

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

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:

Bridget Lamb	County Clerk
Melissa Mosley	County Auditor
Daphne Session	County Attorney
Morris E. Luker	Constable Precinct #1

Media:

Will Johnson	Grapeland Messenger
Lynda Jones	Houston County Courier
Penny Webb	Houston County Life & Web

Visitors: John B. Cupp, Claire C. Black, Barbara LaRue, Joe Taylor, Glenn Barnhart, Debbie McCall, Tessa Olive and Dr. Ianthia Fisher.

County Judge Erin Ford called the meeting to order

Rev. Patrick Evans of First United Methodist Church of Crockett opened the meeting with a prayer

Pledge Allegiance

Motion made by Kennon Kellum seconded by Pat Perry to approve the minutes of the last regular called meeting held on February 12, 2013. Motion carried 5 to 0.

Motion made by Willie Kitchen seconded by Roger Dickey to approve budget amendment #13-4 and any line item transfers. Motion carried 5 to 0.

Motion made by Willie Kitchen seconded by Roger Dickey to approve payments of bills and expenses and approval of related budget transfers. Motion carried 5 to 0.

The Court heard a presentation from Constable Precinct 1 Morris E. Luker concerning the duties of his office.

Judge Ford recognized all guests

Motion made by Willie Kitchen seconded by Roger Dickey to approve the six month pay raise for Norma Tapia, Administrative Assistant in the County Attorney's Office, at a pay rate of \$892.50 bi-weekly. Motion carried 5 to 0.

The Court heard a presentation from Glenn Barnhart the Associate Producer of Piney Woods Fine Arts concerning the arts education programs.

Motion made by Willie Kitchen seconded by Roger Dickey to nominate Gene Meyers as a representative for the Houston County Appraisal District Board of Review for 2013-2014. Motion carried 5 to 0.

Motion made by Willie Kitchen seconded by Roger Dickey to approve the amendment to original Tax Abatement Agreement for Treehouse Academy, LLC dated September 13, 2011. Motion carried 5 to 0.

Motion made by Willie Kitchen seconded by Roger Dickey to approve the contract with H2O Partners, Inc to prepare Houston County Hazard Mitigation Plan as required by Texas Department of Public Safety with approved grant funding. Motion carried 5 to 0.

Motion made by Roger Dickey seconded by Kennon Kellum to receive the annual racial profiling report from Houston County District Attorney's Office and Houston County Constable Precinct 2 as information. Motion carried 5 to 0.

Motion made by Willie Kitchen seconded by Kennon Kellum to accept the Fiscal Year 2012 Juvenile Probation Department Annual Audit. Motion carried 5 to 0.

The court heard a presentation from Debbie McCall and Dr. Ianthia Fisher the Community Plan Coordinators for Houston County concerning the changes to the Houston County Community Plan.

Motion made by Willie Kitchen seconded by Roger Dickey to approve and accept the changes to the Fiscal Year 2013 Houston County Community Plan as required by the Criminal Justice Division of the Governor's Office. Motion carried 5 to 0.

Motion made by Willie Kitchen seconded by Roger Dickey 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

