

BE IT REMEMBERED that on the 9th day of December, 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, and **JIMMIE LONG**, Commissioner Precinct No. 3. **JOHN H. CLINE**, Commissioner Precinct No. 4 was absent.

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

The Court immediately went into a Public Hearing concerning changes to the Howard County Tax Abatement guidelines and criteria. No members of the public voiced any concerns or opinions.

A motion was made by Commissioner Long and seconded by Commissioner Bailey to table any action on the Howard County Tax Abatement guidelines and criteria until further information can be obtained. A vote was taken and the members of the Court unanimously voted "AYES". Motion carried.

The Court then entered a Public Hearing concerning changes to the Howard County Subdivision Rules and Regulations. No members of the public voiced any concerns or opinions.

A motion was made by Commissioner Bailey and seconded by Commissioner Garcia to table any action on the Howard County Subdivision Rules and Regulations until more information can be obtained. 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 travel for Commissioner Oscar Garcia to attend training. A vote was taken and the members of the Court unanimously voted "AYES". Motion carried.

Sharon Adams, County Treasurer, introduced Garrett T. Dunn from Edward Jones who gave a presentation for Edward Jones 457B about a Deferred Compensation program being offered. No action taken at this time.

The Court moved into Executive/Closed session @ 3:56 PM pursuant to Government Code 551.074.

Court reconvened into Regular Session @ 4:08 PM.

A motion was made by Commissioner Long and seconded by Commissioner Bailey to rescind 3 of 4 weeks approved from the sick pool on November 18, 2019 to an employee who is unnamed due to HIPPA laws. 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 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 Garcia and seconded by Commissioner Bailey to approve the Monthly Payroll Report for November 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 Long and seconded by Commissioner Garcia to approve the Treasurer's Monthly Report for November 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 Long to accept 2 donations to the Library from Friends of the Library as presented by Jackie Olson, County Auditor. These donations are in the amounts of \$4950 to be used for books for 2020 and \$6808.55 for an overdrive and charging cabinet. 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 Bailey to approve the purchase of 2020 lease books from McNaughton Books for the Library @ \$4950; E-books renewal from Overdrive @ \$6000 and charging cabinet from Demco for the Library @ \$808.55 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 Long to table bids on replacing lights at the Library 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 Garcia to table a quote for broader Cyber Insurance Coverage @ a net premium \$4136 as recommended by the IT Department and 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 the Invoices as presented by Jackie Olson, County Auditor. This includes 2 late invoices, Brent Zitterkopf for travel reimbursement to the Annual Vital Statistics Conference @ \$690.81 and Cisneros Law Firm for Professional Services Rendered @ \$200 on Radio Tower lease to be

paid from Fund 704.. 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 Purchase Requests as presented by Jackie Olson, County Auditor. The requests are as follows: Library for books @ \$1237.86; Election for mass mailout of VR Certificates @ \$4841; and 6 month open purchase orders for the Sheriff at Paint & Safety Store for \$5000, National Hotel for \$2500, Walmart for \$5000, Corley Paper for \$1500 and CharmTex for \$2500. 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 Budget Amendments 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 a Recap Justice of the Peace Collections showing an increase in 2019 Criminal Collections. No action required.

A motion was made by Commissioner Long and seconded by Commissioner Bailey to accept the County Auditor’s Monthly Report for November 2019 as presented by Jackie Olson, County Auditor. A vote was taken and the members of the Court unanimously voted “AYES”. Motion carried.

Brian Klinksiek, County Road Administrator, presented Commissioners with a letter from TxDot concerning upcoming road closings for construction. No action required.

A motion was made by Commissioner Long and seconded by Commissioner Bailey to approve the County Clerk’s Monthly Report for November 2019 as presented by Brent Zitterkopf, County Clerk. A vote was taken and the members of the Court unanimously voted “AYES”. Motion carried.

Commissioner Garcia requested the 2nd Amendment Sanctuary City issue be put on the next Court Agenda for consideration and possible action.

A motion was made by Commissioner Bailey and seconded by Commissioner Garcia to adjourn @ 4:35 PM. A vote was taken and the members of the Court unanimously voted “AYES”. Motion carried.

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 December 9, 2019.



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

