

The Commissioner Court of Houston County met in a regular called meeting on June 9, 2015 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
Pam Foster Fletcher	District Judge

Media

Will Johnson	Grapeland Messenger
Lynda Jones	Houston County Courier

Visitors: James Hughes, Ashley Perry, Jan Pigford, Mary Lucas and Elizabeth McCoy

County Judge Erin Ford called the meeting to order

Commissioner Kennon Kellum opened the meeting with a prayer

Pledge Allegiance

Recognition of guests

Motion made by Roger Dickey seconded by Willie Kitchen to approve the minutes of the last regular called meeting held on May 26, 2015. Motion carried 4 to 0.

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

Motion made by Kennon Kellum seconded by Roger Dickey to accept as information the Environmental Control Report. Motion carried 4 to 0.

Judge Ford reported that he received a letter from Cheryl Flood with TxDot, reaffirming the fact that the state declared Counties as disaster areas on May 11th and amended that proclamation on May 29th to included Houston County. Judge Ford also stated that he is waiting for the Presidential Disaster Declaration for Houston County.

Motion made by Roger Dickey seconded by Willie Kitchen to accept as information the District Judge's report. Motion carried 4 to 0.

Motion made by Willie Kitchen seconded by Kennon Kellum to approve the salaries for James Hughes and Joseph Ruland as jailers at a pay rate of \$975.80 bi-weekly effective June 9, 2015. Motion carried 4 to 0.

Motion made by Willie Kitchen seconded by Kennon Kellum to approve the salary for Joel Walker as a part time jailer at a pay rate of \$12.20 per hour effective June 9, 2015. Motion carried 4 to 0.

Motion made by Roger Dickey seconded by Willie Kitchen to approve the six month pay raise for Brent Williams the County IT Director. Motion carried 4 to 0.

Motion made by Willie Kitchen seconded by Roger Dickey to approve the salary for Norma Brewerton as Assistant Auditor at a pay rate of \$11.17 per hour effective June 1, 2015. Motion carried 4 to 0.

Motion made by Willie Kitchen seconded by Kennon Kellum to designate a 2007 Alamo boom mower as surplus from Precinct 2. Motion carried 4 to 0.

Motion made by Willie Kitchen seconded by Roger Dickey to approve advertising for bids for the 2007 Alamo boom mower. Motion carried 4 to 0.

Motion made by Willie Kitchen seconded by Roger Dickey to approve a contract with Auctioneer Express to sell the boom mower online. Motion carried 4 to 0.

Motion made by Kennon Kellum seconded by Roger Dickey to approve a lease/purchase agreement with Citizens National Bank for a term of 4 years not to exceed \$110,000.00 for used backhoe with possible trade-in of trackloader for Precinct 4 and make the necessary budget amendments. Motion carried 4 to 0.

Motion made by Roger Dickey seconded by Willie Kitchen to accept as information Houston county Sheriff's CJIS security audit. Motion carried 4 to 0.

Motion made by Willie Kitchen seconded by Kennon Kellum to appoint Judge Ford as Houston County representative for TX-21. Motion carried 4 to 0.

Motion made by Willie Kitchen seconded by Roger Dickey to approve Compensation and overtime policies as presented from the Human Resource Committee and table the vacation time pending input from other department heads. Motion carried 4 to 0.

Motion made by Kennon Kellum 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

Kellum Kennon, Comm. Pct. #4

Attest:

Bridget Lamb, County Clerk