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# INDEPENDENT CITIZENS COMMISSION

# June 20, 2017

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The Independent Citizens Commission met on Tuesday, June 20, 2017 at 9:00 a.m. in room 151 of the State Capitol in Little Rock, Arkansas.

Commission members present: Chairman- Mr. Ross, Vice Chair - Mr. Chuck Banks, Mr. Mitch Berry & Ms. Barbara Graves. Also present: Ms. Nga Nahfouz, Assistant Attorney General and Ms. Melanie Jenkins with the Auditor of State’s office.

**Chairman Ross called the meeting to order**

**Consideration of minutes from the May 16, 2017 commission meeting**

A motion was made by Commissioner Berry to adopt the minutes as written, seconded by Commissioner Graves. The motion carried without objection.

**Commission discussion**

**Dr. Shulnett- Department of Finance and Administration- Economic Outlook Presentation-** *(handouts can be found on the website)*

**Kay Barnhill-Department of Finance and Administration- New Pay Plan-** (*Requested Information can be found on the website)*

**Public Comment**

Prosecuting Attorney - Larry Jegley & Daniel Shue spoke on behalf of Prosecuting Attorney’s- (*No handouts given)*

Chief Justice John Dan Kemp spoke on behalf of the Justice and Judges of the Supreme Court *(handouts sent to commissioners can be found on the website)*

Judge David Guthrie spoke on behalf of the Arkansas Judicial Council & District Court Judges in favor of a 2%. (*no handouts given)*

**Consideration of Salary Adjustments**

The Commission discussed adjusting salaries for the Prosecuting Attorney, Justices and Judges, Constitutional Officers and General Assembly Members. Commissioner Berry made a motion to give a proposed 2% salary increase for all positions. Commissioner Graves seconded. Motion passed without objection. A Proposal will be presented & voted on at the next meeting Tuesday July 26, 2017 it will include an opportunity for the Public to make comments regarding the proposed 2% increase FOR or AGAINST.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned.

Handouts and complete audio of the meeting can be found at <http://citizenscommission.ar.gov>