

The Commissioner Court of Houston County met in a regular called meeting held on February 23, 2016 with the following members present to wit:

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| 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

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| Bridget Lamb | County Clerk |
| Melissa Mosley | County Auditor |

Media

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| Lynda Jones | Houston County Courier |
| Teresa Holloway | Grapeland Messenger |

Visitors: Glenn Barnhart, John Angerstein, George Crowson Jr., Jan Pigford, Mary Lucas, Bonita Newman and Anita Lee

County Judge Erin Ford called the meeting to order

Commissioner Willie Kitchen opened the meeting with a prayer

Pledge Allegiance

Recognition of guests

Motion made by Roger Dickey seconded by Kennon Kellum to approve the minutes of the last meeting held on February 9, 2016. Motion carried 5 to 0.

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

Motion made by Willie Kitchen seconded by Roger Dickey to accept the County Treasurers report as information. Motion carried 5 to 0.

Motion made by Willie Kitchen seconded by Roger Dickey to accept the Compensatory time report as information. Motion carried 5 to 0.

Motion made by Willie Kitchen seconded by Kennon Kellum to accept the District Judges report as information. Motion carried 5 to 0.

Motion made by Roger Dickey seconded by Kennon Kellum to approve the salary for Myron Waddle as a full time jailer with a pay rate of \$998.83 bi-weekly, to be effective February 24, 2016. Motion carried 5 to 0.

Motion made by Willie Kitchen seconded by Roger Dickey to receive as information the annual profiling reports from Houston County Sheriff Department, Houston County Constable Precinct 1 and precinct 2. Motion carried 5 to 0.

Motion made by Roger Dickey seconded by Willie Kitchen to accept as information the Houston County Juvenile Probation Audit prepared by Todd, Hamaker and Johnson LLC for fiscal year 2015. Motion carried 5 to 0.

Motion made by Willie Kitchen seconded by Roger Dickey to make changes to the Houston County jury donor list by adding Houston County Share. Motion carried 5 to 0.

Motion made by Judge Ford seconded by Willie Kitchen to approve the Hotel Occupancy Tax Fund Application and Interlocal Agreement for Piney Woods Fine Arts for their Music and Arts Festival to be held April 22-23, 2016 and an approval of \$8,500.00. Motion carried 5 to 0.

Motion made by Willie Kitchen seconded by Kennon Kellum to accept the petition for road closure and order abandonment of County Road 3235 and take any other necessary action as per Houston County Attorney. Motion carried 5 to 0.

The Court went into Executive Session at 10:36 am as authorized by government Code 551.074 to discuss Emergency Management Coordinator/Fire Marshall position.

The Court re-convened in open session at 11:20 am to consider taking action on the position of Emergency Management Coordinator/Fire Marshall including but not limited to job description and hiring.

Motion made by Judge Ford seconded by Pat Perry to table taking action on the position of Emergency Management Coordinator/Fire Marshall. Motion carried 5 to 0.

Motion made by Pat Perry seconded by Willie Kitchen that this meeting be adjourn.

Erin Ford, County Judge

Roger Dickey, Comm. Pct. #1

Willie Kitchen, Comm. Pct. #2

Pat Perry, Comm. Pct. #3

Kennon Kellum, Comm. Pct. #4

Attest:

Bridget Lamb, County Clerk