

HOWARD COUNTY COMMISSIONERS COURT
AGENDA
FEBRUARY 24, 2025

The following items of business will be discussed, and possible action taken in a meeting of the Howard County Commissioners' Court to be held on **Monday FEBRUARY 24, 2025**. A workshop will begin at 9:00 A.M. in the 2nd Floor Judge's Conference Room. The court will recess and reconvene at 10:00 A.M. in the 3rd Floor County Court Room for the Regular Meeting. The second workshop will begin at 1:30 P.M. and take place in the 2nd floor Conference 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 (2nd Floor of County Courthouse)

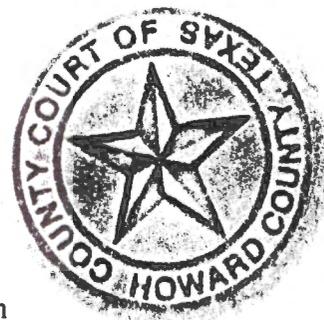
1. **Doug Wagner, Commissioner Pct. 4**
 - a. Discussion / Possible Action: Meeting with Big Spring Sand Regarding Power Right-of-Way
2. **Jodi Duck, Elections Admin**
 - a. Discussion / Possible Action: Reviewing Precincts for Compliance

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

Location: 3rd Floor County Court Room (3rd Floor of County Courthouse)

Citizen input for those registered to make comments-

3. **Judge Johnson, Howard County Judge**
 - a. Discussion / Possible Action: Update on Howard County Historical Commission
 - b. Discussion / Possible Action: Contributions to Other Agencies
 - c. Discussion / Possible Action: Increase in Bond for Statutory County Probate Judge as Amended by SB 2292, 88th Leg.
 - d. Discussion / Possible Action: Contract with Butler-Cohen for Construction Manager-at-Risk Services
 - e. Discussion / Possible Action: Estimate of Costs Related to the Howard County Library Remodel Project
4. **Sharon Adams, County Treasurer**
 - a. Discussion / Possible Action: Permission to Authorize the Purchasing Department to advertise for bids for a bank depository
 - b. Discussion / Possible Action: Treasurer's Monthly Report (Jan.)
 - c. Discussion / Possible Action: TAC Employer Rewards 2024 check
 - d. Discussion / Possible Action: Personnel Considerations
5. **Jackie Olson, County Auditor**
 - a. Discussion / Possible Action: Monthly Financial Report
 - b. Discussion / Possible Action: Approve Invoices
 - c. Discussion / Possible Action: Approve Purchase Requests
 - d. Discussion / Possible Action: Budget Amendment
6. **Lindsay Wilkerson, County Attorney**
 - a. Discussion / Possible Action: Resolution Establishing Alternative Dispute System
7. **Brian Klinksiek, Road Engineer**
 - a. Discussion / Possible Action: Roadway Maintenance Update
 - b. Discussion / Possible Action: Fleet Management
 - i. Permission to Dispose of 1047
8. **Stan Parker, County Sheriff**
 - a. Discussion / Possible Action: Sick Pool Request-Personnel-Executive/Closed Session: A closed meeting will be held pursuant to the Govt Code, Section 551.074
9. Discussion of Law Enforcement Radio System and take any necessary action.
10. Opportunity for mention of any items to be on future agendas.



WORKSHOP – 1:30 PM:

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

11. **Jimmie Long, Commissioner Pct.**
 - a. Discussion / Possible Action: Meeting with Comptroller's Office-Russell Gallahan

POSTED at 8:30 A.M. O'clock 02/21/25 Attest:
JURY PADRON, County Clerk, Howard County, Texas
By John Madrin Deputy

Randy Johnson
Randy Johnson
Howard County Judge
Phone. 432-264-2203
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BE IT REMEMBERED that on the 24th day of February A.D. 2025 the Commissioner Court of Howard County met in Workshop at 9:00 AM and in Regular Session at 10:00 AM with **RANDY JOHNSON**, County Judge as the Presiding Officer. The following members were present: **EDDILISA RAY**, Commissioner Precinct No. 1, **CASH BERRY**, Commissioner Precinct No. 2, **JIMMIE LONG**, Commissioner Precinct No. 3 and **DOUG WAGNER**, Commissioner Precinct No. 4.

The Workshop was called to order at 9:03 AM.

The Court had a meeting with Amber Flood, from Big Spring Sands LLC regarding a Power Right of Way. A motion was made by Commissioner Long and seconded by Commissioner Wagner to Approve the proposed \$500 per Rod for 4,950 Ft. and to have Lindsay Wilkerson, County Attorney work on a Contract that would need to be reviewed by the Court in the case that Big Spring Sands LLC accepts the Courts offer. A vote was taken and the members of the Court unanimously voted "AYES". Motion carried.

Jodi Duck, Elections Administrator Presented the Court with a Review of the Voting Precincts and made suggestions for possible changes to the current Precincts. No Action taken at this time.

Meeting was recessed at 9:52 AM to move to Regular Session

Reconvened in Regular Session at 10:10 AM

A motion was made by Judge Johnson and seconded by Commissioner Wagner to accept the 2024 Howard County Historical Commission Report as presented by Randy Johnson, County Judge. 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 Contributions to the Howard County Volunteer Fire Department, Victim Services of Big Spring and The Heritage Museum. A vote was taken and the Motion Passed with 4 Members of the Court voting "A YES" and Commissioner Ray voting "NAY"

A motion was made by Commissioner Ray and seconded by Commissioner Long to Table Agenda Item 3d. Discussion/Possible Action: Contract with Butler-Cohen for Construction Manager-at-Risk Services. 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 allow Sharon Adams, County Treasurer, to Advertise for bids for a bank depository. A vote was taken and the members of the Court unanimously voted "AYES". Motion carried.

A motion was made by Commissioner Ray and seconded by Commissioner Wagner to accept the Treasurer's Monthly Report for January 2025 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 Ray and seconded by Commissioner Berry to accept the TAC Employer Rewards 2024 check 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 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 Ray to accept the Monthly Financial Report for January 2025 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 Ray and seconded by Commissioner Wagner to approve Invoices as presented by Jackie Olson, County Auditor. A vote was taken and the members of the Court unanimously voted "AYES". Motion carried.

An amended motion was made by Commissioner Berry and seconded by Commissioner Wagner to Approve Purchase Requests including 5 new Request that were submitted as late entries. The purchase requests are as follows: Maintenance Department for Gas-Powered Riding Mower from Tractor Supply at \$3,599.99; Sheriff's Office for 4 LP Reader Batteries from Amazon at \$1,999.96; Library for Large Print Books from CenterPoint at \$1,725.84; Jail for Plumbing for Sinks/showers in Inmate Pods from Total Maintenance Solutions at \$12,021.90, Maintenance for a Partition Wall in County Clerk's Office from Custom Acoustics at \$2,305.00; Jail for Inmate Supplies from ICS Jail Supplies, Inc. at \$1,589.73; Sheriff's Office for Equipment Installation on New Vehicles from ProFit Outfitters at \$4,589.50; IT for Adobe Acrobat Pro License from CDW-G at \$6,879.32; IT for Firewall License and Endpoint Protections Software from Blue Alley at \$6,498.24; IT for Fiber Internet from Vero Fiber at \$230 a month; IT for Cable Matter Combo Packs and HDMI Wall Plate for Jail Admin from Amazon at \$78.00; IT for Desk Clamp Power Strips, Industrial Printer Stand and HDMI Cable for IT Tools from Amazon at \$275.00; IT for Spiral Cable Wraps, Flat Plug Extension Cords, and Startech 6ft Heavy Duty Cords for Workstation Cable Management from Amazon at \$360.00; IT for Apple iPad Air and Keyboard Case for Jail Chief from Amazon at \$870.00; IT for Dual Monitor Stands, HDMI Cables and 6 Part Wall Plates for Jail Admin from Amazon for \$355.00 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 Agenda Item 6a. Discussion/Possible Action: Resolution Establishing Alternative Dispute

Resolution System. A vote was taken and the members of the Court unanimously voted "AYES".
Motion carried.

Brian Klinksiek, County Road Engineer, gave a Roadway Maintenance Update, No Action Needed.

A motion was made by Commissioner Berry and seconded by Commissioner Wagner allowing Brian Klinksiek, County Road Administrator, to dispose of Unit 1047. A vote was taken and the members of the Court unanimously voted "AYES". Motion carried.

The Court moved into Executive/Closed Session at 11:23 AM

The Court reconvened into Regular Session at 11:27 AM.

A motion was made by Commissioner Berry and seconded by Commissioner Ray to Approve Sick Pool Request as presented by Stan Parker, County Sheriff in the Executive/Closed Session. A vote was taken and the members of the Court unanimously voted "AYES". Motion carried.

Future Agenda Items:

- Insurance Services Office Letter
- Training Opportunities
- Contract with Bulter-Cohen for Construction Manager-at-Risk
- Agreement with Big Spring Sands Regarding Right-of-Way

Court Recessed at 11:31 AM

Court Reconvened at 1:30 PM in Workshop

Russell Gallahan, Senior Economic Development Analyst with the Texas Comptroller of Public Accounts, met with the Court via Zoom and presented a PowerPoint presentation re: a County Assistance District. No Action Taken at this time.

Amy Sibley, Komatsu Architecture met with the Court via Zoom to discuss Construction Cost Estimates/Construction Specifications for the Howard County Library Project. Also present for the meeting were Sandra Verdin, County Librarian and Johnny Schafer, Library Clerk. No Action Taken at this time.

Court Adjourned at 3:27 PM

STATE OF TEXAS
COUNTY OF HOWARD

I, Jury Padron, Howard County Clerk, attest that the foregoing is a true and accurate accounting of the Commissioners Court authorized proceedings for February 26, 2025.





Jury Padron, Howard County Clerk
Clerk of the Commissioners Court
Howard County, Texas