

**Quorum Court Minutes**

**8.22.16**

**AGENDA**  
**CRAIGHEAD COUNTY QUORUM COURT**  
**AUGUST 22, 2016**  
**5:30 P.M.**

**REMINDER: MEETING AT THE EXTENSION**  
**OFFICE - 611 EAST WASHINGTON ST.**  
**MEAL SERVED BEGINNING AT 5:30**

ASSEMBLY AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

OPENING PRAYER

- I. Roll Call
- II. Approval of minutes for July, 2016.
- III. Committee Reports:
  - a. Public Service Committee Report.
  - b. Finance and Administration Committee Report.
  - c. Roads and Transportation Report.
- IV. Old Business:

None
- V. New Business:

None

August 22, 2016 Quorum Court Meeting

12 Justices of the Peace Present, Justice Max Render was absent

Judge Ed Hill called the meeting to order at 6:10pm.

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Justice **Barbara Weinstock** moved to approve the minutes from the meetings occurring during January 2016 with no changes, this was seconded by Justice **Garry Meadows**. All voted to approve the motion and accept the minutes from the July 2016 meeting.

Justice **Billie Sue Hoggard** read the Public Service Committee report. – *Appendix 1*

Justice **Josh Longmire** read the Finance Committee report. – *Appendix 2*

Discussion ensued concerning Assessor **Hannah Towell's** presentation concerning a refund of missed homestead credits that were being done incorrectly during the previous administration that needed to be corrected. Justice **Garry Meadows** thanked Assessor Towell for her diligence to do the research on this issue and correcting it to make sure all effected parcels were corrected. Justice **Garry Meadows** made a motion, seconded by Justice **Barbara Weinstock** to refund the money to the identified parcels. All voted in favor of the motion.

Tax Collector **Marsha Phillips** briefed the court concerning delinquent taxes. She stated that she is sending out notices. Additionally, she stated that there was a need for a county attorney or to hire an attorney to work with in order to proceed further with collections past sending out these notices in order to move forward with the next collection steps. Additionally, discussion occurred concerning the largest individual who owes money and Collector **Marsha Phillips** and Assessor **Hannah Towell** are working with to try and reconcile that individual account. Collector **Marsha Phillips** stated that she would email the quorum court members the truly collectable amount of money remaining on the books as some accounts will not be collectable due to business closing, bankruptcy, etc. Justice **Garry Meadows** made a motion to have this email sent out and be looked at over the next 3 weeks and based on this information the quorum court will make a decision at their following meeting if there is a need to hire an attorney in order to try to collect the money further which was seconded by Justice **Jim Bryant**. The motion failed 9-3.

Justice **Terry Couch** read the Road and Transportation Committee report. – *Appendix 3*

With no further business to be discussed Justice **Jim Bryan** motioned to adjourn the meeting with a second from Justice **Garry Meadows**, all were in favor and the meeting stood adjourned at 6:55pm.

Craighead County Quorum Court Meeting  
Public Service Committee  
August 8, 2016  
5:30 p.m.

Public Service Committee assembled after the opening of the court meeting and briefing from Judge Ed Hill.

Chair-Person Billie Sue Hoggard called the meeting to order; members present include Fred Bowers, Richard Rogers, and David Tennison. MaryAnn Nimmo, Chief Deputy from the County Clerk's office was also present and spoke to the Public Service members about concerns regarding the Purchasing Policy. Possibly the Purchasing Policy could be revised to provide more transparency and clarification of procedures that are now in place.

With no other business to discuss, the committee unanimously adjourned at approximately 6:00 p.m.

**Finance Committee Meeting**

August 8, 2016

Finance Committee Members present: Chairman Josh Longmire, Vice Chair Jim Bryant, and Justices Ken Stacks, Garry Meadows, and Barbara Weinstock.

Press: Jonesboro Sun

Others present: Al Haines, Tony Thomas, County Clerk Kade Holliday, County Treasurer Terry McNatt, Circuit Clerk Candace Edwards, County Assessor Hannah Towell, and other guests.

Justice Longmire called the Finance Committee Meeting to order at 5:40 PM and asked Treasurer McNatt to update the committee on current revenues and expenditures. McNatt indicated that overall revenues and expenditures are in line for this time of year with a few areas to monitor as the year progresses.

Tax assessor Towell addressed the committee concerning several people who applied for the homestead tax credit in years 2013 and 2014 that did not receive this credit due to a computer issue. The committee unanimously voted to present to the full court for approval to allocate the funds to reimburse these residents for their loss for these two years. Towell stated that this expense will not be reimbursed by the State due to the time frame. Total amount of reimbursement is \$10,274.92.

With no other business to be discussed, the meeting stood adjourned at 6:10 PM.

Craighead County Quorum Court Meeting  
August 8, 2016  
Roads and Transportation Committee

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

Others present included Eugene Neff and Judge Hill.

Justice Couch called the meeting to order after the meeting of the full court:

1. Eugene Neff updated the committee on the monthly road report also distributed during the meeting of the full court.
  - a. Road work on CR 751 is all but complete. A few minor details are being finished but nothing major. CR 422 is slated for widening and being built up as the next project. CR 361 is the next roadway slated for improvements. Working up to the Bono Lake. CR 318 towards the lake. Judge Hill addressed the issue and stated the road will be raised half-way and the hill will be cut half-down.
2. Developer (Terry Holladay) is developing a sub-division off CR 113 by Westside school district has not pleaded his case to establish a county road. Concerns were discussed related to the acceptance process for county roads.

Concerns were also addressed how the roads will be affected by construction site if sub-division is going to be established. The rules in place will be further discussed at a later date. Next meeting Judge Hill will provide the documents to review the rules. Judge Hill also stated that a petition will be signed for the developer to install utilities.
3. Craighead County is in the process of signing documents with Arkansas Game & Fish to convey the Lake Bono property to the County.

With no other business, the committee stood adjourned.