



**WASHINGTON COUNTY, ARKANSAS**  
**County Courthouse**

November 14, 2014

**REGULAR MEETING OF THE**  
**WASHINGTON COUNTY QUORUM COURT**

Thursday, November 20, 2014  
6:00 p.m.  
Washington County Quorum Court Room

**A G E N D A**

1. **CALL TO ORDER.** **JUDGE EDWARDS**

2. **PRAYER AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE.**

3. **ROLL CALL.**

4. **ADOPTION OF AGENDA.** At the beginning of each meeting, the agenda shall be approved. Any JP may request an item be added to the agenda subject to approval of the Quorum Court.

5. **APPROVAL OF MINUTES.** Approval of the minutes of the October 16 regular meeting of the Quorum Court. (5.1)

6. **FINANCE REPORT.** **CANDY CLARK**

6.1 **APPROPRIATION ORDINANCE: AN ORDINANCE LEVYING THE COUNTY, MUNICIPAL AND SCHOOL DISTRICT TAXES FOR THE YEAR 2014.** The Quorum Court is required to levy the county, municipal, and school taxes for the current year at its regular meeting in November of each year.

6.2. **APPROPRIATION ORDINANCE: AN ORDINANCE RECOGNIZING REVENUES AND APPROPRIATING MONIES FOR THE EXPENDITURES IN EACH FUND FOR WASHINGTON COUNTY, ARKANSAS, FOR THE YEAR 2015, AND ADOPTING A BUDGET FOR THE VARIOUS DEPARTMENTS REFLECTING THE LINE ITEM EXPENDITURES THEREOF.**

**AGENDA  
NOVEMBER 20, 2014  
PAGE 2**

7. **COMMITTEE REPORTS. (7.1-7.3)** **JUDGE EDWARDS**
8. **AN EMERGENCY ORDINANCE RATIFYING A CONDITIONAL USE PERMIT GRANTED BY THE PLANNING AND ZONING BOARD** The Planning Board granted a Conditional Use Permit on November 6 for Baldwin Cell Tower. This ordinance contains an emergency clause making it effective immediately upon passage. **(8.1, 8.2)** **JOE PATTERSON**
9. **AN ORDINANCE AMENDING WASHINGTON COUNTY CODE 2.2 REGARDING SMOKING.** This ordinance is on first reading and is being recommended by the Public Works Committee. **(9.1)** **EVA MADISON**
10. **AMENDMENT TO THE EMPLOYEE HANDBOOK.** In conjunction with the previous agenda item, the Public Works Committee is recommending a proposed amendment to the Smoking Policy. *Changes to the Employee Handbook must be approved by a majority vote of the full Quorum Court.* **(10.1)** **EVA MADISON**
11. **A RESOLUTION RECOGNIZING A VACANCY IN QUORUM COURT DISTRICT TWO FOR 2015.** The only candidate on the ballot for this position has moved out of Washington County. **(11.1, 11.2)** **JIMMY MARDIS**
12. **OTHER BUSINESS.**
13. **CITIZEN'S COMMENTS.** Fifteen-minute comment period with a three-minute limit for each individual to comment on items on the agenda or other items
14. **ADJOURNMENT.**

/ji

**MINUTES OF THE  
REGULAR MEETING OF THE  
WASHINGTON COUNTY QUORUM COURT**

Thursday, October 16, 2014  
6:00 p.m.  
Washington County Quorum Court Room

- 157.1 The Washington County Quorum Court met in regular session on Thursday, October 16, 2014. The meeting was called to order by County Judge Marilyn Edwards.
- 157.2 T. Lundstrum led the Quorum Court in a prayer and in the Pledge of Allegiance.
- 157.3 MEMBERS PRESENT: Ron Aman, Rex Bailey, Harvey Bowman, Diane Bryant, Candy Clark, Rick Cochran, John Firmin, Barbara Fitzpatrick, Ann Harbison, Tom Lundstrum, Eva Madison, Jimmy Mardis, Butch Pond, and Bill Ussery.
- 157.4 MEMBER ABSENT: Joe Patterson.
- 157.5 OTHERS PRESENT: County Judge Marilyn Edwards, County Chief of Staff Dan Short, County Comptroller Cheryl Bolinger; Interested Citizens; and Members of the Press.
- 157.6 ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA: Judge Edwards asked if there were any additions or deletions to the agenda.
- 157.7 C. Clark stated that they needed to add an appropriation ordinance #6.12 concerning the Computer/IS Department Budget to the agenda at the recommendation of the Finance and Budget Committee.
- 157.8 **A motion was made and seconded to adopt the agenda as amended. The motion passed unanimously by those present by voice vote. The agenda was adopted as amended.**
- 157.9 APPROVAL OF MINUTES: Judge Edwards asked for approval of the minutes of the September 18 regular meeting and the September 22 and September 30 Special Meetings of the Washington County Quorum Court.
- 157.10 **A motion was made and seconded to approve the minutes as distributed. The motion passed unanimously by those present by voice vote. The minutes were approved.**
- 157.11 FINANCE REPORT: C. Clark stated that she had one resolution and eleven appropriation ordinances from the Finance Committee to address tonight.

- 158.1 A RESOLUTION ENDORSING THE PARTICIPATION OF PACIFIC VET GROUP – USA IN THE SALES AND USE TAX REFUND PROGRAM AUTHORIZED BY THE CONSOLIDATED INCENTIVE ACT OF 2003 AND ARK. CODE ANN. §15-4-2706(d): C. Clark introduced **A Resolution Endorsing The Participation Of Pacific Vet Group – USA In The Sales And Use Tax Refund Program Authorized By The Consolidated Incentive Act Of 2003 And Ark. Code Ann. §15-4-2706(d)**, and County Attorney George Butler read the resolution.
- 158.2 C. Clark noted that this was a presentation made by the Fayetteville Chamber of Commerce for a business that is going to bring some very well paying jobs into the Industrial Park.
- 158.3 **C. Clark made a motion to adopt the resolution. B. Pond seconded.**
- 158.4 Citizen Comments: There were no citizen comments made.
- 158.5 **With no further discussion, Judge Edwards called for a vote on the motion to adopt the resolution.**
- 158.6 VOTING FOR: B. Pond, B. Ussery, R. Aman, R. Bailey, H. Bowman, D. Bryant, C. Clark, R. Cochran, J. Firmin, B. Fitzpatrick, A. Harbison, T. Lundstrum, E. Madison, and J. Mardis . **The motion passed unanimously by those present. The resolution was adopted.**
- RESOLUTION NO. 2014-18, BOOK NO. 3, PAGE NO. 84**
- 158.7 **A motion was made and seconded to suspend the rules and read #6.2 by title only. The motion passed unanimously by those present by voice vote.**
- 158.8 AN ORDINANCE REDUCING THE AMOUNT OF \$351,604 FROM PERSONAL SERVICES LINE ITEMS IN VARIOUS COUNTY BUDGETS AND RESTORING THOSE FUNDS TO UNAPPROPRIATED RESERVES; APPROPRIATING THE AMOUNT OF \$34,939 FROM UNAPPROPRIATED RESERVES TO VARIOUS BUDGETS FOR 2014: C. Clark introduced **An Ordinance Reducing The Amount Of \$351,604 From Personal Services Line Items In Various County Budgets And Restoring Those Funds To Unappropriated Reserves; Appropriating The Amount Of \$34,939 From Unappropriated Reserves To Various Budgets For 2014**, and County Attorney George Butler read the ordinance by title only.
- 158.9 C. Clark explained that this was their quarterly housekeeping ordinance.

- 159.1 **C. Clark made a motion to adopt the ordinance. A. Harbison seconded.**
- 159.2 B. Fitzpatrick asked if anyone knew why Emergency 9-1-1 needed \$5 to which County Comptroller Cheryl Bolinger responded that in those divisions, they can't have a negative so they need to deposit \$5.
- 159.3 **With no further discussion, Judge Edwards called for a vote on the motion to adopt the ordinance.**
- 159.4 VOTING FOR: B. Pond, B. Ussery, R. Aman, R. Bailey, H. Bowman, D. Bryant, C. Clark, R. Cochran, J. Firmin, B. Fitzpatrick, A. Harbison, T. Lundstrum, E. Madison, and J. Mardis . **The motion passed unanimously by those present. The ordinance was adopted.**

**ORDINANCE NO. 2014-55, BOOK NO. 9, PAGE NO. 440**

- 159.5 AN ORDINANCE TRANSFERRING MONIES OF \$8,232 WITHIN THE BUILDINGS AND GROUNDS BUDGET IN THE GENERAL FUND FOR 2014: C. Clark introduced **An Ordinance Transferring Monies Of \$8,232 Within The Buildings And Grounds Budget In The General Fund For 2014**, and County Attorney George Butler read the ordinance.
- 159.6 C. Clark stated that she had no memory as to what this was for, but it is a line item transfer and is budget neutral.
- 159.7 County Comptroller Cheryl Bolinger stated that this was for panic buttons.
- 159.8 **C. Clark made a motion to adopt the ordinance. B. Fitzpatrick seconded.**
- 159.9 **With no further discussion, Judge Edwards called for a vote on the motion to adopt the ordinance.**
- 159.10 VOTING FOR: B. Pond, B. Ussery, R. Aman, R. Bailey, H. Bowman, D. Bryant, C. Clark, R. Cochran, J. Firmin, B. Fitzpatrick, A. Harbison, T. Lundstrum, E. Madison, and J. Mardis . **The motion passed unanimously by those present. The ordinance was adopted.**

**ORDINANCE NO. 2014-56, BOOK NO. 9, PAGE NO. 443**

- 159.11 AN ORDINANCE APPROPRIATING \$5,000 FROM THE GENERAL FUND TO THE HEALTH DEPARTMENT BUDGET FOR 2014: C. Clark introduced **An Ordinance Appropriating \$5,000 From The General Fund To The**

**Health Department Budget For 2014**, and County Attorney George Butler read the ordinance.

- 160.1 C. Clark stated that this is to meet the increase in the AT&T bills for the rest of the year.
- 160.2 **C. Clark made a motion to adopt the ordinance. D. Bryant seconded.**
- 160.3 **With no further discussion, Judge Edwards called for a vote on the motion to adopt the ordinance.**
- 160.4 VOTING FOR: B. Pond, B. Ussery, R. Aman, H. Bowman, D. Bryant, C. Clark, R. Cochran, J. Firmin, B. Fitzpatrick, A. Harbison, E. Madison, and J. Mardis. VOTING AGAINST: R. Bailey and T. Lundstrum. **The motion passed with twelve members voting in favor and two members voting against the motion. The ordinance was adopted.**

**ORDINANCE NO. 2014-57, BOOK NO. 9, PAGE NO. 444**

- 160.5 AN ORDINANCE ANTICIPATING REVENUE OF \$324,613 IN THE DEM GRANT FUND; AND APPROPRIATING \$324,613 FROM THE DEM GRANT FUND TO VARIOUS HOMELAND SECURITY BUDGETS FOR 2014: C. Clark introduced **An Ordinance Anticipating Revenue Of \$324,613 In The DEM Grant Fund; And Appropriating \$324,613 From The DEM Grant Fund To Various Homeland Security Budgets For 2014**, and County Attorney George Butler read the ordinance.
- 160.6 **C. Clark made a motion to adopt the ordinance. D. Bryant seconded.**
- 160.7 **With no further discussion, Judge Edwards called for a vote on the motion to adopt the ordinance.**
- 160.8 VOTING FOR: B. Pond, B. Ussery, R. Aman, R. Bailey, H. Bowman, D. Bryant, C. Clark, R. Cochran, J. Firmin, B. Fitzpatrick, A. Harbison, T. Lundstrum, E. Madison, and J. Mardis . **The motion passed unanimously by those present. The ordinance was adopted.**

**ORDINANCE NO. 2014-58, BOOK NO. 9, PAGE NO. 445**

- 160.9 AN ORDINANCE RECOGNIZING ADDITIONAL REVENUES OF \$55,253 IN THE LAW ENFORCEMENT GRANT FUND; AND APPROPRIATING THE AMOUNT OF \$55,253 FROM THE LAW ENFORCEMENT GRANT FUND TO THE SCAAP 2014 BUDGET FOR 2014: C. Clark introduced **An Ordinance**

**Recognizing Additional Revenues Of \$55,253 In The Law Enforcement Grant Fund; And Appropriating The Amount Of \$55,253 From The Law Enforcement Grant Fund To The SCAAP 2014 Budget For 2014,** and County Attorney George Butler read the ordinance.

161.1 **C. Clark made a motion to adopt the ordinance. D. Bryant seconded.**

161.2 In response to a question from A. Harbison about what this money was to be used for, Chief Deputy Jay Cantrell responded that it will be used for building improvements and equipment.

161.3 **With no further discussion, Judge Edwards called for a vote on the motion to adopt the ordinance.**

161.4 VOTING FOR: B. Pond, B. Ussery, R. Aman, R. Bailey, H. Bowman, D. Bryant, C. Clark, R. Cochran, J. Firmin, B. Fitzpatrick, A. Harbison, T. Lundstrum, E. Madison, and J. Mardis . **The motion passed unanimously by those present. The ordinance was adopted.**

**ORDINANCE NO. 2014-59, BOOK NO. 9, PAGE NO. 446**

161.5 AN ORDINANCE RECOGNIZING ADDITIONAL REVENUES OF \$27,282 IN THE ANIMAL SHELTER GRANT FUND; AND APPROPRIATING THE AMOUNT OF \$27,282 FROM THE ANIMAL SHELTER GRANT FUND TO THE PET SMART – ADVERTISING GRANT BUDGET FOR 2014: C. Clark introduced **An Ordinance Recognizing Additional Revenues Of \$27,282 In The Animal Shelter Grant Fund; And Appropriating The Amount Of \$27,282 From The Animal Shelter Grant Fund To The Pet Smart – Advertising Grant Budget For 2014,** and County Attorney George Butler read the ordinance.

161.6 C. Clark stated for clarification that every penny that comes into this County must be recognized and appropriated and that is what they are doing with this grant.

161.7 **C. Clark made a motion to adopt the ordinance. D. Bryant seconded.**

161.8 **With no further discussion, Judge Edwards called for a vote on the motion to adopt the ordinance.**

161.9 VOTING FOR: B. Pond, B. Ussery, R. Aman, R. Bailey, H. Bowman, D. Bryant, C. Clark, R. Cochran, J. Firmin, B. Fitzpatrick, A. Harbison, T. Lundstrum, E. Madison, and J. Mardis . **The motion passed unanimously by those present. The ordinance was adopted.**

**ORDINANCE NO. 2014-60, BOOK NO. 9, PAGE NO. 447**

- 162.1 AN ORDINANCE ANTICIPATING REVENUE OF \$10,000 IN THE ENVIRONMENTAL AFFAIRS GRANT FUND FOR 2014; AND APPROPRIATING \$10,000 FROM THE ENVIRONMENTAL AFFAIRS GRANT FUND TO THE WC04-14 BUDGET OR 2014: C. Clark introduced **An Ordinance Anticipating Revenue of \$10,000 In The Environmental Affairs Grant Fund For 2014; And Appropriating \$10,000 From The Environmental Affairs Grant Fund To The WC04-14 Budget For 2014**, and County Attorney George Butler read the ordinance.
- 162.3 **C. Clark made a motion to adopt the ordinance. D. Bryant seconded.**
- 162.4 In response to a question from R. Aman about what this money was to be used for, Grant Administrator Wayne Blankenship stated that it was to be used to purchase an oil burning heater for the Road Department.
- 162.5 **With no further discussion, Judge Edwards called for a vote on the motion to adopt the ordinance.**
- 162.6 VOTING FOR: B. Pond, B. Ussery, R. Aman, R. Bailey, H. Bowman, D. Bryant, C. Clark, R. Cochran, J. Firmin, B. Fitzpatrick, A. Harbison, T. Lundstrum, E. Madison, and J. Mardis . **The motion passed unanimously by those present. The ordinance was adopted.**

**ORDINANCE NO. 2014-61, BOOK NO. 9, PAGE NO. 448**

- AN ORDINANCE RECOGNIZING ADDITIONAL REVENUES OF \$40,000 IN THE RURAL COMMUNITY GRANT FUND; AND APPROPRIATING \$40,000 FROM THE RURAL COMMUNITY GRANT FUND TO THE WHEELER FIRE DEPARTMENT BUDGET FOR 2014: C. Clark introduced **An Ordinance Recognizing Additional Revenues Of \$40,000 In The Rural Community Grant Fund; And Appropriating \$40,000 From The Rural Community Grant Fund To The Wheeler Fire Department Budget For 2014**, and County Attorney George Butler read the ordinance.
- 162.7 C. Clark stated that this money passed through the Quorum Court will benefit the Wheeler community.
- 162.8 **C. Clark made a motion to adopt the ordinance. D. Bryant seconded.**
- 162.9 **With no further discussion, Judge Edwards called for a vote on the motion to adopt the ordinance.**



- 163.1 VOTING FOR: B. Pond, B. Ussery, R. Aman, R. Bailey, H. Bowman, D. Bryant, C. Clark, R. Cochran, J. Firmin, B. Fitzpatrick, A. Harbison, T. Lundstrum, E. Madison, and J. Mardis . **The motion passed unanimously by those present. The ordinance was adopted.**

**ORDINANCE NO. 2014-62, BOOK NO. 9, PAGE NO. 449**

- 163.2 AN ORDINANCE ANTICIPATING ADDITIONAL REVENUES OF \$3,500 IN THE RURAL COMMUNITY GRANT FUND; AND APPROPRIATING \$3,500 FROM THE RURAL COMMUNITY GRANT FUND TO THE RHEAS MILL BUDGET FOR 2014: C. Clark introduced **An Ordinance Anticipating Additional Revenues Of \$3,500 In The Rural Community Grant Fund; And Appropriating \$3,500 From The Rural Community Grant Fund To The Rheas Mill Budget For 2014**, and County Attorney George Butler read the ordinance.

- 163.3 **C. Clark made a motion to adopt the ordinance. D. Bryant seconded.**

- 163.4 **With no further discussion, Judge Edwards called for a vote on the motion to adopt the ordinance.**

- 163.5 VOTING FOR: B. Pond, B. Ussery, R. Aman, R. Bailey, H. Bowman, D. Bryant, C. Clark, R. Cochran, J. Firmin, B. Fitzpatrick, A. Harbison, T. Lundstrum, E. Madison, and J. Mardis. **The motion passed unanimously by those present. The ordinance was adopted.**

**ORDINANCE NO. 2014-63, BOOK NO. 9, PAGE NO. 450**

- 163.6 AN ORDINANCE ANTICIPATING ADDITIONAL REVENUES OF \$20,000 IN THE RURAL COMMUNITY GRANT FUND; AND APPROPRIATING \$20,000 FROM THE RURAL COMMUNITY GRANT FUND TO THE RHEAS MILL 2 BUDGET FOR 2014: C. Clark introduced **An Ordinance Anticipating Additional Revenues Of \$3,500 In The Rural Community Grant Fund; And Appropriating \$3,500 From The Rural Community Grant Fund To The Rheas Mill 2 Budget For 2014**, and County Attorney George Butler read the ordinance.

- 163.7 **C. Clark made a motion to adopt the ordinance. R. Cochran seconded.**

- 163.8 **With no further discussion, Judge Edwards called for a vote on the motion to adopt the ordinance.**

- 163.9 VOTING FOR: B. Pond, B. Ussery, R. Aman, R. Bailey, H. Bowman, D. Bryant, C. Clark, R. Cochran, J. Firmin, B. Fitzpatrick, A. Harbison, T.

Lundstrum, E. Madison, and J. Mardis . **The motion passed unanimously by those present. The ordinance was adopted.**

164.1 R. Aman thanked Rene Biby for all of the hard work she put into this matter.

**ORDINANCE NO. 2014-64, BOOK NO. 9, PAGE NO. 451**

164.2 C. Clark explained that Ordinance #6.12 is different in that they have not discussed it in Finance because they felt a sense of urgency to alleviate some billing between now and the end of the year.

164.3 AN ORDINANCE APPROPRIATING THE AMOUNT OF \$81,072 FROM THE GENERAL FUND TO THE COMPUTER/IS DEPARTMENT BUDGET FOR 2014: C. Clark introduced **An Ordinance Appropriating The Amount Of**

164.4 **\$81,072 From The General Fund To The Computers/IS Department Budget For 2014,** and County Attorney George Butler read the ordinance.

164.5 C. Clark suggested that County Comptroller Cheryl Bolinger speak to where this money is coming from because they left the meeting simply asking that they put the ordinance together.

164.6 **C. Clark made a motion to adopt the ordinance. B. Fitzpatrick seconded.**

164.7 County Comptroller Cheryl Bolinger addressed the Quorum Court stating that this money would come from reserves for this year, but she believes that they have some money in the budgets that would already cover part of this. She stated that this will cover the amount that they asked for previously to fix their FAX machines so that they can FAX through the computers and money that it would take to change the Extension Office and Health Department over to the voice over IP. She pointed out the document where it shows the breakdown of what is requested just to cover the FAX and phone lines for 2015 at a total of \$101,000; those 3-4 highlighted would not be affected; those in Buildings & Grounds is dedicated to fire alarms; and the Sheriff and Jail has a separate system, so the amounts for those would still appear on their budgets, but the remaining would completely go away once this is all put into place. Ms. Bolinger stated that they felt if they could get the money approved tonight, that the equipment could be installed this year so hopefully they would have no phone bills next year.

164.8 E. Madison stated that she is not following these numbers and stated her understanding that the cost is actually more than the \$81,000 that they are appropriating, but they are getting the rest of the money from page 3; to which

- Ms. Bolinger responded that is what their savings would be with the cost of \$101,000 if they don't do this and if they do it, then the only costs to the phones would be the blue ones left. She further explained that all of those asked for are for the FAX and land lines that they currently have to have in order to do their jobs, so those would go away; if this is in place, then they wouldn't have to have the land lines for their FAX machines.
- 165.1 E. Madison stated that the blue numbers shown on page 3 is a savings issue; to which Ms. Bolinger responded it is what is in the budget right now, what they would need for their phone bills next year, and they would all go away for next year, except for the blue ones. She further verified that the true cost for this is \$81,000 for the Health Department and Extension Service getting the countywide FAX which would just come out of reserve and the County would then save that next year.
- 165.2 R. Bailey stated that he will not support anything from IT at this point. He stated that he was told the IT department would save them all this money and they have done nothing but spent money on it. He stated that while he understands that they need this, it has been a black hole ever since it started and he is tired of them spending.
- 165.3 J. Mardis stated that they have talked about every time they reduce these lines, the cost goes up. He asked if the blue were left in place, is that going to do the same crazy thing to them; to which Ms. Bolinger stated that he would need to ask someone who understands phone lines. She further stated that the phone lines at the Sheriff's Office would not be going up, but she can not answer on the Fire and Alarm, but believes that they would not go up.
- 165.4 Senior Programmer Alan Roy stated that they are analog lines and will be on COX.
- 165.5 J. Mardis stated that one of the problems they have every time they take someone off, it would just jack up someone else.
- 165.6 R. Cochran stated that he will support this ordinance as this is an investment for their future. He stated that the two items for the Health Department and Extension Office are items that are under consideration for next year's budget and they are things that are needed, so moving them up to do in this budget year is basically out of the same county registry, county general funds. He noted that there is an extreme savings long-term to get off of the dedicated lines because as long as they have this system going, they will have that fixed cost and they have to get off it. He noted that is why he held this up at their last Finance/Budget meeting because this is a very important step to save money. He pointed out that Building Superintendent

- 166.1 Ron Woods and his group are committed to doing the wiring at the Health Department which will save them \$15,000 to \$16,000 and everyone is working together to get this done as soon as possible.
- 166.2 D. Bryant stated that the footnote shown indicates that it did not involve the voice over internet protocol, so some of these systems still have to have a direct line for fire alarms and something with the jail; to which Ms. Bolinger responded that the Jail has a different system as they had already changed their system and reduced their costs. She further noted that the Jail is with COX, not AT&T. D. Bryant stated that this being the case, she can support the ordinance.
- 166.3 R. Aman stated that it looks to him like they are already paying \$101,527 and if they took the blue lines out, they would be saving about \$73,000 a year; and if they spend \$81,000 this year, so if nothing else changes, they would be saving about \$73,000 a year and he will support this ordinance.
- 166.4 **With no further discussion, Judge Edwards called for a vote on the motion to adopt the ordinance.**
- 166.5 **VOTING FOR: B. Pond, B. Ussery, R. Aman, H. Bowman, D. Bryant, C. Clark, R. Cochran, J. Firmin, B. Fitzpatrick, A. Harbison, E. Madison, and J. Mardis. VOTING AGAINST: R. Bailey and T. Lundstrum. **The motion passed with twelve members voting in favor and two members voting against the motion. The ordinance was adopted.****
- ORDINANCE NO. 2014-65, BOOK NO. 9, PAGE NO. 452**
- 166.6 **COUNTY JUDGE'S REPORT:** Judge Edwards announced that John Luther, Director of Emergency Management, would be giving a report.
- 166.7 John Luther, Director of Emergency Management, addressed the Quorum Court stating that there has been one person who has been the biggest driving force for Urban Search and Rescue Team as well as for our regional team, covering a large portion of the State, and that is Willie Watts. Mr. Luther noted that Willie started as a volunteer in their office in 2002 to help out when John was away. Willie has, on numerous occasions, led a team where they have saved lives. John stated that he wishes to honor the team, team members and leaders, expressing appreciation and gratitude for their hard work.
- 166.8 Judge Edwards read a plaque and presented it to Willie Watts and he was given a round of applause by the Quorum Court.

- 167.1 Judge Edwards stated that she would like to recommend the appointment of Charles Moore and John Gibson to fill two vacant positions on the Washington Water Authority; and further recommended the reappointment of Michael Lorenz and Kaye Trentham for another term to the WWA. Judge Edwards further stated that she would like to recommend the appointment of Shane Bell and Rick Johnson to fill two vacancies on the Rural Development Authority. In addition, she recommended the reappointment of Brad Hancock for another term on the RDA. She noted that sometimes it is very difficult to find folks to serve on these committees, but feels very fortunate to be able to find such qualified people to help the County.
- 167.2 **C. Clark made a motion to confirm these board appointments and reappointments. R. Bailey seconded. The motion passed unanimously by those present by voice vote. The appointments and reappointments were confirmed.**
- 167.3 Judge Edwards stated that the Road Department continues to work on CR1090 and CR191 near Round Mountain and Wolf Track near Summers, preparing the roads for chip and seal, but due to the weather the chip and seal will not be able to take place this year. She stated that they are further working on CR162, Smoky Bear Road off of Black Oak, widening some areas to make it easier for residents and buses to travel the road. She noted that in order to do this, land owners had to give right-of-way and this takes a little longer. She reported a couple of recent incidents where they thought they had right-of-way and all of a sudden, someone decides they don't want a tree cut, turn around and don't give right-of-way.
- 167.4 Judge Edwards reported that the Highway Department continues to survey the area around Woolsey Bridge, noting that Arkansas Highway Department has contracted out some of the surveying to a local company who sent letters to local property owners at the end of July. She reported that the Stonewall Bridge Project has started with all piers on the west side poured and the east side piers with concrete will be near completion this week. She noted that all of the rain they have received lately has put a damper on this, but they hope to finish the bridge by April 2015.
- 167.5 COMMITTEE REPORTS: In the absence of Chairman J. Patterson, J. Mardis reported that the County Services Committee met on September 29 and received two major presentations. He stated that they got a report from the Washington County Planning Office by Courtney McNair about the latest issues going on with their group. One major issue discussed was the denial of a plot. And learned more about STEP treatment systems and waste water than they probably ever wanted to hear, but Ms. McNair did a very good job of explaining the issues. He noted he has been doing this for 23 years, but

learned more on that subject than he ever knew. J. Mardis stated that they received an update on the Animal Shelter from Director Angela Ledgerwood, with no major issues reported.

- 168.1 E. Madison, Chairman of the Public Works Committee, reported that that this committee met on September 29 and received a report from Ron Wood, Buildings and Grounds Superintendent with regard to projects currently pending, including replacement of controls at the Juvenile Detention Center and panic alarms for the Circuit Judges that they just funded. She stated that the committee had a healthy discussion on County vehicles and expenses for those vehicles. She reported that they discussed the number of vehicles that are used by County employees and the number of vehicles taken home by County employees, and she provided a great overview on IRS guidelines, noting that they will continue that discussion at their next committee meeting.
- 168.2 T. Lundstrum, Chairman of the Jail/Law Enforcement/Courts Committee reported that this committee did not meet due to lack of an agenda.
- 168.3 B. Pond, Chairman of the Personnel Committee, reported that this committee met on October 6 and heard a report from Blair Johanson, Salary Consultant for Washington County on what JESAP committee has been doing. The committee then discussed and considered an amendment to the Employee Handbook which was tabled. B. Pond stated that committee reviewed a Resolution authorizing exempt employees of the Sheriff's Department to receive overtime compensation in certain instances, such as when some other entity request their presence at an event like a ballgame at the University and the county is reimbursed the overtime. He noted that the committee voted unanimously to forward the resolution to the Full Quorum Court with a do-pass recommendation.
- 168.4 C. Clark, Chairman of the Finance and Budget Committees stated she had nothing further to report.
- 168.5 **R. Bailey made a motion to suspend the rules and read the resolution by title only. R. Cochran seconded. The motion passed unanimously by those present by voice vote.**
- 168.6 A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING EXEMPT EMPLOYEES OF THE SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT TO RECEIVE OVERTIME COMPENSATION IN CERTAIN INSTANCES: C. Clark introduced **A Resolution Authorizing Exempt Employees Of The Sheriff's Department To Receive Overtime Compensation In Certain Instances**, and County Attorney George Butler read the resolution by title only.

169.1 County Attorney George Butler explained that he decided it would be easier to memorize this in a resolution rather than to go back and have to look it up, noting in some instances they have had to go back and look through the old minutes from 3-4 years ago to dig something out, while this way there will be a resolution which are indexed.

169.2 **B. Pond made a motion to adopt the resolution. R. Cochran seconded.**

169.3 Citizen Comments: There were no citizen comments made.

169.4 **With no further discussion, Judge Edwards called for a vote on the motion to adopt the resolution.**

169.5 VOTING FOR: B. Pond, B. Ussery, R. Aman, R. Bailey, H. Bowman, D. Bryant, C. Clark, R. Cochran, J. Firmin, B. Fitzpatrick, A. Harbison, T. Lundstrum, E. Madison, and J. Mardis . **The motion passed unanimously by those present. The resolution was adopted.**

**RESOLUTION NO. 2014-19, BOOK NO. 3, PAGE NO. 85**

169.6 AN EMERGENCY ORDINANCE RATIFYING CONDITIONAL USE PERMITS GRANTED BY THE PLANNING AND ZONING BOARD: T. Lundstrum introduced **An Emergency Ordinance Ratifying Conditional Use Permits Granted By The Planning And Zoning Board**, and County Attorney George Butler read the ordinance. The Planning Board granted Conditional Use Permits on October 8 for Witter Family and Cane Hill Historic Structures. This ordinance contains an emergency clause making it effective immediately upon passage.

169.7 T. Lundstrum noted that the Witter property is only 1.79 acres and they need to do a split on this piece of land. He stated his understanding is that there were three property owners that complained mildly about it; however, the Planning Board does not see a problem because they reworked some things that seemed to satisfy everyone. Regardless, he explained that this does not eradicate anyone's right to appeal at a later date by passing this. T. Lundstrum stated that the Cane Hill Historic Structures are located in downtown Cane Hill, it has been approved, and he sees no need to be concerned about appeals.

169.8 **T. Lundstrum made a motion to adopt the ordinance. B. Pond seconded.**

169.9 Citizen Comments: There were no citizen comments made.

170.1 **With no further discussion, Judge Edwards called for a vote on the motion to adopt the ordinance.**

170.2 VOTING FOR: B. Pond, B. Ussery, R. Aman, R. Bailey, H. Bowman, D. Bryant, C. Clark, R. Cochran, J. Firmin, B. Fitzpatrick, A. Harbison, T. Lundstrum, E. Madison, and J. Mardis . **The motion passed unanimously by those present. The ordinance was adopted.**

**ORDINANCE NO. 2014-66, BOOK NO. 9, PAGE NO. 453**

170.3 A RESOLUTION ORDERING THAT AN ELECTION BE HELD ON NOVEMBER 4, 2014 INVOLVING THE ISSUE OF THE SALE OF ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES IN THE CITY OF JONESON, ARKANSAS: T. Lundstrum introduced **A Resolution Ordering That An Election Be Held On November 4, 2014 Involving The Issue Of The Sale Of Alcoholic Beverages In The City Of Johnson, Arkansas,** and County Attorney George Butler read the resolution. Signatures have been obtained to place this issue on the November 4 ballot and action is required by the Quorum Court.

170.4 County Attorney George Butler noted that a couple of years ago, they had to do this for Springdale and Tontitown. He stated that there is a glitch in the statutes and they were trying to order the election, even though it was a city election. He stated that when you read statutes that really don't make sense and Jennifer Price alluded to the fact that the City of Johnson didn't realize, nor did their attorney. Therefore, so there won't be any problems with the election, they need to pass this resolution as a kind of ministerial duty that they are required to perform.

170.5 T. Lundstrum stated that this is simply a formality that requires these actions of the Quorum Court to allow the people to vote this either up or down.

170.6 **T. Lundstrum made a motion to adopt the resolution. R. Bailey seconded.**

170.7 C. Clark noted that it states that they have to do the publicity and asked if that was going to cost them as well; to which County Attorney George Butler responded that those costs would be the responsibility of City of Johnson.

170.8 Citizen Comments: There were no citizen comments made.

170.9 **With no further discussion, Judge Edwards called for a vote on the motion to adopt the resolution.**



- 171.1 VOTING FOR: B. Pond, B. Ussery, R. Aman, R. Bailey, H. Bowman, D. Bryant, C. Clark, R. Cochran, J. Firmin, B. Fitzpatrick, A. Harbison, T. Lundstrum, E. Madison, and J. Mardis . **The motion passed unanimously by those present. The resolution was adopted.**

**RESOLUTION NO. 2014-20, BOOK NO. 3, PAGE NO. 86**

- 171.2 OTHER BUSINESS: T. Lundstrum stated that he wished to address some comments that have been made about the Quorum Court's pay. He reported when he started on the Court under Judge Hunton, they made either \$100 or \$125 per meeting which some have disputed, saying that it was per day. He noted that it has been written in the newspaper that the JPs gave themselves a 70% raise and if you go from \$125 to \$200, that is true, but what they didn't mention was that this Board voted to stack those meetings in order to give an example to other department heads to reduce the cost of operating this county. He stated if his memory serves him correctly, the results of that the first year was a reduction in this Quorum Court's pay of almost \$30,000. He stated that they have not ceased stacking meetings; they are doing two meetings at a time so instead of getting \$125 a meeting, they are getting \$100 a meeting or \$25 per meeting less now than he did 8 years ago. Therefore, they are actually saving the county money and not costing the county more money. T. Lundstrum stated if in the budget process, the court decides they want to reduce their salaries to impress somebody that would be fine, but the first time they did it he didn't see any other department heads very impressed with it and this was a considerable savings to the county.
- 171.3 T. Lundstrum stated that R. Cochran recommended in his budgetary proposal that they reduce the Quorum Court's pay and this is fine with him, noting that he is one that would probably do it for nothing if everyone else would agree. He stated that he wanted to bring this up tonight because they are on television and he wants the people of Washington County to know what they are actually dealing with here and he wishes that the newspaper would report accurately. He knows that a lot of people watch these meetings on television and he appreciates that there is interest in what they are doing on the Quorum Court.
- 171.4 T. Lundstrum stated that he wants the public to understand that these meetings are not all the Quorum Court JPs do and there is a lot more that goes along with the job than what people see in the meetings. He noted that they have all put a lot of time in on this budget; many of them visit CUP issues which they don't get reimbursed for mileage, etc. He pointed out that C. Clark has put hundreds of hours into this budget and she did the same thing last year, talking to all Department Heads and the Treasurer, so this is a lot bigger issue than it appears to be.

- 172.1 E. Madison stated for those JPs who do a lot of weddings for which they cannot charge, that is a tremendous time commitment. She noted that she spoke with the County Clerk's Office recently and discovered that in less than four years, she has performed 160 weddings and every one of those involved phone calls, e-mails or text messages, people coming to her office, meeting up with people for rehearsal dinners, etc. She stated that this is a service that she likes to do, but for it to be reported that they are being paid an outrageous amount of money for what they do is ridiculous.
- 172.2 T. Lundstrum stated that he did a wedding at the Springdale Roller Rink during which he actually broke his foot for which he should have filed for workers' compensation. He noted that he has performed weddings in truck shops, pawn shops, or anywhere people want to meet to get married, they do it. He noted that an awful lot of people in Washington County don't even know what a "JP" is and some think all they do is marry people. T. Lundstrum stated that they are the legislative body of county government and he wishes people of Washington County to understand some of this.
- 172.3 R. Bailey stated that he has performed weddings in his shop, below the AQ Chicken House in the rain, and in a jail.
- 172.4 C. Clark stated the bottom line is if the public just watches the Quorum Court meetings that are televised, they get a very limited view of the actions of this group. She urged the public to attend some committee meetings, noting that the Finance and Budget Committee didn't leave last Tuesday night until 9:15 because they are working on the budget. She stated that this collectively is a very hard working group who attends all committee meetings and they all contribute. She stated that they do a lot more than shows at these meetings, they enjoy meeting and working for the people of Washington County.
- 172.5 R. Cochran stated the he wanted to speak to the fine job that their Emergency Preparedness Group did today with the train accident near West Fork. He stated that they are so blessed to have the funding and not only our citizens' money, but the grants they have to have this program that can pull together so many agencies around the area and the cooperation is amazing. He pointed out that the last major disaster they had was the Cincinnati tornado. He stated that the four individuals that were taken to Washington Regional Medical Center are stable and being treated, having been in critical condition when they arrived. He stated without this coordinated effort, lives are not saved and he is so proud of what they do, commending John Luther, the Director of the Emergency Preparedness Group.
- 172.6 Judge Edwards stated that she was on site this morning and agreed that they are absolutely amazing.

- 173.1 H. Bowman stated that he is unaware of the total amount of grant money they receive, but he is constantly amazed by the quantity and size of these grants. He noted that Wayne Blankenship, Grant Coordinator for Washington County, is owed a great amount of gratitude for a job well done because without that, there are thousands and maybe millions of dollars that the County would miss out on.
- 173.2 Judge Edwards stated that she wanted to take this opportunity to report that with the budget cuts that they saw for some of the budgets, Wayne Blankenship will not be able to participate in any of the training, will not be able to go to Washington, Little Rock or Harrison for meetings, will not be able to drive his vehicle and has told her that he will most likely have to quit.
- 173.3 H. Bowman responded to Judge Edwards' report, stating that they need to give serious consideration to that because he believes Wayne Blankenship has done an absolutely fabulous job for them. He noted that he has spoken to some of the Department Heads about the number of vehicles that are being used and asked them to bring some proposals to reduce the number of vehicles and they have agreed to do that. He stated having been a salesman who traveled many years himself, he appreciated the flexibility, availability and expenses required to travel and entertain and this is one vehicle that they need to take a second look at because it would be a great loss to loss him.
- 173.4 Judge Edwards stated that there are a lot of meetings in Harrison and other places that she can't attend and Wayne Blankenship goes for her.
- 173.5 T. Lundstrum noted that Wayne Blankenship's job is very much like their jobs on the Quorum Court as he does a lot more than just administer grants, being involved in the water lines and in the Rural Fire Departments. He agreed that they have taken some pretty deep cuts and he will be taking a closer look at that himself.
- 173.6 R. Bailey stated that the Budget Committee hasn't cut anything yet, this is justified, and he can guarantee that Wayne Blankenship will not lose his vehicle.
- 173.7 CITIZEN COMMENTS: Jay Cantrell addressed the Quorum Court regarding the train collision today, stating that about 10:32 a.m., a passenger train was going up a grade just north of Brentwood and spun out on wet tracks that may have had been covered with leaves, so backed back down and called Van Buren for an engine to assist them. He stated for whatever reason, the Van Buren didn't have a clear picture of where the stalled engine was and when he came around the corner, saw the train but wasn't able to stop in time causing an engine to engine collision. Mr. Cantrell reported that the driver of

the Van Buren train was one of the most seriously injured. He reported that Washington County had training going on at the old Winslow School and so they were able to have twelve units on site within 10 minutes and one of their deputies is a certified paramedic and was able to render care before ambulances arrived. He noted that they had several walking wounded and 27 were transported in their prisoner transport vans to various hospitals. Mr. Cantrell reported that all agencies worked hand-in-hand and made a bad situation probably as good as it could be.

174.1 ADJOURNMENT: The meeting adjourned at 7:05 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Jessica Ims  
Quorum Court Coordinator/Reporter

**ORDINANCE NO. 2014-\_\_\_\_\_**

**APPROPRIATION ORDINANCE:**

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

**AN ORDINANCE LEVYING THE COUNTY, MUNICIPAL AND SCHOOL DISTRICT TAXES FOR THE YEAR 2014.**

**WHEREAS**, Article 7, Section 30, of the Constitution of the State of Arkansas requires the Justices of the Peace of each county to "sit with and assist the County Judge in levying the county taxes"; and,

**WHEREAS**, A.C.A. 14-14-904 provides that "The Quorum Court, at its regular meeting in November of each year, shall levy the county, municipal, and school taxes for the current year."

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

**ARTICLE 1.** The following taxes are hereby levied for the Year 2014 for Washington County, Arkansas:

Real Estate/Personal Property

- (A) County General 3.9 mills
- (B) County Road 1.1 mills
- (C) County Library 1.0 mills\*

\* To be collected throughout the County except for property within the City Limits of Fayetteville.

**ARTICLE 2.** The following taxes are hereby levied for the Year 2014 for the respective municipalities within Washington County, Arkansas (see attached appendix for breakdown):

Real Estate/Personal Property

- (A) Fayetteville 3.1 mills\*\*
- (B) Springdale 8.2 mills
- (C) Elkins 5.0 mills
- (D) Greenland 2.9 mills
- (E) West Fork 5.0 mills
- (F) Winslow 3.0 mills

(G) Farmington	5.0 mills
(H) Tontitown	2.0 mills
(I) Elm Springs	5.0 mills
(J) Johnson	5.0 mills
(K) Prairie Grove	6.5 mills
(L) Lincoln	6.5 mills
(M) Goshen	0.0 mills

\*\* 1.0 mill is a library millage and is to be collected only inside the City Limits of Fayetteville; 2.1 mills is for all other legal purposes.

**ARTICLE 3.** The following taxes are hereby levied for the Year 2014 for the respective school districts within Washington County, Arkansas:

	<u>Real Estate/Personal Property</u>		
	<u>Debt</u>	<u>M &amp; O</u>	<u>Total</u>
(A) Fayetteville #1	20.65 mills	25.0 mills	45.65 mills
(B) Farmington #6	17.6 mills	25.0 mills	42.6 mills
(C) Elkins #10	19.2 mills	25.0 mills	44.2 mills
(D) Prairie Grove #23	17.9 mills	25.0 mills	42.9 mills
(E) Lincoln #48	17.7 mills	25.0 mills	42.7 mills
(F) Springdale #50	15.5 mills	25.0 mills	40.5 mills
(G) Greenland #95	14.5 mills	25.0 mills	39.5 mills
(H) West Fork, #141	15.6 mills	25.0 mills	40.6 mills
(I) Benton County, #21	20.0 mills	25.0 mills	45.0 mills

**ARTICLE 4.** The levy of taxes for 2014 is in accordance with State law.

\_\_\_\_\_  
MARILYN EDWARDS, County Judge

\_\_\_\_\_  
DATE

\_\_\_\_\_  
BECKY LEWALLEN, County Clerk

Sponsor: \_\_\_\_\_

Date of Passage: \_\_\_\_\_

Votes For: \_\_\_\_\_ Votes Against: \_\_\_\_\_

Abstention: \_\_\_\_\_ Absent: \_\_\_\_\_

ORDINANCE NO. 2014-\_\_\_\_\_

**APPROPRIATION ORDINANCE:**

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

**AN ORDINANCE RECOGNIZING REVENUES AND APPROPRIATING MONIES FOR THE EXPENDITURES IN EACH FUND FOR WASHINGTON COUNTY, ARKANSAS, FOR THE YEAR 2015, AND ADOPTING A BUDGET FOR THE VARIOUS DEPARTMENTS REFLECTING THE LINE ITEM EXPENDITURES THEREOF.**

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

**ARTICLE 1.** The Quorum Court of Washington County, Arkansas, has prepared a County Budget for the Year 2015 for all funds, said budget reflecting the anticipated revenues of Washington County and the line item expenditures authorized for each department within each fund of said County, the number and compensation of deputies and County employees and the compensation of County Officers.

**ARTICLE 2.** A copy of the said 2015 Budget for each fund with approved amendments shall be on file in the County Clerk's Office.

**ARTICLE 3.** The said 2015 Budget is hereby incorporated herein and adopted in full, and all expenditures reflected therein are authorized to be expended.

**ARTICLE 4.** The 2015 Budget Controls are hereby adopted and incorporated herein as if set out word for word.

**ARTICLE 5.** The Collector's Unapportioned Fund is a fund separate and apart from the above funds as administered by the County.

**ARTICLE 6.** If any part of this Ordinance is held invalid, such invalidity will not affect any other portion of this Ordinance.

**ARTICLE 7.** All laws and parts of law in conflict with this Ordinance are repealed.

\_\_\_\_\_  
MARILYN EDWARDS, County Judge

\_\_\_\_\_  
DATE

\_\_\_\_\_  
BECKY LEWALLEN, County Clerk

Sponsor: \_\_\_\_\_ Candy Clark  
Date of Passage: \_\_\_\_\_  
Votes For: \_\_\_\_\_ Votes Against: \_\_\_\_\_  
Abstentions: \_\_\_\_\_ Absent: \_\_\_\_\_

Washington County, Arkansas  
2015 BUDGET SUMMARY

FUND	2015		AVAILABLE TO BUDGET	2015 BUDGETS	INFUSION TO ROAD & JAIL FUND	UNAPPROPRIATED RESERVE
	PROJECTED REVENUES	HOLDBACK				
1000 COUNTY GENERAL FUND	38,834,380.00	3,883,438.00	34,950,942.00	25,956,069.00	(2,466,745.00)	6,528,128.00
1002 EMPLOYEE INSURANCE FUND	5,977,590.00		5,977,590.00	4,249,598.00		1,727,992.00
1800 FLEXIBLE SPENDING FUND	220,039.00		220,039.00	185,040.00		34,999.00
2000 ROAD FUND	9,478,224.00	947,823.00	8,530,401.00	8,601,226.00	70,825.00	-
3000 TREASURER'S AUTOMATION FUND	23,350.00	-	23,350.00	23,350.00		-
3001 COLLECTOR'S AUTOMATION FUND	110,000.00	-	110,000.00	110,000.00		-
3002 CIRCUIT COURT AUTOMATION FUND	185,150.00	-	185,150.00	9,450.00		175,700.00
3004 ASSESSOR'S AMENDMENT 79 FUND	62,260.00	-	62,260.00	-		62,260.00
3005 COUNTY CLERK'S COST (AUTOMATION) FUND	921,315.00	-	921,315.00	156,200.00		765,115.00
3006 RECORDER'S COST FUND	2,257,165.00	225,717.00	2,031,448.00	1,447,496.00		583,952.00
3008 COUNTY LIBRARY FUND	2,816,590.00	281,659.00	2,534,931.00	2,095,155.00		439,776.00
3010 COUNTY CLERK OPERATING FUND	34,550.00	-	34,550.00	15,000.00		19,550.00
3012 CHILD SUPPORT COST FUND	29,930.00	-	29,930.00	29,930.00		-
3014 COMMUNICATIONS FACILITY & EQUIPMENT FUND	636,650.00	63,665.00	572,985.00	455,600.00		117,385.00
3017 JAIL FUND	12,764,800.00	1,276,480.00	11,488,320.00	13,884,240.00	2,395,920.00	-
3019 BOATING SAFETY FUND	14,545.00	1,455.00	13,090.00			13,090.00
3020 EMERGENCY 911 FUND	1,504,240.00	150,424.00	1,353,816.00	743,769.00		610,047.00
3023 FIRE EQUIPMENT AND TRAINING (ACT 833) FUND	100,000.00	-	100,000.00	100,000.00		-
3028 ADULT DRUG COURT FUND	39,890.00	-	39,890.00	39,890.00		-
3031 CIRCUIT COURT JUVENILE DIVISION FUND	46,050.00	-	46,050.00			46,050.00
3032 JUVENILE COURT REPRESENTATION FUND	1,010.00	-	1,010.00			1,010.00
3039 CIRCUIT CLERK COMMISSIONER FEE FUND	28,455.00	-	28,455.00			28,455.00
3401 HIV CLINIC FUND	300,721.00	30,073.00	270,648.00	196,625.00		74,023.00
3402 LAW LIBRARY FUND	297,275.00	29,728.00	267,547.00	89,010.00		178,537.00
3406 DRUG COURT PROGRAM FUND	65,035.00	6,504.00	58,531.00			58,531.00
3503 RURAL COMMUNITY GRANT FUND	40,030.00	-	40,030.00			40,030.00
5800 COURT COSTS & FINES FUND	1,009,585.00	-	1,009,585.00	354,069.00		655,516.00
	77,798,829.00	6,896,966.00	70,901,863.00	58,741,717.00		12,160,146.00



**Washington County, Arkansas  
2015 PROJECTED REVENUE**

**1000 COUNTY GENERAL FUND**

6999 CARRYOVER	15,000,000
7001 GENERAL REVENUE TURNBACK	284,835
7003 PROPERTY REAPPRAISAL	653,000
7004 PROPERTY RELIEF TRUST FUNDS	1,044,000
7005 REAL ESTATE TRANSFER TAX SURPLUS	88,480
7018 INMATE LITTER PICKUP	22,000
7020 PUBLIC DEFENDER COMMISSION	4,800
7022 GENERAL REV TURNBACK-SUPPLEMENT	54,820
7201 LOCAL CURRENT PROP TAXES	10,668,530
7202 LOCAL DEL REAL TAX	375,000
7203 LOCAL DEL PERSONAL TAX	260,000
7206 LOCAL DEL PERS TAX PEN	300,000
7211 IN LIEU OF PROP TAX - LOCAL	2,400
7213 LOCAL CURRENT PEN	2,500
7217 UNCLAIMED EXC PROCEEDS - LAND	2,000
7218 LOCAL PROP TAX LATE ASSMT PEN	300,000
7301 SALES TAX REVENUE	3,783,600
7410 BOND FORFEITURES	35,000
7489 FAYETTEVILLE DISTRICT COURT	89,000
7490 SPRINGDALE DISTRICT COURT	46,000
7491 PRAIRIE GROVE DISTRICT COURT	120,000
7492 ELKINS DISTRICT COURT	165,000
7493 WEST FORK DISTRICT COURT	70,000
7494 ELM SPRINGS DISTRICT COURT	1,200
7496 GREENLAND	15
7497 JOHNSON DISTRICT COURT	2,500
7499 GOSHEN DISTRICT COURT	2,000
7501 INTEREST INCOME	38,000
7601 COUNTY/PROBATE CLERK FEES	38,700
7602 CIRCUIT/CHANCERY FEES	400,000
7603 SHERIFF FEES	155,000
7607 SHERIFF'S WORK RELEASE	44,000
7906 ELECTRONICS TRAILER	9,000
7907 FREON	1,000
8101 FRANCHISE FEES	190,000
8701 DONATIONS	4,000
8702 EXCESS COMMISSION - COLLECTOR	390,000
8703 EXCESS COMMISSION - TREASURER	290,000
8707 REIMB - OEM	72,500
8709 REIMBURSEMENT-VETERAN SVC	4,800
8710 RENT/LEASE (LOCAL)	6,500
8711 SALE OF EQUIPMENT	3,000
8712 SALE OF MATERIALS	7,500
8715 WORKER'S COMP TRUST D	12,000
8716 REIMB-CORPS OF ENGINEERS	6,200
8719 REIMBURSEMENT-ELECTIONS	140,000
8720 REIMBURSEMENT-JURY EXPENSE	42,000
8723 COPIES	1,500
8727 REIMBURSEMENT-SALARIES	80,000
8731 REIMBURSEMENT-COURT EXPENSES	15,000
8735 ANIMAL SHELTER FEES	50,000
8736 JDC-RESIDENT CARE	2,000
8737 DEFENSE	89,000
8745 RESTITUTION	2,000
8746 PLAT FEES	12,000
8751 REBATE	60,000
8754 ENERGY PAYMENT	10,000
8768 EXCESS ASSESSOR COMMISSION	3,000
8769 SPAY/NEUTER PROGRAM	8,000
8815 RCRDR'S COST PORTION OF COURT ORDER	525,000
8855 TRANSFER BY COURT ORDER	33,000
8860 TRANS FROM TREAS AGENCY FUND	270,000
8861 TRANS FROM COLL AGENCY FUND	1,100,000
8862 TRANS FROM ASSR AGENCY FUND	1,700,000
8864 TRANS FROM HIDTA	18,000
9905 TREAS COMM CHARGE	(375,000)

**38,834,380****1002 EMPLOYEE INSURANCE FUND**

6999 CARRYOVER	1,300,000
7501 INTEREST INCOME	2,600
8301 INSURANCE PREMIUM	4,450,000
8703 EXCESS TREAS COMM	45
8722 REIMBURSE-INSURANCE	225,000
9905 TREAS COMMISSION CHARGE	(55)
	<b>5,977,590</b>

**1800 FLEXIBLE SPENDING FUND**

6999 CARRYOVER	10,000
7501 INTEREST INCOME	40
8807 TRANS FLEX SPENDING	210,000
9905 TREAS COMMISSION CHARGE	(1)
	<b>220,039</b>

**2000 - ROAD FUND**

6999 CARRYOVER	250,000
7702 HIGHWAY REVENUE TURNBACK	3,151,000
7004 PROPERTY RELIEF TRUST FUNDS	137,000
7006 SEVERANCE TAX	375,000
7023 ROAD-1/2 CENT SALES TAX	1,294,000
7101 FEDERAL FLOOD CONTROL	85
7102 FEDERAL FOREST RESERVES	11,000
7110 BUREAU OF LAND MGMT-PILT	53,500
7201 LOCAL CURRENT PROP	1,104,844
7202 LOCAL DELINQ PROP-REAL	50,000
7203 LOCAL DELINQ PROP-PERSONAL	27,000
7211 IN LIEU OF PROPERTY TAX - LOCAL	700
7213 LOCAL PROPERTY TAX - CURRENT PEN	445
7301 SALES TAX REVENUE	2,522,400
7501 INTEREST INCOME	1,500
8101 FRANCHISE FEES	420,000
8702 EXCESS COMMISSION COLLECTOR	42,000
8703 EXCESS COMMISSION TREASURERS	120,000
8710 RENT/LEASE	1,350
8712 SALE OF MATERIALS	15,000
8714 VENDING MACHINE SALES	500
8715 WORKER'S COMP TRUST D	12,000
8729 REIMB-CAPITAL CREDIT	200
8734 TILE & EQUIPMENT	23,000
8751 REBATE	500
8768 EXCESS ASSESSOR COMMISSION	200
8777 ROAD BOND PERMIT(PROCEEDS)	10,000
9905 TREAS COMM CHARGE	(145,000)
	<b>9,478,224</b>

**3000 TREASURER'S AUTOMATION FUND**

6999 CARRYOVER	7,000
7501 INTEREST INCOME	20
8751 REBATE	2
8755 TRANS BY COURT ORDER	16,328
	<b>23,350</b>

**3001 COLLECTOR'S AUTOMATION FUND**

6999 CARRYOVER	90,000
7501 INTEREST INCOME	175
8855 TRANS BY COURT ORDER	19,825
	<b>110,000</b>

**3002-CIRCUIT COURT AUTOMATION FUND**

6999 CARRYOVER	165,000
7501 INTEREST INCOME	275
7602 CIRCUIT & CHANCERY CLERK'S FEE	20,000
8703 EXCESS COMM - TREAS	275
9905 TREAS COMM CHARGE	(400)
	<b>185,150</b>

<b>3004-ASSESSOR'S AMENDMENT 79 FUND</b>	
6999 CARRYOVER	42,200
7016 AMENDMENET 79 ASSESSOR TURNBACK	20,000
7501 INTEREST INCOME	60
	<b>62,260</b>

<b>3005-COUNTY CLERK'S COST (AUTOMATION) FUND</b>	
6999 CARRYOVER	800,000
7501 INTEREST INCOME	1,300
7601 COUNTY/PROBATE CLERK FEES	120,000
8703 EXCESS COMM-TREAS	1,740
9905 TREAS COMM CHARGE	(1,725)
	<b>921,315</b>

<b>3006 RECORDER'S COST FUND</b>	
6999 CARRYOVER	1,000,000
7501 INTEREST INCOME	2,100
7602 CIRCUIT & CHANCERY CLERK'S FEE	1,250,000
8703 EXCESS COMMISSION- TREAS	25,000
8715 WORKER'S COMPENSATION TRUST	40
8751 REBATE	25
9905 TREAS COMM CHARGE	(20,000)
	<b>2,257,165</b>

<b>3008 COUNTY LIBRARY FUND</b>	
6999 CARRYOVER	700,000
7004 PROPERTY RELIEF TRUST FUNDS	187,000
7008 LIBRARY STATE AID	185,925
7201 LOCAL PROPERTY TAXES-CURRENT	1,571,000
7202 LOCAL PROPERTY TAXES-DEL REAL	70,000
7203 LOCAL PROPERTY TAXES-DEL PERSONAL	45,000
7213 LOCAL PROPERTY TAXES - CUR PENALTY	500
7501 INTEREST INCOME	1,750
8702 EXCESS COMMISSION-COLLECTOR	57,000
8703 EXCESS COMMISSION-TREASURER	27,000
8715 WORKER'S COMP TRUST	150
8751 REBATE	150
8768 EXCESS COMMISSION-ASSESSOR	315
8779 LIBRARY REVENUE	800
9905 TREASURER'S COMMISSION CHARGE	(30,000)
	<b>2,816,598</b>

<b>3010 COUNTY CLERK OPERATING FUND</b>	
6999 CARRYOVER	30,000
7501 INTEREST INCOME	50
8703 EXCESS COMM-TREAS	65
8767 ACT 1029 OF 2003	4,500
9905 TREAS COMM CHARGE	(65)
	<b>34,550</b>

<b>3012 CHILD SUPPORT COST FUND</b>	
6999 CARRYOVER	12,000
7501 INTEREST INCOME	25
7604 CHILD SUPPORT FEES AND COST	18,000
8703 EXCESS COMM-TREAS	275
8715 WORKERS COMP TRUST DIV	5
9905 TREAS COMM CHARGE	(375)
	<b>29,930</b>

<b>3014 COMMUNICATION FACILITY &amp; EQUIPMENT FUND</b>	
6999 CARRYOVER	400,000
7501 INTEREST INCOME	1,000
7603 SHERIFF'S FEES	52,000
8703 EXCESS COMM TREAS	3,600
8730 REIMB-EXPENSE	4,000
8743 PHONE COMM	180,000
8751 REBATE	50
9905 TREAS COMM CHARGE	(4,000)
	<b>626,650</b>

<b>3017 - JAIL FUND</b>	
6999 CARRYOVER	250,000
7301 SALES TAX REVENUE	8,480,800
7501 INTEREST INCOME	1,500
7610 BOOKING/ADMIN FEES	50,000
7801 JAIL FEES	300,000
7802 PRISONER CARE - STATE	1,600,000
7804 PRISONER CARE - FEDERAL	1,100,000
7805 JAIL FEES (WC-ORD 2005-06)	590,000
7806 PRISONER CARE - CITY	210,000
8703 EXCESS TREASURERS COMMISSION	180,000
8712 SALE OF MATERIALS	120,000
8713 SSA-PRISONER FEES	30,000
8715 WORKER'S COMP TRUST D	12,000
8727 REIMBURSEMENT-SALARIES	35,000
8751 REBATE	500
8754 ENERGY PAYMENT	5,000
9905 TREAS COMM CHARGE	(200,000)
	<b>12,764,800</b>

<b>3019 BOATING SAFETY FUND</b>	
6999 CARRYOVER	5,000
7012 BOATING SAFETY-STATE	9,500
7501 INTEREST INCOME	25
8703 EXCESS COMM-TREASURER	200
8751 REBATE	10
9905 TREAS COMM CHARGE	(190)
	<b>14,545</b>

<b>3020 EMERGENCY 911 FUND</b>	
6999 CARRYOVER	1,000,000
7501 INTEREST INCOME	2,025
7701 9-1-1 FEES	55,000
7702 CMRS BOARD FEES	37,000
7703 9-1-1 ELECTRONIC FEES	400,000
7710 E911 ACT 442 OF 2013	12,000
8703 EXCESS COMM-TREAS	8,100
8715 WORKERS COMP TRUST DIV	75
8751 REBATE	40
9905 TREAS COMM CHARGE	(10,000)
	<b>1,504,140</b>

<b>3023 FIRE EQUIPMENT AND TRAINING (ACT 833) FUND</b>	
7011 ACT 833-FIRE PROTECTION	100,000
	<b>100,000</b>

<b>3028 ADULT DRUG COURT FUND</b>	
6999 CARRYOVER	15,000
7501 INTEREST INCOME	25
7602 CIRCUIT & CHAN. CLERK'S FEES	25,000
8703 EXCESS COMM-TREAS	265
9905 TREAS COMM CHARGE	(400)
	<b>39,890</b>

<b>3031 CIRCUIT COURT JUVENILE DIVISION FUND</b>	
6999 CARRYOVER	40,000
7401 CIRCUIT COURT FINES/FORFEITURES	1,650
7501 INTEREST INCOME	60
7602 CIRCUIT AND CHANCERY CLERK FEES	400
7605 JUVENILE PROBATION FEES	4,000
8703 EXCESS COMM TREAS	35
9905 TREAS COMM CHARGE	(95)
	<b>46,050</b>

<b>3032 JUVENILE COURT REPRESENTATION FUND</b>	
6999 CARRYOVER	650
7501 INTEREST INCOME	2
7602 CIRCUIT & CHAN. CLERK'S FEES	325
8703 EXCESS COMM-TREAS	40
9905 TREAS COMM CHARGE	(7)
	<b>1,010</b>

---

---

**3039 CIRCUIT CLERK COMMISSIONER FEE FUND**

6999 CARRYOVER	17,500
7501 INTEREST INCOME	20
7650 CIRCUIT CLERK COMMISSIONER'S FEE	11,000
8703 EXCESS TREAS COMM	135
9905 TREAS COMM CHARGE	(200)
	<b>28,455</b>

---

---

---

**3401 HIV CLINIC FUND**

6999 CARRYOVER	140,000
7501 INTEREST INCOME	400
8703 EXCESS COMM TREAS	5
8715 WORKERS COMPT TRUST DIV	15
8722 REIMB-INSURANCE	9,000
8727 REIMB-SALARIES	112,500
8853 TRANSFER IN MISCELLANEOUS	38,806
9905 TREAS COMM CHARGE	(5)
	<b>300,721</b>

---

---

---

**3402 LAW LIBRARY FUND**

6999 CARRYOVER	175,000
7489 FAYETTEVILLE DISTRICT COURT	50,000
7490 SPRINGDALE DISTRICT COURT	28,000
7491 PRAIRIE GROVE DISTRICT COURT	6,300
7492 ELKINS DISTRICT COURT	3,400
7493 WEST FORK DISTRICT COURT	5,500
7494 ELM SPRINGS DISTRICT COURT	1,800
7495 FARMINGTON DISTRICT COURT	2,800
7496 GREENLAND DISTRICT COURT	2,200
7497 JOHNSON DISTRICT COURT	7,500
7498 LINCOLN DISTRICT COURT	1,900
7501 INTEREST INCOME	350
7601 COUNTY/PROBATE CLERK FEES	1,000
7602 CIRCUIT & CHAN. CLERK FEES	12,000
8703 EXCESS COMM-TREAS	1,725
9905 TREAS COMM CHARGE	(2,200)
	<b>237,275</b>

---

---

---

**3406 DRUG COURT PROGRAM FUND**

6999 CARRYOVER	40,000
7501 INTEREST INCOME	45
7608 DRUG COURT PROGRAM USER FEE	25,000
8703 EXCESS COMM-TREASURER	390
9905 TREAS COMM CHARGE	(400)
	<b>65,035</b>

---

---

---

**3503 RURAL COMMUNITY GRANTS FUND**

6999 CARRYOVER	40,000
7501 INTEREST INCOME	30
	<b>40,030</b>

---

---

---

**5800 COURT COSTS & FINES FUND**

6999 CARRYOVER	575,000
7401 CIRCUIT COURT FINES/COST	435,000
7501 INTEREST INCOME	1,185
8703 EXCESS COMM-TREAS	6,900
9905 TREAS COMM CHARGE	(8,500)
	<b>1,009,585</b>

---

## 2015 Departmental Budget

Fund	Dept #	Dept Description	Personal Services	Supplies	Other Services & Charges	Capital Outlay	Transfers Out	Debt Service	2015 Budget
	0100	County Judge	369,675.00	4,500.00	13,850.00				388,025.00
	0101	County Clerk	481,811.00	10,000.00	21,800.00				513,611.00
	0102	Circuit Clerk	827,333.00	11,000.00	50,300.00				888,633.00
	0103	Treasurer	268,634.00	-	7,550.00				276,184.00
	0104	Tax Collector	1,018,731.00	22,300.00	141,026.00				1,182,057.00
	0105	Assessor	1,536,172.00	45,350.00	155,400.00				1,736,922.00
	0106	Equalization Board	13,780.00	425.00	1,100,320.00				1,114,525.00
	0107	Quorum Court	153,038.00	500.00	35,750.00				189,288.00
	0108	Buildings & Grounds	829,456.00	377,800.00	599,065.00	0.00			1,806,321.00
	0109	Election Commission	171,500.00	20,820.00	27,610.00				219,930.00
	0110	Planning	297,555.00	6,425.00	67,098.00				371,078.00
	0113	Comptroller	277,631.00	4,500.00	42,986.00				325,117.00
	0115	Computer/IS Department	566,622.00	29,000.00	445,493.00	0.00			1,041,115.00
	0118	Purchasing	101,936.00	4,300.00	98,475.00				204,711.00
	0119	Archiving/Records Management	132,324.00	2,814.00	45,025.00				180,163.00
	0120	Grants Administrator	126,060.00	6,114.00	8,931.00				141,105.00
	0121	Human Resources	247,365.00	7,500.00	90,651.00				345,516.00
	0122	County Attorney	84,654.00	800.00	81,048.00				166,502.00
	0300	County Health	-	5,000.00	12,700.00				17,700.00
	0301	Ambulance Service	-	-	788,025.00				788,025.00
	0308	Animal Shelter	501,770.00	88,248.00	25,624.00				615,642.00
	0400	Sheriff-Enforcement	6,020,025.00	572,500.00	277,350.00	0.00			6,869,875.00
	0401	Circuit Court I	7,407.00	5,500.00	24,737.00				37,644.00
	0402	Circuit Court II	7,457.00	15,775.00	29,860.00				53,092.00
	0403	Circuit Court III	757,733.00	34,790.00	106,790.00				899,313.00
	0404	Circuit Court IV	74,850.00	15,500.00	57,000.00				147,350.00
	0405	Circuit Court V	1,500.00	5,750.00	29,720.00				36,970.00
	0406	Circuit Court VI	2,000.00	7,750.00	45,500.00				55,250.00
	0407	Circuit Court VII	1,614.00	6,450.00	28,910.00				36,974.00
	0409	Fayetteville District Court	-	-	104,994.00				104,994.00
	0410	Springdale District Court	-	-	95,691.00				95,691.00
	0411	Prairie Grove District Court	-	-	38,755.00				38,755.00
	0412	West Fork District Court	-	-	39,758.00				39,758.00
	0413	Elkins District Court	-	-	44,030.00				44,030.00
	0416	Prosecuting Attorney	860,065.00	31,500.00	109,026.00				1,000,591.00
	0417	Public Defender	333,565.00	13,300.00	70,221.00				417,086.00
	0419	Coroner	218,678.00	27,800.00	16,800.00				263,278.00
	0420	Constables	20.00	-	23.00				43.00
	0441	Detention Judicial Officer	-	-	62,551.00				62,551.00
	0444	Juvenile Detention Center	1,193,772.00	102,706.00	68,802.00				1,365,280.00
	0500	Department of Emergency Management	150,121.00	44,400.00	90,366.00				284,887.00
	0502	Fire Protection	-	2,000.00	847,934.00				849,934.00
	0505	County Judge-Emergency	-	75,000.00	-				75,000.00
	0702	Environmental Affairs	257,619.00	32,865.00	128,375.00				418,859.00
	0800	Veteran Service	100,105.00	1,450.00	1,978.00				103,533.00
	0801	Extension Office	-	0.00	104,355.00				104,355.00
	8888	Transfers Out	-	-	-		38,806.00		38,806.00
	<b>1000 COUNTY GENERAL FUND</b>								<b>25,956,069.00</b>
	0125	Insurance Benefits	-	0.00	4,249,598.00	-			4,249,598.00
	<b>1002 EMPLOYEE INSURANCE FUND</b>								<b>4,249,598.00</b>
	0126	Flexible Spending	-	-	185,040.00	-			185,040.00
	<b>1800 FLEXIBLE SPENDING FUND</b>								<b>185,040.00</b>
	0200	Road	4,459,444.00	2,725,400.00	338,900.00	50,000.00	369,112.00		7,942,856.00
	0201	Road 1/2 Cent Sales Tax	-	505,000.00	153,370.00	-			658,370.00
	<b>2000 ROAD FUND</b>								<b>8,601,226.00</b>
	0103	Treasurer's Automation	-	14,700.00	8,650.00	-			23,350.00
	<b>3000 TREASURER'S AUTOMATION FUND</b>								<b>23,350.00</b>
	0104	Collector's Automation	-	70,000.00	40,000.00	-			110,000.00
	<b>3001 COLLECTOR'S AUTOMATION FUND</b>								<b>110,000.00</b>
	0437	Circuit Court Automation	-	1,000.00	8,450.00	-			9,450.00
	<b>3002 CIRCUIT COURT AUTOMATION FUND</b>								<b>9,450.00</b>

0101 County Clerk	-	109,500.00	46,700.00	-	-	156,200.00
<b>3005 COUNTY CLERK'S COST (AUTOMATION) FUND</b>						<b>156,200.00</b>
0128 Recorder's Cost	281,246.00	39,550.00	376,700.00	0.00		697,496.00
8888 Transfers Out					750,000.00	750,000.00
<b>3006 RECORDER'S COST FUND</b>						<b>1,447,496.00</b>
0600 County Library	266,352.00	20,755.00	1,769,857.00			2,056,964.00
0605 County Library - Children's Library		1,495.00	2,500.00			3,995.00
0610 County Library - Greenland Branch Library		23,132.00	64.00			23,196.00
0611 County Library - Winslow Branch Library		10,880.00	120.00			11,000.00
<b>3008 COUNTY LIBRARY FUND</b>						<b>2,095,155.00</b>
0101 County Clerk	-	15,000.00	-	-		15,000.00
<b>3010 COUNTY CLERK OPERATING FUND</b>						<b>15,000.00</b>
8888 Transfers Out					29,930.00	29,930.00
<b>3012 CHILD SUPPORT COST FUND</b>						<b>29,930.00</b>
0400 Sheriff-Communications	-	201,750.00	173,850.00	80,000.00		455,600.00
<b>3014 COMMUNICATION FACILITY &amp; EQUIPMENT FUND</b>						<b>455,600.00</b>
0127 Buildings & Grounds	114,742.00	231,100.00	558,550.00	0.00		904,392.00
0418 County Jail	10,370,939.00	1,464,379.00	1,144,530.00	0.00		12,979,848.00
<b>3017 JAIL FUND</b>						<b>13,884,240.00</b>
0501 Emergency 911	95,237.00	73,800.00	574,732.00			743,769.00
<b>3020 EMERGENCY 911 FUND</b>						<b>743,769.00</b>
0502 Fire Protection			100,000.00	0.00		100,000.00
<b>3023 FIRE EQUIPMENT AND TRAINING (ACT 833) FUND</b>						<b>100,000.00</b>
9999 Transfers Out					39,890.00	39,890.00
<b>3028 ADULT DRUG COURT FUND</b>						<b>39,890.00</b>
0305 HIV Clinic	134,187.00	3,438.00	59,000.00			196,625.00
<b>3401 HIV CLINIC FUND</b>						<b>196,625.00</b>
0422 Law Library	-	5,000.00	84,010.00			89,010.00
<b>3402 LAW LIBRARY FUND</b>						<b>89,010.00</b>
0117 Court Costs and Fines	-	1,800.00	352,269.00			354,069.00
<b>5800 COURT COSTS AND FINES FUND</b>						<b>354,069.00</b>
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>33,714,725.00</b>	<b>7,160,111.00</b>	<b>16,509,143.00</b>	<b>130,000.00</b>	<b>858,626.00</b>	<b>369,112.00</b>
						<b>58,741,717.00</b>

## **2015 BUDGET CONTROLS**

It is the responsibility of each elected official and/or department head to operate within the guidelines of the budget as adopted or amended by the Quorum Court. The guidelines are described in the following paragraphs:

The budget for each County department consists of appropriations of authorized expenditures in the following major categories:

1. Personal Services (Regular Salaries, Extra Help, Overtime & Fringe)
2. Supplies
3. Other Services and Charges
4. Capital Outlay
5. Debt Service
6. Interfund Transfers

Expenditures will be limited to the amounts appropriated in the above categories.

Requests for additional funds will be made in the following manner:

1. Personnel upgrade ordinances (with the exception of grant funds) shall be brought to Personnel Committee, and if approved forwarded to the Finance Committee of the Quorum Court. New positions will be considered during the annual budget process (with the exception of grant funds), unless circumstances warrant that Budget Controls be suspended. Non-urgent requests for new positions will be heard during budget hearings and will go into effect in the first pay period of the following year.
2. Requests for appropriations regarding Personal Services (other than full time positions), Supplies, Other Services & Charges, and Capital Outlay funds shall be brought to the Finance Committee of the Quorum Court monthly, and forwarded to the full Quorum Court for consideration. Transfers in Personal Services categories or transfers between departments may only be made by Ordinance.
3. Line item transfers within a departmental budget may be made within and into all categories, with the exception of the Personal Services Category as outlined in Budget Control #2. Transfers going into or out of the Capital Outlay Category shall not exceed \$5,000 per year in the General Fund; any transfers exceeding this limit will require approval by the Finance Committee of the Quorum Court. All transfers are at the discretion of the elected officials with the prior approval of the Comptroller under the direction of the County Judge. The Comptroller will report on a monthly basis all line item transfers.

2015 Budget Controls  
Page 2

4. Additional appropriations must be approved by the Quorum Court.
5. Surplus personnel appropriations shall be de-appropriated from Full-time Salaries on a quarterly basis (April/July/October). These surplus funds shall be restored to unappropriated reserves.
6. Appropriations for use of grant funds may be made by ordinance with a grant agreement approved by the County Judge. Written approval from the grantor must be provided to the Comptroller's Office through the County Judge for line-item transfers within grants. If approved by the Grantor, line item transfers involving Supplies, Other Services and Charges, and Capital Outlay categories can be made at the discretion of the Comptroller's Office. All personnel positions funded by grants will be annotated as such and may be abolished upon expiration of the grant. All grantees must follow all Washington County accounting procedures. The Quorum Court must approve in-kind cost for grants prior to grant acceptance. All Grants will be administered through the County Grants Administration Office with all billings and financial reporting being handled in the Comptroller's Office.
7. All purchases must be made with a Purchase Order or P-Card and follow the purchasing procedures as outlined by the County Judge. All purchases should be made prior to November 15 to assure the merchandise is received in the current year. No purchase orders will be issued for merchandise for the following year until January 2 of that year.
8. General Services shall be notified by the Elected Official/Department Head of any capital items that have been assigned to that office/department which are no longer in use by that office/department so that the items can be made available to other offices/departments.
9. All budgeted full time positions are subject to health insurance charges. The Quorum Court sets rates for these charges. Monies are transferred monthly from individual departmental budgets into the Insurance Benefit Fund. These monies are transferred regardless whether all positions in the departments are filled.
10. Longevity pay will be paid to all full time employees, excluding elected officials, in December for employees of record on November 30 and effective anniversary from date of hire as of November 30. The net pay will be based upon the following schedule:

5 - 9 Years	\$ 250.00
10 - 14 Years	350.00
15 - 19 Years	500.00
20 - 24 Years	600.00
Over 25 Years	750.00

## 2015 Budget Controls

### Page 3

11. All full-time employees who qualify for annual leave will receive a 2% pay increase effective the first paycheck of 2015. Full time employees with less than one year's service shall receive a 2% pay increase upon his/her anniversary date. Full time elected officials will receive a 2% pay increase above their current salary.
12. Grant funds are tracked separately and in accordance with grant regulations; if any money is advanced by the General Fund, the Comptroller recoups the funds advanced when the grant funds become available and does not require Quorum Court action. Reimbursements to the General Fund shall not be recognized until all other anticipated revenues are 100% satisfied. Reimbursement revenues are not subject to automatic appropriation to a particular budget.
13. Approval must be provided to the Comptroller's Office by the County Judge for line item transfers within the County Judge-Emergency Budget. If approved by the County Judge, line item transfers involving supplies, other services and charges, and capital outlay categories will be processed by the Comptroller's Office. These monies are not to be granted to individual citizens but are to be used to pay for expenses incurred by the County in assisting the citizens at large when the County Judge has declared an emergency pursuant to A.C.A. §12-75-101, et seq.

Requests for additional appropriations and transfers requiring Quorum Court action shall be made by submitting a request to the County Judge's Office. The request should be in writing and contain a justification for the additional expenditure or transfer.

Should it appear that revenues will be less than originally estimated, the County Treasurer will report such condition to the Quorum Court and provide recommendations for any budget revisions necessary to avoid violating the 90% limitation.



**MARILYN EDWARDS**  
County Judge



280 North College, Suite 500  
Fayetteville, AR 72701

**WASHINGTON COUNTY, ARKANSAS**  
**County Courthouse**

**MEETING REPORT OF THE**  
**WASHINGTON COUNTY QUORUM COURT**  
**COUNTY SERVICES COMMITTEE**

Monday, November 3, 2014

5:30 p.m.

5<sup>th</sup> Floor, Northeast Conference Room  
Washington County Courthouse

Members Present: Joe Patterson, Tom Lundstrum, Rex Bailey, John Firmin, Barbara Fitzpatrick, and Eva Madison.

Members Absent: Jimmy Mardis.

Others Present: Juliet Richey, Harvey Bowman, Rick Cochran, Butch Pond, Ann Harbison, Diane Bryant, Ron Aman, Bill Ussery, Sue Madison, Shawn Shrum, Dan Short, Lindsy Huffaker, Randall Denzer, Jay Cantrell, Rick Hoyt, Tim Helder, Roger Morris, Glenda Audrain, Jeane Mack, LaJoyce Duncan, Marilyn Edwards, Don Coleman, John Luther, Ron Wood, Jennifer Hinkle, Jerry Bolinger, Cheryl Bolinger, Lisa Ecke, John Adams, Juliet Richey, Sophia Stephenson, Angela Ledgerwood, George Butler, and Dan Holtmeyer (NWA Times).

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Joe Patterson. The agenda was adopted as presented.

Report from the Washington County Planning Office. Planning Director, Juliet Richey, reported at the last Planning Board hearing Cane Hill Conditional Use and Witter Conditional Use as amended was approved. A new cell tower proposed on Highway 16 East, near the substation in Baldwin. There has only been one neighbor comment, which was all about radiation levels, which cannot be considered, those are set by the FCC. The Rich Red Dirt Conditional Use Permit is back on the agenda. Staff is recommending denial of that project for health and safety reasons, related to the sight visibility. They have done some work regarding the intersection sight distance, and staff feels that there is some question in regard to the safety at that intersection. Staff also does not feel that there is an adequate buffer given between property lines and do not wish to give more than 50 feet setback from where they propose to excavate.

Next, Juliet Richey, stated that Hughmount Village Subdivision Final Plat is also coming before the Planning Board. It is a large subdivision with 128 lots.

Update from the Lester C. Howick Animal Shelter. Angela Ledgerwood, Animal Shelter Director, reported that 238 animals were received and 237 animals were sent elsewhere. There has been a lot of foot traffic. The Ozarks Electric event 19 dogs were taken and 17 dogs were adopted. Thirty feral cats have gone into the TNR program. There are still a lot of litters of cats coming in. 20 dogs were sent to the Rescue Wagon.

Eva Madison asked how many cats have been given away without charging adoption fees? Angela Ledgerwood replied that no cats were given away, there were \$10 adoptions in October for cats and \$20 for dogs.

Next, Eva Madison asked about the ordinance that established the Animal Concerns Advisory Board? County Attorney George Butler replied yes there was, but they have gone silent, technically, they are still alive.

Rex Bailey asked why there was such a drastic drop in donations? Angela Ledgerwood replied that \$16,000 was a grant that the Animal League donated. The other \$4,800 was from K&K Vet Supply.

Rick Cochran asked how many members are on the Animal Advisory Board? County Attorney George Butler replied he did not. Karen Beeks informed the Committee that there are only three members whose terms have not expired. George Butler added that technically even if the term has expired they are still considered on their board until their successor has been named.

Consideration of an Ordinance Amending Washington County Code 2.2 Regarding Smoking. JP Eva Madison stated that this is an outgrowth of the policy concerning vehicles. She would like to include E-Cigarettes and Tobacco use, because talking about wellness aspects, those should be considered.

Barbara Fitzpatrick suggested just changing the definition of smoking. Eva Madison also agreed that she would like it to be in the handbook as well. Eva Madison also stated that she believes that use of tobacco products on work time is inappropriate.

Eva Madison made a motion to forward the ordinance with the amendment onto the full Quorum Court with a do pass recommendation. John Firmin seconded.

With no other business or citizen comments, the meeting adjourned at 5:50 p.m.

/rb

**MARILYN EDWARDS**  
County Judge



280 North College, Suite 500  
Fayetteville, AR 72701

**WASHINGTON COUNTY, ARKANSAS**  
**County Courthouse**

**MEETING REPORT OF THE**  
**WASHINGTON COUNTY QUORUM COURT**  
**PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE**

Monday, November 3, 2014  
5:30 p.m.  
5<sup>th</sup> Floor, Northeast Conference Room  
Washington County Courthouse

Members Present: Ann Harbison, Rex Bailey, John Firmin, Rick Cochran, Eva Madison, Harvey Bowman, and Bill Ussery.

Others Present: Candy Clark, Tom Lundstrum, Joe Patterson, Butch Pond, Diane Bryant, Barbara Fitzpatrick, Ron Aman, Sue Madison, Shawn Shrum, Dan Short, Lindsi Huffaker, Randall Denzer, Jay Cantrell, Rick Hoyt, Tim Helder, Roger Morris, Glenda Audrain, Jeane Mack, Angela Ledgerwood, LaJoyce Duncan, Marilyn Edwards, Don Coleman, John Luther, Ron Wood, Jennifer Hinkle, Cheryl Bolinger, Jerry Bolinger, Lisa Ecke, John Adams, Juliet Richey, Sophia Stephenson, and Dan Holtmeyer (NWA Times).

The meeting was called to order at 5:50 p.m. by Chair Eva Madison. The agenda was adopted as presented.

Discussion on County Vehicles and Expenses. Chairperson, Eva Madison, summarized the information within the packet. Some of the Departments, Planning and Environmental Affairs, do not have take home vehicles. They use pool vehicles. For the Departments that information was received on for take home vehicles, she separated the Road Department, who has 50 take home vehicles and 20 fair vehicles. The Collectors Office has one vehicle, the Assessor has six. The Sheriff's Office has 23 non-law enforcement vehicles. Doing an estimate of what the cost of commuting is, in the Road Department there are four vehicles going to St. Paul and one going to Mountainburg in Crawford County. Some go to Evansville and Winslow. The only vehicles for which mileage logs are maintained are the two elected officials vehicles. The bulk of these vehicles the mileage is unknown. Calculating the commuting, the to and from work each day, the 50 in road, the 18 from other departments, and the 23 from the Sheriff's office, the commuting value is costing the county \$317,000. The cost of the vehicles overall is another cost.

Eva Madison asked if there is a reason why the report is in 6 point font. Comptroller Cheryl Bolinger replied she didn't do that, that is what the report is.

Eva Madison noted that there is a hand log that is being used for the county vehicle, the County Judge's report is hard to read. She noted that there is a total business verses personal miles, and she also has asked for the mileage log for 2014 to date. There is a survey from AAC for six counties. Eva Madison expressed that she believes that report is also confusing, saying that she also wants to know if they have vehicles anyway, if they don't have pool vehicles.

Next, Eva Madison stated that she spent time looking at other counties and some of the rules that they have. One thing she noticed is that there are no general rules for cars. For instance, a lot of counties will say that there has to be a valid drivers license, rules for accidents, declaration that if a ticket is received the driver is responsible, use of seatbelts, texting while driving, etc.

Ann Harbison replied that some of those things are state law, and doesn't know why there needs to be a policy if it is already state law. Eva Madison replied that it is the County's obligation to make sure that the employees follow state law. George Butler replied that there is a fleet safety packet. Eva Madison rebutted that would have been helpful to have included in the packet.

Bill Ussery added that in the Road Department Policy and the Sheriff Department Policy there are already guidelines that talk about at length the maintenance checks for vehicles.

Eva Madison pointed out that there is no general statement, Lindsy says there is, but there is not. Those Departments drill down to a level that is not across the county. At the risk of repeating, she passed around a draft of what is a non-compensatory business reason. She feels that all vehicles need to be pool vehicles unless there is justification to take a vehicle home for a certain day.

Rex Bailey added that he has trouble with paying someone to come to work in a county vehicle.

Eva Madison added that a lot of the county policies she looked at required employees who drove county vehicles to stay in the county. The vehicle is also staying at homes when people go on vacation or leave.

Ann Harbison stated that she is sure the person who lives in Crawford County, works in south Washington County. Eva Madison rebutted that is not true. Ann Harbison replied she believes it is true 90% of the time. Vehicles are necessary to get the work done in the county. It cuts down on the amount of time that they have for workdays. That is practical and efficient. She noted that there was a Sheriff's car sitting in a subdivision in Prairie Grove at noon, but that is doing a job letting people know that there is a Deputy

living there. It is more efficient to take the vehicles home rather than wasting an hour going to the site and then checking the equipment. As a member of the committee, she feels things have already been tightened up because the departments are going to be more efficient because the money has been tightened.

Eva Madison said the vehicles that individuals are taxed for, the tax consequences to the employees are a fraction of the \$300,000 cost to the county. Studies repeatedly show that there is not an advantage to pooling marked vehicles, but there is money to be saved from pooling other vehicles.

Ann Harbison expressed concern with micromanaging departments.

Candy Clark stated she hates the phrase "micromanaging" and believes that it is the Quorum Court's job to micromanage. She asked Shawn Shrum how employees clocked in. Shawn Shrum replied that Time Clock Plus documents the hours. The employees notify the Department if they are outside of that system. Candy Clark expressed concern that the employees do not show up as they are supposed to and there is no way to monitor them. Shawn Shrum replied that is not true, he gets phone calls, he can pull up the graders what time they are started, how long they idled, how long they were operated. Candy Clark rebutted that it is impossible to monitor every one of those every week.

Shawn Shrum replied that the employee pool of grader operators is not that great, but he does realize that it is his job as a department head to save as much taxpayer money as possible. Candy Clark replied that while she knows that he is responsible, she believes that this needs to be looked at. She doesn't understand why there are 70 vehicles with 50 vehicles going home, she also was very concerned with the time sheet honesty system. Shawn Shrum also stated that instead of 8 hours of grading a day then it would be about 5 or 6 hours a day grading.

The discussion changed to automatic clock in issues and time sheets.

Joe Patterson stated that he could see the grader operators and a couple of mechanics taking vehicles home. He is alarmed with the IT Department going back and forth to Rogers every day, that is 8,000 miles per year.

Tom Lundstrum commented that he would like to see real justification from the Department Heads that have vehicles that they believe should go home. However, he will fight tooth and nail the idea of keeping a driving log. It is liable to cost \$400,000 in lost time to save \$316,000. Department Heads have to have some control over their people and give some accurate information. The ones who have a real valid need to take their vehicles home, then it needs to be known.

Harvey Bowman stated that the clock in issue is a different issue than the vehicle issue, and should be dismissed from the discussion. He believes that each department head

should come and justify every take home vehicle. Harvey Bowman made a motion to that effect. Ann Harbison seconded. Chair, Eva Madison refused to recognize the motion, County Attorney George Butler replied that the Motion has to be recognized.

Candy Clark stated she doesn't believe department heads should come in, there should be a plan that warrants a vehicle. She asked what warrants a vehicle for IT and Assessor emergencies. Eva Madison stated that she doesn't know all the vehicles that the Sheriff has, if she is going to hear everybody then she wants to hear from everybody.

Rex Bailey commented that every time something is proposed by the Court they get push back by the Departments, and guaranteed that there is going to be changes next year.

Rick Cochran suggested that the Road Department comes up with a plan to reduce the cost of vehicles. He also suggested that looking at the types of vehicles that are used.

Candy Clark offered an amendment to only have department heads who have vehicles that go home to come before the Court. The amendment was accepted. The motion was approved.

There was discussion concerning inequitable pay between males and females in the county due to vehicle privileges.

Diane Bryant stated there were quad cabs and large vehicles, and asked if it was possible to get by with small vehicles. Shawn Shrum replied that the main reason for the Quad Cab is for tools. Diane Bryant asked if there was such a thing as a Prius truck. Shawn Shrum replied that the last few trucks that they have bought were  $\frac{3}{4}$  tons because they need the heavy duty for hauling trailers out and other equipment.

John Firmin stated he would like to have time to process some of the information and visit with staff prior to any vote.

Butch Pond told Shawn he appreciated the work the road department does and believes that they should continue to work 8 hours instead of 5 or 6 hours.

There was a discussion regarding county vehicles stopping at cafes for lunch; as well as a brief discussion as to insurance rates if fewer miles are used.

Review of an Ordinance Requiring Elected Officials and County Employees to Maintain and Keep Mileage Logs when Driving a County Owned Vehicle. As sponsor of this ordinance, JP Madison stated that she was going to pull this item for the time being.

Chair Eva Madison stated that she would like to withdraw this Ordinance until a further date.

Other Business: There was no other business to be discussed.

Citizen Comments: LaJoyce Duncan, a rural Washington County resident, commended the Road Department on what they have done, especially during the last ice storm.

Glenda Audrain, Washington County Library System, commented that county vehicles being at restaurants, the Children's Librarian plans her programs so if she is on the west side, she does take a lunch.

Sue Madison asked for the accident records over the last two years for take home vehicles, what happens to the insurance and who is at fault. Having previously served two terms on the Quorum Court, the most important issue to the county residents was the Roads. She feels that it is very, very important for the people who live in the County. In looking at the information for the Road Department, what struck her at first, was there was not a single energy efficient vehicle on the list. If it is important to have a four wheel drive vehicle, she feels that a Subaru outback may be more energy efficient. She went to the Road Department and asked questions, and was treated extremely well. Just as information, there was a person named Dean who lives in Lincoln who was working at Goshen Tuttle. Somebody named Doug who lives at Springdale was working at Smokey Bear. Somebody named Gary who lives in Lincoln has a vehicle parked at home for four weeks while on leave. A very nice person named Scott who lives in Prairie Grove has given up his county vehicle because he has a personal commitment that he has three times a week. Over and over and over again it was a tools issue for safety of tools. She feels that the problem with tool safety if they were locked up every night, the thought of buying an extended cab seems to be over the top. It is rare that there is more than one person in the cab, the ones who were on site were gross, and she wouldn't want to ride in them. There are Wal-Mart bags and nails and things like that, and thinks there is room for improvement, however, she was impressed with how she was treated at the road department.

Barbara Fitzpatrick commented on the perception of county vehicles at cafes during lunch time. They were happy to see a Road Department vehicle at the lunch place because that meant that the Road Department was in the county and about to take care of a problem.

The meeting adjourned at 7:28 p.m.

/rb

**MARILYN EDWARDS**  
County Judge



280 North College, Suite 500  
Fayetteville, AR 72701

**WASHINGTON COUNTY, ARKANSAS**  
**County Courthouse**

**MEETING REPORT OF THE**  
**WASHINGTON COUNTY QUORUM COURT**  
**FINANCE AND BUDGET COMMITTEE**

Monday, November 10, 2014  
5:30 p.m.

Washington County Quorum Court Room

Members Present: Butch Pond, Joe Patterson, Ann Harbison, Tom Lundstrum, Rex Bailey, Candy Clark, Barbara Fitzpatrick, Eva Madison, Ron Aman, Harvey Bowman, Jimmy Mardis, Bill Ussery, and Diane Bryant.

Members Absent: John Firmin and Rick Cochran

Others Present: Jay Cantrell, Tim Helder, Randall Denzer, Rick Hoyt, George Butler, Wayne Blankenship, Sue Madison, Carla Holcroft, Lindsie Huffaker, Becky Stewart, Cheryl Bolinger, Jerry Bolinger, Marilyn Edwards, Robert Dennis, Brynn Bagwell, Renee Biby, and Dan Holtmeyer (NWA Times).

The meeting was called to order at 5:30 p.m. by Chair Candy Clark, prior to the agenda being adopted Ms. Clark asked that the Committee listen to a citizen complaint.

Belva Clark, who lives in Smokey Bear Road, stated that the road is a dead end road which serves sixteen or seventeen houses. Right now it is in the process of being widened, and she recently found out that it is possible that it could be paved. While she signed the Petition that the neighbor circulated, as did the other neighbors on the street, she stated that she felt pressured. Candy Clark stated that she will turn it over to Public Works Committee.

The agenda was adopted as presented.

Financial Report. County Treasurer Roger Haney and Comptroller Cheryl Bolinger will update the Committee on the monthly financial report.

County Treasurer, Roger Haney, stated that all of the line items have money. The Road and Jail funds will get tax money from the state and they will also get a county wide tax payment before the end of the month.

The Recorder's Cost has been down in the General Fund. Part of that is due to appropriations made from that fund this year that has cut into the revenue for the General



Fund. The sales tax collections will meet or exceed the projection for the year. The Jail sales tax is also doing well, which will provide some additional funds for next year. The ½ road tax has also done really well.

Comptroller, Cheryl Bolinger, reported that the unappropriated reserve changes mostly include the housekeeping salary sweep ordinance done last month. The summary of the budget shows where the 2015 budget is at this time if it were passed as is.

The JDC Security Control System, \$71,950, which was approved this year, the Buildings & Grounds Department may have to come back and ask for an appropriation for next year, because that approval will go away at the end of the year. She also stated that an adjustment may need to be done due to the Sheriff's Office having employees who work overtime at the University, the University reimburses the county for that, but the reimbursement would have to be appropriated back into the Sheriff's overtime line item.

Request for an Appropriation \$95,513 from the General Fund to the Quorum Court Budget for 2014. Comptroller, Cheryl Bolinger, reported that when 2014 budget was approved it was based on 15 court members, it was based on the previous salaries, and not the amended \$200 per day salary. She stated that this can be pulled down and added in the housekeeping sweep in January.

Rex Bailey made a motion to move this to the housekeeping sweep. Barbara Fitzpatrick seconded. The motion was approved with Ann Harbison voting no.

Presentation by Arvest Bank on Short Term Financing Options- Bryn Bagwell, Sr. Vice President/Area Loan Manager. Brynn Bagwell from Arvest Bank, informed the Committee that she would like to offer the suggestion to consider financing some of the capital costs, rather than making large cuts. She read the newspaper and thinking about budget cuts and reserve, and because her background in commercial lending, she thought about the short term financing for capital. The rates are low for Washington County. The interest rates are currently at 2 ¼%. She would recommend something without a pre-payment penalty. The loans can be structured to match the revenue. It is a way to help Sheriff Helder to get vehicles needed. It is a way to maximize cash flow. The interest rate would be a fixed rate.

Ann Harbison stated that equipment would be great, but there has to be something to pay it off and until the revenue increases she is not in support of the option.

An Ordinance Levying the County, Municipal and School District Taxes for the Year 2014. County Attorney, George Butler, stated that in the meeting in November the Quorum Court is required to levy the County's millage and the millage for all of the other taxing entities. The millage ordinance has to pass by 2/3 majority if it is going to pass in one reading. The regular meeting cannot be adjourned without setting the millage. The court can take a recess, either the millage is set by 2/3 majority or the court doesn't adjourn, it recesses and brings it up for another reading.

Barbara Fitzpatrick stated that 2.5 to 3 million dollars has been coming out for the Jail. That doesn't include the fact that the County is required to pay medical care for the first thirty days. In 2016 Springdale Fire Department is going to stop doing ambulance service in the northern part of the county. CEMS will need a million dollars in 2016 and then ½ million dollars for the first few years. The sheriff's office and the Road Department may be able to for one year without replacement equipment, they can't do it for two. The County is going to have to get more revenue. The only revenue that the County has any control over is millage. The only control happens in November. The millage cannot be changed after this. 2/3 of that will not be received until next October.

Barbara Fitzpatrick made a motion to set the County General millage to 4.9. Diane Bryant seconded. The motion failed.

Eva Madison stated that the County hasn't even tried to live within the budget cuts that have been proposed. It is irresponsible.

Ann Harbison commented stated that if something is not done about increasing revenue in 2016 there will be a larger shortfall than in 2015. The budgets have been cut drastically, the County will not have any road budget left if there is a bad winter. There will be no paving or chip and sealing. It is foolish not to increase revenue stream. What is going to happen is that the County is going to have to lay off people. She doesn't see any way that the County is going to be able to give a raise or a bonus. The revenue stream has to be increased. Since she has been on the Court the millage has been cut 0.7 mills, with 0.5 mills being cut at the same time the county's revenue was decreased due to the census. To be responsible stewards and be efficient and provide what needs to be provided she believes that the revenue stream has to be increased.

Cheryl Bolinger estimated that a full mill would increase revenue of \$3 million dollars and would increase the cost of a homeowner's taxes by about \$10 per \$100,000 home.

Butch Pond stated that the Department Heads cut their budgets to the bare bones. The millage was cut in 2011 by 0.5, with each 1/10 of a mill costing \$300,000. He now believes that may have been a little drastic. While he wouldn't support a full mill he would support raising it 0.4 mills. The Court spent millions of dollars that are now costing hundreds of thousands a year, and then on top of that the millage was cut. The shape the County is in might be on the Court's shoulders.

Eva Madison commented that she gets more disgusted with the more she hears. Further stating, that she thinks raising the millage is just making it easy. She doesn't believe that the Court has asked the Departments to live at a bare bones budget. Further commenting cutting coffee and limiting vehicle trips and not paving some roads are things that should be looked at. Since the millage was lowered then the County needs to live within its means and figure out how to make it happen.

Jimmy Mardis asked who would be affected by this millage?

George Butler replied that businesses would be effected as well, including personal property taxes on businesses.

Jimmy Mardis commented that he was concerned with the increase due to the added cost to businesses. He represents the people of his district, and he does not believe that the people of Washington County would support this. It affects personal property, businesses, and farmers as well as home owners.

Bill Ussery stated that reducing the budget for next year is so that the millage won't have to be raised. Enabling the state by raising the millage is not the answer. He also stated that he doesn't believe the people that voted for him would support an increase.

Tom Lundstrum reiterated that he will never support a tax increase. He keeps hearing stories about the state requirements, but the State is going to require a county to close the Jail. The Sheriff said at one time that the state prisoners actually helped the Jail somewhat. He also added that the County needs to pray that the Good Lord will provide more revenue next year.

Butch Pond added that the homeowners that he visited with didn't realize that the millage had been cut three years ago. The box stores know the difference, but the farmers don't know anymore, unless they have a large complex of poultry houses of some sort. They are going to know the difference if the County runs out of road money, if feed trucks can't get to farms they will be calling the courthouse.

Ann Harbison made a motion to change the increase to 0.4 mills. Butch Pond seconded. The motion failed.

Joe Patterson commented that the Treasurer warned that the County was going to lose money with the census, but kept spending. He believes that there are other areas that can be cut. Further stating that he will not vote for a tax raise. Ron Aman concurred that he will not vote for an increase. Rex Bailey also commented he will not support a tax increase.

Harvey Bowman stated he will not be in support of an increase at this time. One of the things that has disappointed him is the lousy response from the State in compensating Counties for prisoners. It is destroying what is going on at the County level. The County has spent a lot of money in a lot of places, but now is not the time to raise taxes.

Ann Harbison expressed concern that the Road Department would not have the funds necessary to properly maintain the roads. Butch Pond stated that he and his neighbors maintain their own road. However, if nobody does anything when they can then nothing might get done.

Joe Patterson made a motion to forward the Ordinance as written to the full Quorum Court with a do pass recommendation. Tom Lundstrum seconded. The motion was approved.

Discussion on Washington County Compensation for Employees and Elected Officials for 2015. Chairperson, Candy Clark, stated that this is the final piece of the 2015 budget to be discussed.

Ann Harbison commented that she doesn't see how any raise or even bonus can be given since so many cuts had to be made and it is such a tight year. She apologized to employees for not being able to do anything this year.

Rex Bailey added that he would suggest looking at it in April, and bonus and not do an increase then.

Eva Madison commented that almost 7 million dollars in reserve is not dire consequences. She would like to give a cost of living adjustment of 2% for everyone, it will cost \$560,000, which is not a lot of money.

Jimmy Mardis asked the difference between the cost of bonus verses the cost of a raise. Cheryl Bolinger replied that if there is a \$500 bonus then that is grossed up, the state taxes are 25% and then the federal tax is 7%, so that is added so the employee nets \$500.

Jimmy Mardis expressed that he would like to consider a bonus, with not knowing how future years may be as far as revenue stream.

Candy Clark stated that she met with department heads and watched them take deep cuts, they gave up stuff, did it willingly because they were asked to, and suggested that if any moral in the county is salvaged the Court needs to give a raise, not a bonus. She would even include the elected officials, because they too were very, very cooperative. She suggested a modest 2% increase, and then if the revenue is there, later in the year add a bonus.

Rex Bailey stated that he would support the raise if that is the majority of the Court's decision.

Ann Harbison asked if the Department Heads felt like they could live with the cuts year after year. Candy Clark replied no they didn't. Everybody left the conversations happy that they could make their own cuts within their own budgets. She does not believe that there will be these kind of budget shortfalls year after year. Ann Harbison replied that she thinks it is important to realize that these people made cuts, but that may mean that they can't get things that they need.

Diane Bryant added that she does support the 2% increase. The employees have always been nice and courteous and helpful. She believes that they are the County's foundation.

Harvey Bowman commented that he would like to give everybody a 5% raise. It is not a matter of wanting to. The people that agreed to the concessions are not taking pay cuts.

He believes people are more interested in keeping their jobs than they are in getting a raise. The employees realize that there are budget constraints. He will not support any increase in salaries or bonuses for 2015.

Butch Pond commented that he would like to discuss a bonus verses raise, noting that 2% of what people make on the lower end will amount to nearly nothing. The contract with CEMS will have to be increased in the near future. He would prefer coming across with a \$500 bonus over a 2% raise, and will vote no for 2% across the board, but would more consider an hourly raise.

County Attorney George Butler stated that bonuses cannot be given to elected officials.

Eva Madison made a motion to give all employees including elected officials a 2% raise. Barbara Fitzpatrick seconded. The motion was approved.

Budget Finalization. Candy Clark stated that the budget is now complete, unless someone suggests changes. Ann Harbison commented that she was very upset that a \$4,000 raise wasn't given to the Extension Office, but she is not going to change the budget.

Tom Lundstrum added that he was not in support of the \$100,000 to ORT, but he will support the budget.

Bill Ussery made a motion to amend the Quorum Court's pay to \$185. Butch Pond seconded.

Ann Harbison made a motion to amend that to \$150. Eva Madison stated that the Court doesn't have to be paid for committee meetings, moving that it be to Quorum Court meetings only that be paid.

After discussion, the motions failed.

Ann Harbison made a motion to forward the Budget to the full Quorum Court with a do pass recommendation. Butch Pond seconded. The motion was approved.

With no other business or public comment, the meeting adjourned at 7:30 p.m.

/rb

**ORDINANCE NO. 2014-\_\_\_\_\_**

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

**AN EMERGENCY ORDINANCE RATIFYING  
A CONDITIONAL USE PERMIT GRANTED  
BY THE PLANNING AND ZONING BOARD.**

**WHEREAS**, the Planning and Zoning Board granted a Conditional Use Permit on November 6 for Baldwin Cell Tower; and,

**WHEREAS**, immediate ratification is necessary by the Quorum Court to prevent undue delay and expense to the applicant; and,

**WHEREAS**, ratification will not affect any appeal rights any person may have.

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

**ARTICLE 1.** That a Conditional Use Permit for Baldwin Cell Tower granted by the Planning and Zoning Board are hereby ratified.

**ARTICLE 2. Emergency Clause:** It is hereby determined that it is the public's best interest for this ordinance to be effective immediately; and the general health, safety and welfare of the citizens are affected by such for the reasons as set out above; therefore, an emergency is declared to exist and this ordinance shall be and is effective from the date of its passage.

\_\_\_\_\_  
MARILYN EDWARDS, County Judge

\_\_\_\_\_  
DATE

\_\_\_\_\_  
BECKY LEWALLEN, County Clerk

Sponsor: \_\_\_\_\_

Date of Passage: \_\_\_\_\_

Votes For: \_\_\_\_\_ Votes Against: \_\_\_\_\_

Abstention: \_\_\_\_\_ Absent: \_\_\_\_\_

### Baldwin Cell Tower CUP

**The Planning Board/Zoning Board of Adjustments approved Baldwin Cell Tower CUP, with conditions, request on November 6, 2014 (5 members voted "in favor", 0 members voted "against", 1 member was absent, 1 member abstained).**

**The 30-day appeal window for this project has not yet fully run. An appeal of this approval may be filed; however, as an appeal remains uncertain at this time, staff recommends ratification of the approval of Baldwin Cell Tower CUP.**

**If an appeal is not filed, the applicant may continue on with the Communication Tower process. The applicant understands that even if this project is ratified, an appeal may still be filed and no further approvals may be given until after the appeal period has run.**

**Ratification will not affect any appeal rights any person may have.**

The property owner is Betty Knox; the applicant is Smith Communications, LLC. Mr. Dave Reynolds has been the contact person on this project. The surveyor is Satterfield Land Surveyors.

The property is located east of Fayetteville off E. Highway 16/Huntsville Rd. The applicant requested permit approval to construct an approximately 150 foot tall monopole wireless communications tower facility. The tower will be unlit.

The tower will be constructed on a 29.48 acre parcel and a proposed 40 foot wide access and utility easement will provide access from E Highway 16 across a 3.67 acre parcel to the tower site. The tower will be located on a 60'x70' lease area. It is presumed by staff that additional generators, shelters, and meter banks could be added in the future with future antenna co-locations.

The applicant's explanation letter states that the facility will be unmanned and that the only reoccurring traffic will be light trucks for equipment maintenance technicians.

If this CUP is approved by the Quorum Court, then this tower is expected to be reviewed by the Planning Board for Full Tower Review.

The closest residence would be approximately 238.50 feet from the base of the tower's proposed location (owned by Laurence and Sallie Hill who did not comment on this project). The next closest residence is 241.55 feet from the tower's base (owned by Betty Knox who owns the two parcels involved in this CUP).

Adjacent land uses are residential uses, an electrical substation, a cemetery, and agricultural uses. Fayetteville's City Limits is located to the south. Past these uses within a half mile radius are a small car repair shop, barber shop, garden nursery, church, gas station, retail shops, residential, and agricultural uses.

Five neighbors contacted staff about this project. One of the neighbors only had questions regarding the tower's proximity to Hester Cemetery; she voiced no complaints. The voiced concerns of the other neighbors were:

- Health affects
  - The FCC Act of 1996 prohibits us from making decisions about possible health-related concerns in regard to radio frequency emissions.
- Appearance of a cell tower
- Concern about property devaluation
- A neighbor who owns land adjacent to the east felt that the tower would suppress his ability to divide his land to build houses for sale at a later time.

- Desire that the tower be constructed on commercial property to the south
- Desire that the tower be constructed further in on the involved parcels so the tower would not be so close to Mr. Kelly's property to the east.
- A report that other towers are located within 2 miles of this location.
  - The FCC Act of 1996 prohibits us from denying an application solely because "one or more carriers serve a given geographic market".

Staff visited the site and observed that because it is surrounded with tree lines, it seems to be situated in a way that minimizes the aesthetic impact for some of the neighbors. Also, the high voltage transmission lines on this property visually make a cell tower at this location less obtrusive than it might be in a purely agricultural setting. Staff feels that the tower's placement in the terrain, the type of tower (monopole), the tower height (153 ft), the lack of tower lighting, and staff's requirement that the tower compound be surrounded with privacy fencing and a new condition requiring evergreen plantings (see below), help to mitigate the tower's appearance on the landscape.

The new condition regarding evergreen vegetation was added in an attempt to address an eastern property owner's concern about the proximity of the tower. This condition is shown in bold font below (conditions 4 under Signage/Lighting/Screening Conditions).

**The Planning Board/Zoning Board of Adjustments approved Baldwin Cell Tower CUP request on November 6, 2014 (5 members voted "in favor", 0 members voted "against", 1 member was absent, 1 member abstained) with the following conditions:**

General Conditions:

1. The project shall generally adhere to the plans submitted.
2. Any applicable permits must be obtained through City of Fayetteville Planning/Engineering.

Fire and Water Conditions:

1. There must be enough vertical clearance along the access and utility easement for fire apparatus.
2. The gate to be installed along the easement shall be 26 ft in width to accommodate emergency vehicles.
3. The access drive must be 26 ft wide and be able to support 75,000 lbs in all weather conditions.
4. A 20 foot wide gate will be required on the tower compound fencing in order to accommodate emergency vehicles.

Roads/Ingress-Egress Conditions:

1. A Utility Access Driveway Permit must be obtained from AHTD prior to any access drive being constructed off Highway 16.
2. The proposed easement crossing parcel 765-13073-000 shall be created.

Environmental Conditions:

1. No stormwater permit is required by Washington County at this time; however, applicant must comply with all rules and regulations of the Arkansas Department of Environmental Quality. [www.adeq.state.ar.us](http://www.adeq.state.ar.us)

Signage/Lighting/Screening Conditions:

1. All outdoor lighting must be shielded from neighboring properties. Any lighting must be indirect and not cause disturbance to drivers or neighbors.
2. All security lighting must be shielded appropriately.
3. The compound area should be screened by using privacy fencing a minimum of 6' in height.



4. **Evergreen vegetation shall be planted along the northern and eastern tower compound sides and also along the southern tower side on either side of the gate. The plant choice shall be evergreen trees or shrubs that grow at least 15 feet tall and will offer screening. Staff must approve of the plant choice and spacing. The plant sizes shall be at least 3 feet tall at planting.**

Standard Conditions:

1. Pay neighbor notification mailing fees of \$144.90 within 30 days of project approval. An invoice was emailed on 10.28.2014. Any extension must be approved by the Planning Office.
2. Pay Engineering Fees (if there are any) within 30 days of project approval. Any extension must be approved by the Planning Office.
3. Any further splitting or land development not considered with this approval must be reviewed by the Washington County Planning Board/Zoning Board of Adjustments.
4. This CUP must be ratified by the Quorum Court.
5. It is the applicant's responsibility to contact the Planning Office when inspections are needed.
6. All conditions shall be adhered to and completed in the appropriate time period set out by ordinance.
  - o This project requires additional review (Regular Communications Tower Review), and therefore, the applicant must submit for Regular Communication Tower Review within 12 months of this CUP project's ratification.

**ORDINANCE NO. 2014-\_\_**

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

**AN ORDINANCE AMENDING WASHINGTON  
COUNTY CODE 2.2 REGARDING SMOKING.**

**WHEREAS**, pursuant to Ordinance 96-37, the Quorum Court enacted certain prohibitions regarding smoking; and,

**WHEREAS**, such is in conflict with the Employee Handbook (April 13, 2000 revision); and,

**WHEREAS**, the Quorum Court desires to strengthen the County's anti-smoking policy.

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

**ARTICLE 1.** Washington County Code Section 2-2 is hereby amended to read as follows:

- (a) Smoking is prohibited in all buildings owned or building spaces leased by the County government ~~except in the Washington County detention facility wherein inmates are incarcerated.~~
- (b) Smoking will not be permitted in County owned vehicles ~~where there is more than one (1) person present.~~
- (c) Definitions.
  - (1) *County building* means any enclosed, indoor area which is owned, leased, or controlled by the County including, but not limited to, offices or other work areas, restrooms, and rooms in which a public meeting, hearing, or other official proceeding open to the public is in progress.
  - (2) *County vehicle* means any motor vehicle owned or controlled by the County.

- (3) *Smoking* means holding a lighted pipe, cigar, or cigarette of any kind, or lighting, or emitting or exhaling the smoke of a pipe, cigar, or cigarette of any kind, and includes use of any tobacco product and electronic cigarettes.
- (d) Signs shall be posted at each public entrance informing both employees and the public that smoking is prohibited.
- (e) The County may provide smoking education and cessation programs during work hours for employees wishing to stop smoking. This is an effort to promote a healthy attitude about the benefits of not smoking.
- (f) No employee who makes a formal complaint regarding smoking or rules governing smoking or nonsmoking shall be subject to discrimination or termination.
- (g) Enforcement. The County judge shall be responsible for enforcing the provisions of this section.
- (h) Penalty. The violation of any provision of this section shall be punishable by a fine of not less than ten dollars (\$10.00) and not more than one hundred dollars (\$100.00), except that an inadvertent first offender may be given a warning. Each day a violation of this section continues shall be a separate offense.

\_\_\_\_\_  
MARILYN EDWARDS, County Judge

\_\_\_\_\_  
DATE

\_\_\_\_\_  
BECKY LEWALLEN, County Clerk:

Sponsor: Eva Madison  
Date of Passage: \_\_\_\_\_  
Votes For: \_\_\_\_\_ Votes Against: \_\_\_\_\_  
Abstention: \_\_\_\_\_ Absent: \_\_\_\_\_

**47. SMOKING POLICY:**

---

- A. Washington County government is dedicated to providing a healthful, comfortable and protective environment for its employees and for citizens that visit county premises.
1. Smoking in county buildings and facilities is prohibited. Smoking will only be permitted outside and in open area buildings. Smoking will not be permitted where it poses a fire hazard.
  2. Smoking will not be permitted in county owned vehicles.
  3. Smoking means holding a lighted pipe, cigar, or cigarette of any kind, or lighting, or emitting or exhaling the smoke of a pipe, cigar, or cigarette of any kind, and includes use of any tobacco product and electronic cigarettes.

RESOLUTION NO. 2014-\_\_\_\_\_

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE QUORUM COURT OF THE COUNTY OF WASHINGTON, STATE OF ARKANSAS, A RESOLUTION TO BE ENTITLED:

A RESOLUTION RECOGNIZING A VACANCY IN QUORUM COURT DISTRICT TWO FOR 2015.

WHEREAS, Quorum Court District Two is currently held by Jimmy Mardis, who did not run for re-election; and,

WHEREAS, Robert Wilkinson won the Republican primary held on May 20, 2014, and did not have an opponent from the Democratic Party; and,

WHEREAS, Robert Wilkinson withdrew and his name did not appear on the ballot for the General Election held on November 4, 2014; and,

WHEREAS, a vacancy will exist as of January 1, 2015.

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

ARTICLE 1. That a vacancy is hereby declared to exist in Quorum Court District Two, effective January 1, 2015, and pursuant to Ark. Code Ann. 14-14-1310, the County Judge shall notify the Governor of such.

\_\_\_\_\_  
MARILYN EDWARDS, County Judge

\_\_\_\_\_  
DATE

\_\_\_\_\_  
BECKY LEWALLEN, County Clerk

Sponsor: \_\_\_\_\_  
Date of Passage: \_\_\_\_\_  
Votes For: \_\_\_\_\_ Votes Against: \_\_\_\_\_  
Abstention: \_\_\_\_\_ Absent: \_\_\_\_\_

FILED

2014 MAY 15 AM 8:37

CLERK OF SUPERIOR COURT  
CO. & PROBATE CLERK  
WASHINGTON CO. AR

May 14, 2014

To: Becky Lewallen

Regarding: Robert Wilkinson – 2014 candidacy for Justice of the Peace District 2

Please cancel my candidacy as I am no longer living in that district or in the county. If I need to do anything else, please let me know.

Thank you,



Robert Wilkinson  
479-236-3402

