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January 6, 2026

The Baxter County Quorum Court met in regular session at 5:30 PM in the Baxter County Courtroom with County Judge Kevin Litty presiding. Members present were: Cameron Davis, Maryanne Edge, Dennis Frank, Eddie Griffin, Lisa House, Mike McDonald, Bob Nault, Eric Payne, Rick Steiner, Dirk Waldrop and Shannon Walker. The meeting began with a moment of silence and the Pledge of Allegiance.

Judge Litty asked if there were any additions or corrections to the minutes of the December meeting. Justice House moved that the minutes be approved as submitted. Justice Edge seconded the motion. All voted in favor.

Reports:

County Treasurer Jenay Mize provided the Court with a Treasurer's report.

Justice Davis reported on the December 11th meeting of the Economic Development Committee.

The minutes for the above meeting will be attached to this Journal of Proceedings.

Presentation:

Allen Moore, Chair of N. A. Economic Development Alliance, spoke regarding the works of the alliance and the investment of the County in allocating resources for Economic Development.

Taylor Carmichael, the Baxter County Airport Manager, spoke of the new hanger construction. He mentioned that those hangers are fully rented and they are currently taking bids for additional hangers. He also spoke of the overall growth in general aviation and use of the airport. Gerald Gage also spoke about future endeavors at the airport.

Dawn Downing-Wahl, from the Baxter County Conservation District, gave a short presentation on what the Conservation District does and the many different programs that they offer.

Old Business:

None

New Business:

Appropriation Ordinance #2026-1, **AN ORDINANCE APPROPRIATING FEES AND REIMBURSEMENTS IN THE AMOUNT OF \$6,097.99 RECEIVED IN THE MONTH OF NOVEMBER TO THE SHERIFF'S OFFICE 2025 BUDGET**, was sponsored by Justice Edge and read by title only by the Clerk. Justice Edge moved to adopt the ordinance, seconded by Justice House. Being no discussion, the roll was called. Voting YEA: Justices Davis, Edge, Frank, Griffin, House, McDonald, Nault, Payne, Steiner, Waldrop and Walker. The motion passed and Appropriation Ordinance #2026-1 was adopted with a vote of 11 YEA, 0 NAY.

Ordinance #2026-2, **AN ORDINANCE AMENDING ORDINANCE NO.2025-1: "AN ORDINANCE ESTABLISHING PROCEDURES FOR THE BAXTER COUNTY QUORUM COURT FOR FISCAL YEARS 2025 AND 2026." TO INCREASE JUSTICE OF THE PEACE PER DIEM "Article 8. Per Diem (a) and (b)"**, was sponsored by Justice House and read by title only by the Clerk. Justice Frank moved to adopt the ordinance, seconded by Justice Edge. After much discussion, the roll was called. Voting YEA: Justices Edge, Frank, Griffin, House, McDonald and Steiner. Voting NAY: Justices Nault, Payne, Waldrop, Walker and Davis. The motion passed and Ordinance #2026-2 was adopted with a vote of 6 YEA, 5 NAY.

Ordinance #2026-3, **AN ORDINANCE AMENDING ORDINANCE NO. 2021-9: "AN ORDINANCE ALLOWING BAXTER COUNTY TO CONDUCT BUSINESS WITH BENNY MAGNESS PURSUANT TO ACT 353 (ACA § 14-14-1202)," TO INCLUDE WHITE RIVER SHIPPING**, was sponsored by Justice Griffin and read by title only by the Clerk. Justice Davis moved to adopt the ordinance, seconded by Justice Griffin. After some discussion, the roll was called. Voting YEA: Justices Frank, Griffin, House, McDonald, Nault, Payne, Steiner, Waldrop, Walker, Davis and Edge. The motion passed and Ordinance #2026-3 was adopted with a vote of 11 YEA, 0 NAY.

Announcement and Public Comments:

The Justices discussed the nomination of their delegate to the Arkansas Association of Quorum Courts for 2026. Justice Frank nominated Justice Waldrop to serve as delegate, seconded by Justice House. All voted in favor.

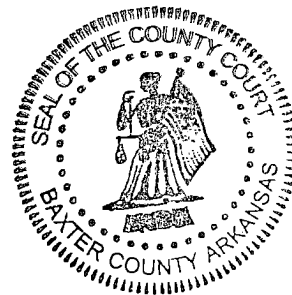
Adjournment:

Being no further business before the Court, Justice Waldrop moved that the Baxter County Quorum Court adjourn at 6:03 PM, until the next regularly scheduled meeting of February 3, 2026 at 5:30 PM in the Baxter County Courtroom, which is located at the Baxter County Courthouse, #1 East 7th Street, Mountain Home, Arkansas. Justice Nault seconded. The motion passed with a unanimous vote, and the meeting was adjourned.

SIGNED AND SEALED THIS 3rd DAY OF February, 2026.

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CANDA J. REESE, BAXTER COUNTY AND CIRCUIT CLERK



BAXTER COUNTY ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE MINUTES

Thursday, December 11, 2025, at 3:30 pm
3rd Floor Conference Room of the Baxter County Courthouse

Attendees:

Cameron Davis - Chairman
Dennis Frank
Maryanne Edge
Lisa House

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Cameron Davis. A quorum was declared with all members present except Dirk Waldrop.

Approval of Minutes – Lisa House made a motion to approve the minutes from the July 23, 2025, meeting as written, with a second from Maryanne Edge. All were in favor and the motion passed unanimously.

Economic Development – Dani Pugsley is requesting help with funding to survey available property at the Baxter County Airport. After lengthy discussion, Lisa House made a motion to have the county surveyor give a quote on the cost to survey 72 acres of non-aviation use reserve located off Hwy 126 and 62 acres of aviation use reserve located off Hwy 10 and to consult with Dani Pugsley for exact direction, with a second from Dennis Frank. All were in favor and the motion passed unanimously. Dani Pugsley discussed the Economic Development Committee help with funding signage at the Industrial Park. After light discussion, it was tabled until more information can be gathered and presented. Dennis Frank discussed the Library Hill Trail needed \$20,000.00 to meet their goal and asked if the Economic Development Committee could contribute funds. After discussion, it was agreed that the Library Hill Trail project didn't fall within the scope of bringing revenue to the County.

Next Meeting – TBD

Adjourn – Lisa House made a motion to adjourn with a second from Maryanne Edge. All were in favor and the meeting adjourned at 4:10 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Trish Beck, County Administrator
Baxter County Judge's Office