

**HOWARD COUNTY COMMISSIONERS COURT**  
**AGENDA**  
**APRIL 22, 2024**

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 APRIL 22, 2024. The workshop will begin at 9:00 A.M. in the 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor Judge's Conference Room. Court will recess and reconvene at 10:00 A.M. in the 3<sup>rd</sup> Floor County Court Room.** Please see below for meeting location details.

**Location:** Howard County Courthouse  
300 S. Main St  
Big Spring, TX 79720

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

**WORKSHOP – 9:00 AM:**

Location: Judges Conference Room (2<sup>nd</sup> Floor of County Courthouse)

**1. Judge Johnson, Howard County Judge**

- a. Discussion / Possible Action: Consider Subdivision/Road Building Rules

**Call to Order: REGULAR SESSION – 10:00 AM:**

Location: 3<sup>rd</sup> Floor County Court Room (3<sup>rd</sup> Floor of County Courthouse)

**Citizen input for those registered to make comments-**

**2. Judge Johnson, Howard County Judge**

- a. Presentation of County Library Reports
- b. Discussion / Possible Action: Consider a Confidentiality Policy and Agreement for Court-Related Personnel
- c. Discussion / Possible Action: Consider the Current Policy to Withhold Mineral Values from any County Property Sold at Sheriff's State
- d. Discussion / Possible Action: Pending Litigation -Executive/Closed Session: A closed meeting will be held pursuant to *Tex. Gov't. Code § 551.071*

**3. Sharon Adams, County Treasurer**

- a. Discussion / Possible Action: Personnel Considerations
- b. Discussion / Possible Action: Treasurer's Monthly Report (March)
- c. Discussion / Possible Action: Treasurer's Quarterly Report (Qtr. 1)

**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. Jimmie Long Commissioner Pct. 3**

- a. Discussion / Possible Action: Southlake Group's Proposal for Architectural/Design Work at the Howard County Library

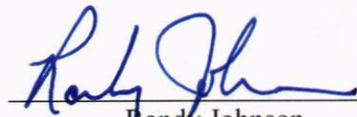
**6. Brian Klinksiek, Road Engineer**

- a. Discussion / Possible Action: Roadway Maintenance Update
- b. Discussion / Possible Action: Permission to Pursue Federal Safe Streets for All Grant
- c. Discussion / Possible Action: Support of Road & Bridge Engineer's Major Accident & Fatality Reduction Statement

7. Discussion of Law Enforcement Radio System and take any necessary action.

8. 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

Filed at 8:18 A.M. O'clock 4-19-24  
Brent Zittarkopf, County Clerk, Howard County, Texas  
By Angie Martin Deputy

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 22nd day of April, A.D. 2024 the Commissioner Court of Howard County met in Regular Session at 10:00 AM 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 @ 9:06 AM.

Cameron Walker was present to discuss Subdivision/Road Building Rules, specifically concerning Riva Ridge Road. No action was taken.

Meeting was recessed @ 10:05 AM to move to Regular Session

Reconvened in Regular Session @ 10:09 AM.

Nancy Michaels was registered to comments for citizen input. She expressed her appreciation for the Library and for all of the patrons that use the library.

Judge Johnson presented the Howard County Library Annual Report for 2023 as presented to the Texas Public Libraries. Also included were some more localized reports from Sandra Verdin, Librarian, showing local statistics usage. No action was needed.

A motion was made by Commissioner Long and seconded by Commissioner Wagner to approve the Confidentiality Policy and Agreement for Court-Related Personnel 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 Berry to table any action concerning the County's Policy to Withhold Mineral Values from any County Property Sold at a Sheriff's sale until a representative from Perdue Brandon can meet with the Court again. A vote was taken and the members of the Court unanimously voted "AYES". Motion carried.

Court moved into Executive / Closed Session to discuss pending litigation pursuant to Texas Government Code 551.071 @ 10:31 AM.

Court reconvened into Regular Session @ 10:40 AM with no action being taken as a result of the Executive / Closed Session.

A motion was made by Commissioner Berry and seconded by Commissioner Long 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 Berry and seconded by Commissioner Wagner to accept the Treasurer's Monthly Report for March 2024 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 accept the Treasurer's Quarterly Report for Quarter ending March 31, 2024 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 Wagner to approve the Invoices with the addition of Full Moon Roofing @ \$2200 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 Wagner and seconded by Commissioner Long to approve the Purchase Requests as presented by Jackie Olson, County Auditor. The requests are as follows: Sheriff for radar accessories from Stalker @ \$3580; Jail for roof repair from Full Moon Roofing @ \$2200 (also approved for payment with Invoices); Sheriff for 1 add to the fire system from ABCO @ \$4320; IT for camera with 3 year license from GDT (municipal office on 3<sup>rd</sup> floor); Sheriff for 8 carriers from Black Diamond Body Armor @ \$5600; IT for 2 laptops from Dell @ \$2535.50. 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 Long and seconded by Commissioner Berry to table action on the proposal from SLK concerning the Library in order to contact 720 Design for another proposal as presented by Commissioner Long. It was determined that going out on bid is not necessary because it is for Professional Services. A vote was taken and the members of the Court unanimously voted "AYES". Motion carried.

Brian Klinksiek, County Road Administrator, discussed the TxDot plan for bridge replacements at Highway 87 & Interstate 20 as well as at Highway 350 & Interstate 20 in 2025. No paperwork provided to the Clerk and no action needed.

Brian Klinksiek, County Road Administrator, also discussed a TxDot roadwork on Highway 87 near the Glasscock County Line in 2027. No paperwork provided for the Clerk and no action needed.

The Court gave permission for the Road & Bridge Department to participate in the Coahoma Freedom Parade with some equipment as long as those participating in the parade are volunteering. No action needed.

A motion was made by Commissioner Berry and seconded by Commissioner Wagner to give permission to pursue a Federal Safe Street for all grant as requested by Brian Klinksiek, County Road Administrator. No paperwork provided to the Clerk. 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 support the Road & Bridge Engineer's Major Accident & Fatality Reduction Statement as presented by Brian Klinksiek, County Road Administrator. A vote was taken and the members of the Court unanimously voted "AYES". Motion carried.

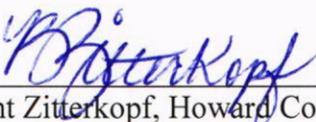
Judge Johnson noted that a Road & Bridge Workshop will be held on a future agenda for further consideration of the Subdivision/Road Building Rules.

Court was adjourned @ 11:16 AM.

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 April 22, 2024.



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