

The Commissioner Court of Houston County met in a regular called meeting on October 22, 2013 with the following members present to wit:

Erin Ford	County Judge
Roger Dickey	Commissioner Precinct #1
Willie Kitchen	Commissioner Precinct #2
Pat Perry	Commissioner Precinct #3

Also present:

Bridget Lamb	County Clerk
Melissa Mosley	County Auditor
Daphne Session	County Attorney
Darrel Bobbitt	Sheriff

Media:

Lynda Jones	Houston County Courier
Will Johnson	Grapeland Messenger

Visitors: G. P. Shearer, Stephanie William (Adult Protective Services), Steve Meadows and Norman Moore.

County Judge Erin Ford called the meeting to order

Commissioner Roger Dickey opened the meeting with a prayer

Pledge Allegiance

Judge Ford recognized all guests

Motion made by Willie Kitchen seconded by Roger Dickey to approve the minutes of the last regular called meeting held on October 11, 2013. Motion carried 4 to 0.

Motion made by Roger Dickey seconded by Willie Kitchen to approve the payment of bills and expenses and approval of related budget transfers. Motion carried 4 to 0.

Motion made by Willie Kitchen seconded by Roger Dickey to accept the Treasurer's Report as information. Motion carried 4 to 0.

Motion made by Willie Kitchen seconded by Roger Dickey to accept the Compensatory time report as information. Motion carried 4 to 0.

Norman Moore, IT Director, addressed the court concerning teleconferencing with indigent defendants. Houston County now has the ability for attorneys working pro bono to have video conference interviews with inmates at the jail. This will save the attorneys time and travel.

Motion made by Willie Kitchen seconded by Roger Dickey to accept \$2,500.00 as donation from Cabot Oil & Gas Corporation. Motion carried 4 to 0.

Motion made by Willie Kitchen seconded by Roger Dickey to adopt a proclamation declaring October as Financial Exploitation Awareness Month. Motion carried 4 to 0.

Motion made by Willie Kitchen seconded by Roger Dickey to approve the contract for elevator maintenance with ThyssenKrupp Elevator Corporation. Motion carried 4 to 0.

Motion made by Roger Dickey seconded by Willie Kitchen to appoint Jan Pigford as Houston County Employee Human Resource Coordinator. Motion carried 4 to 0.

Motion made by Willie Kitchen seconded by Roger Dickey to adopt the official holiday schedule for calendar year 2014. Motion carried 4 to 0.

Motion made by Roger Dickey seconded by Willie Kitchen to declare a 24' homemade trailer as surplus and advertise for bids to sell for Road and Bridge Precinct 1. Motion carried 4 to 0.

Motion made by Willie Kitchen seconded by Roger Dickey to advertise for bids for tourism website for Hotel Occupancy Tax Board with the specification written by Norman Moore, IT Director. Motion carried 4 to 0.

Motion made by Willie Kitchen seconded by Roger Dickey to change the December 24, 2013 Commissioner Court date to December 23, 2013. Motion carried 4 to 0.

Motion made by Judge Ford seconded by Willie Kitchen to table the agenda item regarding revision in personnel policy adopting rates on travel per diem. Motion carried 4 to 0.

Motion made by Judge Ford seconded by Willie Kitchen to table the agenda item regarding the Department of Public Safety office space at the old County Jail. Motion carried 4 to 0.

Motion made by Roger Dickey seconded by Willie Kitchen that this meeting be adjourn.

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Erin Ford, County Judge

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Roger Dickey, Comm. Pct #1

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Willie Kitchen, Comm. Pct #2

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Pat Perry, Comm. Pct #3

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Kennon Kellum, Comm. Pct #4

Attest:

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Bridget Lamb, County Clerk