

The Commissioners Court of Houston County met in a regular called meeting on May 14, 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
Kennon Kellum	Commissioner Precinct #4

Also present:

Bridget Lamb	County Clerk
Melissa Mosley	County Auditor
Daphne Session	County Attorney
Morris Luker	Constable Precinct #1

Media:

Will Johnson	Grapeland Messenger
Lynda Jones	Houston County Courier
Penny Webb	Houston County Life & Web

Visitors: Angela Cross (Chief Juvenile Probation Officer), Pastor Lance Mann (St. Luke Baptist Church), Jesselyn Reese

County Judge Erin Ford called the meeting to order

Pastor Lance Mann of St. Luke Baptist Church opened the meeting with a prayer

Pledge Allegiance

Motion made by Kennon Kellum seconded by Pat Perry to approve the minutes of the last regular called meeting on April 23, 2013. Motion carried 5 to 0.

Motion made by Kennon Kellum seconded by Pat Perry to approve budget amendment #13-7 and any line item transfers. Motion carried 5 to 0.

Motion made by Roger Dickey seconded by Willie Kitchen to approve payment of bills and expenses and approval of related budget transfers. Motion carried 5 to 0.

Judge Ford recognized all guests

The court heard a presentation from Angela Cross, Chief Juvenile Probation Officers

Motion made by Willie Kitchen seconded by Roger Dickey to approve the salary for James Earl Walker as new part time road hand in Road and Bridge Precinct 2 at the pay rate of \$10.66 per hour. Motion carried 5 to 0.

Motion made by Kennon Kellum seconded by Pat Perry to approve the salary for C. W. McMullen as new part time road hand in Road and Bridge Precinct 4 at the pay rate of \$10.66 per hour. Motion carried 5 to 0.

Motion made by Willie Kitchen seconded by Roger Dickey to accept donation of 280 yards of gravel from Trivium Operating for improvement to County Road 3095 in Road and Bridge Precinct 2. Motion carried 5 to 0.

Motion made by Willie Kitchen seconded by Roger Dickey to accept donation in the amount of \$392.00 from Masters Timber, LLC for repair to County Road 2320 in Road and Bridge Precinct 2 and necessary budget amendments. Motion carried 5 to 0.

Motion made by Willie Kitchen seconded by Roger Dickey to accept donation in the amount of \$60.00 for a Dead End road sign on County Road 3120 in Road and Bridge Precinct 2 and necessary budget amendments. Motion carried 5 to 0.

Motion made by Judge Ford seconded by Willie Kitchen to approve contract with East Texas Fire Protection of Palestine Texas for fire safety inspections for all county owned buildings. Motion carried 5 to 0.

Motion made by Roger Dickey seconded by Kennon Kellum to approve the grant applications for COPS Grant with necessary 25% matching funds and the Tobacco Enforcement Funding through the Texas Safety Center. Motion carried 5 to 0.

Motion made by Kennon Kellum seconded by Roger Dickey to adopt a resolution to apply for Attorney General's Office Crime Victim Services Grant and designating County Judge as Authorized Official. Motion carried 5 to 0.

Motion made by Willie Kitchen seconded by Kennon Kellum to award the county bank depository contract to Citizens National Bank. Motion carried 5 to 0.

Motion made by Willie Kitchen seconded by Kennon Kellum to accept donated equipment from Deep East Texas Council of Governments 911 program. Motion carried 5 to 0.

Motion made by Willie Kitchen seconded by Roger Dickey to receive as information the updated Houston County Airport Master Record from the Federal Aviation Administration. Motion carried 5 to 0.

Motion made by Kennon Kellum seconded by Willie Kitchen to table the issues regarding refueling station at Houston County Airport until the court meet with the board for agreement or action. Motion carried 5 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