

The Commissioner Court of Houston County met in a regular called meeting held on February 9, 2016 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
Red Smith	Constable Precinct # 2
Clyde Black	Justice of The Peace Precinct #1

Media

Lynda Jones	Houston County Courier
Teresa Holloway	Grapeland Messenger

Visitors: David Lamb, Jordan Knox, Ansel Bradshaw, Patricia Hill, Wanda Jordan, Barbara Wooten, George Crowson, Jr., Jan Pigford, Gloria Swor and Susie Hammond

County Judge Erin Ford called the meeting to order

Commissioner Roger Dickey opened the meeting with a prayer

Pledge Allegiance

Recognition of guest

Ansel Bradshaw announced that the permits and construction for a Building Materials Company to open on the Loop where the Old Coke Cola Plant was.

Motion made by Roger Dickey seconded by Willie Kitchen to approve the minutes of the last regular called meeting held on January 26, 2016. Motion carried 5 to 0.

Motion made by Kennon Kellum seconded by Pat Perry to approve budget amendment #16-02. Motion carried 5 to 0.

Motion made by Kennon Kellum seconded by Pat Perry to approve payment of bills and expenses. Motion carried 5 to 0.

Motion made by Willie Kitchen seconded by Roger Dickey to accept as information the Environmental Control Report. Motion carried 5 to 0.

David Lamb thanked the court for all their support during his time in office as Emergency Management Coordinator. Judge Ford announced a retirement party will be held immediately after court for Mr. Lamb.

Motion made Willie Kitchen seconded by Roger Dickey to approve the salary for Jeff Taylor as a part time deputy at a pay rate of \$15.18 per hour, effective January 25, 2016. Motion carried 5 to 0.

Motion made by Willie Kitchen seconded by Roger Dickey to approve the salary for Wyatt Glazier as a full time jailer with a pay rate of \$998.83 bi-weekly, to be effective February 9, 2016. Motion carried 5 to 0.

Motion made by Willie Kitchen seconded by Roger Dickey to accept the Juvenile Deputy Grant in the amount of \$16,565.17. Motion carried 5 to 0.

Motion made by Roger Dickey seconded by Kennon Kellum to accept the body-worn camera grant for \$40,363.75 with a 25% match which the Sheriff will take out of his Forfeiture Fund. Motion carried 5 to 0.

Motion made by Roger Dickey seconded by Willie Kitchen to apply for a joint equipment grant between Sheriff's Office and County Attorney's Office for interview recording system, computer & projector equipment. Motion carried 5 to 0.

Motion made by Pat Perry seconded by Roger Dickey to apply for the continuance grant for the Crime Victim Deputy Grant. Motion carried 5 to 0.

Motion made by Roger Dickey seconded by Kennon Kellum to apply for the continuance of the no match Juvenile Deputy Grant. Motion carried 5 to 0.

Motion made by Roger Dickey seconded by Willie Kitchen to accept as information Houston County Emergency Services District No. 2 financial statement for Fiscal Year 2015. Motion carried 5 to 0.

Motion made by Willie Kitchen seconded by Pat Perry to change the polling place for Precinct three to the front entrance of the Crockett Independent School Administration Building. Motion carried 5 to 0.

Motion made by Willie Kitchen seconded by Roger Dickey to approve the Hotel Occupancy Tax Fund Application and Interlocal Agreement from Mission: Tomorrow and approval of \$5,000.00. Motion carried 5 to 0.

Motion made by Judge Ford to consider approval for emergency expenditure in the event there is a catastrophic failure of the elevator. Judge Ford rescinded his motion.

Motion made by Willie Kitchen seconded by Roger Dickey to table this matter concerning expenditures for the elevator control for the Courthouse elevator. Motion carried 5 to 0.

Motion made by Willie Kitchen seconded by Roger Dickey to accept as information the presentation from Houston County Historical Commission. Motion carried 5 to 0.

Court went into recess to attend the Retirement Party for David Lamb, Emergency Management Coordinator.

At 11:14 a.m. the Court into executive session as authorized by government Code 551.074 to discuss Emergency Management Coordinator/Fire Marshall position.

The Court re-convened back in open session at 11:53 am.

Motion made by Judge Ford seconded by Willie kitchen table agenda item #16 until the court have a chance to personally interview a second applicant. 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

