

The Commissioner Court of Houston County met in a regular called meeting held on April 26, 2016 with the following members present to wit:

Erin Ford	County Judge
Gary Lovell	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
Danette Millican	County Tax Assessor-Collector

Media

Teresa Holloway	Grapeland Messenger
Lynda Jones	Houston County Courier

Visitors: Hubert Burns, Charlie Mae Burns, Mayor George Pierson, Kelly Stotts, Bobby Bowlin, Sharon Berry, Reginald Berry, Barrett Riess, Randy Worsham, Herman Tryon, Mary Tryon, Alton Porter, Neal Smith and Jimmy Brown

County Judge Erin Ford called the meeting to order

Mr. Alton Porter opened the meeting with a prayer

Pledge of Allegiance

Motion made by Kennon Kellum seconded by Pat Perry to approve the minutes of the last meeting held on April 12, 2016. Motion carried 5 to 0.

Motion made by Willie Kitchen seconded by Gary Lovell to approve payment of bills and expenses. Motion carried 5 to 0.

Motion made by Willie Kitchen seconded by Kennon Kellum to receive the Treasurer's report as information. Motion carried 5 to 0.

Motion made by Willie Kitchen seconded by Kennon Kellum to receive the Compensatory time report as information. Motion carried 5 to 0.

Motion made by Kennon Kellum seconded by Pat Perry to receive the District Judges report as information. Motion carried 5 to 0.

Bobby Bowlin, Chairman and Kelly Stotts, Director of Crockett Housing Authority addressed the court concerning waiver for payment in lieu of taxes. Commissioner Kitchen stated that in a prior meeting

he made a motion to accept the \$4,802.86 but not sign the waiver.

Motion made by Willie Kitchen seconded by Gary Lovell to table accepting bids and awarding contracts for road material and petroleum products. Motion carried 5 to 0.

Barrett Riess addressed the court with some issues and concerns from residents on county road 2022.

Motion made by Willie Kitchen to allocate \$3,995.00 for County Road 2022 with \$400.00 being the County share with no commitment until approval. Motion died for lack of second.

Motion made by Gary Lovell seconded by Willie Kitchen to add County Road 1597 to CERTZ Priority Project List. Motion carried 3 to 2.

Motion made by Pat Perry seconded by Kennon Kellum to allocate \$3700.00 to County Roads 3375, or 3385 or 3400. Motion carried 3 to 2.

Motion made by Judge Ford seconded by Kennon Kellum to table this matter. Motion carried 5 to 0.

Motion made by Gary Lovell seconded by Willie Kitchen to accept donation of material from Nucor Corporation of Grapeland for Precinct #1. Motion carried 5 to 0.

Motion made by Willie Kitchen seconded by Gary Lovell to approve the lease renewal with Pitney Bowes for postage machine. Motion carried 5 to 0.

Motion made by Judge Ford seconded by Willie Kitchen to proceed with the revise Tower Site Lease Agreement with East Texas Medical Center while looking at options to purchase the tower. Motion carried 5 to 0.

Motion made by Willie Kitchen seconded by Kennon Kellum to receive as information the 2015 Audit for Houston County Emergency Services District #1. Motion carried 5 to 0.

Erin Ford, County Judge

Gary Lovell, Comm. Pct. #1

Willie Kitchen, Comm. Pct. #2

Pat Perry, Comm. Pct. #3

Kennon Kellum, Comm. Pct. #4

Attest:

Bridget Lamb, County Clerk