

HOWARD COUNTY COMMISSIONERS COURT
AGENDA
SEPTEMBER 25, 2023

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 SEPTEMBER 25, 2023. The workshop will begin at 3:00 P.M. in the 2nd Floor Judge's Conference Room. Court will recess and reconvene at 3:30 P.M. in the 3rd 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 – 3:00 PM: 2nd Floor Judges Conference Room (2nd Floor of County Courthouse)

1. Judge Johnson, Howard County Judge

- a. Discussion / Possible Action: Update on Economic Development-Mark Willis

Call to Order: REGULAR SESSION – 3:30 PM: 3rd Floor County Court Room (3rd Floor of Howard County Courthouse)

Citizen input for those registered to make comments-

2. Judge Johnson, Howard County Judge

- a. Discussion / Possible Action: Economic Development Project-Samsung
b. Discussion / Possible Action: Howard County Historical Commission-Doug Mayes
c. Cooperative Agreement Between Midland College and Howard County
d. Discussion / Possible Action: Terms of the Court- Calendar, Holiday, Schedule, Commissioner's Schedule
e. Discussion / Possible Action: Victim Notification System-VINE Service Renewal
f. Discussion / Possible Action: Consider Purchase of Real Property 9-1-1 Building on FM 700- Executive/Closed Session: A closed meeting will be held pursuant to Govt Code, Section 551.072
g. Discussion / Possible Action: Appoint Members to the 9-1-1 Board

3. Doug Wagner, Commissioner Pct. 4

- a. Discussion / Possible Action: Courthouse Tree Trimming & Pruning Quote-Shades of Green

4. Sharon Adams, County Treasurer

- a. Discussion / Possible Action: Personnel Considerations
b. Discussion / Possible Action: Treasurer's Monthly Report (Aug)
c. Discussion / Possible Action: 2023 Employee Handbook

5. Jackie Olson, County Auditor

- a. Presentation of Monthly Financial Report
b. Discussion / Possible Action: Damage to VFD Building
c. Discussion / Possible Action: Approve Invoices
d. Discussion / Possible Action: Approve Purchase Requests
e. Discussion / Possible Action: Budget Amendment

6. Brian Klinksiek, Road Engineer

- a. Discussion / Possible Action: Roadway Maintenance Update
b. Discussion / Possible Action: Approve Bid RFQ2024001 LRA Ty D+
c. Discussion / Possible Action: Approve Bid RFQ2024002 LRA Ty A+
d. Discussion / Possible Action: Approve Bid RFQ2024003 Emulsion
e. Discussion / Possible Action: Approve Bid RFQ2024004 Roadway Base
f. Discussion / Possible Action: Upgrade to Laptop and Diagnostic Software for GM Vehicle Repair
g. Discussion / Possible Action: Approve Bulk Fuel bid 2023-001

7. Brent Zitterkopf, County Clerk

- a. Public Hearing-re: SB1685-County Clerk Technology Fund
b. Discussion / Possible Action: Technology Fund
c. Discussion / Possible Action: Monthly Report

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

9. Opportunity for mention of any items to be on the future agendas.

Attest:



Randy Johnson
Howard County Judge
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Brent ZITTERKOPF, County Clerk, Howard County, Texas
By Anga Martini Deputy

BE IT REMEMBERED that on the 25th day of September, A.D. 2023 the Commissioner Court of Howard County met in Workshop @ 3:00 PM and Regular Session at 3:30 PM 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 meeting was called to order @ 3:00 PM.

Mark Willis and Teresa Morris of the Economic Development Board were in attendance as well as Eric Williams and Alex Ouch of Ernst & Young for discussion concerning the Economic Development Project with Samsung Renewable Energy. They discussed that the project would be a \$110 million investment in Howard County.

The meeting was recessed @ 3:35 PM to move into Regular Session.

The meeting was reconvened in Regular Session @ 3:44 PM.

Judge Johnson introduced Eric Williams and Alex Ouch with Ernst & Young who told the audience about the proposed Samsung Renewable Energy Project and it's impact on Howard County.

A motion was made by Commissioner Long and seconded by Commissioner Ray to enter into a 381 Agreement Plan with Samsung with changes to the percentage of investment as follows: 75% return on 60-70% investment and 85% return on 70% or greater investment as presented. A vote was taken and the members of the Court unanimously voted "AYES". Motion carried.

Doug Mayes spoke the Court concerning the Howard County Historical Commission and the needs in order to get the Commission active in Howard County again. No action taken on this date.

A motion was made by Commissioner Long and seconded by Commissioner Wagner to approve a Cooperative Agreement between Midland College and Howard County for Texas Breath Alcohol Testing 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 approve the Terms of Court for the 2023-2024 Fiscal Year as well as the 2024 Calendar for holidays and Commissioner Court meetings 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 Judge Johnson and seconded by Commissioner Wagner to approve the First Contract Renewal Participating Entity Services Agreement for the Statewide Automated Victim Notification Service (SAVNS) 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 Ray to appoint Dean Restelli to a one year term and Nati Saldivar to a two year term on the 911 Board as discussed. 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 Courthouse tree trimming from Shades of Green for a total of \$7500 as presented by Commissioner Wagner. 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 Berry 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 Ray and seconded by Commissioner Long to approve the Treasurer's Monthly Report for August 2023 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 the 2023 Employee Handbook 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 County Auditor's Monthly Report for August 2023 as presented by Jackie Olson, County Auditor. A vote was taken and the members of the Court unanimously voted "AYES". Motion carried.

Any discussion or action concerning damage on the VFD Building was tabled until more information can be obtained.

A motion was made by Commissioner Wagner and seconded by Commissioner Ray to approve the Invoices, with the addition of Texas A&M Agrilife in the amount of \$4145.50 and Alldrege Gardens in the amount of \$108,764.71, 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 Berry to approve the Purchase Requests as presented by Jackie Olson, County Auditor. The requests are as follows: Jail for Kool Air Cubed Ice Machine from Bollinger Refrigeration @ \$6084; Repair to Muffin Monster from BnB Electric @ \$1000; Sheriff for HP Laser Jet printer from CDW-G @ \$2509. A vote was taken and the members of the Court unanimously voted "AYES". Motion carried.

There were no Budget Amendments on this date.

Jackie Olson, County Auditor discussed the balances in the ARPA Funds and the Rainy Day Funds. No action needed.

Brian Klinksiek, County Road Administrator, discussed whether or not to allow a citizen who has requested the County's old motor grader tires have them. It would save the County money in hauling them off and having to pay to dispose of them. After discussion, it was decided to make a decision at a later date.

Brian Klinksiek, County Road Administrator, discussed problems in getting work on the Road & Bridge building by a vendor. The Court advised him to hold the to the quoted price into the next fiscal year with a date/time for completion.

A motion was made by Judge Johnson and seconded by Commissioner Wagner to approve RFQ 2023001M (TY D + LRA) from Vulcan @ \$200,476.80 as presented by Brian Klinksiek, County Road Administrator. 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 RFQ 2024002M (TY A + LRA) from Vulcan @ \$139,220 as presented by Brian Klinksiek, County Road Administrator. 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 RFQ 2024003M (Emulsion) from Ergon Asphalt & Emulsion @ \$89,240 as presented by Brian Klinksiek, County Road Administrator. 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 Long to approve RFQ 2024004M (Flex Base) from Tubb Quarry @ \$168,000 as presented by Brian Klinksiek, County Road Administrator. 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 upgrading to a Laptop and Diagnostic Software for GM Vehicle repair as presented by Brian Klinksiek, County Road Administrator. 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 table the Bulk Fuel bids for more information. A vote was taken and the members of the Court unanimously voted "AYES". Motion carried.

Court moved a Public Hearing @ 5:17 PM. Brent Zitterkopf, County Clerk, told of the purpose and need for charging and collecting the Management and Preservation Fee for filed in the Official Public Records. There were no questions from the Public.

Court reconvened in Regular Session @ 5:19 PM.

A motion was made by Commissioner Long and seconded by Commissioner Wagner approve the Order to adopt the Records Archive Plan and charge the fee of \$10 as presented by Brent Zitterkopf, County Clerk. 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 the County Clerk Monthly Report for August 2023 as presented by Brent Zitterkopf, County Clerk. A vote was taken and the members of the Court unanimously voted "AYES". Motion carried.

Court moved into an Executive / Closed Session @ 5:29 PM pursuant to Govt Code, Section 551.072.

Court reconvened into Regular Session @ 6:21 PM.

A motion was made by Commissioner Long and seconded by Commissioner Wagner to enter into negotiations with the 911 Board in an attempt to purchase the 911 Building. A vote was taken and the members of the Court unanimously voted "AYES". Motion carried.

Items for informational purposes:

- a. Judge Johnson has asked Odis Franklin, IT Director, to speak with the Court about how the IT department runs, his schedule and anything else the Court might need to know.
- b. The Appraisal District is have an open meeting on Wednesday to let everyone know how the Appraisal District runs and what it does.
- c. Drew Darby will be speaking at the college on Wednesday as reported by Commissioner Ray.

- d. Judge Johnson stated that the Director of Scenic Mountain Medical Center would like to speak to the Court on a future agenda to let them know about the hospital operations.

Court was adjourned @ 6:29 PM.

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 September 26, 2023.



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

