

**AGENDA**  
**CRAIGHEAD COUNTY QUORUM COURT**  
**FEBRUARY 22, 2016**  
**6:00 p.m.**

NOTE: MEETING AT LAKE CITY COURTHOUSE, 107 COBEAN BLVD

Assembly and Pledge of Allegiance

**OPENING PRAYER**

Briefing by Judge Ed Hill to Members.

- I. Roll Call
- II. Approval of minutes for January, 2016 meeting.
- III. Presentation from Tim Wooldridge; giving an update on CRDC and The services they provide to our community.
- IV. Committee Reports:
  - a. Public Service Committee Report.
  - b. Finance and Administration Committee Report.
  - c. Roads and Transportation Report.
- V. Old Business:

None
- VI. New business:
  - a. Resolution regarding agreement with District Court relating to fees and fines received.
  - b. Resolution regarding solutions for persons with a mental illness when they appear in court and are subject to jail confinement.
  - c. Appropriation Ordinance to amend the 2016 Budget regarding grant monies received after budget was drafted and approved.

Craighead County Quorum Court Meeting  
Public Service Committee  
February 08, 2016  
5:30 p.m.

Public Service committee members assembled at approximately 5:45 p.m. after briefing by Judge Hill.

All members were present; after a brief discussion, it was determined that there was no business to attend to and the Committee adjourned unanimously at 5:50 p.m.

## Finance Committee Meeting

February 8, 2016

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

Press: Jonesboro Sun

Others present: Al Haines, Adm Assistant Tony Thomas, County Treasurer Terry McNatt, County Clerk Kade Holliday, Collector Marsha Phillips, Assessor Hannah Towell, and other guests.

Justice Longmire called the Finance Committee Meeting to order at 5:40 PM after the full court meeting. Longmire asked Treasurer McNatt to bring the committee up to date on revenues and expenditures. Sales tax revenues showed a 4.9% increase over same period a year ago. Four lane tax revenues are above forecasts, and other revenues are on track at this point.

Collector Phillips gave update on current tax collections as well as delinquent personal and real tax collections. Current and Delinquent collections are coming in above this time last year. Approximately \$60,000 of delinquent taxes are uncollectable due to business's being dissolved and are no longer in operation.

Justice Longmire inquired about acquiring a listing of county owned land and buildings.

Justices unanimously approved a motion to send a recommendation to District Court to consider offering a significant discount to people paying delinquent fines to take advantage of the tax filing season.

Longmire inquired about the possibility of receiving some revenue from the operation of the Craighead County Nursing Center and how the center was operated and how funds were being used. He suggested that a representative of the Center be at the next Finance meeting to detail the structure and operations of the center.

With no other business to be discussed, the meeting stood adjourned at 6:15PM.

Craighead County Quorum Court Meeting  
February 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. Eugene indicated he has been pleased with weather conditions that have allowed good hauling of material to county roads.
  - b. Discussed the challenge with signage either being damaged, stolen, or vandalize in rural areas of the County.
  - c. Striping will resume once warmer weather allows. The department has received a number of requests for this service.
2. Justice Cline and Judge Hill updated the committee on a recent meeting at the site of the new Bono Bridge. Final plans were received and all that is needed is a final signature on those plans from BNSF. It is currently scheduled for the March letting by AHTD if BNSF responds quickly.
3. Justice Couch encouraged Neff to visit with the Mayor of Caraway. They have a new truck that has worked well for cleaning tiles.
4. Work continues at the Bono Lake project by Game & Fish. The lake level continues to hold with some clearing occurring (reddish tint disappearing) and is expected to continue as bank stabilization is enhanced by the current construction. Various points of discussion were entertained by the chair related to the construction and access to the property.
5. Equipment upgrades continue. Judge Hill indicated that gradually we are updating all of our equipment and he desires to see this continue. He also anticipates a sale of some equipment on IronPlanet online auction, the vendor we have in the past few years.

With no other business, the committee stood adjourned.

**A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING AN INTERGOVERNMENTAL AGREEMENT FOR SUMS RECEIVED AND COSTS ASSOCIATED WITH CRAIGHEAD COUNTY DISTRICT COURT BETWEEN THE CITIES OF CRAIGHEAD COUNTY AND CRAIGHEAD COUNTY**

**WHEREAS**, Arkansas Code Annotated § 16-17-707(a)(1) states the district court clerk shall keep three (3) separate accounting records of all fines, penalties, forfeitures, fees, and costs received by him or her for any misdemeanors or violations of the town or city ordinances and all cases which are misdemeanors or violations under state law or traffic offenses which are misdemeanors or violations under state law or town or city ordinance committed within the corporate limits of the town or city where the court sits, where the arresting officer was a police officer or other officer of the town or city, a Department of Arkansas State Police officer or other certified law enforcement officer of the state, or an officer of a private or public college or university located within the corporate limits of the town or city where the court sits; and

**WHEREAS**, Arkansas Code Annotated § 16-17-707(b)(3) states a town or city that has a police department and does not operate a district court or city court shall receive only the prorated sums collected as provided in § 16-17-1203; and

**WHEREAS**, Arkansas Code Annotated § 16-17-1203 states a written agreement is mandatory and is to be entered into between the governing body of the town or city and the governing bodies of the political subdivisions that contribute to the operational expenses of the district court if revenue from a district court is shared; and

**WHEREAS**, the governing bodies of the cities of Brookland, Jonesboro, Bono, Bay, Lake City, Caraway, Monette, Cash, Egypt, Black Oak and Craighead County, Arkansas (collectively hereinafter referred to as "the parties") desire to formally put into writing the agreement on the disbursement of all fines, penalties, forfeitures, fees, and costs between the governing entities; and

**WHEREAS**, Craighead County desires to formally enter into the mandatory written agreement;

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Quorum Court of Craighead County as follows:**

The Craighead County Quorum Court hereby authorizes the County Judge to enter into the Intergovernmental Agreement between the cities of Craighead County and Craighead County regarding the sums received and cost associated with the cases handled in the Craighead County District Court.

**THIS RESOLUTION adopted this \_\_\_\_ day of February.**

ATTEST:

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Ed Hill, County Judge

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Kade Holliday, County Clerk

**INTERLOCAL AGREEMENT  
BETWEEN THE CITIES OF BROOKLAND, JONESBORO, BONO,  
BAY, LAKE CITY, CARAWAY, MONETTE, CASH, EGYPT,  
BLACK OAK AND CRAIGHEAD COUNTY, ARKANSAS FOR  
REVENUE AND EXPENSE SHARING OF SUMS COLLECTED IN  
DISTRICT COURT**

**WHEREAS**, Arkansas Code Annotated § 16-17-707(a)(1) states the district court clerk shall keep a separate accounting record of all fines, penalties, forfeitures, fees, and costs received by him or her for any misdemeanors or violations of the town or city ordinances and all cases which are misdemeanors or violations under state law or traffic offenses which are misdemeanors or violations under state law or town or city ordinance committed within the corporate limits of the town or city where the court sits, where the arresting officer was a police officer or other officer of the town or city, a Department of Arkansas State Police officer or other certified law enforcement officer of the state, or an officer of a private or public college or university located within the corporate limits of the town or city where the court sits; and

**WHEREAS**, Arkansas Code Annotated § 16-17-707(b)(3) states a town or city that has a police department and does not operate a district court or city court shall receive only the prorated sums collected as provided in § 16-17-1203; and

**WHEREAS**, Arkansas Code Annotated § 16-17-1203 states a written agreement is mandatory and is to be entered into between the governing body of the town or city and the governing bodies of the political subdivisions that contribute to the operational expenses of the district court; and

**WHEREAS**, the governing bodies of the cities of Brookland, Jonesboro, Bono, Bay, Lake City, Caraway, Monette, Cash, Egypt, Black Oak and Craighead County, Arkansas (collectively hereinafter referred to as "the parties") desire to formally put into writing the agreement on the disbursement of all fines, penalties, forfeitures, fees, and costs between the governing entities; and

**WHEREAS**, the parties hereto are authorized to enter into this agreement;

**NOW, THEREFORE, for and in consideration of the mutual promises and agreements contained herein, the parties hereto agree as follows:**

**Section 1. Collected Sums.** The parties hereto agree all sums collected in Craighead County District Court in all nontraffic cases which are misdemeanors or violations of the town or city ordinances and all cases which are misdemeanors or violations under state law or traffic offenses which are misdemeanors or violations under state law or town or city ordinance committed within the corporate limits of the town or city shall be remitted to that city where the offense and/or violation occurred by the Craighead County District Court Clerk on a monthly basis with deductions as outlined herein. The parties hereto understand and agree these sums also include those sums received where the arresting officer was an Arkansas State Police officer. The parties hereto further understand and agree Craighead County shall only receive the sums collected when the offense and/or violation was committed outside the corporate limits of the town or city that is a party hereto.

**Section 2. Cost Sharing.** The parties hereto agree to contribute to the operational expenses of the Craighead District Court according to a prorated amount based on the number of cases filed in Craighead County District Court from each town, city or Craighead County in proportion to the total number of cases filed in Craighead County District Court for the preceding calendar year.

**Section 3. Additional cost.** In addition to the prorated costs outlined above, the cities of Brookland, Jonesboro, Bono, Bay, Lake City, Caraway, Monette, Cash, Egypt, and Black Oak agree to have deducted by the Craighead County District Court Clerk a sum equal to five percent (5%) of the sums received associated with those offenses committed within these cities corporate limits where the arresting officer was an Arkansas State Police officer, as an additional operational cost.

**Section 4. Certification of cases.** Within fifteen (15) days from January 1 of each year of this agreement, the Craighead County District Court clerk shall by order of the District Court certify the number of total cases filed in Craighead County District Court for the preceding calendar year along with the corresponding prorated percentage of each governing body located within Craighead County. Immediately upon certification, the Craighead County District Court Clerk shall provide this certification of cases to each party hereto.

**Section 5. Monthly accounting and disbursement.** The Craighead County District Court Clerk shall remit to the parties hereto those sums received as outlined herein with the proper deductions on a monthly basis.

**Section 6. Term.** The initial term of this agreement shall begin January 1, 2016 and shall continue through December 31, 2016, unless sooner terminated by any of the parties hereto. This agreement shall thereafter automatically renew each January 1. Any party hereto may terminate this agreement by giving the other parties written notice of its intent to terminate at least sixty (60) days prior to the effective date of the termination. However, the only thing modifiable herein is the five percent (5%) administrative fee, as all other terms are dictated and mandatory pursuant to Arkansas law. Upon termination by any party, this agreement shall remain in full force and effect until a new agreement is entered into by the parties, as a written agreement is mandatory under Arkansas law.

**Section 7. Enforceability.** If any one or more of the provisions of this Agreement is held to be invalid, illegal, or unenforceable in any respect, such invalidity, illegality or unenforceability will not affect any other provision and the Agreement will be construed without the invalid, illegal or unenforceable provision.

**Section 8. Complete Agreement.** This is the complete and entire Agreement between the parties with respect to the matters herein and supersedes all prior negotiations, agreements, representations, and understandings, if any. This Agreement may not be modified, discharged, or changed in any respect whatsoever except by a further agreement in writing duly executed by the parties hereto. No official, representative, agent or employee of any of the parties has any authority to modify this Agreement except pursuant to such express authority as may be granted by the governing bodies of the parties hereto.

**Section 9. Execution.** The parties agree to execute such other and further instruments and documents as are or may become necessary or convenient to carry out the purposes of this Agreement.

**Section 10.** This Agreement shall be construed under the laws of the State of Arkansas.

**Section 11.** Nothing in this Agreement, express or implied, is intended to confer upon any person, other than the parties hereto, any benefits, rights, or remedies under or by reason of this Agreement.

**Section 12.** This Agreement may be executed simultaneously in one or more counterparts, each of which shall be deemed an original and all of which together constitute one and the same instrument.

APPROVED ON THE DATE OR DATES INDICATED.

CITY OF BROOKLAND

\_\_\_\_\_  
Kenneth D. Jones, Mayor

Dated: \_\_\_\_\_

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Attest

**CITY OF JONESBORO**

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Harold Perrin, Mayor

Dated: \_\_\_\_\_

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Attest

**CITY OF BAY**

\_\_\_\_\_  
Darrell Kirby, Mayor

Dated: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_  
Attest

**CITY OF BONO**

\_\_\_\_\_  
Dan Shaw, Mayor

Dated: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_  
Attest

**CITY OF CARAWAY**

\_\_\_\_\_  
Barry Riley, Mayor

Dated: \_\_\_\_\_

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Attest

**CITY OF MONETTE**

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Chub Qualls, Mayor

Dated: \_\_\_\_\_

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Attttest

**CITY OF CASH**

\_\_\_\_\_  
Michael Cureton, Mayor

Dated: \_\_\_\_\_

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Attest

**CITY OF EGYPT**

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Don Scruggs, Mayor

Dated: \_\_\_\_\_

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Attest

**CITY OF BLACK OAK**

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Eddie Dunigan, Mayor

Dated: \_\_\_\_\_

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Attest

**CRAIGHEAD COUNTY**

\_\_\_\_\_  
Ed Hill, County Judge

Dated: \_\_\_\_\_

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Attest

**A RESOLUTION EXPRESSING SUPPORT OF THE “STEPPING UP INITIATIVE”  
TO REDUCE THE NUMBER OF PEOPLE WITH MENTAL ILLNESSES IN JAILS**

**WHEREAS**, counties routinely provide treatment services to the estimated 2 million people with serious mental illnesses booked into jail each year; and

**WHEREAS**, prevalence rates of serious mental illnesses in jails are three to six times higher than for the general population; and

**WHEREAS**, almost three-quarters of adults with serious mental illnesses in jails have co-occurring substance use disorders; and

**WHEREAS**, adults with mental illnesses tend to stay longer in jail and upon release are at a higher risk of recidivism than people without these disorders; and

**WHEREAS**, county jails spend two to three times more on adults with mental illnesses that require interventions compared to those without these treatment needs; and

**WHEREAS**, without the appropriate treatment and services, people with mental illnesses continue to cycle through the criminal justice system, often resulting in tragic outcomes for these individuals and their families; and

**WHEREAS**, Craighead County take pride in their responsibility to protect and enhance the health, welfare and safety of its residents in efficient and cost-effective ways; and

**WHEREAS**, Craighead County has developed a Mental Health Court in coordination with the 2<sup>nd</sup> Judicial District and Mid-South Health Systems which helps individual stay out of jail by offering mental health and substance use disorder treatment; and

**WHEREAS**, Craighead County Sheriff Marty Boyd has initiated discussion with identified community partners related to the development of a Crisis Unit where individuals suffering with mental health issues can receive the appropriate care needed when entering the criminal justice system in Craighead County; and

**WHEREAS**, through *Stepping Up*, the National Association of Counties, the Council of State Governments Justice Center and the American Psychiatric Association Foundation are encouraging public, private and nonprofit partners to reduce the number of people with mental illnesses in jails;

**NOW, THEREFORE, LET IT BE RESOLVED, THAT I** Ed Hill, County Judge, do hereby sign on to the Call to Action to reduce the number of people with mental illnesses in our county jail, commit to sharing lessons learned with other counties in my state and across the country to support a national initiative and encourage all county officials, employees and residents to participate in *Stepping Up*. We resolve to utilize the comprehensive resources available through *Stepping Up* to:

- Convene or draw on a diverse team of leaders and decision makers from multiple agencies committed to safely reducing the number of people with mental illnesses in jails.
- Collect and review prevalence numbers and assess individuals' needs to better identify adults entering jails with mental illnesses and their recidivism risk, and use that baseline information to guide decision making at the system, program, and case levels.
- Examine treatment and service capacity to determine which programs and services are available in the county for people with mental illnesses and co-occurring substance use disorders, and identify state and local policy and funding barriers to minimizing contact with the justice system and providing treatment and supports in the community.
- Develop a plan with measurable outcomes that draws on the jail assessment and prevalence data and the examination of available treatment and service capacity, while considering identified barriers.
- Implement research-based approaches that advance the plan.
- Create a process to track progress using data and information systems, and to report on successes.

**THIS RESOLUTION** adopted this \_\_\_\_ day of February.

**ATTEST:**

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**Ed Hill, County Judge**

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**Kade Holliday, County Clerk**

**APPROPRIATION ORDINANCE NO. \_\_\_\_\_**

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

An Ordinance amending the 2016 Annual Operating Budget to add Funds 3558, 3560, 3562, 3564, and 3566, Departments 409 and 422, to include Accountability Court Grant monies that have become available to Craighead County through the Administrative Office of the Courts, Division of Drug Court Programs administered through the Arkansas Community Corrections Grant Program for drug, DWI, and mental illness related treatment.

**SECTION 1.** That these grant monies are considered to be special revenue and will be established in separate funds and will be administered according to grant guidelines pertaining to each grant. These grants will allow for necessary treatment of persons as related to type of treatment needed in Craighead County as well as Crittenden County, as the bulk of the treatment process for Crittenden County is conducted in Craighead County.

**SECTION 2.** That these new funds will be created in the Annual Operating Budget to allow for accurate receiving, tracking, disbursing, and accounting of these funds and will be included in projected revenues and budget totals as described below.

	Special Revenue Projections	\$30,938.00	\$30,938.00	\$0.00
<b>Fund 3558</b>	Accountability Court Grant Mental Health Court Fund	<u>New</u>	<u>Change</u>	<u>Old</u>
Dept 422	Mental Health Court Craighead County	\$30,938.00	\$30,938.00	\$0.00
<u>Acct. #</u>	<u>Description</u>	<u>New</u>	<u>Change</u>	<u>Old</u>
2001	General Office Supplies	\$2,200.00	\$2,200.00	\$0.00
2002	Small Equipment	\$2,403.00	\$2,403.00	\$0.00
3030	Travel	\$4,294.00	\$4,294.00	\$0.00
3100	Other miscellaneous	\$19,741.00	\$19,741.00	\$0.00
3101	Training	\$2,300.00	\$2,300.00	\$0.00
	Total Amount		\$30,938.00	

	Special Revenue Projections	\$27,435.00	\$27,435.00	\$0.00
<b>Fund 3560</b>	Accountability Court Grant Veterans Diversion Fund	<u>New</u>	<u>Change</u>	<u>Old</u>
Dept 422	Veterans Diversion Program	\$27,435.00	\$27,435.00	\$0.00
<u>Acct. #</u>	<u>Description</u>	<u>New</u>	<u>Change</u>	<u>Old</u>
2001	General Office Supplies	\$2,200.00	\$2,200.00	\$0.00
3030	Travel	\$4,294.00	\$4,294.00	\$0.00
3100	Other miscellaneous	\$19,741.00	\$19,741.00	\$0.00
3101	Training	\$1,200.00	\$1,200.00	\$0.00
	Total Amount		\$27,435.00	

		<u>New</u>	<u>Change</u>	<u>Old</u>
	Special Revenue Projections	\$24,458.96	\$24,458.96	\$0.00
<b>Fund 3562</b>	Accountability Court Grant DWI Fund	<u>New</u>	<u>Change</u>	<u>Old</u>
Dept 409	DWI Court	\$24,458.96	\$24,458.96	\$0.00
<u>Acct. #</u>	<u>Description</u>	<u>New</u>	<u>Change</u>	<u>Old</u>
1001	Project Director (20% Effort of a full-time position)	\$9,600.00	\$9,600.00	\$0.00
	Total Salaries		\$9,600.00	
1006	Social Security Match	\$734.40	\$734.40	\$0.00
1007	Retirement Match	\$1,392.00	\$1,392.00	\$0.00
1009	Health Insurance Match	\$2,506.00	\$2,506.00	\$0.00
1010	Workmen's Compensation	\$82.56	\$82.56	\$0.00
1011	Unemployment	\$144.00	\$144.00	\$0.00
2001	General Office Supplies	\$50.00	\$50.00	\$0.00
3030	Travel	\$950.00	\$950.00	\$0.00
3100	Other miscellaneous	\$9,000.00	\$9,000.00	\$0.00
	Total Amount		\$24,458.96	

	Special Revenue Projections	\$64,000.00	\$64,000.00	\$0.00
<b>Fund 3564</b>	Accountability Court Grant Adult Drug Court Fund	<u>New</u>	<u>Change</u>	<u>Old</u>
Dept 422	Adult Drug Court	\$64,000.00	\$64,000.00	\$0.00
<u>Acct. #</u>	<u>Description</u>	<u>New</u>	<u>Change</u>	<u>Old</u>
3009	Other Professional Services	\$63,000.00	\$63,000.00	\$0.00
3100	Other miscellaneous	\$1,000.00	\$1,000.00	\$0.00
	Total Amount		\$64,000.00	

	Special Revenue Projections	\$30,935.00	\$30,935.00	\$0.00
<b>Fund 3566</b>	Accountability Court Grant Mental Health Court Fund	<u>New</u>	<u>Change</u>	<u>Old</u>
Dept 422	Mental Health Court Crittenden County	\$30,935.00	\$30,935.00	\$0.00
<u>Acct. #</u>	<u>Description</u>	<u>New</u>	<u>Change</u>	<u>Old</u>
2001	General Office Supplies	\$2,197.00	\$2,197.00	\$0.00
2002	Small Equipment	\$2,403.00	\$2,403.00	\$0.00
3030	Travel	\$4,294.00	\$4,294.00	\$0.00
3100	Other miscellaneous	\$19,741.00	\$19,741.00	\$0.00
3101	Training	\$2,300.00	\$2,300.00	\$0.00
	Total Amount		\$30,935.00	

There is hereby appropriated funding into Funds 3558, 3560, 3562,3564, and 3566 as outlined above with departments, line items, dollar amounts, for the intent and purposes as described above, from special revenue unappropriated funds. 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 describe, upon passage of this appropriation ordinance.

Dated this \_\_\_\_\_ of February, 2016

Approved: \_\_\_\_\_

Ed Hill  
Craighead County Judge

Attest: \_\_\_\_\_

Kade Holliday  
Craighead County Clerk