

HOWARD COUNTY COMMISSIONERS COURT
AGENDA
AUGUST 22, 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 22, 2016** in the Howard County Courtroom on the third floor of the Howard County Courthouse. The meeting will commence at **3:30 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 3:30 p.m. (2nd Floor Conference Room – recess and reconvene 3rd Floor at 4:00 for Commissioners Court) with Possible Action
 - Discussion / Possible Action of Howard County Appraisal District Budget
 - Resolution of Howard County Appraisal District Budget
 - Discussion / Possible Action Gunsight Mountain Wind Energy Tax Abatement Agreement Amendment

- **Tommy Yeater**
 - Introduction of Family & Consumer Science Agent, Sandy Taylor

- **Jackie Olson**
 - 4:00 p.m. Public Hearing on the proposed 2016-2017 County Budget
 - Set Salary/Expenses/Allowances of Elected Officers
 - Take action on proposed 2016-2017 budget
 - Discussion / Possible Action of Tax Rate and Vote on proposed rate
 - Invoices
 - Purchase Requests
 - Budget Amendments
 - Go out for bids on replacement air conditioning, electrical, & disconnect box for Annex

- **Tiffany Fernandez**
 - Consideration of adoption of the provisions of Section 34.011, Tax Code or the provisions of Section 34.015, Tax Code, concerning the sale of delinquent tax property

- **Sheriff Stan Parker**
 - Discussion / Possible Action of Civil Fees

- **Irene Dominguez**
 - Approve Physician Agreement Contracts for 2016-2017 Fiscal Year
 - Permission to accept future Physician Agreements during Fiscal Year

- **Teresa Thomas**
 - Personnel Considerations

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- **Brian Klinksiek**
 - Pipeline Crossings / Road Maintenance
 - Discussion / Possible Action on Obstacles Placed Inside of Roadway "Clear Zone"

- 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



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 22nd day of August, A.D. 2016 the Commissioner Court of Howard County met in a budget workshop and regular session at 3:30 PM with **KATHYRN G. WISEMAN**, County Judge as the Presiding Officer. The following members were present: **CRAIG BAILEY**, Commissioner Precinct No. 2, **JIMMIE LONG**, Commissioner Precinct No. 3 and **JOHN H. CLINE**, Commissioner Precinct No. 4. **OSCAR GARCIA**, Commissioner Precinct No. 1 was absent.

Court opened at 3:30 in a budget workshop.

Jackie Olson, County Auditor presented the proposed budget based on .449498. She informed the Court of all the new funds that she added LEOSE for DA & Sheriff, Sheriff donation fund, cash bond fund, court cost, Mental Health Officer & School resource officer.

A motion was made by Commissioner Cline and seconded by Commissioner Long to give a raise to one Road & Bridge Employee, Junior Rodriguez of \$.50 per hour and give Brian Klinksiek a raise to \$72,500.00 (\$3500.00 increase) per year. To pay for this we will take away from what is to be donated to the rainy day fund and transfer to the Road & Bridge fund. A vote was taken and the following members of the Court voted "AYES": Commissioner Cline, Commissioner Long & Judge Wiseman. Commissioner Bailey did not vote and Commissioner Garcia was absent. Motion carried.

Court recessed @ 3:55 PM to move upstairs.

Court reconvened into open session at 4:02 PM.

A motion was made by Commissioner Cline and seconded by Commissioner Long to NOT approve the Howard County Appraisal District Budget as presented. A vote was taken and the members of the Court unanimously voted "AYES". Motion carried.

A resolution was passed stating that the Commissioners Court of Howard County, Texas voted unanimously to not approve the 2017 Operating Budget for the Howard County Appraisal District.

A motion was made by Commissioner Bailey and seconded by Commissioner Long to approve the First Amendment to the Tax Abatement Agreement regarding the Gunsight Mountain Wind Energy LLC. The only thing that changed was the megawatts. Original agreement said 120 and it actually came in at 119.93 but they will pay at the 120 figure. A vote

Court held a public hearing @ 4:20 on the Proposed 2016/2017 County Budget. No one from the public came forward.

A motion was made by Commissioner Cline and seconded by Commissioner Long to set the salary, expenses/allowances of the Elected Officials, 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 Cline to approve the proposed Budget 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 Cline to set the proposed Tax Rate at .449498 for 2016/2017. 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 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 Cline to approve the following purchase requests as presented by Jackie Olson, County Auditor: Sheriff- 2 vest from Miller Uniform @ \$1900.00; Jail - Freon in the Air conditioning unit at \$1419.02 and Library - 2 Ricoh copiers- 1 color (\$ 67.60 per month) & 1 Black & White (\$64.31 per month). 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 Cline to approve the 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 Bailey to approve advertising for replacement air conditioning/electrical & disconnect boxes for the annex. They want them bid out individually. Some of the disconnect boxes have just been replaced. 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 the Sheriff & Constable fees for 2017. There were no changes to fees. 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 Bailey to approve the Physician Agreement Contracts for 2016-2017 Fiscal Year and have permission to accept any future agreement during the fiscal year as presented by Irene Dominguez, Indigent Health Director. 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 Cline to approve the Department Head recommendation 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 Cline and seconded by Commissioner Long to approve the following 6 Right of Ways as presented by Brian Klinksiek, County Road Administrator: 5 to Diamondback Energy on 3 on WCR 50 & 2 on CR 42 and 1 to Outrigger Midland Operating LLC on WCR 52. A vote was taken and the members of the Court unanimously voted "AYES". Motion carried.

Brian Klinksiek, County Road Administrator had discussion on the roadway "Clear Zone". He wants to start by sending letter to persons who set the Dumpsters and get them to set them outside the 10' distance on all local roads. Court agreed to try the voluntary compliance first. No formal action taken on this date.

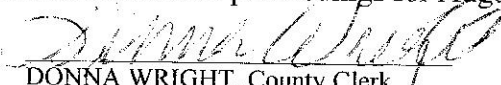
Judge Wiseman reported that she had received a County Trapper report.

Court adjourned at 5:00 PM.

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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 22, 2016.


DONNA WRIGHT, County Clerk
Clerk of Commissioner's Court