

BE IT REMEMBERED that on the 13th day of March, A.D. 2023 the Commissioner Court of Howard County met in Workshop @ 2:00 PM Regular Session at 3:30 PM with **RANDY JOHNSON**, County Judge as the Presiding Officer. The following members were present: **EDDILISA RAY**, Commissioner Precinct No. 1, **JIMMIE LONG**, Commissioner Precinct No. 3 and **DOUG WAGNER**, Commissioner Precinct No. 4. **CASH BERRY**, Commissioner Precinct No. 2 was absent.

The Workshop was called to order @ 1:59 PM.

There was a discussion on road work the State will be doing South of Big Spring on Highway 87 adding frontage roads starting in the Forsan turnoff area to the County line. Discussion only. No action.

Commissioner Long discussed landscaping around the Courthouse and a couple of companies that have made proposals. This will be on the agenda at a later date after the bidding process is complete.

The Court moved to the Library @ 2:23 PM for a tour of the Library. Sandra Verdin, Head Librarian, gave the Court a tour of the facilities. She made note of the different areas of the Library and the needs to be considered for renovations in the future.

Court reconvened in Regular Session @ 3:35 PM.

A motion was made by Commissioner Ray and seconded by Commissioner Wagner to accept the February 2023 Monthly Reports for JP1-1, JP1-2 and JP2 as presented by Judge Johnson. A vote was taken and the members of the Court unanimously voted "AYES". Motion carried.

A motion was made by Commissioner Wagner and seconded by Commissioner Ray to approve the Tax Deeds for Trust Properties in the City of Big Spring, those being Parcels 46922 and 5589 as presented by Judge Johnson. 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 Ray to approve a Resolution in support of a Regional Juvenile Detention Center as presented by Judge Johnson. 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 Ray to approve an updated Rules of Procedure, Conduct and Decorum at meetings of the County Commissioners Court as presented by Judge Johnson. A vote was taken and the members of the Court unanimously voted "AYES". Motion carried.

A motion was made by Commissioner Ray and seconded by Commissioner Wagner to approve the 2023 New Opioid Settlements with Allergan, CVS, Walgreens and Walmart as presented by Judge Johnson. 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 Ray to approve the Personnel Considerations as presented by Sharon Adams, County Treasurer. A vote was taken and the members of the Court unanimously voted "AYES". Motion carried.

A motion was made by Commissioner Ray and seconded by Commissioner Wagner to accept the Treasurer's Monthly Report for February 2023 as presented by Sharon Adams, County Treasurer. 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 Ray to approve the Invoices 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 Wagner to approve the Purchase Requests as presented by Jackie Olson, County Auditor. The requests are as follows: Jail for salt for water softener from Culligan @ \$1100; Library for Annual Conference Hotel Reservations for Children's Librarian from TIB for Texas Library Association @ \$1118.52; Library for 12 month Silver Package from Choice Media @ \$3240; Library for Annual Overdrive Account from Overdrive @ \$6000. Also the purchase of the following copiers and maintenance packages: Adult Probation from Ricoh @ \$3746.88 + maintenance; Tax Assessor from Ricoh @ \$5510 + maintenance package; Auditor from Ricoh @ \$6583 + maintenance contract; County Extension Office from Ricoh @ \$6005.50 + maintenance package; and District Court from Xerox @ \$7973.74 + maintenance package. A vote was taken and the members of the Court unanimously voted "AYES". Motion carried.

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

Brian Klinksiek, County Road Administrator, gave roadway updates in Precincts 1, 3, and 4. No action needed.

Brian Klinksiek, County Road Administrator, reported to the Court results of the Vehicle Auction yielding the following amounts: VFD \$13,704; Sheriff's Office \$1,155; Road & Bridge \$33,492 for a total of \$48,351. No action needed.

A motion was made by Commissioner Ray and seconded by Commissioner Wagner to accept the County Clerk's Monthly Report for February 2023 as presented by Brent Zitterkopf, County Clerk. A vote was taken and the members of the Court unanimously voted "AYES". Motion carried.

The Court discussed future agenda items as well as an update on the demolition being done in the old jail. Judge Johnson reported there is a possibility of a Public Defender's Office in conjunction with other Counties. Commissioner Long recognized Commissioner Ray for the Grant Writing she does for the County including a grant the Library recently received in the amount of \$100,000.

The Court adjourned @ 4:19 PM.

STATE OF TEXAS
COUNTY OF HOWARD

I, Brent Zitterkopf, Howard County Clerk, attest that the foregoing is a true and accurate accounting of the Commissioners Court authorized proceedings for March 13, 2023.



Brent Zitterkopf, Howard County Clerk
Clerk of the Commissioners Court
Howard County, Texas