



**HOUSTON COUNTY COMMISSIONERS COURT  
MINUTES  
SPECIAL MEETING  
AUGUST 31, 2021**

The Commissioners' Court of Houston County met in a special called meeting on August 31, 2021, **in person and via zoom due to Covid**, with the following members present, to wit:

Jim Lovell	County Judge
Gary Lovell	<b>**ABSENT</b> Commissioner, Precinct #1
Willie Kitchen	<b>**ABSENT</b> Commissioner, Precinct #2
Gene Stokes	Commissioner, Precinct #3
Jimmy Henderson	Commissioner, Precinct #4

Also present:

Melissa Jeter	County Auditor
Terri Meadows	County Clerk
Sharon Luker	Administrative Assistant to Commissioners
Jan Pigford	Administrative Assistant to County Judge (ZOOM)
Sheila Johnson	Grants Administrator (ZOOM)
Brittani Womack	First Assistant County Auditor (ZOOM)
Daphne Session	County Attorney (ZOOM)
Todd McConnell	Information Technology

Media:

Will Johnson	The Grapeland Messenger (Zoom)
Alton Porter	Houston County Courier

Visitors: None

(1) Welcome, Invocation and Pledges:

Judge Lovell called the meeting to order, then Commissioner Stokes led the opening prayer, and that was followed by Judge Lovell leading the Pledge of Allegiance to the American Flag and the Texas Flag.

(2) Commissioner Stokes made a motion to approve renewing insurance coverage with Texas Association of Counties for general and auto liability policies beginning October 1, 2021 and keeping our current deductible rate of \$1000 and making our annual renewal rate \$12, 290. Commissioner Henderson seconded. Motion carried 3 to 0.

- (3) Commissioner Henderson made a motion to accept the grant award from the Office of the Attorney General for the Victim Assistance Grant for FY 2022. Commissioner Stokes seconded the motion. Motion carried 3 to 0.
- (4) Commissioner Henderson made a motion to approve the 34d and 349<sup>th</sup> Judicial District Court Reporters and County Auditor salary orders and budget as presented. Commissioner Stokes seconded. Motion carried 3 to 0.
- (5) Commissioner Henderson moved to approve advertising for bids for CTIF Road Materials and Hauling. Commissioner Stokes seconded. Motion carried 3 to 0.
- (6) Adjourn. Judge Lovell made the motion to adjourn. Commissioner Stokes seconded. Motion carried 3 to 0.

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Jim Lovell, County Judge

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Gary Lovell, Commissioner, Precinct #1

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Willie Kitchen, Commissioner, Precinct #2

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Gene Stokes, Commissioner, Precinct #3

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Jimmy Henderson, Commissioner, Precinct #4

Attest:

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Terri Meadows, County Clerk