## HOWARD COUNTY COMMISSIONERS COURT AGENDA JUNE 26, 2017

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**, **JUNE 26**, **2017** in the Howard County Courtroom on the third floor of the Howard County Courthouse. The meeting will commence at **10:00 A.M.** in the 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor Conference Room, recess and reconvene in the 3<sup>rd</sup> Floor Courtroom at **3:30 P.M.** 

**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
  - Personnel Considerations EXECUTIVE/CLOSED SESSION A closed meeting will be held pursuant to Section 551.074(1) of the Texas Government Code
  - Budget Workshop at 10:00 a.m. (2<sup>nd</sup> Floor Conference Room recess and reconvene 3<sup>rd</sup> Floor at 3:30 for Commissioners Court) with Possible Action
  - Presentation and Request to perform US Army Special Operations Command Training Exercise UWEX 18 in Howard County March to June 2018
  - Presentation of Proposed 2018 Operating Budget for the Howard County Appraisal District by Chief Appraiser Lisa Reyna

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- JoAnn Valle
  - Request to go out on bid for Pharmacy Contracts for the 2017-2018 Fiscal Year
- Jackie Olson
  - Approval of Contract with Brian Klinksiek for on-site sewer inspector
  - Approve transfer of expenditures from General Fund to Law Library Fund.
  - Invoices
  - Purchase Requests
  - Budget Amendments
  - Presentation of Monthly Report
- Teresa Thomas
  - Personnel Considerations
- Brian Klinksiek
  - Discussion / Possible Action for Request for Permanent Pipeline Easement across Old Airport from West Texas H2O
  - Discussion / Possible Action on Raising Road Boring Fee and Adding a Penalty for Failure to Apply for a Permit
  - Pipeline Crossings / Road Maintenance
- 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 26th day of June, A.D. 2017 the Commissioner Court of Howard County met in budget session at 10:00 AM and regular session at 3:30 PM 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 held on this date.

Teresa Thomas, County Treasurer, made a presentation on the rates for Blue Cross Blue Shield insurance for the county employees. The cost for Life Insurance will remain the same. There will be an increase in the Health Insurance of 3.2% and an increase in Dental Insurance of 3.8%. The total increase on the Health Insurance is \$39,700.64. The total increase on the Dental Insurance is \$1431.95 The amounts are if there are no changes in the current plans. She also presented an option that is available which would change the current plan. No action was taken on this date.

The court recessed and went into Executive Session at 10:46 a.m.

Court reconvened into open session at 11:07 a.m.

Commissioner Bailey reported the Howard College has secured and hired a librarian.

Commissioner Bailey reported that the Accreditation waiver request was granted and that the Howard County Library will maintain accreditation for the next year.

Jodi Duck, County Elections Administrator, presented a breakdown of election costs per voter, per entity and the estimated total cost to hold an election for each of the entities. In the near future, Mrs. Duck and Commissioner Long will be going to the different entities and presenting this breakdown. No action was taken on this date.

The court recessed for lunch at 11:47 a.m.

Court reconvened into open session at 12:21 p.m.

Gary Pumroy, IT Specialist, reported that the estimated cost to replace 80 computers and about half that many monitors throughout the County is \$67000.00. That is for Next Gen computers and will need to be purchased in the 2018-2019 budget year. No action was taken on this date.

Court recessed at 3:11 p.m. to move to the Commissioner's Courtroom for the Regular meeting.

Court reconvened into regular session @ 3:30 PM.

A motion was made by Commissioner Long and seconded by Commissioner Cline to allow a US Army Special Operation in Howard County from March 1, 2018 through June 1, 2018. 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 table the approval of the complete budget of Howard County Tax Appraisal as presented by Lisa Reyna, Chief Appraiser. 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 Garcia to allow JoAnn Valle, Indigent Health Care Director to go out on bids for the fiscal year 2017 – 2018 Pharmacy contracts. 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 a contract with Brian Klinksiek for on-site sewer inspector. A vote was taken and the members of the Court unanimously voted "AYES". Motion carried. The court gave permission for Judge Kathryn Wiseman to sign the contract.

A motion was made by Commissioner Garcia and seconded by Commissioner Cline to transfer expenditures from County Attorney Books line item and the District Attorney Books line item to the Law Library Law Books line item. 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 purchase requests as presented by Jackie Olson, County Auditor: Volunteer Fire Department - plumbing fitting and hydraulic hose replacements for the Ladder 1 and Ladder 20 trucks from Saunders Oil Equipment @ \$1000.00, 10 sets of bunker gear from R & J Rescue @ \$20,000.00, 10 drums of Class A foam from Texas Forest Service @ \$2500.00 and annual dues to the State Fireman's and Fire Marshals Association @ \$1145.00; Maintenance - Hunter indoor 15 controller w/ remote for sprinkler repair from RTW & Associates @ \$814.55 and General Pipe Cleaners Speedrooter 92# Drain Snake from HD Supply @ \$1899.00 and 1 late invoice for Language Line Services for the interpreter service for the 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 paying the bills as presented by Jackie Olson, County Auditor. A vote was taken and the members of the Court unanimously voted "AYES". Motion carried.

Jackie Olson, County Auditor, presented the County Auditor's Monthly Report.

Teresa Thomas, County Treasurer, reported that she had nothing to present on this date.

Lauren Melear of Crownquest, Guest Speaker, spoke of her concern for the proposed rate increase on Road Boring Fees. No action was taken.

A motion was made by Commissioner Cline and seconded by Commissioner Bailey to approve 10 Right of Ways as presented by Brian Klinksiek, County Road Administrator, 2 – Callon Petroleum on CR 54 and Cauble Road; 3 – WTG Gas Processing on Cauble Road, ECR 19, and Rockhouse Road; 1 – Medallion Pipeline Company on ECR 36; 2 – Sabalo Energy on CR 52 and CR 54; 2 – Grenadier Energy Partners II on CR 41 and CR 28. 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 a request from Brian Klinksiek, County Road Administrator, from West TX H20 to place a permanent pipeline easement across old airport. 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 a request presented by Brian Klinksiek, County Road Administrator, to raise the Road Boring Fees to \$500 with a penalty of \$500 for failure to obtain a permit. Effective 30 days from this date. A vote was taken and the members of the Court unanimously voted "AYES". Motion carried.

Commissioner Bailey told the Court that Howard County Library has been at risk of losing their accreditation. That has been appealed and the library received a waiver of accreditation for the next year and business will continue as usual.

The court recessed at 4:05 p.m. to move downstairs to continue budget workshop.

The court reconvened @ 4:15 p.m.

The court asked Jackie Olson, County Auditor, to get some additional figures concerning payroll. They will have another budget workshop on July 6, 2017 @9:00 a.m.

Dean Restelli, Chief Deputy of the Sheriff's Office, requested permission to use funds from the Abandoned Property Funds to buy Halloween candy to give out in conjunction with the Fire Department, Police Department, as well as other emergency service agencies at Halloween. In addition, they want to purchase doughnut and drinks when they have training sessions. They will also use some of these funds to purchase Service Awards for employees at Christmas. The commissioner's agreed this would be okay as long as these funds can legally be used for that purpose.

Court adjourned at 5:29 p.m.

## STATE OF TEXAS COUNTY OF HOWARD

I, Brent Zitterkopf, Chief Deputy of the Howard County Clerk, attest that the foregoing is a true and accurate accounting of the Commissioner's Court proceedings for June 26, 2017.

Donna Wright, County Clerk By: Brent Zitterkopf, Chief Deputy Clerk of the Commissioner's Court Howard County, Texas

