

**HOWARD COUNTY COMMISSIONERS COURT  
AGENDA  
MARCH 28, 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, MARCH 28, 2016** in the Howard County Courtroom on the third floor of the Howard County Courthouse. The meeting will commence at **4:30 PM**.

**Invocation and Pledges**

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

**Call to Order**

- **Judge Kathryn G. Wiseman**
  - Discussion / Possible Action of Capital Credits for Unclaimed Property
  
- **Jackie Olson**
  - Budget Workshop at 4:30 pm (2<sup>nd</sup> Floor Conference Room – recess and reconvene 3<sup>rd</sup> Floor at 5:30 PM for Commissioners Court)
  - Invoices
  - Purchase Requests
  - Budget Amendments
  - Consider / Approve proposals for the installation of new fire alarm equipment to replace existing equipment in the Courthouse Annex
  - Discussion / Possible Action on plumbing issues at Library
  
- **Teresa Thomas**
  - Personnel Considerations
  - Personnel Consideration - EXECUTIVE/CLOSED SESSION -- A closed meeting will be held pursuant to Section 551.071 of the Texas Government Code (consultation with attorney) for the Commissioners Court to consult with and seek advice from its attorney, as necessary, regarding any topic listed on the agenda posted for this meeting.
  
- **Brian Klinksiek**
  - Pipeline Crossings / Road Maintenance
  - Discussion / Possible Action on stop sign at Rockhouse & Martha May Road (TxDOT requesting)
  - Discussion / Possible Action on request to run temporary water line across the old Howard County Airport

- Discussion of Joint Law Enforcement Center /or jail and take any necessary action
- Discussion / Possible Action of Road Grant
- Discussion / Possible Action Re: Bickerstaff Heath Delgado Acosta LLP.
- Citizen input for those registered to make comments
- Opportunity for mention of any items to be on the future agendas



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.

*Passed*  
2016 MAR 24 PM 3:37  
DONNA WILSON  
COUNTY CLERK HOWARD COUNTY  
BY DEPUTY *Asquith*

BE IT REMEMBERED that on the 28th day of March, A.D. 2016 the Commissioner Court of Howard County met in regular session at 5:30 PM with a Budget Workshop to begin at 4:30 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.

Budget workshop was called to order at 4:30 PM.

Judge Wiseman had several items to discuss with the Court. They held a discussion on fact that there may be another forensics company that would cost us less out of Ft. Worth. She found out that due to SB1574 that the County must have an Infection Control Officer named for the County, which can be our Health Authority. She reported that the Heart of the City Park is being renamed to Heart of City Plaza. She also had information from Heartland on Global Warming.

Jackie Olson, County Auditor had several issues to bring up. The Library has major plumbing problem in the basement. 1 pump was frozen up and Whitmore Plumbing got it going but the line is plugged up and won't flush out the line. The other pump is completely burned up so they have no restroom that can be used in Basement of Library. To fix it they need a new pump. Jesse Bravo reported that he got a quote of \$2500 - \$5000 for the new pump. Commissioner Long wanted him to make sure that this was a lift pump and Jesse is to get quotes and bring back. It is recommended that we get a new fire alarm system in the Annex, one quote was from Aprotex and Mike Averette is checking with the company that has the Jail to see if they might be able to do this as well. Jesse reported that the outside sprinkler system needed to be checked out and Commissioner Long recommended him contacting Abco out of Lubbock. Jesse also reported that the riding lawn mower they are using is 20 years old and giving them all kinds of issues, Court ask him to get bids (no Briggs & Stratton) on a zero turn. Also the trees need treatment and Commissioner Long will get with Jesse on what to use. The hedges are all dying and Commissioner Long will get with Jesse on this as well.

A motion was made by Commissioner Long and seconded by Commissioner Garcia to approve Mike Averette, Chief Jail Administrator permission to have the Tax Assessor Collector write off a tax bill for \$399.56 in the name of Jessie Rodriguez, an inmate, in which the jail staff lost a ring that was in their possession while he was incarcerated. County Attorney thought this would be a good settlement and the inmate has already signed an agreement. A vote was taken and the members of the Court unanimously voted "AYES". Motion carried.

Jackie Olson, County Auditor presented the Court with a financial report.

Court recessed at 5:29 PM to move upstairs.

Court reconvened at 5:37 into open session.

A motion was made by Commissioner Cline and seconded by Commissioner Bailey to allow Judge Wiseman to apply and ask for Capitol Credits for unclaimed Property for Howard County. 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 bills plus the extra late ones 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 Garcia to approve the following purchase request and Budget the Amendments as presented by Jackie Olson, County Auditor: Elections – Jury Summons for District Court @ \$1348.00 (\$329 Budget Amendment); Jail – Stock Compressor from Honest Air @ \$2404; Library & Courthouse – clean condenser coils from Hester Mechanical \$ 750 each building; Jail – Visitation System upgrade from Vugate @ \$26101.00, Yearly Maintenance on fingerprint computer from Mentalix Inc. @ \$3465.00; Annual Maintenance Agreement on computer system from Argyle Security @ \$6650.00 ( all of these require budget amendments) & Lexmark T650n printer up to \$2000.00 paid from Capital Expenditures. A vote was taken and the members of the Court unanimously voted "AYES". Motion carried.

Commissioner Long wanted the public to know that the reason for a new lawn mower was because the existing one was 20 years old. They are going go out on bids for a new one.

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

Court went into Executive Session at 5:52 PM.

Court reconvened into Open Session at 6:14 PM.

A motion was made by Commissioner Cline and seconded by Commissioner Long to allow Judge Wiseman to terminate Martin Anguiano without pay effective March 29, 2016. 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 following 7 Right of Ways: 1 to Oneok Permian NGL Operating Co LLC on

Litner, 6 to Gesch Contracting Inc. 2 on WCR 42, 2 on NCR 9, 1 WCR 38 & 1 NCR 15 . A vote was taken and the members of the Court unanimously voted "AYES". Motion carried.

A motion was made by Commissioner Cline and seconded by Commissioner Bailey to approve Rock Oil to lay 2 temporary lines across the old Airport property and they will pay the County \$12,600.00. A vote was taken and the members of the Court unanimously voted "AYES". Motion carried.

Judge Wiseman recognized our newly appointed Tax Assessor Collector, Tiffany Sayles Fernandez.

Judge asked for comments from the Court at this time.

Court adjourned at 6:30 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 March 28<sup>th</sup>, 2016.



*Donna Wright*  
DONNA WRIGHT, COUNTY CLERK  
HOWARD COUNTY, TEXAS