

HOWARD COUNTY COMMISSIONERS COURT AGENDA
October 28, 2019

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, October 28, 2019**.

Location: Howard County Courthouse
300 S. Main St, 3rd Floor Courtroom
Big Spring, TX 79720

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

Call to Order

REGULAR SESSION at 3:30 PM:

LOCATION: 3rd FLOOR COMMISSIONERS COURTROOM

- **Judge Kathryn G. Wiseman**
 - Discussion / Possible Action: Appointment of Howard County Child Welfare Board Members (Rebecca Moughon)
 - Discussion / Possible Action: Approve Appraisal District Board Member Nomination
 - Discussion / Possible Action: DPS Full-Time Administrative Assistant (DPS Sgt. Anzeldua)
 - Discussion / Possible Action: County and Contract Positions, Budget Considerations from September 18, 2019: DPS Secretary Position, Texas Wildlife Services Program Technician Contract, Family Consumer Health County Extension Agent Contribution
 - Discussion / Possible Action: Seitel Permit to Conduct Geophysical Operations on County Owned Property
- **Chief Mitchell Hooper, Volunteer Fire Department**
 - Discussion / Possible Action: Burn Ban Order
- **Johnny Moore, Howard County IT Dept.**
 - Discussion / Possible Action: Internet Service Providers
- **Jackie Olson**
 - Discussion / Possible Action: Review Travel Policy
 - Discussion / possible Action: Pre-Approval of County Travel
 - Discussion / Possible Action: Approve Invoices
 - Discussion / Possible Action: Approve Purchase Requests
 - Discussion / Possible Action: Approve Budget Amendments
- **Sharon Adams**
 - Discussion / Possible Action: Approve Personnel Considerations
 - Discussion / Possible Action: Treasurer's Monthly Payroll Report
 - Discussion / Possible Action: Treasurer's Quarterly Report
- **Commissioner Craig Bailey, Pct. 2**
 - Discussion / Possible Action: Approve Radio Tower Contracts
- Discussion of Law Enforcement Radio System and take any necessary action
- Citizen input for those registered to make comments
- Opportunity for mention of any items to be on the future agendas

Attest:



Kathryn G. Wiseman
Howard County Judge
Phone. 432-264-2203
Fax. 432-264-2238

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Pursuant to the authority granted under Government Code, Chap. 551, the Commissioners Court may convene a closed session to discuss any of the above agenda items. Immediately before any closed session, the specific section or sections of Government Code, Chap. 551 that provides statutory authority will be announced

BE IT REMEMBERED that on the 28th day of October, A.D. 2019 the Commissioner Court of Howard County met in 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.

The meeting was called to order @ 3:32 PM.

There were three registered speakers: Robert Fitzgibbons, JP1-2; Nancy Bradshaw and Jarrell Hedrick, both JP's from Martin County. All three spoke requesting the Commissioners re-instate the DPS Administrative Assistant.

A motion was made by Commissioner Bailey and seconded by Commissioner Long to appoint the following Howard County Child Welfare Board Members; Jacob Castle, Barbara East, Diane Hofacket, Mercedes Miller, Rebecca Moughon, Dana Rodroquez, Irene Galan, Kathy Salazar, Juanita Stonerook and Tammy Yeats as presented by Rebecca Moughon. 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 Long to approve the nomination of George Scott Emerson as a Howard County Appraisal District board member. A vote was taken and the members of the Court unanimously voted "AYES". Motion carried.

Sgt. Anzaldua of the DPS then spoke to Commissioners concerning the need for the DPS Administrative Assistant to be a full-time job pointing out that if they do not have that assistant to do a lot of the paper and office work a Trooper has to be pulled off of the road into the office causing a shortage of protection on the road for the public's safety.

A motion was made by Commissioner Long and seconded by Commissioner Bailey to rescind the motion made on September 18, 2019 to cut the Family Consumer Resource Agent, cut the DPS Secretary to 29 hours and eliminating the County Trapper. A vote was taken and the members of the Court unanimously voted "AYES". Motion carried.

A motion was made by Judge Kathryn Wiseman and seconded by Commissioner Cline to fund the DPS Secretary as a full time position for the 2019-2020 budget year. 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 not fund the Texas Wildlife Services Program Technician Contract (County Trapper) effective

12/31/2019. 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 not fund the Family Consumer Health County Extension Agent Contribution beginning in Calendar Year 2020. 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 table the Seitel Permit to Conduct Geophysical Operations on County Owned Property. 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 an Order Prohibiting Outdoor Burning for 90 days as presented by Kathryn Wiseman, County Judge as requested by Mitchell Hooper, VFD Chief. A vote was taken and the members of the Court unanimously voted "AYES". Motion carried.

Johnny Moore, IT, informed the Court that they are switching from Suddenlink to Westex Telcom for internet service. In addition, he discussed the 4 year PC Replacement Plan and the IT spending plan for the 2019-2020 budget. No action taken.

Odis Franklin, IT, addressed the Court about power backup for servers and other equipment in the IT Department. No action taken.

A motion was made by Commissioner Garcia and seconded by Commissioner Cline to approve the Purchase Requests as presented by Jackie Olson, County Auditor. The requests are as follows: Elections for an emergency generator @ \$1350; IT to upgrade switches for Hot Spots and Cameras from Amazon @ \$1200; Sheriff for 5 camera systems for patrol from Mobile Vision @ \$26980; Sheriff for 2 tasers for patrol from Axon Enterprises @ \$2388; Road & Bridge for blade patched from Asphalt & Fuel Supply for \$19880; Road & Bridge for emulsion & pump fee from Ergon @ \$18360. A vote was taken and the members of the Court unanimously voted "AYES". Motion carried.

There were no Budget Amendments on this date.

A motion was made by Commissioner Cline and seconded by Commissioner Bailey to approve the travel requests as presented by Jackie Olson, County Auditor and Brent Zitterkopf, County Clerk. Those requests are as follows: Sheriff's Department to 2106 Crime Scene Investigating Course from Concho Valley Council of Governments; Brian Klinksiek to San Antonio for the annual Texas Association of County Engineers & Road Administrators; Connie Shaw, JP2 for travel estimated @ \$673; Sara Fontana, JP2 Clerk for estimated travel @ \$780;

Brent Zitterkopf, County Clerk for the 65th Annual Vital Statistics Conference; and Brent Zitterkopf, County Clerk for the County and District Clerk's Association Winter Conference. 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 approve the invoices, including the following late invoices in order to avoid penalties: Child Safety Seat Monthly Court Costs payment @ 0.53; Specialty Court Program Account @ 1287.21; Electronic Filing System – State Fund @ \$9299.71; Child Safety Seat and Seat Belt Violation Fines @ 1046.63; Civil Fees – Quarterly Report @ 29696.49; and State Criminal Costs and Fees Quarterly Report @ 84239.49 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 Garcia and seconded by Commissioner Cline 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 Bailey and seconded by Commissioner Long to approve the Treasurer's Monthly Payroll Report for October 2019 as presented by Sharon Adams, County Treasurer. A vote was taken and the members of the Court unanimously voted "AYES". Motion carried.

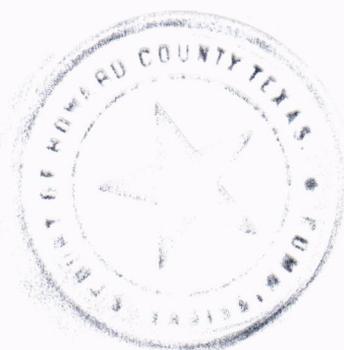
A motion was made by Commissioner Bailey and seconded by Commissioner Garcia to approve the Treasurer's Quarterly Report as presented by Sharon Adams, County Treasurer. A vote was taken and the members of the Court unanimously voted "AYES". Motion carried.

A motion was made by Commissioner Long and seconded by Commissioner Garcia to approve the Radio Tower Contracts as presented by Commissioner Bailey. A vote was taken and the members of the Court unanimously voted "AYES". Motion carried.

Court was adjourned @ 5:02 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 October 28, 2019.





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