

QUORUM COURT MINUTES

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COUNTY & PROBATE COURT CLERK

May 26, 2020 Quorum Court Minutes

All Justices of the Peace were present. Justices Price and Weinstock were present via Zoom.

Judge Day called the meeting to order at 5:30 p.m.

The first order of business was the approval of the previous meetings minutes on May 11, 2020. Justice Longmire made a motion to approve the minutes and Justice Rogers seconded.

Committee Reports:

Justice Rogers read the Public Service Committee meeting's minutes from May 11, 2020. A copy of same is attached hereto as **Addendum A**.

Justice Longmire read the Finance Committee meeting's minutes from May 11, 2020. A copy of same is attached hereto as **Addendum B**.

Justice Cline read the Road Committee meeting's minutes from May 11, 2020. A copy of same is attached hereto as **Addendum C**.

Old Business: None to discuss.

New Business:

The first order of new business was a Resolution to reappoint Bob Holloway as a member to the Craighead County Equalization Board. The Deputy Clerk read the Resolution, a copy of same is attached hereto as **Addendum D**. Justice Couch made a motion to approve the Resolution and Justice Pasmore seconded. Judge Day took a verbal vote and the motion to approve unanimously passed.

The second order of new business was an Appropriation Ordinance amending the 2020 Annual Operating Budget to include the Coronavirus Preparedness Grant monies. The Deputy Clerk read the Appropriation Ordinance, a copy of same is attached hereto as **Addendum E**. Justice Forrest made a motion to approve the Appropriation Ordinance and Justice Williams seconded. Roll was called and all votes were in favor of. The motion to approve passed unanimously.

Announcements:

Justice Cook asked Judge Day how the Crisis Stabilization Unit (CSU) is coming along? Judge Day stated that since there is not as much engagement because of Covid-19 and people staying home, it has been challenging. Justice Cook then asked if we are going to get the grant for 2021? Judge Day stated that a letter was received stating we would receive the grant and that assurances have been given by the Governor but that a budget has not been seen yet for 2021.

Justice Pasmore suggested for the Court to continue using the training room in the basement of the Annex to conduct meetings that way Judge Day could have more space to work. Judge Day stated that is something that they can look into in the future.

Justice Weinstock inquired about the revenue Craighead County is bringing in. Judge Day stated that March sales tax was up 2.2%.

Judge Day made comment that Lisa Lawrence, County Judge Assistant, worked very hard to secure the grant monies available for aid during the Covid-19 pandemic and thanked her for her time and effort.

Judge Day then told the Court that the Small Business Association (SBA) announced a low interest rate loan program for individual and small businesses to help recover from the damage of the March 28, 2020 tornado. Justice Weinstock asked if there has been any news regarding the Mall at Turtle Creek? Judge Day stated that there has been nothing official, but they are rebuilding. Judge Day then informed the Court that FEMA declared the tornado a disaster and the grants they have available are for \$0.75 on the dollar.

Public Comment: None.

With no further business to discuss, Justice Couch made a motion to adjourn and Justice Percy seconded. Judge Day adjourned the meeting at 5:48 p.m.

Public Service Committee

May 11, 2020

Public Service Committee was called to order at 5:47 p.m. by Chairman Richard Rogers. Those present were Justice Noel, Justice Williams, and Justice Price. Only order of business was to reappoint Bob Holloway to the Craighead County Equalization Board for a term of 3 years, effective June 1, 2020 expiring June 5, 2023. Motion was made by Justice Williams 2nd by Justice Noel, motion passed to move to full court for approval.

Motion was made to adjourn by Justice Williams, 2nd by Justice Noel. Meeting adjourned at 5:51 p.m.

Addendum B

Finance Committee Minutes
May 11, 2020

Chairman Josh Longmire called the finance committee meeting to order at 5:48 p.m. Present were Dan Pasmore, Darrel Cook, Vince Percy and Barbara Weinstock.

Tax Collector Wes Eddington reported on tax collections. April collections were \$20,226,098. Up 7.2% on the year. Mortgage companies have one more month to turn over escrow payments before considered delinquent.

Treasurer McNatt presented April financials. General funds had \$4.04 million. Capital fund was \$1.5 million. Road fund was \$5.2 million, which is an 11-year high. Sales tax was \$1.75 million, up 12.76% compared to last April. Of that amount, Craighead County's portion is \$322,662.28.

Treasurer McNatt was complementary of all Elected Officials and departments keeping costs down with the uncertainty of revenues due to the Coronavirus.

District Court collections for April were down 28% from this point last year, but the number of tickets written were also down. Judge Day's concern is for the smaller cities.

Revenues on housing state prisoners are down. Sheriff Boyd said those numbers will be going down even more over next few weeks because of Coronavirus concerns.

Chairman Longmire asked if there were any more questions. Justice Cook made a motion to adjourn, seconded by Justice Weinstock. The finance committee adjourned at 6:06 p.m.

Road Committee Minutes

May 11, 2020

The Road Committee was called to order by Chairman Justice Steve Cline at 5:44 PM. Other present were Justice Couch, Justice Tennison, Justice Forrest, Road Superintendent, Eugene Neff and Judge Marvin Day.

Road Superintendent Eugene Neff reporting on road projects.

Two Plats for presented for approval Bob Clairday, lot 15 in Greensboro Ridge in Terra Hills and Bill Rucker County Road 756.

Both Plats were unanimously approved by the committee. Justice Terry Couch made motion to approve and seconded by Justice David Tennison.

With no other business Barry Forrest made motion to dismiss seconded by David Tennison.

Addendum D

RESOLUTION NO _____

**REAPPOINTMENT OF BOARD MEMBER
CRAIGHEAD COUNTY EQUALIZATION BOARD**

**A RESOLUTION RECOMMENDING THE REAPPOINTMENT OF A BOARD MEMBER
TO THE CRAIGHEAD COUNTY EQUALIZATION BOARD;**

WHEREAS; In 1999, Act 1326 was passed by the Arkansas Legislature that revised the structure of the Equalization Boards in Arkansas. Act 1326 also required a new board to be established with staggering terms for its members.

WHEREAS; Act 1326 also requires that the County Judge and the Quorum Court in each county shall make appointment of their members of the board during the month of May each year in which the term of any of their members of the board shall expire.

WHEREAS; Bob Holloway, whose term expires June 1, 2020, is requesting to be reappointed to an additional three (3) year term on the Craighead County Equalization Board.

WHEREAS; The Craighead County Judge and the Quorum Court recommend that Bob Holloway, 305 W. Stroud, Jonesboro, Arkansas 72401 be reappointed as a board member of the Craighead County Equalization Board.

BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED BY THE CRAIGHEAD COUNTY QUORUM COURT:

That Bob Holloway, 305 W. Stroud, Jonesboro, Arkansas, 72401 be reappointed to the Craighead County Equalization Board for a three (3) year term to become effective June 1, 2020 and expiring June 5, 2023.

THIS RESOLUTION ADOPTED ON THE _____ DAY OF _____ 2020.

APPROVED _____
Marvin Day, County Judge

ATTEST _____
Kade Holliday, County Clerk

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

An Ordinance amending the 2020 Annual Operating Budget to add Fund 3557, Coronavirus Preparedness Grant Fund to the Craighead County budget as funds have become available.

SECTION 1. That Federal grant monies have become available to Craighead County in the amount of \$58,008.00 for the purpose of preventing, preparing for and responding to the Coronavirus. These grant funds are required to be included in and expended through the County's Annual Operating Budget for tracking and auditing purposes.

SECTION 2. That Fund 3557, Department 0304, Coronavirus Preparedness Grant Fund will be created in the Annual Operating Budget to allow for accurate tracking, disbursing and accounting of federal grant funds for Craighead County to prevent, prepare for and respond to the needs of the Coronavirus.

		New	Change	Old
FUND 3557	Coronavirus Preparedness Grant Fund	\$58,008.00	\$58,008.00	\$0.00
Dept 0304	Grants in Aid - Health			
Account	Description	<u>New</u>	<u>Change</u>	<u>Old</u>
	<u>Personal Services</u>			
1002	4 Medical Screeners (PT)(less than 80 hr/month, 12.00 or less/hr	\$45,160.00	\$45,160.00	\$0.00
	<u>Supplies</u>			
2001	General Supplies	\$3,109.00	\$3,109.00	\$0.00
2002	Small Equipment	\$9,739.00	\$9,739.00	\$0.00
Total Department Budget		\$58,008.00	\$58,008.00	\$0.00

There is hereby appropriated \$58,008.00 into Fund 3557, Dept 0304, Coronavirus Preparedness Grant Fund for preventing, preparing for and responding to the Coronavirus. 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 appropriations ordinance.

Dated this _____ day of May, 2020.

Approved: _____
Marvin Day
Craighead County Judge

Attest: _____
Kade Holliday
Craighead County Clerk