# AGENDA APRIL 28, 2014

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**, **APRIL 28**, **2014** in the Howard County Courtroom on the third floor of the Howard County Courthouse. The meeting will commence at **10:00** am.

### Mark J. Barr

- DISCUSSION AND POTENTIAL ACTION -- Discussion and potential action shall occur regarding Howard County's SB 1747 project to obtain grant funding from the Texas Department of Transportation ("TXDOT"): (1) report from the County Engineer regarding the award of grant funding from TXDOT to the County; (2) project implementation and scheduling; (3) approval of a required operating agreement with TXDOT for project implementation; (4) authorization for \_\_\_\_\_\_, to be the signatory representative for the County regarding the execution of documents to initiate, implement, and complete the project; and (5) all related project matters.
- 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.
- Executive Session: Real Estate-Pursuant to TX Govt. Code 551.072
- On Site Sewage (OSS) -permit pricing review for -Kathryn Wiseman
- Presentation from Howard County Historical Commission

#### Jackie Olson

- Invoices
- Purchase Requests
- Budget Amendments
- Budget Work Session
- · Presentation of Monthly Financial Report

# Teresa Thomas

Personnel Considerations

## Brian Klinksiek

- Pipeline Crossings / Road Maintenance
- Discussion of Joint Law Enforcement Center /or jail and take any necessary action
- Discussion and possible Action Re: Bickerstaff Heath Delgado Acosta LLP.

Citizen input for those registered to make comments

extunity for mention of any items to be on the future agendas

Mark J. Barr

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 28<sup>th</sup> day of April, A.D. 2014 the Commissioner Court of Howard County met in regular session at 10:00 AM with MARK J. BARR, County Judge as the Presiding Officer. The following members were present: DONNIE BAKER, Commissioner Precinct No. 2 and JOHN H. CLINE, Commissioner Precinct No. 4. OSCAR GARCIA, Commissioner Precinct No. 1 & JIMMIE LONG, Commissioner Precinct No. 3 were absent.

A motion was made by Commissioner Baker 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.

A motion was made by Commissioner Cline and seconded by Commissioner Baker to approve the following 14 Right of Ways: 5 to WTG Gas Process LP 2 on Centerpoint Rd, County Rd 30, 41, 30; 5 to Plains Pipeline on County Rd 57, 35, 29, 25 & 21; 2 to Gesch Contracting Inc. /CrownQuest Operating on Glory Rd and Richie Rd; 2 to Gesch Contracting Inc. /Athlon Energy on County Rd 34 & 35 as presented by Brian Klinksiek, County Engineer. A vote was taken and the members of the Court unanimously voted "AYES". Motion carried.

Court gave Brian Klinksiek, County Engineer permission to go ahead and begin moving some of the crushed limestone on to the new yard and to also start hauling some the wrap. He has cleared all 10 acres and it is ready.

A motion was made by Commissioner Baker and seconded by Commissioner Cline to approve the following purchase requests as presented by Jackie Olson, County Auditor: Road & Bridge – Ice Machine from Grainger @ \$ 2899.00; Jail – Equipment Maintenance & Repair from Basin 2 Way @ \$1200.00 & Building Maintenance from Higginbotham @ \$2400.00; IT Department – 46 Computers, Keyboards & Monitors with windows 7 from Dell @ \$63,304.36. 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 Baker to approve the Budget Amendments 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 Judge Barr and seconded by Commissioner Cline to approve the bills plus 2 late ones: Rd & Bridge refund check to Plains Marketing for \$200 & County Clerk - Travel \$581.55 as presented by Jackie Olson, County Auditor. A vote was taken and the members of the Court unanimously voted "AYES". Motion carried.

Howard County Historical Commission representatives presented the Commissioner's Court with a Certificate of Appreciation for their support of the Historical Society. They presented this in April since it was County Government Month.

A motion was made by Judge Barr and seconded by Commissioner Baker to set the following fees for On Site Sewage (OSS) permit pricing: Residential – Permit Fee \$210, Inspector gets \$125; Commercial < 1500 gallons of wastewater per day - \$310, Inspector gets \$200 and Commercial > 1500 gallons of wastewater per day - \$410, Inspector gets \$300. There is a \$10 fee that goes to the State on each of the above. Effective May 1, 2014. 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 Baker to enter into an order pursuant to its project to obtain grant funds from the Texas Department of Transportation (TXDOT) to alleviate degradation caused to Public Roads, Bridges and Culverts by the exploration, development, or production of oil or gas, and regarding: (1) Approval of a required operating agreement with TXDOT for project implementation pursuant to the County Transportation infrastructure a fund grant program; (2) Authorization for the Commissioner John Cline to be the County's Signatory Representative regarding the execution of documents to initiate, implement, and complete the project; (3) all related project matters; (4) Establishing an effective date and compliance with the Texas Open Meeting Act. A vote was taken and the members of the Court unanimously voted "AYES". Motion carried.

Jackie Olson, County Auditor reported to the Court that the County received \$10,852.94 in tobacco funds from the Texas Department of State Health Services.

Court went into Executive Session at 10:40 AM on Real Estate.

Court reconvened into Open Session at 10:50 AM.

No Action taken from Executive Session.

Court recessed at 10:50 AM for 10 minutes to move downstairs to the Old Commissioners Courtroom for a Budget Workshop.

Court reconvened at 11:00 AM in Open Session.

Budget workshop was held on this date.

Court will meet with Department Heads on May 27<sup>th</sup> & 28<sup>th</sup>. Commissioner's agreed that unless the outside agencies had a change there was no need to meet with them. Jackie will just send them letters.

Court agreed they probably need to bid Insurance again this year and make sure we are

They also need to set up meetings with City on the Ambulance and Landfill.	
Court adjourned at 11:10 AM.	
Read and approved the, day of	
Mark J. BARR, COUNTY JUDGE	
ATTEST:  DONNA WRIGHT, COUNTY CLERK HOWARD COUNTY, TEXAS	