

**PLANNING & DEVELOPMENT MEETING
JANUARY 12, 2023 1:30 ANNEX BUILDING**

ATTENDANCE: Chairman Justice Michael White; Justice Neil Burge; Justice Rick Ash; Justice Cecil McDonald; Justice Drake Brown; Justice Molly Jackson; Justice Betty Hepler; Justice Tobye McClanahan; Economic Development Clif Chitwood; NEA Town Courier Marcus McClain.

1. Meeting was called to order by Justice Michael White. Meeting was turned over to Clif Chitwood. Mr. Chitwood was requesting a tax back Resolution for FrigorTec LP. Motion was made by Justice Rick Ash to move the Resolution to the full Court. Second was made by Justice Neil Burge. Motion passed.

2. Tenaris was in the process of rebuilding within their factory and Ipsco. Tenaris asked to expand by 100 jobs and \$1 million dollars. \$10,000.00 per job. Mississippi County residents. Justice Ash asked to see the contract. Motion was made by Justice Rick Ash to advance \$500,000.00 for the creation of 100 jobs over a five year period. When 50 jobs were created the committee would look at the project again. Justice Burge thought the motion would not solve the problem. Justice Ash amended his motion. Justice Ash recommended the committee move forward with the \$1 million dollar and 100 jobs for Tenaris. Second was made by Justice Neil Burge. Motion passed.

3. Mr. Chitwood reported on High Bar. High Bar asked for a \$2 million dollar incentive. Mr. Chitwood thought they could work out a verbal agreement that would precede the agreement. High Bar was interested in the work here/live here program. Chime was on hold until a building was purchased.

4. Finance Tuesday, January 17, 2023. 1:30 Annex building. Quorum Court Tuesday January 24, 2023. 6:00 p.m. Blytheville Courthouse.

5. Meeting adjourned.

Minutes submitted by: Cindy George