

**HOWARD COUNTY COMMISSIONERS' COURT**  
**AGENDA**  
**MAY 12, 2025**

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, May 12, 2025. The Regular Meeting will begin at 10:00 AM in the 3rd Floor Courtroom. Court will recess and reconvene at 2:00 P.M. in the 2nd Floor Judge's Conference Room for the Budget Workshop.** 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.

**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-**

**2. Cash Berry, Commissioner Pct. 2**

- a. Discussion/Possible Action: Recognize Outstanding Male and Female Students from each of the Howard County High Schools

**3. Judge Johnson, Howard County Judge**

**a. Consent Agenda-**

**i. County Officials Monthly Reports**

- 1. Civil Monthly Report JP1-1 April 2025
- 2. Criminal Monthly Report JP1-1 April 2025
- 3. Civil Monthly Report JP1-2 April 2025
- 4. Criminal Monthly Report JP1-2 April 2025
- 5. Civil Monthly Report JP2 April 2025
- 6. Criminal Monthly Report JP2 April 2025
- 7. Ag Extension Office Report
- 8. Commissioner Court Minutes
- 9. County Clerk's Report
- 10. Treasurer's Monthly Report for March

- b. Presentation: Mark Willis of the Big Spring Economic Development Corporation - Tax Increment Reinvestment Zone

- c. Discussion / Possible Action: Commissioner Court Member Training update - Commissioners Court Leadership Academy Class, Session I and others

- d. Discussion / Possible Action: Canvass May 3, 2025 Election Results

- e. Discussion / Possible Action: Howard County Emergency Services District 1 Update

- f. Discussion / Possible Action: Lift Burn Ban

**4. Sharon Adams, County Treasurer**

- a. Discussion / Possible Action: Personnel Considerations

- i. Discussion / Possible Action: Executive/Closed Session: A closed meeting will be held pursuant to *Tex. Gov Code, Section 551.074.*
  - b. Discussion / Possible Action: Monthly Payroll Report
  - c. Discussion / Possible Action: 1st Qtr 2025 Treasurer's Qtrly Report
  - d. Discussion / Possible Action: TAC Unemployment Rate & Deficit Payment Due
- 5. Jackie Olson, County Auditor**
- a. Discussion / Possible Action: Invoices
  - b. Discussion / Possible Action: Purchase Requests
  - c. Discussion / Possible Action: Budget Amendments
  - d. Discussion / Possible Action: Bids for VR LE Training System
  - e. Discussion / Possible Action: Order exempting Jail food/inmate meals from bidding process-- LGC 262.024 (8)
  - f. Discussion / Possible Action: Trinity Services Group Renewal/Amendment
  - g. Discussion / Possible Action: Ecolab Agreement for Jail Dishwasher
  - h. Discussion / Possible Action: Payment of EcoLab Invoices
- 6. Brian Klinksiek, Road Engineer**
- a. Discussion / Possible Action: Roadway Maintenance Update
  - b. Discussion / Possible Action: Fleet Management
    - i. Discussion / Possible Action: Request permission to repair 40402 Caterpillar Road Reclaimer



**7. Opportunity for Mention of any Future Items**

**Workshop - 2:00 PM**

Location: Judges: Conference Room (2nd Fl. County Courthouse)

**1. Jackie Olson, County Auditor**

- a. Discussion / Possible Action: Workshop related to the creation of the 2025-2026 Howard County Budget

Attest:

POSTED at 8:10 AM O'clock 5-9-25  
JURY PADRON, County Clerk, Howard County, Texas  
By Staci Jack Deputy

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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 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 12<sup>th</sup> day of May 2025 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: **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.

Meeting Called to Order at 10:00 AM

Kris Dokey, President with the Howard County Volunteer Fire Department was registered to make comments for citizen input. He addressed the Court and expressed his interest in being appointed to the Howard County Emergency Service District Commissioners Board.

Cash Berry, Commissioner Pct. 2 recognized one Outstanding Male and one Outstanding Female Student from each of the Howard County High Schools. They are as follows:

Big Spring: Sharon Wang & Raul Gonzalez-Cruz

Coahoma: Ashlyn Hipp & Jaidyn Vineyard

Forsan: Mary Kate Gabehart & Toryn Kendrick

Each student and their parents were introduced and given a certificate. Their respective principals told of their accomplishments and what makes them an Outstanding Student.

A motion was made by Commissioner Berry and seconded by Commissioner Ray to Approve the Consent Agenda as Presented by Randy Johnson, County Judge. The Consent Agenda consisted of: Monthly Report from Angela Griffin, JP 1-1; Monthly Report from Mike Averette, JP 1-2; Monthly Report Kandi Campbell, JP 2-1; Monthly Report from Chad A Coburn, CEA-ANR; Commissioner Court Minutes from April 28<sup>th</sup> and April 30<sup>th</sup>; County Clerk's April Monthly Report and the Treasurer's Monthly Report for March 2025. A vote was taken and the members of the Court unanimously voted "AYES". Motion carried.

Mark Willis, Executive Director of the Big Spring Economic Development Corporation, presented the Court with a presentation on Tax Increment Financing (TIF). No Action Taken.

Cash Berry, Commissioner Pct. 2, presented the Court 2 Certificates for Continuing Education where he earned 18 hours of Continuing Education Credit. No Action Needed.

No Action Taken on Agenda Items 3d. (Discussion/Possible Action: Canvass May 3, 2025, Election Results) or 3e. (Discussion/Possible Action: Howard County Emergency Services District 1 Update) both items will be discussed at a Special Meeting taking place on Wednesday May 14<sup>th</sup> at 8:30am.

A motion was made by Commissioner Long and seconded by Commissioner Wagner to Lift the Burn Ban. 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 Personnel Considerations as Presented by Sharon Adams, County Treasurer. A vote was taken and the members of the Court unanimously voted "AYES". Motion carried.

The Court Moved to Executive/Closed Session pursuant to TX Gov. Code 551.074 at 11:19 AM and resumed in Regular Session at 12:19 PM. No Action taken as a result of the Executive/Closed Session.

A motion was made by Commissioner Berry and seconded by Commissioner Wagner to Accept the Monthly Payroll Report for April 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 Approve the Treasurer's Quarterly Report for the period beginning on the 1<sup>st</sup> day of January 2025 and ending on the 31<sup>st</sup> day of March 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 Long and seconded by Commissioner Wagner to keep the TAC Unemployment Rate the same and pay the Invoiced Deficit Payment of \$3,065.59 to bring the County's One Year Reserve back up to \$6,853.82, 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 Approve Invoices as Presented by Jackie Olson, County Auditor, which includes a Payment for the Rise Social Work Services, LLC Invoice out of the Sheriff's Opioid Fund. 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 Purchase Request as Presented by Jackie Olson, County Auditor. The Request are as follows: Tax Assessor/Collector for Truth-in-Taxation TNT2025 Software from Appraisal & Collection Technologies at \$1,499.00; Jail for Court Live Scan Annual Maintenance from Mentalix, Inc. at \$1,290.00; County Judge for 2 Membership Renewals from Ports-to-Plains Alliance at \$2,427.00; Commissioner Berry for a Third Row Seat and Install in 2023 Chevy Tahoe from Big Spring Collision Center at \$1,075.00; District Judge/IT for Audio System for District Courtroom from Lubbock Audio Visual, Inc. at \$16,757.00; and Jail for Zurn Water Valve from Recece at @1,852.00. 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 Low Bidder: Operator XR, LLC for VR LE Training System at \$89,807.50. A vote was taken and the members of the Court unanimously voted "AYES". Motion carried.

There were no Budget Amendments This Meeting.

A motion was made by Commissioner Berry and seconded by Commissioner Long to Approve the Resolution and Order Granting an Exemption as Allowed Under Sec. 262.024 (a)(8) of the Local Gov. Code. 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 Long to Table Agenda Item 5f. (Discussion/Possible Action: Trinity Service Group Renewal/Amendment) to allow Lindsay Wilkerson, County Attorney, to further review the contract and make any necessary changes. 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 Judge Johnson to Approve the Standard Dishmachine Rental Agreement with EcoLab. A vote was taken and 4 members of the Court voted "AYES" while Commissioner Ray voted "NAY". Motion passed 4-1.

A motion was made by Commissioner Berry and seconded by Commissioner Ray to Approve Payment of EcoLab Invoices 6352175577, 6352175583, 6352175588, 6352175595, 6352175604, 6352175612, 6352176482, 6352176874, & 6352177582. A vote was taken and the members of the Court unanimously voted "AYES". Motion carried.

Commissioner Berry Provided a Roadway Maintenance Update. No Action Needed.

A motion was made by Commissioner Ray and seconded by Commissioner Long to grant permission to repair 40402 Caterpillar Road Reclaimer. A vote was taken and the members of the Court unanimously voted "AYES". Motion carried.

Future Agenda Items:

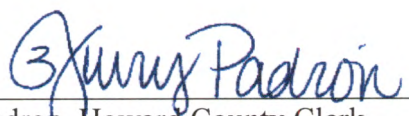
- Budget Workshops
- Canvass May 3, 2025 Election
- HCESD Updates
- Meeting with Butler-Cohen Regarding the Dispatch Expansion Project

Court Adjourned at 1:35 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 May 12, 2025.



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