

The Commissioner Court of Houston County met in a regular called meeting on November 26, 2013 with the following members present to wit:

Erin Ford	County Judge
Roger Dickey	Commissioner Precinct #1
Willie Kitchen	Commissioner Precinct #2
Kennon Kellum	Commissioner Precinct #4

Also present:

Bridget Lamb	County Clerk
Melissa Mosley	County Auditor
Daphne Session	County Attorney

Media:

Will Johnson	Grapeland Messenger
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Visitors: C. R. Kimbrough, Chris Key, Les Pittman, Randy Worsham and Ashley B. Perry

County Judge Erin Ford called the meeting to order

Commissioner Willie Kitchen opened the meeting with a prayer

Pledge of Allegiance

Judge Ford recognized all guests

Motion made by Kennon Kellum seconded by Roger Dickey to approve the minutes of the last regular called meeting held on November 12, 2013 and the special called meeting held on November 18, 2013. Motion carried 4 to 0.

Motion made by Roger Dickey seconded by Kennon Kellum to approve payment of bills and expenses. Motion carried 4 to 0.

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

Motion made by Willie Kitchen seconded by Roger Dickey to accept the compensatory time report as information. Motion carried 4 to 0.

Motion made by Roger Dickey seconded by Willie Kitchen to accept the Environmental Control Report presented by Ashley Perry as information. Motion carried 4 to 0.

Motion made by Willie Kitchen seconded by Kennon Kellum to approve the salary for Eloise Wade as jailer at a pay rate of \$848.36 bi-weekly, and Forrest McClain as a part time jailer at a pay rate of \$9.04 hourly, effective November 26, 2013. Motion carried 4 to 0.

Motion made by Roger Dickey seconded by Willie Kitchen to accept the bid of \$750.00 from Joshua Payeur for the sale of a surplus flatbed haul trailer from Road and Bridge Precinct 1. Motion carried 4 to 0.

Motion made by Willie Kitchen seconded by Roger Dickey to approve the agreement to purchase iron ore and clay between Neal Henderson and Road and Bridge Precinct 2. Motion carried 4 to 0.

Motion made by Willie Kitchen seconded by Kennon Kellum to appoint Morris Luker as Houston County Vehicle Inventory Management Coordinator. Motion carried 4 to 0.

Motion made by Willie Kitchen seconded by Kennon Kellum to table the matter concerning purchasing Constable Precinct 1 a vehicle. Motion carried 4 to 0.

Motion made by Willie Kitchen seconded by Kennon Kellum to adopt personnel policy on travel per diem with amending the parking and follow up forms to be included, to be effective January 1, 2014. Motion carried 4 to 0.

Motion made by Willie Kitchen seconded by Roger Dickey to appoint Julia Marietta, John Morgan and Peggy Patrick as board members of directors of Houston County Emergency Services District No 2 for a two year term effective January 1, 2014. Motion carried 4 to 0.

Charles R. Kimbrough, with Bickerstaff, Heath, Delgado, Acosta LLP in Austin, Texas addressed the court concerning the proposed project to be conducted by Houston County pursuant to Senate Bill 1747 (enacted in 2013 by the Texas Legislature) to obtain grant funding from TXDOT for the planning, construction, reconstruction, and maintenance of public roads, bridges, culverts in the county damaged by the exploration, development, or production of oil or gas.

Motion made by Judge Ford seconded by Willie Kitchen to discuss the views of the project and consider the hiring of the Law Firm of Bickerstaff, Heath, Delgado, LLP for legal services at a special called Commissioner Court meeting on December 5, 2013 at 10:00 AM. Motion carried 4 to 0.

Motion made by Willie Kitchen seconded by Roger Dickey that the 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