

The Commissioners' Court of Houston County met in a regular, called meeting on June 26, 2018 with the following members present, to wit:

Jim Lovell	County Judge
Gary Lovell	Commissioner, Precinct #1
Willie Kitchen	Commissioner, Precinct #2
Pat Perry	Commissioner, Precinct #3
Kennon Kellum	Commissioner, Precinct #4

Also present:

Melissa Mosley	Houston County Auditor
Donna Kasper	Houston County District Attorney
Cynthia Lum	Houston County Elections Administrator
Michael Molnes	Houston County Sheriff's Office
Janice Turner	Chief Deputy County Clerk

Media:

Alton Porter	Houston County Courier
Will Johnson	Grapeland Messenger

Visitors: John Hinson; G. P. Shearer; Dave Duran; Sharon Luker and Jan Pigford

Judge Jim Lovell called the meeting to order and gave the opening prayer. He then led the Pledges of Allegiance.

Judge Lovell recognized the guests John Hinson and Dave Duran and asked if there were any comments from the audience. There were no comments.

Kennon Kellum made a motion to approve the minutes of the prior Commissioners Court meeting. The motion was seconded by Pat Perry and the motion carried 5 to 0.

There were no budget amendments.

Motion was made by Willie Kitchen and seconded by Gary Lovell to approve the payment of all bills and expenses and to ratify payroll expenses. The motion carried 5 to 0.

Willie Kitchen made a motion to receive as information the Treasurer's and the Compensatory reports. The motion was seconded by Gary Lovell and the motion carried 5 to 0.

A motion was made by Willie Kitchen and seconded by Gary Lovell to approve the bi-weekly salary of \$936.51 for new employee Jennifer Shafer. She has been hired as Intake Clerk in the District Attorney's office, replacing Cathy Minchew. The motion carried 5 to 0.

The Court was informed that there had been an overpayment of local sales and use taxes to Houston County that will have to be repaid to the Comptroller's office. It was decided to choose the option to repay the erroneous amount in full by a one-time check. Kennon Kellum made a motion to repay in this manner and Pat Perry seconded the motion. The motion carried 5 to 0.

Willie Kitchen made a motion to decline the donation of a storage building located at 601 San Antonio Street from Health and Human Services. Gary Lovell made a second to the motion. The motion carried 5 to 0.

Melissa Mosley said that the Fiscal Year 2017 Audit Report prepared by Todd, Hamaker and Johnson is now complete. FEMA 2015-2016 calculations have been submitted with the total being \$692,000. FEMA 2015 was estimated to be \$89,000, but the audit showed it to be \$190,000.

Judge Lovell made an announcement that a Special Commissioners' Meeting will be held Friday, June 29, 2018 at 9:00 am.

Pat Perry made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Kennon Kellum made a second to the motion. Motion carried 5 to 0 and the meeting was adjourned.

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Jim L. Lovell, County Judge

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Gary Lovell, Commissioner, Precinct #1

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Willie Kitchen, Commissioner, Precinct #2

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Pat Perry, Commissioner, Precinct #3

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Kennon Kellum, Commissioner, Precinct #4

Attest:

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Bridget Lamb, County Clerk