

**ENERGY & PROPERTY MEETING
AUGUST 15, 2023 2:30 ANNEX BUILDING**

ATTENDANCE: Chairman Justice Molly Jackson; Justice Melinda Martin; Justice Tobbye McClanahan; Justice Neil Burge; Justice Betty Hepler; Justice Rick Ash; Aaron Ruby; Finance Kelli Jones; Treasurer Peggy Meatte; Judge John Alan Nelson; Public Affairs Tom Henry.

1. Meeting was called to order by Justice Molly Jackson. Meeting was tuned over to Aaron Ruby. Final walk thru on the 16th for the Blytheville Courthouse. \$250,000.00 was being held until contract was finished. The county had the right to go outside the contractor and use funds held. HVAC unit on the roof needed to be reset. The result was a lot of water damage and needed repaired. Files were ruined in the Circuit Clerk's Office. Justice Jackson thought it was a stopped up drain. D & L had been contacted about the problem. CNI was aware of the problem. Update would be given after the inspection. Justice Burge asked if CNI could be given a time limit to correct problems. Bonding company may be called.
 2. Health Unit renovation in Osceola was getting close to completion. Finish date was in September and moved to Blytheville. Overlay of the Blytheville parking lot was not included in the price. Quote would be asked for.
 3. Osceola Courthouse update. \$1.5 million had been committed. Grant had been received for \$100,000.00 for repair of the terra cotta cornice. Bid package would be prepared. Second floor and HVAC in the Courtroom were priorities. Sound system needed to be improved. Boiler provided heat for the first floor. Window units could be purchased to supply air and heat to all offices in the building. The committee would like Mr. Ruby to get a plan and be finished by 2026. Justice McClanahan said the three things that were priority for Osceola Courthouse were removing the boiler, getting hot water and repairing the walls in the courtroom.
 4. \$200,000.00 was in the Osceola Law Library account. There was an agreement if the Court was going to use funds to repair the Osceola Courthouse the money could be used.
 5. Blytheville Health Unit would be moving to the Blytheville Hospital at the end of August. Cabling had been done. \$5,080.00. The hospital had the work done for the Health Unit to move in. Judge Nelson received an e-mail from Christine. Paul from GRMC thought the problem had been worked out. Judge Nelson asked what the State would be responsible for. Justice Burge thought the bill should be paid and adjust the rent to recover money spent on phones. Motion was made by Justice Rick Ash to move the Health Unit to the Blytheville hospital. Second was made by Justice Melinda Martin. Motion passed.
 6. Meeting adjourned.
- Minutes submitted by: Cindy George