



**HOUSTON COUNTY COMMISSIONERS COURT
MINUTES
SPECIAL MEETING
SEPTEMBER 19, 2023**

The Commissioners' Court of Houston County met in a special called meeting on September 19, 2023, **in person and via zoom**, with the following members present, to wit:

Jim Lovell	County Judge	PRESENT
Gary Lovell	Commissioner, Precinct #1	PRESENT
Willie Kitchen	Commissioner, Precinct #2	PRESENT
Gene Stokes	Commissioner, Precinct #3	PRESENT
Jimmy Henderson	Commissioner, Precinct #4	ABSENT

Also present:

Terri Meadows	County Clerk
Todd McConnell	IT
Kris Dyches	Insurance Coordinator
Sharon Luker	Administrative Assistant to County Commissioners
Jan Pigford	Administrative Assistant to County Judge
Melissa Jeter	Auditor
Mike Molnes	Sheriff Office

County Officials/Employees by Zoom:

Brittani Womack	First Assistant Auditor
Heath Murff	Emergency Management
Randy Hargrove	Sheriff

Media:

Visitors:

(1) Welcome, Invocation and Pledges:

Commissioner Kitchen called the meeting to order at **9:02 a.m.** Commissioner Kitchen voiced the opening prayer followed by Judge Lovell leading the Pledge of Allegiance to the American Flag and the Texas Flag.

- (2) Discuss and consider declaring received information as surplus inventory. **Commissioner Stokes made a motion to receive as information the surplus inventory as presented. Commissioner Lovell seconded. Motion carried 4 to 0.**
- (3) Discuss and consider approving a contract with Auctioneer Express. **Commissioner Kitchen made a motion to approve the contract with Auctioneer Express. Commissioner Lovell seconded. Motion carried 4 to 0.**
- (4) Discuss and consider action on authorizing the following items through the American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) Grant Fund and necessary budget amendments:
 - a. Approve purchase and authorize payment for a 2022 Ram 2500 Promaster Cargo Van for Houston County Aging Services from Henson Dodge Chrysler Jeep Ram *Total \$47,138.24. **Commissioner Lovell made a motion to authorize the purchase and payment of a 2022 Ram 2500 Promaster Cargo Van for Houston County Aging Services from Henson Dodge Chrysler Jeep Ram at a cost of \$47,138.24, and that the budget be amended to cover the expense out of the American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) Grant Fund. Commissioner Kitchen seconded. Motion carried 4 to 0.**
- (5) Adjourn. **Judge Lovell made a motion to adjourn. The motion carried by everyone rising and leaving the meeting at 9:14 a.m.**

Jim Lovell, County Judge

Gary Lovell, Commissioner, Precinct #1

Willie Kitchen, Commissioner, Precinct #2

Gene Stokes, Commissioner, Precinct #3

Jimmy Henderson, Commissioner, Precinct #4

Attest:

Terri Meadows, County Clerk