\$4,830.00	\$5,108.00	\$4,930.00	\$37,728.00
Gen Rcpts	\$4,915.00	\$4,770.00	\$4,180.00	\$35,246.00
Total Per Month	\$94,116.10	\$72,317.09	\$76,472.01	\$691,653.76
Eastern Dist				
Circuit Account	\$1,405.00	\$1,880.00	\$3,897.00	\$27,401.97
Civil Process	\$220.00	\$240.00	\$450.00	\$4,420.18
Total Per Month	\$1,625.00	\$2,120.00	\$4,347.00	\$36,169.15

Total West/East Combined	\$95,741.10	\$95,741.10 \$74,437.09	\$80,819.01	\$727,822.91
Inmates Booked into				Total
Detention Center to date	781	808	792	4527
Inmates Housed in Detention Center today				358
Bailiff Transports	131	159	131	1188
Number of Courts Video Court	25 22	16	21	120
Law Enforcement Fatalities				63
US Military Officer Fatalities				37