

Garland County, Arkansas  
Special Joint **Finance** and Human Resources Committee Meeting  
Minutes  
January 6, 2020

Finance Members Present: Chairman McKee, Vice- Chairman Braziel, Justice Horner, Anderson, Hunter, and Raney

Members Absent: Justice Owen

Also Present: Citizens, Elected Officials, Staff, and Media

Chairman McKee called the meeting to order and asked Justice McGrew to start the meeting with a prayer.

Chairman McKee introduced a resolution to purchase goods or services exempt from soliciting bids as authorized by A.C.A §14-22-106 (21). A motion for do pass was made by Justice Raney and seconded by Justice Anderson. Chairman McKee asked for questions or discussion, with none the motion passed without opposition.

Chairman McKee introduced a resolution to authorize the Prosecuting Attorney to apply for a matching Edward Byrne Memorial Justice Assistance Grant. This grant requires a 20% local match. A motion for do pass was made by Justice Anderson and seconded by Justice Raney. Chairman McKee asked for questions or discussion, with none the motion passed without opposition.

Chairman McKee introduced a resolution to authorize the Division II Circuit Court to apply for a Juvenile Accountability Court Grant for a Drug Court program. No match required. A motion for do pass was made by Justice Raney and seconded by Justice Braziel. Chairman McKee asked for questions or discussion, with none the motion passed without opposition.

Chairman McKee introduced a resolution to authorize the Division II Circuit Court to apply for a Juvenile Accountability Court Grant for a Teen Court program. No match required. A motion for do pass was made by Justice Braziel and seconded by Justice Raney. Chairman McKee asked for questions or discussion, with none the motion passed without opposition.

Chairman McKee introduced an ordinance to amend the 2020 Budget Ordinance O-19-54, to anticipate revenues and appropriate funds in various budgets.

- a. The Sheriff received \$1,606.12 for one month of the National School Lunch Program and would like it appropriated in the Juvenile Detention Budget.
- b. The Sheriff would like to bring \$34,401.00 forward from the 2019 budget to the 2020 beginning balance in the Sheriff's budget to pay for a vehicle that was ordered but not completed before 2019.
- c. The Sheriff would like to pay \$5,005.45 back to the OMH Sale Fund with reimbursements received by the Bulletproof Vest Federal Grants Fund revenues.
- d. The County Judge would like to bring \$52,425.00 forward from the 2019 budget to the 2020 beginning balance in the County Road budget to pay for a vehicle that was ordered but not completed before 2019.
- e. The Jessieville VFD was awarded a \$12,000.00 grant for equipment.

- f. The Prosecuting Attorney would like to appropriate \$23,955.66 to special legal from the VOCA Grant Fund to pay for legal services.

A motion for do pass was made by Justice Raney and seconded by Justice Braziel. Chairman McKee asked for questions or discussion, with none the motion passed without opposition.

Chairman McKee introduced an appropriation ordinance to amend the 2019 Budget Ordinance O-18-56, to anticipate revenues and appropriate/transfer funds in various budgets.

- g. The Office of Emergency Management purchased a replacement piece of equipment for \$5,994.00, and the City of Hot Springs agreed to reimburse the General Fund.
- h. Judge Naramore received \$1,000.00 for the Juvenile Court Incentive Program Grant funded by the Hot Springs Future Fund Endowment though the Community Foundation.

Chairman McKee asked DEM Director Bo Robertson to explain the need for the appropriation. Mr. Robertson told the committee that in 2017 this equipment was dropped off Oaklawn during an exercise, and it has taken this long to get a commitment for a replacement. A motion for do pass was made by Justice Owen and seconded by Justice Braziel. Chairman McKee asked for questions or discussion, with none the motion passed without opposition.

Chairman McKee introduced Cole McCaskill with Hot Springs Metro Partnership, and he presented the report. A motion for do pass was made by Justice Horner and seconded by Justice Raney. Chairman McKee asked for questions or discussion, with none the motion passed without opposition.

Chairman McKee introduced the Position and Salary Adjustments, Overtime, Sales Tax, and Oaklawn Revenue report. There was some discussion on each report.

Adjourned.

Respectfully Submitted,

Susan Ashmore, CPA  
Garland County Comptroller

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Human Resource Members Present: Chairman Anderson, Vice- Chairman Reagan, Justice Horner, McGrew, Faulkner, and Raney

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Chairman Anderson called the meeting to order and brought the first item up for consideration. A revision to the Garland County Personnel Policy changing the pay period from biweekly to semimonthly. Judge Mahoney explained the leap year issue and the 27 pay periods. Comptroller Ashmore presented a PowerPoint on the changes and the reasons for these changes. There was some discussion. A motion for do pass was made by Justice Raney and seconded by Justice Reagan. Chairman Anderson asked for questions or discussion, with none the motion passed with Justice Faulkner voting against, Reagan, Horner, McGrew, and Raney voting for.

Chairman Anderson introduced a request from the Prosecuting Attorney to create one full-time Domestic Violence Coordinator Assistant position within the VOCA grant. Prosecuting Attorney, Michelle Lawrence spoke to the Committee regarding the new position. A motion for do pass was made by Justice Faulkner and seconded by Justice McGrew. Chairman Anderson asked for questions or discussion, with none the motion passed without opposition.

Chairman Anderson asked for a motion to approve the emergency clause on the Personnel Policy changes. Justice Raney made a motion for do pass and seconded by Justice Reagan. Chairman Anderson asked for questions or discussion, with none the motion passed with Justice Faulkner voting against, Reagan, Horner, McGrew, and Raney voting for.

Adjourned.

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