

The Commissioner Court of Houston County met in a regular called meeting held on November 24, 2015 with the following members present to wit:

Erin Ford	County Judge
Willie Kitchen	Commissioner Precinct #2
Pat Perry	Commissioner Precinct #3
Kennon Kellum	Commissioner Precinct #4

Also present

Bridget Lamb	County Clerk
Daphne Session	County Attorney
Danette Millican	County Tax Assessor-Collector

Media

Teresa Holloway	Grapeland Messenger
Lynda Jones	Houston County Courier

Visitors: Loyce Netardus, Judy & Mario Dell'Osso, Kathi Calvert, Brenda Walker, Ashley Perry, Charley Darsey, Jan Pigford and Mary Lucas

County Judge Ford called the meeting to order

Commisioner Willie Kitchen opened the meeting with a prayer

Pledge Allegiance

Recognition of Guests

Motion made by Kennon Kellum seconded by Pat Perry to approve the minutes of the last regular called meeting held on November 10, 2015 and the special called meeting held on November 16, 2015. Motion carried 4 to 0.

Motion made by Willie Kitchen seconded by Kennon Kellum to approve payment of bills and expenses. Motion carried 5 to 0.

Motion made by Willie Kitchen seconded by Kennon Kellum to accept the County Treasurer's Report as information. Motion carried 4 to 0.

Motion made by Kennon Kellum seconded by Pat Perry to accept the Compensatory time report as information. Motion carried 4 to 0.

Motion made by Judge Ford seconded by Willie Kitchen to accept the District Judges report as information. Motion carried 4 to 0.

Motion made by Willie Kitchen seconded by Kennon Kellum to approve the salary for John Jowers as a full time jailer at a pay rate of \$998.83 bi-weekly, effective December 4, 2015. Motion carried 4 to 0.

Motion made by Willie Kitchen seconded by Kennon Kellum to renew the copier leases for the Auditor’s Office, Sheriff’s Office, County Jail, Justice of the Peace, Juvenile Probation and make the necessary budget amendment. Motion carried 4 to 0.

Motion made by Willie Kitchen seconded by Kennon Kellum to accept as information the Fiscal Year 2014-2015 CCP Chapter 59 Forfeiture Report Summary for the Houston County District Attorney, Houston County Attorney, Houston County Sheriff, Houston County Constable Precinct #1 and Precinct #2. Motion carried 4 to 0.

Motion made by Willie Kitchen seconded by Pat Perry to accept the donation from a Sunday School Class. Motion carried 4 to 0.

Motion made by Willie Kitchen seconded by Kennon Kellum to adopt an Order to close and abandon County Road 2200 as a county road. Motion carried 4 to 0.

The court heard a presentation from Brenda Walker, oncor and Kathi Calvert, Houston County Electric Cooperative on recent adopted order concerning utility companies permits.

Motion made by Willie Kitchen seconded by Judge Ford to table the matter concerning the utility companies obtaining a permit from the County until a later date. Motion carried 4 to 0.

The Court heard from Charley Darsey owner of Darsey’s Furniture in Grapeland concerning the smell coming from the Chicken houses.

Motion made by Kennon Kellum seconded by Pat Perry 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

