

INDEPENDENCE COUNTY QUORUM COURT
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June 10, 2008

The Independence County Quorum Court met in its regular session on Monday, June 9, 2008, at 6:00 P.M. in the Jess B. Carpenter Building. Judge Bill Hicks presided. County Treasurer Linda Foreman and County Clerk Karen Wooldridge were present. Members of the Court present:

Tim Stewart
Deborah Wyatt
David McIntosh
Orville Arms

Robert Cuzzort James Damstaedter
Bill Cash
James McLean
Mike Hatfield

Hicks ask the Court to table the budget minutes until later in the meeting. Arms made a motion to approve the minutes of the previous meeting. Wyatt seconded. Motion carried.

The Sheriff's report was handed out. The Treasurers report was handed out with Ms. Foreman telling the Court that she had received an additional \$3,498.00 on Sales Tax Money for May.

Hatfield introduced Resolution 2008-08, a resolution of the Quorum Court of Independence County certifying local government endorsement of business to participate in the tax back program (as authorized by section 15-4-2706(d) of the Consolidated Incentive Act of 2003). The Clerk read the resolution in its entirety. Cuzzort seconded. Motion carried.

Arms introduced Ordinance 2008-10, an ordinance regarding to the regulation of salvage yards and/or recyclers within Independence County. The ordinance was read in its entirety by the Clerk. Hatfield then seconded. J. W. McLarty from Newport who is an attorney that represents JW Scrape Yard spoke to the court. After much discussion, Eric Hance advised the court that the ordinance should be tabled. Arms then withdrew his motion.

Cash introduced Ordinance 2008-11, an ordinance amending ordinance 2007-56 and the annual budget for 2008 for the purpose of appropriating supplemental funds to the county general fund, with said funds to be derived from community service charges; establishing a new line-item; amending anticipated revenues; and for other purposes for the calendar year 2008. The clerk read the ordinance in its entirety. Stewart seconded. Motion carried.

Cuzzort introduced Ordinance 2008-12, an ordinance amending ordinance 2007-56 and the annual budget for 2008, as amended, for the purpose of transferring funds between line-items, and categories, in the juvenile detention center fund; and for other purposes for the calendar year 2008. The clerk read the ordinance in its entirety. Wyatt seconded. Motion carried.

Wyatt introduced Ordinance 2008-13, an ordinance authorizing the financing of certain equipment to be used by Independence County, authorizing the execution and delivery of a promissory note between Independence County, Arkansas and White River Planning and Development District, Inc., authorizing and prescribing other matters relating to the equipment and the purchase thereof. The clerk read the ordinance in its entirety. Arms seconded. Motion carried.

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McIntosh made a motion to approve the minutes of the Budget meeting held on June 2, 2008. Hicks then told the court the contents of the meeting. Arms seconded. All voted yea with the exception of McLean who voted Nay. Minutes were approved.

McIntosh introduced Ordinance 2008-14, an ordinance amending ordinance 2007-56 and the annual budget for 2008, as amended, the county general contingency fund and the county road contingency fund, for the purpose of authorizing transfer of funds to the solid waste fund for collection budget purposes; amending the county contingency funds and county road contingency fund amending the solid waste fund anticipated revenues for 2008; and for other purposes and declaring an emergency. The clerk read the ordinance in its entirety. Cuzzort seconded. Motion carried.

Cash introduced Ordinance 2008-15, an ordinance establishing a trash collection service charge within Independence County... The clerk read the ordinance in its entirety. Cuzzort seconded. Stewart asked Eric Hance if he had heard anything back from the letter sent to I.E.S.I... Hance stated that he had not. Arms then made a motion to suspend the rules and have the three readings tonight. Cash seconded. Those voting Yea: Arms, Cuzzort and Cash. Those voting Nay: Stewart, Wyatt, McIntosh, Darmstaedter, Hatfield and McLean. Motion failed.

McIntosh then made a motion to have an Audit done from July, 1995 until the last day the County operated the Transfer Station in 2006. McLean told the court that they needed to check the cost of an audit. McIntosh then amending his motion to have the firm of Hughes and Welch to give an estimate on the cost of an audit. Stewart seconded. Motion carried.

Mr. Bill Hoskins spoke to the court during Citizens Comments about the Solid Waste Problem.

Darmstaedter made a motion to adjourn. Meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully Submitted,



Karen Wooldridge
Independence County Clerk