

AGENDA
CRAIGHEAD COUNTY QUORUM COURT
5:30 P.M.
JULY 27, 2015

Assembly and Pledge of Allegiance

OPENING PRAYER

Briefing by Judge Ed Hill to Court Members.

I. Roll Call

II. Approval of minutes for June, 2015 meeting.

III. Update from Erin Johnson, Computer Director regarding Computer Services Department.

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 appointing and reappointing board members to Craighead County, Arkansas Public Facilities Board.**

Craighead County Quorum Court Meeting
Public Service Committee
July 6, 2015
5:30 p.m.

Public Service Committee assembled after briefing by Judge Ed Hill.

Members present: Chairperson David Tennison, Richard Rogers, Fred Bowers, and Billie Sue Hoggard.

Brief discussion concerning a proposed list of Board Members to fill Vacant positions on the Craighead County, Arkansas Public Facilities Board. Decisions will be brought before full court by way of a Resolution approving the proposed members.

Meeting adjourned at approximately 6:10 p.m.

Finance Committee Meeting

July 13, 2015

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

Press: Hunter Field, Jonesboro Sun

Others present: Al Haines, County Treasurer Terry McNatt, County Collector Marsha Phillips, Circuit Clerk Candace Edwards, Teresa Presley, and other guests.

Justice Stacks called the Finance Committee Meeting to order at 5:35 PM after the full court meeting to review the monthly revenue and expenditure reports.

Justice Stacks asked Treasurer McNatt to bring the committee up to date on revenues for the month of June. State TURNBACK revenue increased above normal monthly amounts due to Stabilization monies being received. These funds come in annually during mid-year. McNatt noted that revenue and expenses were running normal for the time of year. He also informed the committee that schools have been billed for past elections for a total cost of approximately \$33,734.

Justice Stacks believes that all fees, grants, and other funding coming into the city of Jonesboro and Craighead County should be pooled into one fund and pay all expenses for the operation of the E911 Center with any balance of cost being shared by the county and all cities based on population or some other equitable formula.

Circuit Clerk Edwards renegotiated the contract with Fidlar and reduced the cost by \$22,000 and also combined other costs into one billing. She is working with County Judge Ed Hill to draft a resolution to increase fees to help offset expenses for the court system.

With no other business to be discussed, the committee stood adjourned at 6:00 PM.

Craighead County Quorum Court Meeting
July 13, 2015
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 Kidd 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.
2. Judge Hill indicated that the Bono Lake reached the maximum pool level with recent rains and that many of the areas were naturally greening. We are awaiting Game & Fish to finalize the agreement and begin their construction of amenities (road to boat ramp and parking). Once the agreement is finalized, we will work with Game & Fish to outline the rules that govern the property.
3. Justice Cline inquired about the Bono Bridge project. The project has not been let out for bidding by AHTD due to the issues related to the Highway Trust Fund at the federal level.
4. There was discussion related to the Cache River flooding and various drainage districts. There is hope that some of these districts in Lawrence and Craighead counties may combine and organize to impact the issues occurring.
5. Judge Hill indicated the kick-off meeting for bold was being held July 14 at 10 am in the OEM Conference Room.

With no other business, the committee stood adjourned.

RESOLUTION NO. _____

BE IT ENACTED BY THE QUORUM COURT OF THE COUNTY OF CRAIGHEAD, STATE OF ARKANSAS; A RESOLUTION TO BE ENTITLED:

A RESOLUTION CONFIRMING APPOINTMENTS TO THE CRAIGHEAD COUNTY, ARKANSAS PUBLIC FACILITIES BOARD; AND PRESCRIBING OTHER MATTERS RELATING THERETO.

WHEREAS, by Ordinance No. 2002-7 adopted June 24, 2002, the Quorum Court of Craighead County, Arkansas created the Craighead County, Arkansas Public Facilities Board (the "Board"); and

WHEREAS, pursuant to Title 14, Chapter 137 (the "Authorizing Legislation"), the County Judge has appointed and reappointed successor members to the Board; and

WHEREAS, the Authorizing Legislation provides that such appointments and reappointments to the Board must be confirmed by the Quorum Court;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Quorum Court of Craighead County Arkansas:

Section 1. That the following appointments to the Board are hereby confirmed:

<u>Name</u>	<u>Term of Office</u>
<u>Steve Cox</u>	One Year
<u>Marilyn Hummelstein</u>	Two Years
<u>Doug Gilmore</u>	Three Years
<u>Elijah Agnew</u>	Four Years
<u>Wayne Bond</u>	Five Years

Section 2. That the individuals listed in Section 1 hereof shall qualify for membership on the Board by taking and filing an oath of office with the County Clerk.

Section 3. That the provisions of this Resolution are hereby declared to be separable, and if any section, phrase or provision shall for any reason be declared illegal or invalid, such declaration shall not affect the validity of the remainder of this Resolution.

Section 4. That all resolutions and parts thereof in conflict herewith are hereby repealed to the extent of such conflict.

Section 5. That this Resolution shall be in force and effect immediately upon and after its passage.

PASSED AND APPROVED THIS 27th day of July, 2015.

County Judge

ATTEST:

County Clerk

(SEAL)

A.C.A. § 14-137-102

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Title 14 Local Government
Subtitle 8. Public Facilities Generally
Chapter 137 **Public Facilities Boards**

A.C.A. § 14-137-102 (2015)

14-137-102. Legislative determination and purpose.

(a) It is determined by the General Assembly that adequate:

- (1) Facilities for health care;
- (2) Decent, safe, and sanitary residential housing;
- (3) Off-street parking facilities;
- (4) Facilities for recreation and to develop tourism;
- (5) Waterworks facilities;
- (6) Sewer facilities;
- (7) Facilities for securing or developing industry;
- (8) Energy facilities;
- (9) Educational facilities; and
- (10) Hydroelectric power projects

are essential to the physical and mental health, safety, and physical and economic welfare of the people of this state. In order to meet these public needs, it is essential that public financing be provided for the facilities. It is the purpose of this chapter to provide an alternative method of financing for the facilities.

(b) The General Assembly finds that:

- (1) The State of Arkansas is confronted with a severe energy crisis;
- (2) The demand for fuels has outstripped the available supplies;
- (3) The cost to the consumer for energy usage continues to increase at an accelerated rate;
- (4) A great and growing number of residents of this state can no longer afford basic energy needs;

(A) Does not depend on the use of depletable fossil fuels such as oil, natural gas, and coal, or nuclear fuels; and

(B) Makes use of nondepletable supplies of energy including, without limitation, solar, wind, bioconversion, falling or flowing water, geothermal deposits, or municipal, commercial, industrial, agricultural, or individual waste products, or makes use of cogeneration technology for the production of energy;

(22) "Educational facilities" means real, personal, and mixed property of any and every kind intended for use by an educational institution in furtherance of its educational program including, but not limited to, dormitories, classrooms, laboratories, athletic fields, administrative buildings, utilities, equipment, and other property for use therein or thereon;

(23) "Emergency medical health care facilities" means real, personal, and mixed property of any and every kind used to furnish emergency medical health care and emergency medical services including, but not limited to:

(A) Ambulances or vehicles specifically designed, equipped, and licensed for transporting the sick or injured;

(B) Emergency medical equipment and supplies;

(C) Dispatching and other communication systems;

(D) Computers for billing, collections, and system design and control; and

(E) Training and administrative facilities;

(24) "Hydroelectric power project" means any facilities intended to be employed in the generation of electrical energy by the use of water as the source of generating power, whether standing, running, or falling, and facilities incidental or related thereto.

HISTORY: Acts 1975, No. 142, § 3; 1977, No. 446, § 1; 1981, No. 52, § 2; 1981, No. 231, § 2; 1981, No. 703, § 1; 1981, No. 827, § 2; 1981 (Ex. Sess.), No. 18, § 2; 1981 (Ex. Sess.), No. 23, § 8(a); A.S.A. 1947, § 20-1703; Acts 1989, No. 55, § 2.



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- (3)** The cost to the consumer for energy usage continues to increase at an accelerated rate;
- (4)** A great and growing number of residents of this state can no longer afford basic energy needs;

(5) The energy crisis has adversely affected the growth and stability of agriculture, commerce, and industry within the state, producing widespread unemployment;

(6) The energy crisis will be perpetuated by a continued dependence on depletable energy resources which are subject to rapid increases in price and uncertain availability, and by the wasteful and inefficient use of available energy supplies;

(7) These conditions are inimical to the economic security of the state and the health, welfare, and prosperity of its citizens.

(c) It is declared to be the public policy and responsibility of this state to encourage energy conservation and to promote the development and use of renewable energy resources in order to alleviate the undesirable social and economic conditions created by the energy crisis.

(d) The General Assembly finds that the public policy and responsibility of the state as set forth in this section cannot be fully attained without the use of public financing, and it is the purpose of this chapter to make such financing available for energy facilities which will reduce energy consumption and make use of renewable energy resources in residential, agricultural, commercial, or industrial applications.

(e) It is found that the providing of health care through establishment of health care facilities in many cities and counties in Arkansas has been facilitated by the availability of assistance by **public facilities boards** created by counties and cities; that it is in the best interest of the citizens of the State of Arkansas that assistance be provided, in the discretion of local **public facilities boards**, for all forms of health care for the citizens in such counties and cities; and that confusion exists regarding whether certain facilities are properly qualified under the terms of this chapter, and amendment thereof is necessary for the clarification of the facilities comprehended within the term "health care facilities" within the meaning of this chapter.

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