

The Commissioner Court of Houston County met in a regular called meeting held on May 12, 2015 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

Bridget Lamb	County Clerk
Melissa Mosley	County Auditor
Daphne Session	County Attorney
Sarah Clark	County Court at Law Judge
Donna Kaspar	District Attorney

Media

Will Johnson	Grapeland Messenger
Teresa Holloway	Houston County Courier

Visitors: Bryan Lake, Glenn Barnhart, Ralph E. Brown, Evalena Ashley, John Hinson, Brittany Stapp, Ashley Perry, Jimmy Hickman, Michael Brown, Norvle Brown, Leslie Nguyen, Tim Hesson, James Chambers, Kyle Lock, Loyce Netardus, Charlene Martin, Judy Cardenas, Bill Ruhland and Ryan Martin

County Judge Erin Ford called the meeting to order

Judge Erin Ford 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 April 28, 2015. Motion carried 5 to 0.

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

Motion made by Pat Perry seconded by Kennon Kellum to accept as information the Environmental Control Report. Motion carried 5 to 0.

Judge Ford reported he received an application from the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality concerning the Weatherford facility in Latexo which was sold to Lubrizol and they have applied for a permit to modify and match the chemical manufacturing plant.

Motion made by Kennon Kellum seconded by Pat Perry to approve the salary for Kody Stephens as a part time deputy to be effective June 1, 2015 at a pay rate of \$14.83 per hour and Kenneth Thomas as a part time jailer at a pay rate of \$12.20 per hour effective May 12, 2015. Motion carried 5 to 0.

Motion made by Roger Dickey seconded by Willie Kitchen to approve the salary for Lakin Smith as the Receptionist/Intake Clerk in the District Attorney's Office at a salary of \$891.41 bi-weekly effective April 27, 2015. Motion carried 5 to 0.

Motion made by Judge Ford seconded by Willie Kitchen to adopt a proclamation declaring May as Elder Abuse Prevention Month in Houston County. Motion carried 5 to 0.

Motion made by Willie Kitchen seconded by Roger Dickey to accept the donation from the Houston County Law Enforcement Association in the amount of \$768.50 to reimburse expenses for NENA (dispatch) conference. Motion carried 5 to 0.

Motion made by Willie Kitchen seconded by Roger Dickey to approve the Data Use Agreement between the Texas Health and Human Services Enterprise and Houston County for use in the County Clerk's office. Motion carried 5 to 0.

Motion made by Willie Kitchen seconded by Judge Ford to approve the Interlocal Agreement and application for use of the Hotel and Motel Occupancy Tax for Piney Woods Fine Arts Association Sumer Lightnin' series and approve allocating \$5,000.00. Motion carried 5 to 0.

Michael Brown addressed the court regarding the access status of County Road 3235. The court provided Mr. Brown with a petition for the property owners to sign in order to convert the roadway to a private status and allow the county to abandon it.

Motion made by Pat Perry seconded by Kennon Kellum to adopt an order changing the name of Prison Road 3 to County Road 3512. Motion carried 5 to 0.

James Chamber addressed the court concerning issues of gaining access from County Road 1705 to private property.

Motion made by Kennon Kellum seconded by Pat Perry that this meeting be adjourn.

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Erin Ford, County Judge

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Roger Dickey, Comm. Pct. #1

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Willie Kitchen, Comm. Pct. #2

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Pat Perry, Comm. Pct. #3

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Kennon Kellum, Comm. Pct. #4

Attest:

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Bridget Lamb, County Clerk