



## WASHINGTON COUNTY, ARKANSAS

## **County Courthouse**

2019-2020 Quorum Court Organizational Meeting January 8, 2019 5:00 PM

- Meeting Called to Order
- 2 Prayer & Pledge of Allegiance
- 3. Purpose
- 4. Introduction of Quorum Court Members
- 5. Introduction of County Attorney/Parliamentarian
  - Procedural Rules
  - o FOIA
  - Meetings and Dates
- 6. Committee
- 7. Closing Remarks
- 8. Adjourn

## ORDINANCE NO. 2019-01

BE IT ENACTED BY THE QUORUM COURT OF THE COUNTY OF WASHINGTON, STATE OF ARKANSAS, AN ORDINANCE TO BE ENTITLED:

AN EMERGENCY ORDINANCE ESTABLISHING CERTAIN COMMITTEES OF THE QUORUM COURT; AND, REPEALING ORDINANCE 2013-12 AND ORDINANCE 2015-64.

**WHEREAS,** pursuant to A.C.A. §14-14-904(d), the Washington County Quorum Court has the power and authority to organize itself into committees, with the members of said committees to be appointed by the County Judge; and,

**WHEREAS**, the Quorum Court, in Ordinance 2015-64 dissolved the Finance and Budget Committee, which was reinstated in 2017; and,

**WHEREAS**, the Quorum Court desires to repeal ordinance 2013-12 and ordinance 2015-64 and replace them with this ordinance.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE QUORUM COURT OF WASHINGTON COUNTY, ARKANSAS:

**ARTICLE 1.** The following committees of the Quorum Court are hereby established:

- (a) Finance and Budget;
- (b) Jail/Law Enforcement;
- (c) County Services; and
- (d) Personnel.

ARTICLE 2. The Finance and Budget committee, upon approval by the County Judge, shall be a committee of the whole compromised of all 15 members of the Quorum Court.

**ARTICLE 3.** Each Committee shall provide for its own organization and management of its affairs, including the election of its own chair and vice chair.

<b>ARTICLE 4.</b> In order to allow time for its members to be present, no committee meeting shall begin prior to 6:00 p.m.
ARTICLE 5. <u>EMERGENCY CLAUSE</u> . It is hereby determined that it is in the best interest for this ordinance to be effective immediately; and, the general health, safety, and welfare of the citizens are affected in that it is vital that the above committees be legally created by ordinance for the effective performance of the Quorum Court pursuant to A.C.A. §14-14-904(d); therefore, an emergency is declared to exist and this ordinance shall be and is effective from the date of its passage.
JOSEPH K. WOOD, County Judge DATE
BECKY LEWALLEN, County Clerk
Sponsor: Harvey Bowman
Date of Passage: January 8, 2019
Votes For: Votes Against:
Abstention: Absent: