

**TENTATIVE AGENDA  
INDEPENDENCE COUNTY QUORUM COURT  
REGULAR MEETING**

**Jess B. Carpenter Building  
Juvenile Courtroom**

**April 14, 2008  
6:00 P.M.**

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**I. CALL TO ORDER**

- A. Pledge of Allegiance (Mrs. Wyatt )
- B. Invocation (Mr. Barnett)

**II. APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

- A. March 10, 2008 Regular Meeting

**III. SPECIAL REPORT/PRESENTATIONS**

- A. Sheriff's Report (Sheriff Keith Bowers)  
Sheriff Bowers to present amendment to the Newark Interlocal Agreement
- B. Treasurer's Report (Treasurer Linda Foreman)
- C. Discussion on the Resolution pertaining to the campaign against sexual exploitation.
- D. Recycling Report Ms. Claudette Parks
- E. Independence County Coalition for Wellness Ms. Debbie O'Neal
- F. Request from Judge Chaney Taylor

**IV. NEW BUSINESS**

(Mr. McLean)

**RESOLUTION 2008-05** A RESOLUTION OF THE COUNTY OF INDEPENDENCE 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.)

(Mr. Arms)

**ORDINANCE NO. 2008-07** AN ORDINANCE AMENDING ORDINANCE NO 2007-56 AND THE ANNUAL BUDGET FOR 2008, AS AMENDED, FOR THE PURPOSE OF TRANSFERRING FUNDS BETWEEN LINE-ITEMS, IN THE COUNTY GENERAL FUND AND JUVENILE DETENTION CENTER FUND; APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES FOR THE CALENDAR YEAR 2008.

**V. BUDGET MATTERS**

**VI. CITIZENS COMMENTS**

**VII. ADJOURNMENT**

INDEPENDENCE COUNTY QUORUM COURT  
JOURNAL OF PROCEEDINGS

March 11, 2008

The Independence County Quorum Court meets in its regular session on Monday, March 10, 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 present:

Tim Stewart	Robert Cuzzort
Deborah Wyatt	Mike Hatfield
David McIntosh	Bill Cash
Orville Arms	Charles Barnett
James Darmstaedter	James McLean

Arms made a motion to approve the minutes of the previous meetings. Stewart seconded. Motion carried.

The treasurer's report was handed out.

Cash introduced Resolution 2008-3, a resolution authorizing the County Judge and County Clerk to enter into an architectural agreement with Lee and Associates Architects for the White River Juvenile Detention Center facility expansion. The clerk read the resolution in its entirety. Darmstaedter seconded. Motion carried. Barnett then advised the court about his meeting with cash and Jim Starzy in which they reviewed the bids received for the architectural agreement and decided that the bid from Lee & Associates would be the best to recommend to the Court. They had not touched on the financial bids yet. After discussion on the financial bids, Barnett made a motion for the court to accept the Citizens Bank bid. McLean seconded and motion carried.

McIntosh introduced Resolution 2008-04, a resolution authorizing the County Judge of Independence County to apply for a grant on behalf of the Union Hill Thida Volunteer Fire Department. The clerk read the resolution in its entirety. Hatfield seconded. Motion carried.

Cuzzort introduced Ordinance 2008-5, an ordinance amending ordinance 2007-56 and the annual budget for 2008, as amended, for the purpose of establishing a fund in the books of the county and a budget division entitled "UACCB Child Care Project Fund," anticipating and appropriating funds therefore; and for other purposes for the calendar year 2008. The Clerk read the ordinance in its entirety. Stewart seconded. Motion carried.

Barnett introduced Ordinance 2008-6, an ordinance amending ordinance 2007-56 and the annual budget for 2008 for the purpose of deleting the assistant jail supervisor's position in the county jail and adjusting the county jail supervisor's salary; and for other purposes for the calendar year 2008. The clerk read the ordinance in its entirety. Arms seconded. Motion carried.

Hicks told the court that they would find a copy of a sample resolution in their packets to read over and discuss at next month's meeting. Stewart told the court that this was in regards to a national campaign against sexual exploitation against children. Hicks said that copies would be forwarded to Sheriff and Prosecuting Attorney also.

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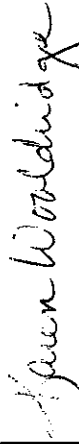
County Attorney Eric Hance told the Court that he had made contact with IESI Inc. about terminating the contract as had been requested of him by the court at an earlier meeting, but to date had not heard back from IESI, Inc. There were several questions and much discussion on this matter.

Mr. Bill Hoskins spoke to the court regarding the solid waste problem citing that this did not happen overnight, pointing out to recycling as a possible solution.

Two persons running for the Circuit Clerk's position introduced themselves to the court. They were Debbie Finley and Marcia Young.

Without further questions or comments, meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully Submitted,



Karen Wooldridge  
Independence County Clerk

Transfer Station Monthly Report 2008

Month	IESI	Total Tons	County Trash Trucks	Class IV Tons	Drop off Trash Tons	Class IV City Ton's	Drop off Class IV
January	\$46,058.69	1,046.22	856.61	104.12	7.39	39.13	38.97
February	\$42,058.93	954.12	546.45	318.46	8.88	43.25	37.08
March	\$47,695.99	1,015.18	533.64	287.34	33.05	85.64	75.51
April							
May							
June							
July							
August							
September							
October							
November							
December							
<b>Totals</b>	<b>\$135,813.61</b>	<b>3,015.52</b>	<b>1936.7</b>	<b>709.92</b>	<b>49.32</b>	<b>168.02</b>	<b>151.56</b>

Transfer Station Monthly Report 2007

Month	IESI	Total Tons	County Trash Trucks	Transfer Account Tons	Class 4 Tons	Drive in's Tons	City Ton's
January	\$ 53,599.68	1,272.55	943.22	2243.02	110.71	0	949.22
February	\$ 45,249.66	1,138.76	695.19	1674.21	120.57	0	693.7
March	\$ 49,915.31	1,215.45	868.25	0	184.73	162.42	0
April	\$ 41,893.96	1,015.41	594.8	0	332.04	88.57	0
May	\$ 53,617.00	1217.89	663.62	0	407.75	175.12	0
June	\$ 49,290.38	1107.05	697	0	492.3	66.94	0
July	\$ 47,285.21	1088.77	682.8	0	368.87	49.77	0
August	\$ 52,021.24	1202	662	0	515	25	0
September	\$ 43,061.21	994.22	590.6	0	352.82	50.8	0
October	\$ 55,970.64	1270.69	778.4	0	391.12	94.72	0
November	\$ 46,533.79	950.05	546.45	0	389.13	75.04	0
December	\$ 41,948.31	950.86	570.46	0	358.76	21.64	0
Totals	\$ 580,386.39	13,423.70	8292.79	3917.23	4023.8	810.02	1642.92

# MeadowLand Media

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April 2, 2008

County Judge Bill Hicks and the Members of the Quorum Court,

MeadowLand Media has been filming and broadcasting the Batesville City Council meetings since February of 2007. We have been approached by several citizens and business members about the possibility of doing the same for the Quorum Court meetings.

At this time we would like to ask your permission to be present at all meetings, film these meetings and broadcast them on SuddenLink Cable 6.

We never edit out meeting footage although any objectionable outburst may be audio censored as law requires, but outside of this no other content is omitted.

You may feel free to contact Mayor Rick Elumbaugh or any council member should you have any concerns about how this may effect the standard business of your meetings. I do believe that you will find that we are as unobtrusive as possible. I feel that the council members have been pleased with the broadcast coverage as well as the response from the public.

We will gladly meet with you at your convenience to answer any questions you may have. We do look forward to hearing from you soon.

Sincerely,



Joseph Thomas and Kimberlee Thomas  
MeadowLand Media

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# Independence County Needle Disposal Safety Guidelines

The Arkansas Department of Health, in conjunction with the Independence County Waste Department, has provided this handout to assist you with the safe and proper disposal of sharps generated in your home. Improperly disposed sharps and broken glass can put your waste collectors and waste handlers at risk for injury, which has become a growing problem in Independence County. Below are some suggested guidelines:

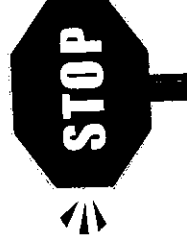
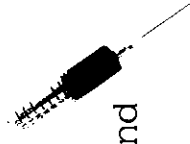
## Safe Needle Accumulation

### DO's

- Use puncture-proof rigid containers such as bleach bottles, laundry detergent bottles with tight fitting screw top lids.
- Place syringe with needle directly into container immediately after use and replace screw cap lid securely.

### DON'TS

- Don't bend or break needles.
- Don't recap needles.
- Don't remove needles from syringes.



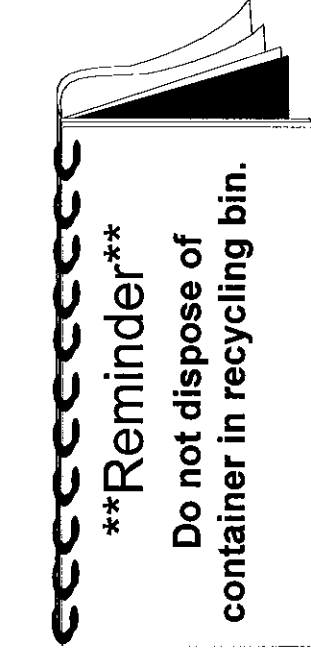
## Safe Disinfection and Disposal

### DO's

- Use containers that are made of strong metal or plastic.
- Use containers that have a small opening on top with a lid that screw on tightly so as to prevent spills.
- When container is 2/3 full add 2 ounces of bleach to container and then add water to fill the container. Allow to sit for 10 minutes and then pour liquid out, reseal container, double bag and place in regular trash.

### DON'TS

- Don't use glass containers.
- Don't use lightweight plastic containers.
- Don't dispose of a full container in recycling bins. If a recyclable container is filled with sharps, it is no longer recyclable.



### Disposal

- Step 1. Place tight fitting lid on container.
- Step 2. Secure lid with heavy tape.
- Step 3. Double bag and dispose in regular garbage bin.



## Disposal of Broken Glass

- Broken glass should be placed in a rigid container or box before placing in regular garbage. Sharp, jagged edges cut through garbage bags, which in turn, pose a risk for the solid waste workers.



## DISTRICT COURT OF INDEPENDENCE COUNTY

Chaney Taylor  
DISTRICT JUDGE

549 WEST MAIN  
BATESVILLE ARKANSAS 72501  
PH. (870) 793-8817 • FAX (870) 793-8875

Donna Gay  
DISTRICT CLERK

March 28, 2008

To Independence County Quorum Court

Re: Needing to hire a full time Deputy Clerk.

Reasons why:

The District Judge is now a full time position.

We have taken on the duties of Barbara Chandler from the Sheriff's office, which is entering all the tickets and taking the majority of all fine money.

Our case load has increased.

Civil Claims filing limit has increased from \$5,000.00 to \$25,000.00.

We are planning to start taking credit cards.

We are in the process of going to a new computer system. The new system is called ACS Context Case Management System. The Administrative Office of the Courts holds the statewide license for this software. We will start training on this system April 28, 2008, in Little Rock at the Administrative Office of the Courts computer Lab.

It would be beneficial for us and a new clerk to train along with us.

Thank you,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Chaney Taylor", is written over a horizontal line.

Chaney Taylor  
Independence County District Judge

RESOLUTION NO. 2008-05

A RESOLUTION OF THE COUNTY OF INDEPENDENCE 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).

WHEREAS, in order to be considered for participation in the Tax Back Program, the local government must endorse a business to participate in the Tax Back Program; and

WHEREAS, the local government must authorize the refund of local sales and use taxes as provided in the Consolidated Incentive Act of 2003; and

WHEREAS, said endorsement must be made on specific form available from the Arkansas Department of Economic Development; and

WHEREAS, Pilgrims Pride located at 1420 St. Louis Street, Batesville, AR 72501 has sought to participate in the program and more specifically has requested benefits accruing from Pilgrims Pride, 1420 St. Louis Street, Batesville, AR 72501 of the specific facility; and

WHEREAS, Pilgrims Pride has agreed to furnish the local government all necessary information for compliance.

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

1. Pilgrims Pride be endorsed by the Quorum Court of Independence County for benefits from the sales & use tax refund as provided by Section 15-4-2706(d) of the Consolidated Incentive Act of 2003.
2. The Department of Finance and Administration is authorized to refund local sales and use taxes to Pilgrims Pride.
3. This resolution shall take effect immediately.

Date Passed: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_  
County Judge

Attest: \_\_\_\_\_  
County Clerk

AMENDING APPROPRIATION ORDINANCE

BE IT ENACTED BY THE QUORUM COURT OF THE COUNTY OF INDEPENDENCE,  
STATE OF ARKANSAS,

AN ORDINANCE TO BE ENTITLED:

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING ORDINANCE NO 2007-56 AND THE ANNUAL BUDGET  
FOR 2008, AS AMENDED, FOR THE PURPOSE OF TRANSFERRING FUNDS  
BETWEEN LINE-ITEMS, IN THE COUNTY GENERAL FUND AND JUVENILE  
DETENTION CENTER FUND; APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR; AND FOR  
OTHER PURPOSES FOR THE CALENDAR YEAR 2008.

SECTION 1. Ordinance No 2007-56 and the Annual Budget for 2008, as amended, are hereby amended for the purpose of transferring funds between line-items, in the County General, within the County Clerk's Budget and Juvenile Detention Center Fund/Budget; according to the following schedule of transfers attached hereto as pages 2 and made a part of this ordinance as though set out word for word.

SECTION 2. Transfers within certain budgets and categories are hereby authorized for the following:

FUND/Budget

COUNTY GENERAL

County Clerk

JUVENILE DETENTION CENTER FUND

Note: The Transfers contained in this ordinance does not increase the County General Fund nor the Juvenile Detention Center Fund.

SECTION 3. Severability. If any part of this ordinance shall be held void, such part shall be deemed severable, and the invalidity thereof shall not affect the remaining parts of this ordinance.

SECTION 4. All Ordinance and parts of ordinances in conflict with this ordinance are hereby repealed.

DATED: \_\_\_\_\_ APPROVED: \_\_\_\_\_

ATTEST: \_\_\_\_\_  
County Clerk

<u>BUDGET &amp; Category</u> <u>Line-Item Name</u>	<u>Amount</u> <u>Transferred</u>	<u>Amended</u> <u>Line-Item</u>	<u>T O</u> <u>Line-Item</u>	<u>Amended</u> <u>Line-Item</u>
<u>Line-Item Name</u>	<u>Line-Item</u>	<u>Approp.</u>	<u>Category</u>	<u>Approp.</u>

COUNTY GENERAL FUND

County Clerk				
Capitol Outlay	\$ 998.15	\$ 4,826.85	(01-0293-0)	(01-0217-0)
Machinery & Equipment				\$ 1,398.15

JUVENILE DETENTION CENTER FUND

Juvenile Detention Center				
Capitol Outlay	\$ 2,000.00	\$ 28,000.00	(91-8199-8)	(91-8104-0) *
Pmt to Juvenile Detention Depreciation				\$ 2,000.00

\* New line-item established