## HOWARD COUNTY COMMISSIONERS COURT AGENDA

## November 23, 2020

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 November 23, 2020. The regular meeting will begin 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 County Judge. Please silence all cell phones.

#### Call to Order

#### REGULAR SESSION - 3:30 PM:

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

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

- Judge Kathryn G. Wiseman
  - Presentation of Appreciation for Commissioner Oscar Garcia
  - Discussion / Possible Action: Appoint Eddlisa Saldivar-Commissioner Pct. 1
  - Discussion / Possible Action: Purchase of Main Street Pocket Park
  - Discussion / Possible Action: Approval of Interlocal Agreement-Regional Public Defender For Capital Cases
- Sharon Adams, County Treasurer
  - Discussion / Possible Action: Personnel Considerations
  - · Discussion / Possible Action: Treasures Monthly Report for October
- Jackie Olson, County Auditor
  - Discussion / Possible Action: Approve Invoices
  - Discussion / Possible Action: Approve Purchase Requests
  - Discussion / Possible Action: Approve Budget Amendments
  - Discussion / Possible Action: Acceptance of donation from SM Energy Co.
- Brian Klinksiek, Road Engineer
  - Discussion / Possible Action: Accepting low bid / Contracting RFB2020008 CR 35 PIF
  - Discussion / Possible Action: Accepting low bid / Contracting RFB2021002 Inverted Prime
  - Discussion / Possible Action: Going out for bids on RFB 2020009 CR 48 GRH
  - Discussion / Possible Action: Going out for bids on RFB 2020010 CR 15 GRH
  - Presentation of proposed 2021 Sealcoat locations
  - Discussion / Possible Action: Roadway Maintenance Update
- Commissioner John Cline Pct. 4
  - Discussion / Possible Action: Right of Way and Utility Easement-The City of Big Spring
- Commissioner Craig Bailey Pct. 2

Discussion / Possible Action: Nominate individual to Tax Appraisal Board

- Discussion of Law Enforcement Radio System and take any necessary action
- Opportunity for mention of any items to be on the future agendas

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PURSUANT TO THE AUTHORITY GRANTED UNDER GOVERNMENT CODE, CHAP. 551, THE COMMISSIONERS COURT MAY CONVEA A CLOSED SESSION TO DISCUSS ANY OF THE ABOVE AGENDA ITEMS. IMMEDIATELY BEFORE ANY CLOSED SESSION, THE SPECIFC SECTION OR SECTIONS OF GOVERNMENT CODE, CHAP. 551 THAT PROVIDES STATUTORY AUTHORITY WILL BE ANNOUNCED.

BE IT REMEMBERED that on the 23rd day of November, A.D. 2020 the Commissioner Court of Howard County met in Regular session at 3:30 PM with KATHYRN G. WISEMAN, County Judge as the Presiding Officer. The following members were present: EDDILISA RAY, 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 meeting was called to order @ 3:31 PM.

Judge Wiseman had the following announcements to make:

- VFD Chief, Mitchell Hooper, asked that everyone be reminded that the wind has been up and the Burn Ban is still in effect. Commissioner Bailey also added that the VFD will not be doing any controlled burns for the time being.
- 2. The Courthouse will only be open by appointment beginning November 24, 2020 and anyone entering will be required to come in the West entrance with the handicap ramp. All other doors will be locked. In addition, anyone entering will be screened and required to wear a mask.
- The Employee Appreciation Dinner that is held annually in December will be cancelled this year due to COVID.
- Former Judge Ben Lockhart passed away on Friday and the Court would like to extend condolences to his wife and family.
- Judge Wiseman received a Press Release before Court that all Counties in this area are now limiting business capacities to 50%. Bars not meeting the required recommendations for food service will have to be closed.

Judge Wiseman then presented Mary Garcia, wife of former Commissioner Oscar Garcia with a plaque in appreciation his service to Howard County as a Commissioner. Mr. Garcia passed away earlier in the month.

A motion was made by Commissioner Long and seconded by Commissioner Bailey to appoint Eddilisa Ray as Commissioner Precinct 1 to fill the unexpired term of Oscar Garcia. 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 Cline to purchase the Pocket Park next door to the Howard County Annex on Main Street at a cost of \$27,000. 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 Cline to approve the Interlocal Agreement – Regional Public Defender for Capital Cases as presented by

Judge Kathryn Wiseman @ \$7090. A vote was taken and the members of the Court unanimously voted "AYES". Motion carried.

Judge Wiseman then swore in Eddilisa Ray as Commissioner Precinct 1 following a slight delay to obtain the needed paperwork. Mrs. Ray will be able to participate in the next meeting once her bond has been received by the County.

There were no Personnel Considerations on this date.

A motion was made by Commissioner Cline and seconded by Commissioner Bailey to approve the Treasurer's Monthly Report for October 2020 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 Bailey and seconded by Commissioner Long to accept a donation in the amount of \$12450 from SM Energy to be applied to the Road & Bridge Fund 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 Cline and seconded by Commissioner Long to approve the Invoices 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 Cline and seconded by Commissioner Long to approve the Purchase Requests. They requests are as follows: Library for Junior Library Guild subscription @ \$2285.30: Library for magazine renewals from EBSCO @ \$1230.20; Detention Center for 20 ink cartridges from Office Depot @ \$1079.60; Sheriff for 6 camera systems for patrol from Safe Fleet @ \$35194.52; IT for 3 wireless AP's from GDT @ \$1942.71; IT for cameras in all 3 buildings from ATS Telcom @ \$3070; and Sheriff for 100 Ammo magazines from Brownells @ \$1200. 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 Budget Amendments (all line item transfers) 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 Cline and seconded by Commissioner Bailey to accept the low bid of \$277581 from Black Jack Energy Services on RFB 2020008 CR 35 Phase II 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 Bailey to accept the low bid of \$234987.30 from Cox Paving on RFB 2021002 Inverted Prime 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 Bailey to approve going out on bids on RFB 2020009 CR 48 GRH 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 Cline and seconded by Commissioner Long to approve going out on bids on RFB 2020010 CR 15 GRH as presented by Brian Klinksiek, County Road Administrator. A vote was taken and the members of the Court unanimously voted "AYES". Motion carried.

Brian Klinksiek, County Road Administrator, presented the 2021 Sealcoat Location plans for Commissioners to review and take action on at the next scheduled meeting.

Brian Klinksiek, County Road Administrator, also gave Roadway updates on County Road 34 and County Road 35. In addition, he reported that he plans to begin hauling RAP onto Cauble Road beginning in December. No action needed.

A motion was made by Commissioner Cline and seconded by Commissioner Bailey to table action concerning the Right of Way and Utility Easement with the City of Big Spring concerning the landfill in order to further negotiate the need for a chain link fence to prevent trash from blowing on the neighboring County property as well as the private property of individual owners in the area as presented by Commissioner Cline. 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 Bailey to nominate Dwain Fox (suggested by Commissioner Bailey) and Mike Dawson(suggested by Commissioner Long) to the Tax Appraisal Board. 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 Bailey to adjourn @ 4:17 PM. A vote was taken and the members of the Court unanimously voted "AYES". Motion carried.

# 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 November 23, 2020.



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