

**AGENDA
CRAIGHEAD COUNTY QUORUM COURT
COMMITTEE MEETINGS
JUNE 8, 2015
5:30 P.M.**

Assembly and Prayer

Roll Call

- a. Resolution regarding agreement between Game and Fish Commission and Craighead County for operation of Lake Bono.**

Public Service Committee:

- a. Discussion of any current business.**

Finance and Administration Committee:

- a. Review and discussion of financial reports.**

Roads and Transportation Committee Meeting:

- a. County Road Superintendent Eugene Neff will update the committee concerning roads and bridges in the county.**

A RESOLUTION ENTERING INTO AN AGREEMENT WITH THE ARKANSAS GAME & FISH COMMISSION FOR THE OPERATION OF LAKE BONO

WHEREAS, it is the express desire of the County and the Arkansas Game & Fish Commission to cooperate for the purpose of enhancing sport fishing and providing public fishing opportunities in Craighead County, Arkansas; and

WHEREAS, on February 8, 2001, the Arkansas Game & Fish Commission acquired approximately 276 acres of land in Craighead County, Arkansas, at a cost of \$689,500.00 for the purpose of providing real estate upon which a lake would be constructed that would be open to the public for fishing and other recreation; and

WHEREAS, in return for the Arkansas Game & Fish Commission's acquisition of the Lake Bono property, the County replaced four wooden bridges to Hatchie Coon Island within the St. Francis Sunken Lands Wildlife Management Area with four permanent concrete bridges at a cost of \$568,045.00; and

WHEREAS, the County has constructed a water control structure and lake bed on the Lake Bono property, costing approximately \$4,882,566.83 for benefit of the public and fish and wildlife conservation; and

WHEREAS, the water control gates for the lake were closed on April 14, 2014; and

WHEREAS, Since establishing there was no written agreement outlining operational responsibilities for Lake Bono, County Judge Ed Hill has worked with Arkansas Game & Fish personnel to develop such agreement;

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED BY THE QUORUM COURT OF CRAIGHEAD COUNTY, ARKANSAS, THAT:

Craighead County will enter into an agreement for the operation of Lake Bono that includes, but are not limited to, the following:

(1) enter into an agreement for a term not to exceed one (1) year with the Commission for the primary purpose of opening, operating, and maintaining a lake on the Lake Bono property that shall be open to the public for recreational fishing and for the secondary purpose of providing opportunity for watching wildlife and other activities related to fish, wildlife, conservation and conservation education activities; (2) accept conveyance of the property upon the terms and conditions and for the consideration agreed to in a final agreement; and (3) upon conveyance, enter into a Memorandum of Agreement concerning the management of the Lake Bono fishery and site improvements;

Ed Hill, County Judge

Date Passed: _____

Attest: _____
Kade Holliday, County Clerk