

**HOWARD COUNTY COMMISSIONERS COURT  
AGENDA  
AUGUST 8, 2016**


The following item(s) of business will be discussed and possible action taken in a regular meeting of the Howard County Commissioners' Court to be held on **MONDAY, AUGUST 8, 2016** in the Howard County Courtroom on the third floor of the Howard County Courthouse. The meeting will commence at **2:00 PM**.

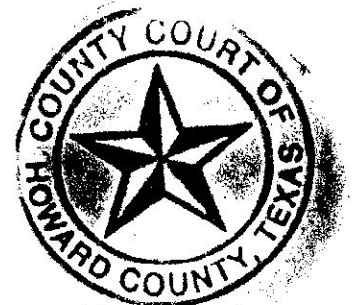
**Announcement:** Anyone intending to address the Commissioners' Court shall complete and turn in the designated form to County Judge. Please silence cell phones.

**Call to Order**

- **Judge Kathryn G. Wiseman**
  - Budget Workshop at 2:00 pm (2<sup>nd</sup> Floor Conference Room – recess and reconvene 3<sup>rd</sup> Floor at 4:00 PM for Commissioners Court) with Possible Action
  - Shelley Smith, CEO of MHMR for Contract Renewals Discussion / Possible Action
  
- **Sheriff Stan Parker**
  - Discussion / Possible Action of VINE Contract
  
- **Jackie Olson**
  - Discussion / Possible Action on Bills from Black Jack Energy Services for road materials that exceed bid
  - Invoices
  - Purchase Requests
  - Budget Amendments
  - Presentation of Monthly Financial Report
  
- **Teresa Thomas**
  - Personnel Considerations
  - Payroll Report
  - Presentation of Treasurer's Report
  
- **Brian Klinksiek**
  - Pipeline Crossings / Road Maintenance
  - Presentation of Grant Bill #11
  
- **Donna Wright**
  - Presentation of Monthly Report
  
- Discussion / Possible Action of Road Grant
- Citizen input for those registered to make comments
- Opportunity for mention of any items to be on the future agendas

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DOYNA WRIGHT  
COUNTY CLERK HOWARD COUNTY  
BY COUNTY CLERK  
*Doyna Wright*

  
Kathryn G. Wiseman  
County Judge, Howard County, Texas



**The Commissioners' Court may convene in Executive Session pursuant to Gov. 551.001 et seq. on any of the above items.**

BE IT REMEMBERED that on the 8th day of August, A.D. 2016 the Commissioner Court of Howard County met in a budget work shop and regular session at 2:00PM with **KATHYRN G. WISEMAN**, County Judge as the Presiding Officer. The following members were present: **OSCAR GARCIA**, Commissioner Precinct No. 1, **CRAIG BAILEY**, Commissioner Precinct No. 2, **JIMMIE LONG**, Commissioner Precinct No. 3 and **JOHN H. CLINE**, Commissioner Precinct No. 4.

Court opened in a Budget workshop at 2:00 PM.

Court agreed that the Library hiring will remain in a holding pattern at this time.

Tiffany Sayles-Fernandez, Tax Assessor Collector presented the Court with the effective tax rate of .449585 and the roll back amount to be .475779.

Tiffany Sayles-Fernandez, Tax Assessor Collector reported that Perdue, Brandon was working on getting the Scoff Law implemented, but wasn't sure when it would be in operation.

Jackie Olson, County Auditor presented the Court with a recap of all the changes made to date and the projected beginning balances for 2016-2017.

Court agreed unanimously to go with the Effective Rate of .449585.

A motion was made by Commissioner Bailey and seconded by Commissioner Long to remove the 20 year cap on Longevity. A vote was taken and the members of the Court unanimously voted "AYES". Motion carried.

Jackie Olson, County Auditor went over the calendar for the next few months.

Court recessed at 3:12 PM until 4:00 PM.

Court reconvened at 4:02 PM in open court.

Shelly Smith CEO, MHMR explained to the Court on the critical status of our State Hospital Beds being filled with Forensic patients and nothing left for the mentally ill.

A motion was made by Commissioner Garcia and seconded by Commissioner Cline to approve the renewal of the contract with West Texas Centers to assure the accessibility of mental health and intellectual and developmental disability services when needed by any resident of Howard County as presented by Shelly Smith, CEO of MHMR. Cost to the County is \$25,500.00 annually. This contract begins September 1, 2016. A vote was taken and the

A motion was made by Commissioner Long and seconded by Commissioner Cline to approve the Vine Contract (Appriss) as presented by Stan Parker, Sheriff. This is a grant. A vote was taken and the members of the Court unanimously voted "AYES". Motion carried.

A motion was made by Commissioner Garcia and seconded by Commissioner Cline to approve the bid to Black Jack Energy Services. It exceeded the bid amount by approximately \$108,866... This is part of the grant work. A vote was taken and the members of the Court unanimously voted "AYES". Motion carried.

A motion was made by Commissioner Garcia and seconded by Commissioner Cline to approve the following 15 Right of Ways as presented by Brian Klinksiek, County Road Administrator: 4 to Q-Star- 3 on CR 19 and 1 on WCR30; 4 to Surge Energy – 3 on Co. Rd. and 1 on 21; 3 to Diamondback Energy Inc. all on WCR 42; 4 to West Texas H20 – 2 on CR 21, 1 on Moore School Rd & 1 on Fairview. A vote was taken and the members of the Court unanimously voted "AYES". Motion carried.

Commissioner Cline presented the last Grant Bill for this physical year in the amount of \$1,600,038.64.

A motion was made by Commissioner Cline and seconded by Commissioner Long to approve the following purchase request as presented by Jackie Olson, County Auditor: Road & Bridge – 5000 gal CRS-2P @ \$8300.00 from Heartland, Place Sign @ 14,000.00 from Willis Electric (Frazier Rd) & move asphalt tank from Caffey Construction @ \$2500.00; Courthouse – ice machine from Bollinger Refrigeration @ \$3907.00. Court tabled the item to replace the air conditioning in the men's restroom in the basement of the district court building at approximately \$4000.00.

A motion was made by Commissioner Long and seconded by Commissioner Bailey to approve the bills as presented by Jackie Olson, County Auditor. A vote was taken and the members of the Court unanimously voted "AYES". Motion carried.

A motion was made by Commissioner Bailey and seconded by Commissioner Long to approve the 1 budget amendment as presented by Jackie Olson, County Auditor. A vote was taken and the members of the Court unanimously voted "AYES". Motion carried.

A motion was made by Commissioner Long and seconded by Commissioner Garcia to approve the payroll report as presented by Teresa Thomas, County Treasurer. A vote was taken and the members of the Court unanimously voted "AYES". Motion carried.

A motion was made by Commissioner Bailey and seconded by Commissioner Cline to approve the County Treasurer's monthly report as presented by Teresa Thomas, County Treasurer. A vote was taken and the members of the Court unanimously voted "AYES". Motion carried.

Teresa Thomas, County Treasurer reported to the Court that the balance in the sick pool is 4794 hours.

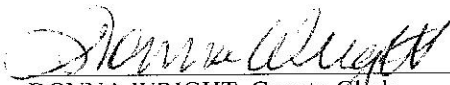
A motion was made by Commissioner Garcia and seconded by Commissioner Bailey to approve the County Clerk Monthly report as presented by Donna Wright, County Clerk. A vote was taken and the members of the Court unanimously voted "AYES". Motion carried.

Court adjourned at 4:45 PM.

STATE OF TEXAS

COUNTY OF HOWARD

I, Donna Wright, Howard County Clerk, attest that the foregoing is a true and accurate accounting of the Commissioners Court's authorized proceedings for August 8, 2016.

  
DONNA WRIGHT, County Clerk  
Clerk of Commissioner's Court  
Howard County, Texas