

The Commissioner Court of Houston County met in a regular called meeting held on July 12, 2016 with the following members present to wit:

Erin Ford	County Judge
Gary Lovell	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

Media

Alton Porter	Houston County Courier
Will Johnson	Grapeland Messenger

Visitors: Vaden Caldwell, Ray Wollgast, Tommie Ellis, Wanda Jordan, Cecil Miles, Cynthia Kennedy, Angela Steptoe, Jan Pigford, Mary Lucas, Waymon Vest and Alice Jones

Judge Erin Ford called the meeting to order

Commissioner Willie Kitchen opened the meeting with a prayer

Pledge Allegiance

Recognitions of guests

Motion made by Kennon Kellum seconded by Pat Perry to approve the minutes of the last meeting held on June 28, 2016. Motion carried 5 to 0.

Motion made by Judge Ford seconded by Pat Perry to approve budget amendment #16-06 with an amendment to fund up to a limit not to exceed \$18,210.00 from the fund balance for precinct 1. Motion carried 5 to 0.

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

Judge Ford presented the Distinguished Service Award for accomplishments during the 2015 year of service to the Houston County Historical Commission.

Motion made by Willie Kitchen seconded by Kennon Kellum to accept the 2016 Emergency Management Performance Grant. Motion carried 5 to 0.

Motion made by Willie Kitchen seconded by Gary Lovell to approve the application for a \$15,000.00 no match grant for the Sheriff Department through Texas DPS and Governor Office Criminal Justice Division for NIBRS reporting system that will be mandated by the State to report crime stats to the State. Motion carried 5 to 0.

Motion made by Pat Perry seconded by Willie Kitchen to advertise for bids for the purchase of a used motor grader for Precinct 3. Motion carried 5 to 0.

Motion made by Kennon Kellum seconded by Pat Perry to approve the Road Project Agreement with US Forest Service (Houston County Road 4740 RAC Project) Motion carried 5 to 0.

Motion made by Kennon Kellum seconded by Pat Perry to advertise to accept bids for contract hauling for the US Forest Service project. Motion carried 5 to 0.

Motion made by Judge Ford seconded by Kennon Kellum to approve the right of way permit application from Mobilitie, LLC with proposal of new utility infrastructure facility in Houston County. Motion carried 5 to 0.

Motion made by Willie Kitchen seconded by Kennon Kellum to receive as information annual road reports from County Commissioners. Motion carried 5 to 0.

The Court heard from Waymon Vest concerning roads in Precinct 2.

Motion made by Pat Perry seconded by Kennon Kellum that this meeting be adjourn.

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Erin Ford, County Judge

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Gary Lovell, 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

