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2nd - Lemings

**VAN BUREN COUNTY QUORUM COURT**

**JOURNAL OF PROCEEDINGS**

**January 16, 2020**

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The Van Buren County Court met Thursday, January 16, 2020 at the Van Buren County Courthouse Annex in Clinton, Arkansas for the regular monthly meeting, with Judge James presiding. Members of the Quorum Court attending were Justice of the Peace N. Brown, Linn, Bass, Holt, S. Brown, Philips, Bradford, Tatum, and Lemings. Also attending were Pam Bradford, County Clerk, and Attorney Carol Crews.

Next: PRAYER: Given by J.P. Holt.

Next: PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE: Was recited by all

Next: ROLL CALL: Eight present. J.P. Linn attended late.

Next: MINUTES: J.P. Philips motioned to accept the minutes of December 19, 2019 as printed. J.P. Lemings seconded the motion. Judge James asked for discussion, there was none. The minutes were approved unanimously.

Next: TREASURER'S REPORT: J.P. Holt made a motion to accept the Treasurer's report as printed, J.P. Tatum seconded the motion. Judge James asked for any discussion. There was none. The Treasurer's report was approved unanimously.

Next: APPROPRIATION ANALYSIS: J.P. N. Brown made a motion to accept the Appropriation Analysis as printed, J.P. S. Brown seconded the motion. Judge James asked for any discussion. There was none. The Appropriation Analysis was approved unanimously.

Next: COUNTY ROAD AND EQUIPMENT REPORT: Ian Thompson read the County Road Report.  
[Report Attached]

Next: SHERIFF'S REPORT: Sheriff Lucas Emberton gave the sheriff's report. [Attached]

Next: The quorum court nominated Mary Philips to be the delegate for the Arkansas Associate of Quorum Courts. J.P. Holt motioned to approve. All "I".

Next: Ms. Hazlewood stated the jail stated the jail is in noncompliance because of structure, classification, and staffing and suggested some changes be made.

**NEW BUSINESS:**

- A. NEXT: J.P. HOLT READ AN ORDINANCE TO CREATE A CDL DRIVER POSITION IN COUNTY ROADS, TO INCREASE REVENUE, AND APPROPRIATE FUNDS INTO THE VAN BUREN

**COUNTY ROAD DEPARTMENT BUDGET FUND 2000.** After reading the ordinance, J.P. Holt made a motion to adopt, seconded by J.P. Philips. J.P. S Brown moved to suspend the rules to read the 2<sup>nd</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup> readings by title only, seconded by J.P. Holt. Judge James asked for any discussion. The ordinance was approved and given **No. 2020-01.**

- B. NEXT: J.P. N BROWN READ AN APPROPRIATION ORDINANCE TO AMEND THE ORIGINAL APPROPRIATION ORDINANCE #2019-55, THE ANNUAL OPERATING BUDGET FOR 2020, AND APPROPRIATE FUNDS INTO THE VAN BUREN COUNTY LIBRARY BUDGET FUND.** After reading the ordinance, J.P. N. Brown made a motion to adopt, seconded by J.P. Linn. Judge James asked for any discussion. There was none. The ordinance was approved and given **No. 2020-02.**
- C. NEXT: J.P. TATUM READ AN ORDINANCE TO CREATE A DEPUTY SHERIFF POSITION AND TO TRANSFER MONIES WITHIN THE SHERIFF'S BUDGET #1000-400 TO COVER THE SALARY AND BENEFITS.** After reading the ordinance, J.P. Tatum made a motion to adopt, seconded by J.P. N. Brown. J.P. Philips moved to suspend the rules to read the 2<sup>nd</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup> readings of the ordinance by title only, seconded by J.P. Holt. Judge James asked for any discussion. There was none. The ordinance was approved and given **No. 2020-03.**
- 1. NEXT: J.P. PHILIPS READ A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE COUNTY JUDGE OF VAN BUREN COUNTY TO APPLY FOR A GRANT ON BEHALF OF THE COUNTY.** After reading the ordinance, J.P. Philips made a motion to adopt, seconded by J.P. N. Brown. Judge James asked for any discussion. There was none. The resolution was approved and given **No. 2020-01.**

**TRANSFERS:**

J.P. Holt made a motion to dispense the audible reading of the transfer, seconded by J.P. S. Brown. The motion was voted on and passed.

J.P. Holt motioned to approve the transfers, seconded by J.P. Lemings. The motion passed.

"All I", the transfers were approved.

Meeting adjourned.

Pam Bradford, Van Buren County Clerk

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# County Roads and Equipment Report

## January, 2020

*road by:  
Alan  
Thompson*

January 10<sup>th</sup> brought heavy storms to the county which put to test some of the fixes which have been applied to the county road system:

The Dean Road bridge worked perfectly without overflow or washout. We estimate that the improvements there could handle twice the rain we experienced this time without any damage to the roadway.

The concrete slab (flow-over) on Round Springs Road worked perfectly and could have handled much more flow than we experienced.

The Old Highway 9 project worked amazingly well. That area could have handled much, much more.

Buttercreek Road, in addition to the new bridge, we installed a lot of additional drainage and built the road up on the gravel road part. Efforts there worked perfectly.

Moore's Lake Road had one area which washed out. We were concerned about that area because, to drain the road off correctly, would put water directly into someone's house. We will go back and trench/drain that area to protect both the road and the house.

Watson Road project... the road was draining water into someone's house. The fix worked.

We have several more places to apply permanent fixes but we are eager and excited to move ahead knowing our efforts are paying off.

We have a plan for road improvements in 2020. That plan is on a map in the hallway outside the County Judge's Office.

Because we are in the rainy season, we are trying our best to "not fix what isn't broken." Graders are being methodical in where they blade as to fix the road without creating future issues with muddy and soft roadways.

Brush work is continuing non-stop.

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**Patrol Activity Log**

	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Totals
Domestic:	21	15	20	21	15	24	21	19	25	20	33	29	263
Domestic Assist	16	12	12	36	18	24	19	8	14	26	27	18	230
Animal Calls	42	40	61	41	48	35	36	65	62	47	49	41	567
Papers Served	73	87	39	49	86	31	101	75	40	66	46	73	766
Transports	37	62	89	66	66	68	99	81	65	91	105	42	871
Federal Transports			22	1	5	13	11	1	1	2	4	5	65
Accidents Investigated	9	17	12	18	16	15	16	22	29	13	11	14	192
Welfare Checks	15	22	16	16	12	10	13	14	14	25	16	19	192
Vin Verification	5	5	3	2	4	2	0	0	3	5	0	9	38
Alarm Calls	15	17	12	16	10	27	21	14	26	17	14	20	209
Fire Calls	11	12	9	7	6	4	3	5	8	7	6	7	85
Assist Motorist	44	37	20	31	44	24	34	28	59	35	35	44	435
Traffic Stops	359	307	259	319	257	288	351	312	424	424	412	410	4122
Arrests	58	51	69	55	43	71	117	52	66	65	85	77	809
Other Calls/Contacts	301	233	424	499	196	147	283	244	358	228	339	409	3661
<b>TOTALS</b>	<b>1006</b>	<b>917</b>	<b>1067</b>	<b>1177</b>	<b>1040</b>	<b>783</b>	<b>1125</b>	<b>940</b>	<b>1194</b>	<b>1071</b>	<b>1182</b>	<b>1217</b>	<b>12719</b>

Hours in Court	69	125	89	73	72	95	122	108	91	129	89	94	1156
Citations	101	100	111	92	64	57	71	94	80	118	82	65	1035

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\*\*\* Month of June counts were with 2 Officers on Admin leave and 3 SRO's out of school  
 For average Animal Control was added in for Animal calls @ 322  
 9249 + 322 = 9571 calls/contacts/

CID Activity Log

	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec
Misdemeanor	24											
Drug Violations	4	3	5	9	4	5	3	5	10	9	6	
Personal	7	19	16	12	15	10	12	15	10	9	13	
Property	12	4	13	13	8	10	7	8	4	10	5	
Felony	27											
Drug Violations	5	11	14	5	10	13	10	16	14	7	11	
Personal	11	11	8	4	13	11	5	6	17	32	8	
Property	11	9	22	13	9	6	3	3	7	5	8	
Felony Arrests	6	8	20	13	7	8	16	8	23	17	28	29
DWI's	6			0	0		0	0	0	0	0	0
CID Call Outs	10	13	3	8	4	7	4	7	4	6	2	
Search Warrants						14	5	2	5	6	2	
Misc contacts	11	39		0	0		0	0	0	0	0	
Seizures			3	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	
Complaint Cards			334	386	372	349	282	385	363	365	327	
TOTAL	57	85	129	431	457	443	441	339	470	451	477	411

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# Animal Control Log

	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	TYD Totals
VBC County													
Calls		30	42	22	29	15	25	50	38	27	36	20	334
Dog pick up		4	19	4	21	3	67	0	6	1	1	4	130
cats		0	4	4	0	2	0	0	3	0	0	0	13
tickets written						3	3	1	0	0	2	0	9
City													
Calls		5	10	9	9	10	7	10	11	8	11	6	96
Dog Pick up		1	3		2	2	11	16	5	2	2	1	45
Cats		1	11		5	8	0	0	1	1	0	0	27
Pig				1		0			0	0	0	0	1
tickets written						0	0	0	0	6	0	0	6
Total Calls		35	52	31	38	25	32	60	49	35	47	26	430
Total Dog pick ups		5	22	4	23	11	78	16	11	3	3	5	181
Total Cat pick ups		1	15	4	5	10	0	0	4	1	0	0	40
Total Pig pick ups				1					0	0	0	0	1
Total tickets written						3	3	1	0	6	2	0	15

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# Detention Center Log

	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec
<b>Intake</b>												
VBC	76	78	107	82	74	93	82	99	93	100	105	99
FFB	4	2	5	4	5	5	4	4	1	5	5	2
CPD	7	10	10	12	7	12	12	8	5	6	7	16
DAM											3	0
FED		6	14	1	2	6	6	1	1	0	0	1
<b>TOTAL Intake</b>	<b>87</b>	<b>96</b>	<b>136</b>	<b>99</b>	<b>88</b>	<b>116</b>	<b>104</b>	<b>112</b>	<b>100</b>	<b>111</b>	<b>120</b>	<b>118</b>
<b>Release</b>												
VBC	43	70	85	86	68	89	77	97	86	107	92	129
FFB	3	2	3	5	5	5	4	4	1	5	4	2
CPD	10	11	9	11	9	9	12	7	4	3	9	17
DAM											3	0
FED		3	7	5	2	2	3	1	1	2	2	43
<b>TOTAL Release</b>	<b>56</b>	<b>86</b>	<b>104</b>	<b>107</b>	<b>84</b>	<b>105</b>	<b>96</b>	<b>109</b>	<b>92</b>	<b>117</b>	<b>110</b>	<b>191</b>
<b>Current inmates</b>	<b>42</b>	<b>63</b>	<b>63</b>	<b>60</b>	<b>64</b>	<b>65</b>	<b>70</b>	<b>66</b>	<b>70</b>	<b>67</b>	<b>86</b>	<b>80</b>
includes 309's	6	6	6	6	6	6	6	6	6	6	6	7
includes FED	6	14	15	18	14	19	21	19	19	19	17	17

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# Det charge to city Log

	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun
Intake						
FFB	n/a	\$ 106.00	\$ 424.00	\$ 318.00	\$ 159.00	\$ 159.00
CPD	n/a	\$ 1,272.00	\$ 848.00	\$ 583.00	\$ 318.00	\$ 265.00
DAM	n/a	\$ -	\$ 53.00	\$ -		
TOTAL Intake	0	\$ 1,378.00	\$ 1,325.00	\$ 901.00	\$ 477.00	\$ 424.00
		Received	Received	Received	Received	Received
	July	Aug	Sept	Oct	Nov	Dec
Intake						
FFB	\$ 477.00	\$ 212.00	\$ 53.00	\$ 424.00	\$ 265.00	\$ 2,385.00
CPD	\$ 530.00	\$ 424.00	\$ 159.00	\$ 318.00	\$ 795.00	\$ 3,604.00
DAM		\$ 53.00	\$ -		\$ 265.00	
TOTAL Intake	\$ 1,007.00	\$ 689.00	\$ 212.00	\$ 742.00	\$ 1,325.00	\$ 5,989.00
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Motion - Holt  
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STATE OF ARKANSAS }  
COUNTY OF VAN BUREN } SS.  
I, PAM BRADFORD, County Clerk, do hereby certify that the foregoing instrument is a  
true and correct copy of the original document as appears in Book 20 of 12-15 on this 20 day of March, 2020  
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Pam Bradford County Clerk  
By: Amanda Mitchell D.C.

**VAN BUREN COUNTY QUORUM COURT**  
**JOURNAL OF PROCEEDINGS**  
**February 20, 2020**

The Van Buren County Court met Thursday, February 20, 2020 at the Van Buren County Courthouse Annex in Clinton, Arkansas for the regular monthly meeting, with Judge James presiding. Members of the Quorum Court attending were Justice of the Peace N. Brown, Bass, Holt, S. Brown, Philips, Bradford, Tatum, and Lemings. Also attending were Pam Bradford, County Clerk, and Attorney Carol Crews.

**Next: PRAYER:** Given by Judge James.

**Next: PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:** Was recited by all

**Next: ROLL CALL** J.P. Linn was absent.

**Next: MINUTES:** J.P. Holt motioned to accept the minutes of January 16, 2020 as printed. J.P. Lemings seconded the motion. Judge James asked for discussion, there was none. The minutes were approved unanimously.

**Next: TREASURER'S REPORT:** J.P. Tatum made a motion to accept the Treasurer's report as printed, J.P. Philips seconded the motion. Judge James asked for any discussion. There was none. The Treasurer's report was approved unanimously.

**Next: APPROPRIATION ANALYSIS:** J.P. N. Brown made a motion to accept the Appropriation Analysis as printed, J.P. Holt seconded the motion. Judge James asked for any discussion. There was none. The Appropriation Analysis was approved unanimously.

**Next:** Judge James entertained a motion to suspend the rules to dispense of the audible readings of the county boards to expedite the process in order to accommodate a grievance hearing following quorum court. J.P. Holt motioned, seconded by J.P. Tatum. The motion was voted on and passed.

**NEW BUSINESS:**

- A. **NEXT: J.P. S. BROWN READ AN APPROPRIATION ORDINANCE TO AMEND THE ORIGINAL APPROPRIATION ORDINANCE #2019-55, THE ANNUAL OPERATING BUDGET FOR 2020, TO INCREASE THE PROJECTED REVENUE AND APPROPRIATE \$1,000.00 INTO THE JUVENILE COURT BUDGET #1000-414-3103 GRANTS.** After reading the ordinance, J.P. S. Brown made a motion to adopt, seconded by J.P. N. Brown. Judge James asked for any discussion. There was none. The ordinance was approved and given **No. 2020-04.**

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- B. **NEXT: J.P. N. BROWN READ AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND THE ORIGINAL APPROPRIATION ORDINANCE #2019-55 , THE ANNUAL OPERATING BUDGET FOR 2020, TO INCREASE THE PROJECTED REVENUE IN COUNTY GENERAL AND APPROPRIATE #389.50 INTO THE DETENTION CENTER BUDGET #1000-418 AND \$6,460.39 INTO THE SHERIFF'F OFFICE BUDGET #1000-400.** After reading the ordinance, J.P. N. Brown made a motion to adopt, seconded by J.P. Philips. Judge James asked for any discussion. There was none. The ordinance was approved and given **No. 2020-05.**

J.P. S. Brown motioned to suspend the rules to read the next ordinance by title only, seconded by J.P. Lemings. The motion passed.

- C. **NEXT: J.P. BRADFORD READ AN ORDINANCE TO CREATE LINE ITEM #1002 SALARIES-P/T IN THE COUNTY GENERAL ADEM BUDGET #1000-500, AND TRANSFER MONIES WITHIN THE BUDGET.** After reading the ordinance, J.P. Bradford made a motion to adopt, seconded by J.P. Holt. Judge James asked for any discussion. J.P. Bass asked if Jeanna Williams was gone. Judge James stated she was taking some comp time to help deal with the mountains of time accrued. The ordinance was approved and given **No. 2020-06.**

- D. **NEXT: J.P. LEMINGS READ AN APPROPRIATION ORDINANCE TO AMEND THE ORIGINAL APPROPRIATION ORDINANCE #2018-59, THE ANNUAL OPERATING BUDGET FOR 2019; TO TRANSFER AND APPROPRIATE MONIES FOR FINAL CLEAN-UP PURPOSES.** After reading the ordinance, J.P. Lemings made a motion to adopt, seconded by J.P. N. Brown. Judge James asked for any discussion. There was none. The ordinance was approved and given **No. 2020-07.**

J.P. Lemings made a motion to suspend the rules to entertain an ordinance that was added after the packets were made, seconded by J.P. S. Brown.

- E. **NEXT: J.P. BRADFORD READ AN APPROPRIATION ORDINANCE TO AMEND THE ORIGINAL APPROPRIATION ORDINANCE #2019-55 THE ANNUAL OPERATING BUDGET FOR 2020, TO INCREASE THE PROJECTED REVENUE AND APPROPRIATE \$18,648.45 INTO THE ELECTION COMMISSION BUDGET #1000-109.** After reading the ordinance, J.P. Bradford made a motion to adopt, seconded by none. The motion failed.

J.P. Holt motioned to read the resolutions by title only to expedite the process, seconded by J.P. Philips.

1. **NEXT: J.P. TATUM READ A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE COUNTY JUDGE OF VAN BUREN COUNTY TO PURCHASE TWO USED JOHN DEERE ROAD GRADERS THROUGH JOHN DEERE FINANCIAL.** Judge James asked for any discussion. There was none. The resolution was voted on by voice vote. All "I". The resolution was approved and given **No. 2020-02.**
2. **NEXT: J.P. TATUM READ A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE COUNTY JUDGE OF VAN BUREN COUNTY TO PURCHASE A USED 2018 75G EXCAVATOR WITH HYDRAULIC TILT COUPLER, STANDARD BUCKET AND 48" DITCHING BUCKET, 2 WAY VALVES FOR MULTIPLE ATTACHMENTS, AND A USED HAMMER FROM STRIBLING EQUIPMENT, LLC, THROUGH JOHN DEERE FINANCIAL.** Judge James asked for any discussion. There was none. The resolution was voted on by voice vote. All "I". The resolution was approved and given **No. 2020-03.**
3. **NEXT: J.P. HOLT READ A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE COUNTY JUDGE OF VAN BUREN COUNTY TO APPLY FOR A GRANT ON BEHALF OF THE VAN BUREN COUNTY FAIR ASSOCIATION.** Judge James asked for any discussion. There was none. The resolution was voted on by voice vote. All "I". The resolution was approved and given **No. 2020-04.**
4. **NEXT: J.P. PHILIPS READ A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE COUNTY JUDGE OF VAN BUREN COUNTY TO APPLY FOR A GRANT ON BEHALF OF THE COUNTY.** Judge James asked for any discussion. There was none. The resolution was voted on by voice vote. All "I". The resolution was approved and given **No. 2020-05.**
5. **NEXT: J.P. S. BROWN READ A RESOLUTION TO CONFIRM THE APPOINTMENT OF A MEMBER TO THE VAN BUREN COUNTY LIBRARY BOARD.** Judge James asked for any discussion. There was none. The resolution was voted on by voice vote. All "I". The resolution was approved and given **No. 2020-06.**

**TRANSFERS:** J.P. Philips moved to suspend the rules to dispense of the audible readings of the transfers, seconded by J.P. Tatum. J.P. Bass asked if they were for clean up purposes; Judge James confirmed.

**Next:** J.P. Holt read a submission from Adam Kuipers concerning the tax issues on the primary ballot.

**Next:** Judge James presented Austin Pruitt with a Certificate of Appreciation for his interest in county government.

Meeting adjourned.

**Pam Bradford, Van Buren County Clerk**

**PB/am**

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VAN BUREN COUNTY QUORUM COURT  
JOURNAL OF PROCEEDINGS  
February 25, 2020

The Van Buren County Court met Tuesday, February 25, 2020 at the Van Buren County Courthouse Annex in Clinton, Arkansas for a special meeting, with Judge James presiding. Members of the Quorum Court attending were Justice of the Peace N. Brown, Holt, S. Brown, Bass, Philips, Bradford, Tatum, and Lemings. Also attending were Pam Bradford, County Clerk.

Next: PRAYER: Given by Judge James

Next: PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE: Was recited by all

Next: ROLL CALL: J.P. Linn and County Attorney Carol Crews were absent.

**NEW BUSINESS:**

- A. NEXT: J.P. BRADFORD READ AN APPROPRIATION ORDINANCE TO AMEND THE ORIGINAL APPROPRIATION ORDINANCE #2019-55, THE ANNUAL OPERATING BUDGET FOR 2020, TO INCREASE THE PROJECTED REVENUE AND APPROPRIATE \$20,000 INTO THE ELECTION COMMISSION BUDGET #1000-109.** After reading the ordinance, J.P. Bradford made a motion to adopt, seconded by J.P. Tatum. After much discussion with the election commission about being wiser with their budget, the ordinance was approved and given No. 2020-08.
- B. NEXT: J.P. HOLT READ AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND THE ORINGAL ORDINANCE #2019-55, THE ANNUAL OPERATING BUDGET FOR 2020, TO REDUCE THE WAGE AMOUNT OF THE VAN BUREN COUNTY ELECTION COMMISSIONERS.** After reading the ordinance, J.P. Holt made a motion to adopt, seconded by J.P. Tatum. There was some discussion about what the policy needed to be and considering the state laws. Judge James stated this ordinance will need three readings. Judge James asked for any discussion. The court ruled to read the second reading in the March Quorum Court meeting.

Meeting adjourned.

Pam Bradford, Van Buren County Clerk

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CERTIFICATE  
STATE OF ARKANSAS }  
COUNTY OF VAN BUREN } SS.  
I, PAM BRADFORD, County Clerk, do hereby certify that the foregoing instrument is a true and correct copy of the original document as appears in Book 2020 minutes  
Page 16 on this 20 day of March, 2020  
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Pam Bradford County Clerk  
By: Amanda Mitchell D.C.

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and - N. Brown

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VAN BUREN COUNTY QUORUM COURT

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March 19, 2020

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Next: PRAYER: Given by J.P. Bass

Next: PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE: Was recited by all

Next: ROLL CALL: J.P. Linn was absent.

Next: MINUTES: J.P. Holt motioned to accept the minutes of February 20, 2020 and February 25, 2020 as printed. J.P. Philips seconded the motion. Judge James asked for discussion, there was none. The minutes were approved unanimously.

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Next: COUNTY ROAD AND EQUIPMENT REPORT: Judge James gave the County Road Report.  
[Report Attached]

Next: Gordon Wilburn who wrote the tax issue questions for the ballot answered questions from the court and from Sherrin Richardson via email. J.P. Philips and J.P. N. Brown stated that there were some misunderstandings that it was not in fact an 'all or nothing' vote but the issues could stand alone. The justices stated they thought issues one and two had to pass or all of the issues would fail. Judge James stated he was shocked talking to the attorney the next day learning that the Fire Departments would receive their funding.

CERTIFICATE

STATE OF ARKANSAS }  
COUNTY OF VAN BUREN }

SS.

I, PAM BRADFORD, County Clerk, do hereby certify that the foregoing instrument is a true and correct copy of the original document as appears in Book 2620 minutes Page 32-35, on this 17 day of April, 2020  
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Pam Bradford County Clerk

By: Amanda Mitchell D.C.

## **NEW BUSINESS:**

- A. **NEXT J.P. BASS READ AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND THE ORIGINAL APPROPRIATION ORDINANCE #2019-55, THE ANNUAL OPERATING BUDGET FOR 2020, TO INCREASE THE PROJECTED REVENUE AND APPROPRIATE FUNDS TO THE VAN BUREN COUNTY AGING PROGRAM.** After reading the ordinance, J.P. Bass made a motion to adopt, seconded by J.P. Tatum. Judge James asked for any discussion. J.P. Tatum stated the court has to be wise on how they spend the budget due to the spread of COVID19. J.P. N. Brown stated this program is how the elderly will be delivered food. Judge James stated the aging program is deciding right now whether to pay their payroll or bills at this time. He stated without passing the ordinance, it will be the end of the aging program. The ordinance was approved and given **No. 2020-09.**
- B. **NEXT J.P. HOLT READ AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND THE ORIGINAL ORDINANCE #2019-55, THE ANNUAL OPERATING BUDGET FOR 2020, TO REDUCE THE WAGE AMOUNT OF THE VAN BUREN COUNTY ELECTION COMMISSIONERS.** After the second reading of the ordinance, J.P. Holt made a motion to adopt, seconded by J.P. Philips. J.P. Philips moved suspend the rules to read the third reading by title only, seconded by J.P. Tatum. J.P. Holt conducted the third reading. The judge asked for any discussion. Judge James stated the parties are in the process of replacing the current election commission who have resigned. The ordinance was approved and given **No. 2020-10.**
- C. **NEXT J.P. LEMINGS READ AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND THE ORIGINAL ORDINANCE #2019-55, THE ANNUAL OPERATING BUDGET FOR 2020, TO CREATE LINE ITEM #1002 SALARIES: PART-TIME AND TO TRANSFER MONIES WITHIN THE BUDGET FOR SAFETY/MAINTENANCE #1000-123.** After reading the ordinance, J.P. Lemings made a motion to adopt, seconded by J.P. Holt. The judge asked for any discussion. Judge Bradford stated the current custodian is JoAnn Bradford who is part of the 20 hour per week program but was limited to one building. By passing this ordinance, she would be able to do more buildings. J.P. N. Brown stated there has been no one to clean at the courthouse. Judge James stated it gets trashed. Circuit clerk, Debbie Gray, stated their office girls clean blood and other unmentionables and feels guilty for asking for it but feels it is not the office girl's job. J.P. Holt stated there needs to be extra precautions taken at this time due to the spread of COVID 19. Judge James stated it could be absorbed in the maintenance budget. The ordinance was approved and given **No. 2020-11.**

**Next:** Judge James stated they are waiting from a mandate from the Association of Arkansas counties. The way the county will be able to take care of the employees monetarily: If a family member of an employee is impacted, the employee will get the time off but will have to use their accrued time. If the employee their self is impacted, either with a doctor's note or by a county official's judgement, then the county will pay for their two weeks of quarantine.

1. NEXT J.P. PHILIPS READ A RESOLUTION AFFIRMING VAN BUREN COUNTY'S EFFORT TO GUARD AGAINST ANY ENCROACHMENT ON INDIVIDUAL LIBERTY RIGHTS ENUMERATED IN THE U.S. BILL OF RIGHTS AND THE ARKANSAS DDECLARATION OF RIGHTS, INCLUDING BUT NOT LIMITED TO THE RIGHT TO KEEP AND BEAR ARMS. After reading the resolution, J.P. Philips made a motion to adopt, seconded by J.P. Bass. Judge James asked for any discussion. There was none. The resolution was approved and given No. 2020-07.

## TRANSFERS

J.P. Philips made a motion to suspend the rules to dispense audible readings of transfers, seconded by J.P. S. Brown. The motion passed.

Judge James asked for any discussion.

There was none.

J.P. Holt moved to accept the transfer, seconded by J.P. N. Brown

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**Next:** discussion about COVID 19 in Van Buren County and the long term effects it will leave on our people and economy. Judge James commented, this is not the time to panic, but noted we must be very careful and follow the guidelines adding he is concerned for our county's economy. J.P. Tatum expressed concern that many are not taking the threat seriously saying some people believe this is some kind of joke. He said, I can assure everyone this is not a joke.

Judge James stated the court will still have it's meeting next month and stated the only way they will not meet is if martial law is issued. The courthouse annex is currently locked and closed to the public. Employees are doing business by phone.

Meeting adjourned.

Pam Bradford

Van Buren County Clerk

PB/am

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# County Roads and Equipment Report

## March 2020

- County road operations have been interrupted greatly due to rain. The department has worked some weekend and non-traditional hours to try to do as much as possible when possible.
- We are using rain days to catch up on signing, yard cleanup, maintenance and service on all vehicles, and getting everything in top shape and ready to roll as soon as the weather breaks.
- We continue to install culverts where needed and are keeping our focus on permanent fixes.
- COVID19, to date, has not provided any interruptions on the road crew.

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**VAN BUREN COUNTY QUORUM COURT**  
**JOURNAL OF PROCEEDINGS**  
**April 16, 2020**

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The Van Buren County Court met Thursday, April 16th, 2020 at the Van Buren County Courthouse Annex in Clinton, Arkansas for the regular monthly meeting, with Judge James presiding. Members of the Quorum Court attending were Justice of the Peace Holt, N. Brown, S. Brown, Philips, Bradford, Tatum, Lemings, and Bass. Also attending was Pam Bradford, County Clerk.

Next: PRAYER: Given by J.P. Lemings

Next: PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE: Was recited by all

Next: a moment of silence and tribute to the late Justice of the Peace District #5, Gary Gene Linn. Judge James presented a proclamation to Gary's wife, Laura.

Next: ROLL CALL: J.P. Linn was absent due to his passing on April 12<sup>th</sup>, 2020.

- Holt
1. NEXT J.P. ~~TATUM~~ READ A RESOLUTION HONORING AND CHERISHING THE MEMORY OF GARY GENE LINN, JUSTICE OF THE PEACE DISTRICT 5, AND SHOWING APPRECIATION FOR HIS WORK AND EFFORTS FOR VAN BUREN COUNTY. After reading the resolution, J.P. Tatum made a motion to adopt, seconded by J.P. N. Brown. Judge James asked for any discussion. The court shared memories of J.P. Linn. The resolution was approved and given No. 2020-08.

Next: MINUTES: J.P. Lemings motioned to accept the minutes of March 19, 2020 as printed. J.P. N. Brown seconded the motion. Judge James asked for discussion, there was none. The minutes were approved unanimously.

Next: TREASURER'S REPORT: J.P. Tatum made a motion to accept the Treasurer's report as printed, J.P. Philips seconded the motion. Judge James asked for any discussion. There was none. The Treasurer's report was approved unanimously.

Next: APPROPRIATION ANALYSIS: J.P. Holt made a motion to accept the Appropriation Analysis as printed, J.P. Tatum seconded the motion. Judge James asked for any discussion. There was none. The Appropriation Analysis was approved unanimously.

Next: COUNTY ROAD AND EQUIPMENT REPORT: Judge James gave the County Road Report.  
[Report Attached]

**Next:** Sheriff Lucas Emberton gave the sheriff's report. He stated the numbers were down due to the virus. [Report Attached]

**Next:** Judge James stated the county officials have met together to discuss what is coming for the county with the lack of funding. He said they spoke with Association of Arkansas Counties about the impact of the virus on the economy and the county. Judge James stated it may take a while to get out of the "rut" the virus has created. The state has cut the general turnback. He stated after the first month to account for the panic buying, there would be as much as an 80% decrease in taxes coming in. Judge James stated the officials had to make cuts in their budgets to account for these deficiencies.

**Next:** Elected officials stated how they are making the budget cuts that are needed. Judge James stated there was a total of 25 county employees laid off with the possibility of laying off more employees later in the year. He stated there is talk of receiving funding from a fourth stimulus package.

#### **NEW BUSINESS:**

- A. NEXT J.P. BRADFORD READ AN APPROPRIATION ORDINANCE TO AMEND THE ORIGINAL APPROPRIATION ORDINANCE #2019-55, THE ANNUAL OPERATING BUDGET FOR 2020, TO INCREASE THE PROJECTED REVENUE AND APPROPRIATE \$11,242.87 INTO THE JAIL MAINTENANCE BUDGET #3017-400 AND \$638.73 INTO THE DETENTION CENTER BUDGET #1000-418. After reading the ordinance, J.P. Bradford made a motion to adopt, seconded by J.P. Philips. Judge James asked for any discussion. The ordinance was approved and given No. 2020-12.**
- B. NEXT J.P. TATUM READ AN APPROPRIATION ORDINANCE TO AMEND THE ORIGINAL APPROPRIATION ORDINANCE #2019-55, THE ANNUAL OPERATING BUDGET FOR 2020, TO INCREASE THE PROJECTED REVENUE IN COUNTY GENERAL AND APPROPRIATE \$5,000 INTO #1000-804-3115 FOR THE VAN BUREN COUNTY RESCUE SQUAD. After reading the ordinance, J.P. Tatum made a motion to adopt, seconded by J.P. Holt. The judge asked for any discussion. J.P. Tatum stated the money was from a donation from Flywheel Energy. The ordinance was approved and given No. 2020-13.**
- 2. NEXT J.P. N. BROWN READ A RESOLUTION TO APPOINT A NON-ELECTED COUNTY EMPLOYEE TO SIGN PAYROLL CHECKS IN THE ABSENCE OF THE COUNTY TREASURER. After reading the resolution, J.P. N. Brown made a motion to adopt, seconded by J.P. Philips. Judge James asked for any discussion. There was none. The resolution was approved and given No. 2020-09.**

3. **NEXT J.P. HOLT READ A RESOLUTION TO DECLARE A VACANCY ON THE VAN BUREN COUNTY QUORUM COURT DISTRICT #5 POSITION.** After reading the resolution, J.P. Holt made a motion to adopt, seconded by J.P. Lemings. Judge James asked for any discussion. J.P. Tatum asked what the procedure for getting someone appointed to the position. Judge James stated since the filing period is over, it would be the parties' responsibilities to turn in applications to the state. The resolution was approved and given **No. 2020-10.**
  4. **NEXT J.P. BASS READ A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE COUNTY JUDGE OF VAN BUREN COUNTY, ARKANSAS TO ENTER INTO AN AGREEMENT WITH THE WHITE RIVER PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT, INC.** After reading the resolution, J.P. Bass made a motion to adopt, seconded by J.P. Lemings. Judge James asked for any discussion. There was none. The resolution was approved and given **No. 2020-11.**
  5. **NEXT J.P. S. BROWN READ A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE COUNTY JUDGE OF VAN BUREN COUNTY TO SUBMIT AN APPLICATION TO THE ARKANSAS ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT COMMISSION FOR A COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT PROJECT.** After reading the resolution, J.P. S. Brown made a motion to adopt, seconded by J.P. N. Brown. Judge James asked for any discussion. There was none. The resolution was approved and given **No. 2020-12.**
  6. **NEXT J.P. LEMINGS READ A RESOLUTION TO CONFIRM THE REAPPOINTMENT OF TWO MEMBERS TO THE VAN BUREN COUNTY EQUALIZATION BOARD.** After reading the resolution, J.P. Lemings made a motion to adopt, seconded by J.P. N. Brown. Judge James asked for any discussion. J.P. Bass asked why the expiration dates for the members were different for the board members. The assessor, Emma Smiley, explained that they were stacked. The resolution was approved and given **No. 2020-13.**
- J.P. Holt moved to suspend the rules to entertain the next resolution that was added, seconded by J.P. Tatum. The motion passed.
7. **NEXT J.P. N. BROWN READ A RESOLUTION TO REMOVE THE NON-ELECTED COUNTY EMPLOYEE FROM THE TREASURER'S SIGNATURE CARD ON THE COUNTY BANK ACCOUNT.** After reading the resolution, J.P. N. Brown made a motion to adopt, seconded by J.P. Philips. Judge James asked for any discussion. There was none. The resolution was approved and given **No. 2020-14.**

**TRANSFERS**

There were none.

Meeting adjourned.

**Pam Bradford**

**Van Buren County Clerk**

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# County Roads and Equipment Report

## April, 2020

The County Road Department continues to work at fixing drainage issues. Culverts and ditching have occurred on

Watson Road

Scratch Gravel

Dean Road

Boone Road

Graddy Lane

Many others

The purpose of installing drainage is to keep roads from chronically washing out at every rain event. Our efforts are paying off huge results as County Road Crews aren't having to be called out nearly as often to fix washouts.

With COVID-19 impacting the budgets, the following changes have been made at the Road Department:

No new equipment will be purchased this year

The part-time work force, which was already drug tested and given a start date, will not be used

We will attrition positions while watching the budget numbers

We are not congregating at the shop every morning.

No carpooling. Employees have been told to turn in mileage expense vouchers to take their personal vehicle to the job site.

Repairs, maintenance, and grant funded projects will continue. Everything else is "back burnered"

Cuts to the Road Department Budget total over \$500,000.00

Patrol Activity Log

	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Totals
Domestic:	14	20	27										61
Domestic Assist	15	16	16										47
Animal Calls	42	56	57										155
Papers Served	86	76	59										221
Transports	122	71	10										203
Federal Transports	7	4	0										11
Accidents Investigated	8	7	6										21
Welfare Checks	12	12	11										35
Vin Verification	9	2	1										12
Alarm Calls	15	9	11										35
Fire Calls	6	3	3										12
Assist Motorist	34	32	12										78
Traffic Stops	367	283	91										741
Arrests	38	47	22										107
Other Calls/Contacts	256	216	158										630
<b>TOTALS</b>	<b>1031</b>	<b>854</b>	<b>484</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>2369</b>

Hours in Court	85.5	28	26										139.5
Citations	57	39	8										104
Property Checks	203	146	238										587

**CID Activity Log**

	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec
<b>Misdemeanor</b>												
Drug Violations	8	2	1									
Personal	5	16	9									
Property	11	5	10									
<b>Felony</b>												
Drug Violations	9	6	4									
Personal	7	4	5									
Property	7	11	9									
Felony Arrests	17	15	6									
DWI's	0	0	0									
CID Call Outs	5	3	3									
Search Warrants	2	0	1									
Misc contacts	0	0	0									
Seizures	3	0	0									
Complaint Cards	258	283	282									
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>332</b>	<b>345</b>	<b>330</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>



**Animal Control Log**

	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	TYD Totals
<b>VBC County</b>													
Calls	25	30	41										71
Dog pick up	20	20	14										34
cats	2	1	0										1
tickets written	0	0	0										0
<b>City</b>													
Calls	10	13	9										22
Dog Pick up	4	3	0										3
Cats	0	0	0										0
tickets written	3	1	0										1
<b>Total Calls</b>	35	43	50										93
<b>Total Dog pick ups</b>	24	23	14										37
<b>Total Cat pick ups</b>	2	1	0										1
<b>Total tickets written</b>	3	1	0										1

**Detention Center Log**

	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec
<b>Intake</b>												
VBC	75	57	42									
FFB	3	1	2									
CPD	8	8	8									
DAM	1	1	0									
FED	0	1	2									
ASP	11	9	5									
<b>TOTAL Intake</b>	<b>98</b>	<b>77</b>	<b>59</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>
<b>Release</b>												
VBC	82	56	60									
FFB	1	1	2									
CPD	12	9	11									
DAM	1	1	0									
FED	1	1	3									
ASP	12	7	7									
<b>TOTAL Release</b>	<b>109</b>	<b>75</b>	<b>83</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>
<b>Current inmates</b>	<b>62</b>	<b>62</b>	<b>40</b>									
includes 309's	7	7	7									
includes FED	17	19	15									

	Past Due	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun
Intake							
FFB	\$ 159.00	\$ -		\$ 159.00			
CPD		\$ 318.00	\$ 424.00	\$ 318.00			
DAM		\$ -	\$ 53.00				
TOTAL Intake		\$ 318.00	\$ 477.00	\$ 477.00			
past due	\$ 159.00						
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		July	Aug	Sept	Oct	Nov	Dec
Intake							
FFB							
CPD							
DAM							
TOTAL Intake							

	Past Due	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun
Intake							
FFB	\$ 159.00	\$ -		\$ 159.00			
CPD		\$ 318.00	\$ 424.00	\$ 318.00			
DAM		\$ -	\$ 53.00				
TOTAL Intake		\$ 318.00	\$ 477.00	\$ 477.00			
past due	\$ 159.00						
BOOK 2020							
		July	Aug	Sept	Oct	Nov	Dec
Intake							
FFB							
CPD							
DAM							
TOTAL Intake							

*Motion - Lemings  
2nd - Holt*

**VAN BUREN COUNTY QUORUM COURT**  
**JOURNAL OF PROCEEDINGS**  
**June 18, 2020**

The Van Buren County Court met Thursday, June 18th, 2020 at the Van Buren County Courthouse Annex in Clinton, Arkansas for the regular monthly meeting, with Judge James presiding. Members of the Quorum Court attending were Justice of the Peace Holt, N. Brown, S. Brown, Philips, Hensley, Tatum, Lemings, and Bass. Also attending was Pam Bradford, County Clerk, and Attorney Carol Crews.

**Next: PRAYER:** Given by J.P. Lemings

**Next: PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:** Was recited by all

**Next: ROLL CALL:** J.P. Bradford was absent.

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**Next: MINUTES:** J.P. Lemings motioned to accept the minutes of May 21st, 2020 as printed. J.P. Philips seconded the motion. Judge James asked for discussion, there was none. The minutes were approved unanimously.

**Next: TREASURER'S REPORT:** J.P. Tatum made a motion to accept the Treasurer's report as printed, J.P. N. Brown seconded the motion. Judge James asked for any discussion. There was none. The Treasurer's report was approved unanimously.

**Next: APPROPRIATION ANALYSIS:** J.P. Holt made a motion to accept the Appropriation Analysis as printed, J.P. Tatum seconded the motion. Judge James asked for any discussion. There was none. The Appropriation Analysis was approved unanimously.

**Next: COUNTY ROAD AND EQUIPMENT REPORT:** Judge James gave the County Road Report.  
[Report Attached]

**Next:** Chief Deputy, Randy Churches gave the sheriff's report. [Report Attached]

**Next:** Paul Wellenberger, Mayor of Fairfield Bay, showed his support for Ozark Health Medical Center by stating our area is blessed to have the medical center. He also stated they broke ground on Survival Flight in Fairfield Bay is hopeful by mid-November we will have the helicopter service.

**NEW BUSINESS:**

- A. NEXT J.P. HOLT READ AN ORDINANCE CALLING AND SETTING A DATE FOR A SPECIAL ELECTION ON THE QUESTION OF THE LEVY OF GENERAL LOCAL SALES AND USE TAX AT THE RATE OF ON-HALF OF ONE PERCENT (0.50%) FOR THE PURPOSES DESCRIBED HEREIN; LEVYING SUCH GENERAL LOCAL SALES AND USE TAX; AND PRESCRIBING OTHER MATTERS PERTAINING THERETO.** After reading the ordinance, J.P. Holt made a motion to adopt, seconded by J.P. N. Brown. J.P. Philips moved to read the 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> readings by title only, seconded by J.P. Holt. J.P. Holt conducted the next two readings by title only. Judge James asked for any discussion. J.P. Tatum asked why it is called a special election. The lawyer stated that is how the statute is written. J.P. N. Brown clarified the updates from the previous presented ordinance. This one has an end date and is added on to the general election. J.P. Lemings stated he did not think it was a great time for a tax when people are having difficulty with their day to day life, when it was previously on the ballot a few months ago and did not pass. J.P. Holt stated there was a lot of confusion on the primary with the issues. J.P. Tatum felt it is up to the people to vote on whether they want this tax or not. He stated it would be the hospital's job to sell the voters on the tax. J.P. S. Brown and N. Brown agreed with J.P. Tatum on the issue being the voter's choice. The ordinance was approved and given **No. 2020-17.**
- B. NEXT J.P. HOLT READ AN ORDINANCE AMENDING SECTIONS OF THE PERSONNEL POLICY.** After reading the ordinance, J.P. Holt made a motion to adopt, seconded by J.P. Philips. The judge asked for any discussion. There was none. The ordinance was approved and given **No. 2020-18.**
- 1. NEXT J.P. TATUM READ A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE COUNTY JUDGE OF VAN BUREN COUNTY, ARKANSAS TO PURCHASE A JOHN DEERE 410L BACKHOE LOADER, TO TRADE IN A 2015 CASE 590 SUPER N BACKHOE, AND TO TRANSFER \$45,000.00 FROM 2000-200-9999, TRANSFERS OUT, TO 2000-200-4004 MACHINERY AND EQUIPMENT.** After reading the resolution, J.P. Tatum made a motion to adopt, seconded by J.P. S. Brown. Judge James asked for any discussion. There was none. The resolution was approved and given **No. 2020-17.**
- 2. NEXT J.P. S. BROWN READ A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE COUNTY JUDGE OF VAN BUREN COUNTY TO ENTER INTO AN ADMINISTRATIVE AGREEMENT WITH WHITE RIVER PLANING AND DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT, INC.** After reading the resolution, J.P. S. Brown made a motion to adopt, seconded by J.P. Philips. Judge James asked for any discussion. The resolution was approved and given **No. 2020-18.**

3. NEXT J.P. LEMINGS READ A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE COUNTY JUDGE OF VAN BUREN COUNTY TO APPLY FOR A GRANT ON BEHALF OF THE DENNARD VOLUNTEER FIRE DEPARTMENT. After reading the resolution, J.P. Lemings made a motion to adopt, seconded by J.P. Holt. Judge James asked for any discussion. The resolution was approved and given **No. 2020-19.**

#### **TRANSFERS**

Judge James read the transfer.

3408-302-3001 (accounting-audit) to 2408-302-2020 (building repairs-supplies) in the amount of \$100.00

J.P. Philips moved to approve the transfers, seconded by J.P. Holt.  
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Meeting adjourned.

Pam Bradford

Van Buren County Clerk

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# County Road and Equipment Report

## June 2020

The County Road Crew worked much of the month continuing grader routes to get as many roads completed as possible.

We have another 20,000 ton blast scheduled at the Formosa Quarry for ~~next week~~ <sup>tomorrow</sup>, and are in the process of scheduling a blast for the North Quarry that we own. That will be a 20,000 ton blast as well and will feed the projects on Peyton Mountain Road and Archey Road.

Crews are mowing as quickly as possible between rain events.

Work on flood damage is still continuing on the Clella Circle, Dorothy Drive, and Lake Cliff Road.

Drainage was added to Boar Road to fix an area of chronic washouts.

Work has begun on the Porter Road improvement project.

Other improvement projects for this year include Calico Road, Casey Lane, Pinewood, Cavern, Oyler, and others.

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Patrol Activity Log

	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Totals
Domestic:	14	20	27	32	23								116
Domestic Assist	15	16	16	35	23								105
Animal Calls	42	56	57	54	68								277
Papers Served	86	76	59	1	11								233
Transports	122	71	10	10	10								223
Federal Transports	7	4	0	1	1								13
Accidents Investigated	8	7	6	13	19								53
Welfare Checks	12	12	11	14	11								60
Vin Verification	9	2	1	2	0								14
Alarm Calls	15	9	11	33	26								94
Fire Calls	6	3	3	2	0								14
Assist Motorist	34	32	12	17	8								103
Traffic Stops	367	283	91	8	51								800
Arrests	38	47	22	5	41								153
Other Calls/Contacts	256	216	158	151	133								914
<b>TOTALS</b>	<b>1031</b>	<b>854</b>	<b>484</b>	<b>378</b>	<b>425</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>3172</b>

Hours in Court	85.5	28	26	0	10								149.5
Citations	57	39	8	7	50								161
Property Checks	203	146	238	461	489								1537



CID Activity Log

	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec
<b>Misdemeanor</b>												
Drug Violations	8	2	1	1	2							
Personal	5	16	9	8	11							
Property	11	5	10	10	9							
<b>Felony</b>												
Drug Violations	9	6	4	0	6							
Personal	7	4	5	6	8							
Property	7	11	9	10	6							
Felony Arrests	17	15	6	1	4							
DWI's	0	0	0	0	0							
CID Call Outs	5	3	3	1	3							
Search Warrants	2	0	1	0	0							
Misc contacts	0	0	0	0	0							
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Lawn Care May

ANNEX	CREW	DATE	TIME	S = SO EQUIPMENT USED P = PERSONAL EQUIPMENT USED
	4	05/10/2020	2hrs	2 ZTR = S/ 2 WEEDEATER = S/ 1 BLOWER = P
	3	05/24/2020	2.5hrs	1 ZTR = S/ 2 WEEDEATERS = S
COMMUNITY CENTER	CREW	DATE	TIME	S = SO EQUIPMENT USED P = PERSONAL EQUIPMENT USED
	3	05/10/2020	45 min	1ZTR = S/ 2 WEEDEATERS = S/ 1 BLOWER = P
	3	05/24/2020	45 min	1 ZTR = S/ 2 WEEDEATERS = S
DISTRICT COURT OFFICE	CREW	DATE	TIME	S = SO EQUIPMENT USED P = PERSONAL EQUIPMENT USED
	3	05/10/2020	30 min	1 ZTR = S/ 2 WEEDEATERS = S/ 1 BLOWER = P
	3	05/24/2020	30 min	1 ZTR = S/ 2 WEEDEATERS = S
HEALTH DEPT.	CREW	DATE	TIME	S = SO EQUIPMENT USED P = PERSONAL EQUIPMENT USED
	3	05/10/2020	30 min	1 ZTR = S/ 2 WEEDEATERS = S/ 1 BLOWER = P
	3	05/24/2020	35 min	1 ZTR = S/ 2 WEEDEATERS = S
RECYCLE	CREW	DATE	TIME	S = SO EQUIPMENT USED P = PERSONAL EQUIPMENT USED
	3	05/24/2020	45 min	1 ZTR = S/ 3 WEEDEATERS = S
FORMOSA FIRE DEPT	CREW	DATE	TIME	S = SO EQUIPMENT USED P = PERSONAL EQUIPMENT USED
CULPEPPER FIRE DEPT	CREW	DATE	TIME	S = SO EQUIPMENT USED P = PERSONAL EQUIPMENT USED

*motion - Holt  
and - Phillips*

**VAN BUREN COUNTY QUORUM COURT**

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**PAM BRADFORD**

The Van Buren County Court met Thursday, July 16th, 2020 at the Van Buren County Courthouse Annex in Clinton, Arkansas for the regular monthly meeting, with Judge James presiding. Members of the Quorum Court attending were Justice of the Peace Holt, N. Brown, S. Brown, Phillips, Bradford, Hensley, Tatum, Lemings, and Bass. Also attending was Pam Bradford, County Clerk, and Attorney Carol Crews.

**Next: PRAYER:** Given by J.P. Lemings

**Next: PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:** Was recited by all

**Next: ROLL CALL:** All were present.

**Next: MINUTES:** J.P. Lemings motioned to accept the minutes of June 18th, 2020 as printed. J.P. Holt seconded the motion. Judge James asked for discussion, there was none. The minutes were approved unanimously.

**Next: TREASURER'S REPORT:** J.P. Tatum made a motion to accept the Treasurer's report as printed, J.P. N. Brown seconded the motion. Judge James asked for any discussion. There was none. The Treasurer's report was approved unanimously.

**Next: APPROPRIATION ANALYSIS:** J.P. S. Brown made a motion to accept the Appropriation Analysis as printed, J.P. Holt seconded the motion. Judge James asked for any discussion. There was none. The Appropriation Analysis was approved unanimously.

**Next: COUNTY ROAD AND EQUIPMENT REPORT:** Judge James gave the County Road Report. [Report Attached]

**Next:** Sheriff Lucas Emberton gave the sheriff's report and addressed some of the concerns about the diet for the inmates. [Report Attached]

**Next:** J.P Holt asked the treasurer, Mistie Wilson, about losses due to COVID-19.

**Next:** Van Buren County citizen, Jonathan Jackson, spoke about the hospital tax being on the ballot. He stated the hospital has not stated any specific numbers about what they are needing specifically. He asked to know how taxpayer's money will be spent. He stated that other places in the county might need the money worse.

**NEW BUSINESS:**

- A. **NEXT J.P. HENSLEY READ AN APPROPRIATION ORDINANCE TO AMEND THE ORIGINAL APPROPRIATION ORDINANCE #2019-55, THE ANNUAL OPERATING BUDGET FOR 2020, TO INCREASE THE PROJECTED REVENUE AND APPROPRIATE \$388.22 INTO COUNTY GENERAL #1000-418-2009 FOR THE DETENTION CENTER.** After reading the ordinance, J.P. Holt made a motion to adopt, seconded by J.P. Tatum. Judge James asked for any discussion. There was none. The ordinance was approved and given **No. 2020-19.**
- B. **NEXT J.P. PHILIPS READ AN APPROPRIATION ORDINANCE TO AMEND THE ORIGINAL APPROPRIATION ORDINANCE #2019-55, THE ANNUAL OPERATING BUDGET FOR 2020, TO INCREASE THE PROJECTED REVENUE AND APPROPRIATE \$200.00 INTO COUNTY GENERAL #1000-800-2001 FOR THE VETERAN'S SERVICE OFFICE.** After reading the ordinance, J.P. Philips made a motion to adopt, seconded by J.P. Holt. Judge James stated the beginning budget was very small. J.P. Holt stated they provide grants and help for veterans. He stated Paul Pronia is doing a great job helping out veterans. The ordinance was approved and given **No. 2020-20.**
- C. **NEXT: AN ORDINANCE CALLING AND SETTING A DATE FOR A SPECIAL ELECTION ON THE QUESTION OF LEVY OF GENERAL LOVAL SALES AND USE TAX AT THE RATE OF ONE-QUARTER OF ONE PERCENT (0.25%) FOR ALL THE PURPOSES DESCRIBED HEREIN; LEVYING SUCH GENERAL LOCAL SALES AND USE TAX; AND PRESCRIBING OTHER MATTERS PERTAINING THERETO;**

Judge James stated there was no sponsor for this ordinance. J.P. N. Brown stated she spoke with David Emmerling, the new president of the library board. She stated this issue was on the ballot in the primary election and failed and stated nothing has changed towards the issue. She stated the court needs to think about what is going to happen at budget time. J.P. S. Brown stated the library has had a millage for 50 years specifically for the library. She stated she is a big proponent of the library but she isn't for a larger millage taking more money out of the citizen's pockets.

## **TRANSFERS**

J.P. S. Brown moved to suspend the rules to dispense the audible readings and add additional transfers, seconded by J.P. Philips

J.P. Holt moved to approve the transfers, seconded by J.P. Philips.

The transfers were approved.

**Next:** Judge James commended the county for taking the precautions to only have one active coronavirus case in the county. He stated the mandate to wear a mask starts the 20<sup>th</sup> but if the county remains at zero cases for 28 days, the mandate will be lifted.

**Next:** Attorney Carol Crews spoke about the county's new Children's Advocacy area at the annex. It will be a place for children who have suffered physical and sexual abuse. Sheriff Lucas Emberton stated Matthew Meinke will be the officer to help with CASA and they are working to get new equipment to investigate cases. He stated citizens shouldn't hesitate to ask for help.

J.P. Holt motioned to adjourn, seconded by J.P. S. Brown.

All "I"

Meeting adjourned.

**Pam Bradford**

**Van Buren County Clerk**

**PB/am**

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County Clerk  
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Amanda Mitchell D.J.

Patrol Activity Log

	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Totals
Domestic:	14	20	27	32	23	21							137
Domestic Assist	15	16	16	35	23	16							121
Animal Calls	42	56	57	54	68	41							318
Papers Served	86	76	59	1	11	44							277
Transports	122	71	10	10	10	26							249
Federal Transports	7	4	0	1	1	4							17
Accidents Investigated	8	7	6	13	19	15							68
Welfare Checks	12	12	11	14	11	15							75
Vin Verification	9	2	1	2	0	4							18
Alarm Calls	15	9	11	33	26	10							104
Fire Calls	6	3	3	2	0	8							22
Assist Motorist	34	32	12	17	8	18							121
Traffic Stops	367	283	91	8	51	209							1009
Arrests	38	47	22	5	41	35							188
Other Calls/Contacts	256	216	158	151	133	201							1115
<b>TOTALS</b>	<b>1031</b>	<b>854</b>	<b>484</b>	<b>378</b>	<b>425</b>	<b>667</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>3839</b>

Hours in Court	85.5	28	26	0	10	60							209.5
Citations	57	39	8	7	50	55							216
Property Checks	203	146	238	461	489	288							1825

CID Activity Log

	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec
<b>Misdemeanor</b>												
Drug Violations	8	2	1	1	2	8						
Personal	5	16	9	8	11	9						
Property	11	5	10	10	9	8						
<b>Felony</b>												
Drug Violations	9	6	4	0	6	7						
Personal	7	4	5	6	8	11						
Property	7	11	9	10	6	9						
Felony Arrests	17	15	6	1	4	4						
DWIs	0	0	0	0	0	0						
CID Call Outs	5	3	3	1	3	5						
Search Warrants	2	0	1	0	0	0						
Misc contacts	0	0	0	0	0	0						
Seizures	3	0	0	0	1	0						
Complaint Cards	258	283	282	317	364	327						
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>332</b>	<b>345</b>	<b>330</b>	<b>354</b>	<b>414</b>	<b>388</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>

**Animal Control Log**

	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	TYD Totals
<b>VBC County</b>													
<b>Calls</b>	25	30	41	33	48	20							172
<b>Dog pick up</b>	20	20	14	3	13	6							56
<b>cats</b>	2	1	0	0	0	0							1
<b>tickets written</b>	0	0	0	1	0	0							1
<b>City</b>													
<b>Calls</b>	10	13	9	6	10	8							46
<b>Dog Pick up</b>	4	3	0	0	3	1							7
<b>Cats</b>	0	0	0	0	0	3							3
<b>tickets written</b>	3	1	0	0	0	2							3
<b>Total Calls</b>	35	43	50	39	58	28							218
<b>Total Dog pick ups</b>	24	23	14	3	16	7							63
<b>Total Cat pick ups</b>	2	1	0	0	0	3							4
<b>Total tickets written</b>	3	1	0	1	0	2							4



Detention Center Log

	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec
<b>Intake</b>												
VBC	75	57	42	2	15	9						
FFB	3	1	2	0	0	0						
CPD	8	8	8	1	0	0						
DAM	1	1	0	0	0	0						
FED	0	1	2	0	0	2						
ASP	11	9	5	0	5	0						
<b>TOTAL Intake</b>	<b>98</b>	<b>77</b>	<b>59</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>20</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>
<b>Release</b>												
VBC	82	56	60	7	6	12						
FFB	1	1	2	0	0	0						
CPD	12	9	11	1	0	0						
DAM	1	1	0	0	0	2						
FED	1	1	3	3	0	1						
ASP	12	7	7	0	6	0						
<b>TOTAL Release</b>	<b>109</b>	<b>75</b>	<b>83</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>12</b>	<b>15</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>
<b>Current inmates</b>	<b>62</b>	<b>62</b>	<b>40</b>	<b>40</b>	<b>29</b>	<b>30</b>						
includes 309's	7	7	7	6	4	4						
includes FED	17	19	15	12	12	13						

Det charge to city Log

	Past Due	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun
Intake							
FFB	\$ 159.00	\$ -		\$ 159.00	none	none	none
CPD		\$ 318.00	\$ 424.00	\$ 212.00	none	none	none
DAM		\$ -	\$ 53.00		none	none	none
TOTAL Intake		\$ 318.00	\$ 477.00	\$ 371.00			
past due	\$ 159.00						
	paid	paid	paid	paid	n/a	n/a	n/a
Intake		July	Aug	Sept	Oct	Nov	Dec
FFB							
CPD							
DAM							
TOTAL Intake							

# COUNTY ROAD AND EQUIPMENT REPORT

## JULY 2020

We completed Road Improvement projects this month on:

Cavern

Oakland

Weaver

Casey (Stopped at Clinton City limits)

Porter

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Blast preparations are underway at the north quarry for a 20,000 ton blast. This blast will feed the projects on Peyton Mountain Road and Archey Road. Work on those projects will begin immediately upon completion of the blast. This will make 80,000 tons blasted and processed so far this year.

Work has begun on Linn Creek Road to repair damage.

We have several projects on the horizon:

Calico Road

Pinewood

Rex

Among others

We are working at a fever pitch to complete as much brush work and mowing as possible while the weather is allowing.

Graders are running every day, open to close, cleaning ditches and crowning the roads.

We have continued the labor swap with the Sheriff's Department. The Road Department is servicing the Sheriff's Department vehicles and the Sheriff's Department is keeping our lawns mowed.

The Road Department has invested in technology for the future. Road data is collected from sensors attached to County Road Vehicles. Gone are the days of fixing roads based on who lives on what road. Gone are the days of fixing roads based on how many votes are clustered in a particular location. Road improvement projects are based on the following:

Roads qualifying for grant funding

Data driven needs

Dividing the work evenly throughout the different parts of the county

Chronic spots and disaster areas