HOWARD COUNTY COMMISSIONERS COURT AGENDA NOVEMBER 27, 2023

The following item(s) of business will be discussed, and possible action taken in a meeting of the Howard County Commissioners' Court to be held on Monday November 27, 2023. The workshop will begin at 3:00 P.M. in the 2nd Floor Judge's Conference Room. Court will recess and reconvene at 3:30 P.M. in the 3rd Floor County Court Room. Please see below for meeting location details.

Location: Howard County Courthouse

300 S. Main St Big Spring, TX 79720

Announcement: Please Silence All Cellphones

WORKSHOP - 3:00 PM:

Location: Judges Conference Room (2nd Floor of County Courthouse)

1. Judge Johnson, Howard County Judge

a. Discussion / Possible Action: Routine Update from Emergency Management Coordinator

Call to Order: REGULAR SESSION - 3:30 PM: 3rd Floor County Court Room (3rd Floor of Howard County Courthouse)

Citizen input for those registered to make comments-

2. Judge Johnson, Howard County Judge

- a. Presentation & Acceptance of County Officials Monthly Reports
- Discussion / Possible Action: Consider Changing the Commissioner's Court Regular Meeting start times to 10 AM
- c. Discussion / Possible Action: Approve a Contingent Fee Contract with Perdue Brandon Fielder Collins and Mott, LLP Pursuant to Section 6.30 of the Texas Property Tax Code, sad Contract being for the Collection of Delinquent Government Receivables owed to Howard County and Notice of said Contract is posted with the Agenda in Accordance with Section 2245 of the Government Code
- d. Discussion / Possible Action: Consider an Increase in Fees for Court Cost and Attorney Ad Litem Pay Related to Mental Health
- e. Public Hearing: Proposed Changes to Subdivision and Manufactured Home Rental Community Regulations
- f. Discussion / Possible Action: Nominees for the 9-1-1 Board

3. Sharon Adams, County Treasurer

a. Discussion / Possible Action: Personnel Considerations

4. Jackie Olson, County Auditor

- a. Discussion / Possible Action: Approve Invoices
- b. Discussion / Possible Action: Approve Purchase Requests
- c. Discussion / Possible Action: Budget Amendment

5. Brian Klinksiek, Road Engineer

- a. Discussion / Possible Action: Roadway Maintenance Update
- b. Discussion / Possible Action: Request to go out for Bids on RFB2024001 Sealcoat
- c. Discussion / Possible Action: Request to go out bids on RFB2024002 Inverted Prime
- 6. Discussion of Law Enforcement Radio System and take any necessary action.
- 7. Opportunity for mention of any items to be on the future agendas.

Attest:

Randy Johnson Howard County Judge Phone. 432-264-2203 Fax. 432-264-2238

PURSUANT TO THE AUTHORITY GRANTED UNDER GOVERNMENT CODE, CHAP. 551, THE COMMISSIONERS COURT MAY CONVEA A CLOSED SESSION TO DISCUSS ANY OF THE ABOVE AGENDA ITEMS. IMMEDIATELY BEFORE ANY CLOSED SESSION, THE SPECIFC SECTION OR SECTIONS OF GOVERNMENT CODE, CHAP. 551 THAT PROVIDES STATUTORY AUTHORITY WILL BE ANNOUNCED.

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BE IT REMEMBERED that on the 27th day of November, A.D. 2023 the Commissioner Court of Howard County met in Workshop @ 3:00 PM and Regular Session at 3:30 PM with **RANDY JOHNSON**, County Judge as the Presiding Officer. The following members were present: **CASH BERRY**, Commissioner Precinct No. 2, **JIMMIE LONG**, Commissioner Precinct No. 3 and **DOUG WAGNER**, Commissioner Precinct No. 4. **EDDILISA RAY**, Commissioner Precinct No. 1, was absent.

The Workshop was called to order @ 3:01 PM.

Itzel Gomez, Emergency Management Coordinator, and Meranda Moore, Texas Department of Emergency Management Howard County Liaison, gave an update on what is currently going on with the Howard County Emergency Management and different things they are working on. No action needed.

Court recessed @ 3:23 PM.

Court reconvened @ 3:33 PM in Regular Session.

A motion was made by Judge Johnson and seconded by Commissioner Wagner to accept the County Auditor's Monthly Report for October 2023 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 Berry and seconded by Commissioner Long to change the Commissioner Court Regular Meeting time to 10:00 AM beginning the next meeting on December 11, 2023 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 Wagner to approve the Contract for the Collection of Delinquent Taxes, Notice Pursuant to Government Code Sec. 2254.1036 and Written Findings as to the Collections Contract with Perdue Brandon Fielder Collins & Mott, LLP for Delinquent Ad Valorem Taxes 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 Judge Johnson and seconded by Commissioner Berry to increase the Attorney Ad Litem Fee for Mental Health Commitment Hearings and add a \$50 Prosecuting Attorney Fee and \$50 Judge's Fee to Mental Health Commitment Hearings as presented by Judge Johnson. Any funds needed for paying overage to the Attorney Ad Litem for Howard County patients not being reimbursed by another County needs to be taken from the Reserve Contingency. A vote was taken and the members of the Court unanimously voted "AYES". Motion carried. The Court entered into a Public Hearing concerning Proposed Changes to Subdivision and Manufactured Home Rental Community Regulations. Cameron Walker presented the proposed changes. No one from the public spoke.

Court reconvened in Regular Session @ 4:13 PM.

The Court discussed possible nominees for the 911 Board. The possible nominees will be invited to come a Workshop prior to the December 11, 2023 meeting to tell the nominees what is expected and answer any questions. John Cline, Steve Brodenson and Bobby Barber will be invited as possible nominees. A decision of who will be nominated to the Board can be made after that time. No action taken on this date.

Jackie Olson, County Auditor, asked the Court for guidance concerning insurance coverage to provide protection from any potential gap due to switching insurance carriers. The Court asked Mrs. Olson to seek more information before making any decision.

A motion was made by Commissioner Long and seconded by Commissioner Berry 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 Long and seconded by Commissioner Berry 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 Berry to approve the Purchase Requests as presented by Jackie Olson, County Auditor. The requests are as follows: Jail for water heater from Morrison Supply @ \$7985.13; Sheriff for radio system supplies from Unified Power @ \$31171.76; Maintenance for work on new building from Custom Acoustics LLC @ \$34000. A vote was taken and the members of the Court unanimously voted "AYES". Motion carried.

No Budget Amendments on this date.

Brian Klinksiek, County Road Administrator, reported he is waiting for TxDOT to finish working the Interstate so his department can RAP.

A motion was made by Commissioner Wagner and seconded by Commissioner Berry to go out for bids on Sealcoat as requested by Brian Klinksiek, County Road Administrator. A vote was taken and the members of the Court unanimously voted "AYES". Motion carried.

A motion was made by Commissioner Berry and seconded by Commissioner Wagner to go out for bids on Inverted Prime as requested by Brian Klinksiek, County Road Administrator. A vote was taken and the members of the Court unanimously voted "AYES". Motion carried. Future agenda items: Speak with insurance agent concerning protection for the gap period. Also talking with 911 Board potential nominees.

Court was adjourned @ 4:41 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 November 27, 2023.

Brent Zitterkopf, Howard County Clerk

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

