

HOWARD COUNTY COMMISSIONERS COURT AGENDA
February 6, 2019

The following item(s) of business will be discussed and possible action taken in a regular meeting of the Howard County Commissioners' Court to be held on **WEDNESDAY, February 6, 2019** in the **2nd Floor Conference room at 2:00 pm for a Budget and Tax Abatement Workshop**. Court will recess and reconvene in the **Courtroom on the third floor** of the Howard County Courthouse **3:30 P.M** for the regular scheduled meeting.

Announcement: Anyone intending to address the Commissioners' Court shall complete and turn in the designated form to County Judge. Please silence cell phones.

Call to Order

- **Judge Kathryn G. Wiseman**
 - Discussion/Possible Action: Guidelines and Criteria for Tax Abatement.
 - Discussion/Possible Action: Mavour Braswell, Howard County Library Update and Status on Annual Report

- **Judge Robert Fitzgibbons, Justice of the Peace**
 - Discussion / Possible Action: Request to Establish A Juvenile Case Manager Fund

- **Jackie Olson**
 - Discussion / Possible Action: Approve Invoices
 - Discussion / Possible Action: Approve Purchase Requests
 - Discussion / Possible Action: Approve Budget Amendments

- **Sharon Adams**
 - Discussion / Possible Action: Approve Payroll
 - Discussion / Possible Action: Approve Personnel Considerations
 - Discussion / Possible Action: Approve Presentation of Treasurer's Monthly Payroll Report

- **Brian Klinksiek**
 - Discussion / Possible Action: Roadway Maintenance Updates

- **Commissioner Jimmie Long, Precinct 3**
 - Discussion / Possible Action: Radio Contract. – EXECUTIVE/CLOSED SESSION – A closed meeting will be held pursuant to Section 551.0725 of the Texas Government Code

- Discussion of Law Enforcement Radio System and take any necessary action
- Citizen input for those registered to make comments
- Opportunity for mention of any items to be on the future agendas

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COUNTY CLERK HOWARD COUNTY
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Kathryn G. Wiseman

Kathryn G. Wiseman
County Judge, Howard County, Texas

The Commissioners' Court may convene in Executive Session pursuant to
Gov. 551.001 et seq. on any of the above items.

BE IT REMEMBERED that on the 6th day of February, A.D. 2019 the Commissioner Court of Howard County met in Budget and Tax Abatement Workshop session at 2:00 PM and Regular session @ 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, **JIMMIE LONG**, Commissioner Precinct No. 3 and **JOHN H. CLINE**, Commissioner Precinct No. 4.

The Budget and Tax Abatement Workshop was called to order @ 2:03 PM in the 2nd Floor Conference room. Judge Kathryn Wiseman expressed condolences for the family of Stan Parker, County Sheriff, on the passing of his father. Judge Wiseman called the Commissioners attention to some interest items placed in their folders. There was a Budget request heard from Hardy Wilkerson, District Attorney with no action taken on the matter. In addition, the Court discussed needed Guideline and Criteria for Tax Abatement with no action taken.

The Court recessed @ 3:24 PM to move to the 3rd Floor Courtroom for the Regular session.

Court was reconvened @ 3:31 PM.

Mavour Braswell, Howard County Librarian gave an update on things that are happening at the both the Howard College Library and the Howard County Library, which can be a benefit for all citizens of Howard County. There was no action needed.

In addition, Ms. Braswell gave an update on the status of the Howard County Library Annual Report, stating that it is improving and looking pretty good and passed with the State Maintenance of Effort requirements by about \$1000. No action needed on this report.

A motion was made by Commissioner Bailey and seconded by Commissioner Cline to approve a \$5 fee being added to Class C Misdemeanor court costs in order to establish a Juvenile Case Manager Fund. Robert Fitzgibbons, JP1-2, reported he had talked with an attorney with the Texas Association of Counties and confirmed that this fee could be added to the Class C Misdemeanor court costs. 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 Invoices as presented by Kathryn Wiseman, County Judge, in the absence of 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 Cline and seconded by Commissioner Garcia to approve the Purchase Requests as presented by Kathryn Wiseman, County Judge in the absence

of Jackie Olson, County Auditor. The requests are as follows: Jail & Sheriff's Office for 70 virus protections from Gov Connection @\$2404.50; Sheriff for 6 vests from M-Pak, Inc. @\$971.23; Sheriff for A/C unit from Pioneer @ \$1118; Sheriff for Planned Maintenance Agreement from Cummins @ \$2710. A vote was taken and the members of the Court unanimously voted "AYES". Motion carried.

A motion was made by Commissioner Cline and seconded by Commissioner Bailey to approve Budget Amendments for the County Agent in the amount of \$550 for travel expenses as presented by Kathryn Wiseman, County Judge, in the absence of 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 Garcia to approve the Payroll as presented by Kathryn Wiseman, County Judge in the absence of 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 Long to approve Personnel Considerations as presented by Kathryn Wiseman, County Judge in the absence of 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 approve the Treasurer's Monthly Payroll Report for January 2019 as presented by Kathryn Wiseman, County Judge, in the absence of Sharon Adams, County Treasurer. A vote was taken and the members of the Court unanimously voted "AYES". Motion carried.

Brian Klinksiek, County Road Administrator that he did not have any matters to discuss or report at this time.

The Executive / Closed session was cancelled as it was no longer needed.

Kathryn Wiseman, County Judge, informed Commissioners that she had included information in their packets in their packets an excerpt from Subchapter D of the Government Code about Closed sessions and asked them to review the information. She also reported that our population growth was much lower than surrounding Counties and believes that to be partially caused by a lack of housing in our community. In addition, Judge Wiseman reported that the Wildlife Control has been doing a great job of controlling the unwanted wildlife, such as snakes and skunks.

Jimmie Long, Commissioner Pct. 2, encouraged fellow Commissioners to respond to Senator Kel Seliger concerning Senate Bill 2 and how it will affect Howard County in the future.

Commissioner Long also expressed sympathy for Sheriff Stan Parker and his family on the passing of his father.

Jimmie Long, Commissioner Pct. 2, stated that he will set up a meeting with the Commissioners, Mr. Wylie, the Sheriff and the Police Department to make sure everything is being done in order to get the new radio system up and running.

Court was adjourned @ 3:59 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 proceeding for February 6, 2019.



Brent Zitterkopf, Howard County Clerk

Clerk of the Commissioners Court

Howard County, Texas

