



**HOUSTON COUNTY COMMISSIONERS COURT
MINUTES
SPECIAL MEETING
MARCH 16, 2021**

The Commissioners' Court of Houston County met in a special called meeting on March 16, 2021, **in person and via zoom due to Covid**, with the following members present, to wit:

Jim Lovell	County Judge
Gary Lovell	Commissioner, Precinct #1
Willie Kitchen	Commissioner, Precinct #2
Gene Stokes	Commissioner, Precinct #3
Jimmy Henderson	Commissioner, Precinct #4

Also present:

Jan Pigford	Administrative Assistant to the County Judge
Melissa Jeter	County Auditor
Terri Meadows	County Clerk
Janis Omelina	County Treasurer
Sharon Luker	Administrative Assistant to Commissioners
Sheila Johnson	Grants Administrator
Arnita Cavendar	Administrative Assistant to the DA
Kristina Massey	Assistant DA

Media:

Will Johnson	The Grapeland Messenger
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Visitors:

None

(1) Welcome, Invocation and Pledges:

Judge Lovell called the meeting to order and Commissioner Lovell led the opening prayer. Judge Lovell then lead the Pledge of Allegiance to the American Flag and the Texas Flag.

(2) Commissioner Lovell made a motion and Commissioner Stokes seconded to approve the following salaries for new and/or transfer employees.

- a. Brittany Wars as Full-Time Deputy Clerk in the County Clerk's Office replacing Belinda Hinson at bi-weekly salary of \$1156.94 in Pay Grade 15.

- b. Lavinia Bollier as Temporary Part-Time Clerk-Emergency Management/Grant at hourly wage of \$12.50 in Pay Grade 13

Motion carried 5 to 0.

- (3) Closed executive session as authorized by Texas Government Code §551.072 to discuss the county's potential purchase, lease, sale, or exchange of real estate and/or the value of the real estate. **Closed Session began at 10:06 a.m. – reconvened and entered back into general session at 10:26 a.m.**
- (4) Adjourn. Judge Lovell made the motion to adjourn. Commissioner Stokes seconded. Motion carried 5 to 0.

Jim Lovell, County Judge

Gary Lovell, Commissioner, Precinct #1

Willie Kitchen, Commissioner, Precinct #2

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Attest:

Terri Meadows, County Clerk