



**HOUSTON COUNTY COMMISSIONERS COURT
MINUTES
SPECIAL MEETING
SEPTEMBER 17, 2021**

The Commissioners' Court of Houston County met in a special called meeting on September 17, 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	**ABSENT Commissioner, Precinct #3
Jimmy Henderson	Commissioner, Precinct #4

Also present:

Melissa Jeter	County Auditor
Terri Meadows	County Clerk
Sharon Luker	Administrative Assistant to Commissioners
Jan Pigford	Administrative Assistant to County Judge
Sheila Johnson	Grants Administrator (ZOOM)
Daphne Session	County Attorney (ZOOM)
Todd McConnell	Information Technology
Heath Murff	Emergency Management (ZOOM)

Media:

Will Johnson	The Grapeland Messenger (Zoom)
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Visitors: David Tyer

(1) Welcome, Invocation and Pledges:

Judge Lovell called the meeting to order at **2:00 p.m.**, then Commissioner Kitchen led the opening prayer, and that was followed by Judge Lovell leading the Pledge of Allegiance to the American Flag and the Texas Flag.

(2) Commissioner Lovell made a motion to approve purchase of real estate from Pioneer Bank for the Community Bank Room and parking area behind the courthouse annex, to execute related commercial real estate contracts for the purchase, and to deposit earnest money related to the real estate purchase. Commissioner Kitchen seconded the motion. Motion carried 4 to 0.

(3) Commissioner Kitchen made a motion to adopt a special budget from received unanticipated revenues from the American Rescue Plan. Commissioner Lovell seconded the motion. Motion carried 4 to 0.

(4) Adjourn. Judge Lovell made the motion to adjourn. Commissioner Henderson seconded. Motion carried 4 to 0.

Jim Lovell, County Judge

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Attest:

Terri Meadows, County Clerk