

The Commissioner Court of Houston County met in a regular called meeting held on May 24, 2016 with the following members present to wit:

Erin Ford	County Judge
Gary Lovell	Commissioner Precinct #1
Willie Kitchen	Commissioner Precinct #2
Kennon Kellum	Commissioner Precinct #3

Also present

Bridget Lamb	County Clerk
Melissa Mosley	County Auditor
Daphne Session	County Attorney
Danette Millican	County Tax Assessor-Collector

Media

Teresa Holloway	Grapeland Messenger
Alton Porter	Houston County Courier

Visitors: Glenn Barnhart, G. P. Shearer, Jan Pigford and Mary Lucas

County Judge Erin Ford called the meeting to order

Commissioner Willie Kitchen opened the meeting with a prayer

Pledge of Allegiance

Recognitions of guests

Motion made by Willie Kitchen seconded by Kennon Kellum to approve the minutes of the last meeting held on May 10, 2016. Motion carried 4 to 0.

Motion made by Judge Ford seconded by Willie Kitchen to approve budget amendment #16-05 and approve budget line items 6-11 in the amount of \$30,000.00 as an interim to be taken out of contingency fund while looking at the remaining offices. Motion carried 4 to 0.

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

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

Motion made by Willie Kitchen seconded by Kennon Kellum to receive as information the Compensatory time report. Motion carried 4 to 0.

Motion made by Kennon Kellum seconded by Willie Kitchen to change Roger Seidel from part time as heavy equipment operator to full time in precinct #3 at a bi-weekly salary of \$1,377.00. Motion carried 4 to 0.

Motion made by Willie Kitchen seconded by Kennon Kellum to approve the salary for Tyler Taylor as temporary part time Clerk in the District Clerk Office at a bi-weekly salary of \$9.78 per hour. Motion carried 4 to 0.

Motion made by Judge Ford seconded by Kennon Kellum to table the matter concerning the part time Environmental/Community Service Officer. Motion carried 4 to 0.

Motion made by Willie Kitchen seconded by Kennon Kellum to adopt the Order Setting Policy for mailboxes in county owned property and right-of-way and designate the Fire Marshall office being in charge. Motion carried 4 to 0.

Motion made by Willie Kitchen seconded by Judge Ford to approve the Hotel Occupancy Tax Fund Application and Interlocal Agreement for Pineywoods Fine Arts Association for Summer Lightnin' Concert Series and allocate \$8,000.00 from the Hotel Occupancy Tax Fund (HOT). Motion carried 4 to 0.

Motion made by Willie Kitchen seconded by Kennon Kellum to receive as information the cancellation of contract with Screaming Eagles Airplane Club for use of Houston County Airport. Motion carried 4 to 0.

Motion made by Willie Kitchen seconded by Kennon Kellum to approve the Homeland Security Grant-Radio-Communication equipment for the Sheriff's Office. Motion carried 4 to 0.

Motion made by Willie Kitchen seconded by Gary Lovell to approve the TAC-Risk Control Reimbursement Program for equipment and to develop/promote a Law Enforcement Wellness program. Motion carried 4 to 0.

Motion made by Gary Lovell seconded by Willie Kitchen to appoint precinct #1 Commissioner Gary Lovell to proceed with negotiations to purchase property adjoining county property in Precinct #1. Motion carried 4 to 0.

Motion made by Kennon Kellum seconded by Willie Kitchen to table taking action to approve transfer of funds from Precinct #4 to precinct #1 for purchase of real property. Motion carried 4 to 0.

Motion made by Kennon Kellum seconded by Judge Ford that this meeting be adjourn.

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Erin Ford, County Judge

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Gary Lovell, 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