Arkansas School Boards Association meeting scheduled for December

The Ashdown school board presents veterans with high school diplomas

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On Nov. 21 at 10 a.m., a meeting and following vote will decide whether or not the Ash Grove Cement Act 9 bonds will extend beyond the 10-year abatement to an additional 15 years.

Several representatives from Ash Grove Cement attended the Nov. 12 Little River County Quorum Court meeting to discuss the extension, and Jill Grimsley, an attorney from the Mitchell Williams law firm, explained that this extension of 15 years would help keep businesses and jobs in Arkansas.

Grimsley said that these bonds are different from the bonds recently passed to fund the new Little River County jail, but the annual tax will still increase from what it was a year ago.

The new agreement would also include an additional donation to the Foreman School District, which Superintendent Pat Tankersley has approved.

The city council approved the use of the city-owned building that used to be the Foreman branch of the Regions Bank for regular yoga lessons. The yoga instructor started lessons last week, and she will use the community room in the building for all future lessons on Mondays, Wednesdays and Saturdays.

Since the city bought the building, it has not been in use, according to Harp. The city is considering three candidates to complete the job. Harp and Eddie Smith went to a city in Arkansas to see the new system in action.

"It's compact and easy to run," Harp said. "I'm looking forward to it."