

**HOWARD COUNTY COMMISSIONERS COURT**  
**AGENDA**  
**FEBRUARY 27, 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 FEBRUARY 27, 2023. A workshop will begin at 1:00 P.M. in the 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor Judge's Conference Room. Court will recess and reconvene at 3:30 P.M. in the 3<sup>rd</sup> Floor County Court Room.** Please see below for meeting location details.

**Location:** Howard County Courthouse  
300 S. Main St  
Big Spring, TX 79720

**WORKSHOP – 1:00 PM:**

Location: Judges Conference Room (2<sup>nd</sup> Floor of County Courthouse)

**1. Judge Johnson, Howard County Judge**

- a. Discussion / Possible Action: Commissioner's Court Procedures and Organization
- b. Discussion / Possible Action: Talking Points for Howard County Summit
- c. Tour Road & Bridge Department and Surrounding County Owned Land

**Call to Order: REGULAR SESSION – 3:30 PM:** 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-**

**2. Judge Johnson, Howard County Judge**

- a. Discussion / Possible Action: Permian Basin Regional Juvenile Justice Center Proposal

**3. Sharon Adams, County Treasurer**

- a. Discussion / Possible Action: Personnel Considerations
- b. Discussion / Possible Action: Treasurer's Monthly Report (Jan.)
- c. Discussion / Possible Action: Monthly Payroll Report (Feb.)

**4. Jackie Olson, County Auditor**

- a. Discussion / Possible Action: Approve Invoices
- b. Discussion / Possible Action: Approve Purchase Requests
- c. Discussion / Possible Action: Budget Amendments

**5. Angela Griffin, Justice of the Peace Pct. 1-1**

- a. Discussion / Possible Action: Approve Bond

**6. Sandra Verdin, County Library Director**

- a. Discussion / Possible Action: Permission to Seek Grants
- b. Discussion / Possible Action: Lodging Reimbursement Request

**7. Jimmie Long, Commissioner Pct. 3**

- a. Discussion / Possible Action: Consider Approving Window Well Sub-Pumps

**8. Brian Klinskiak, Road Engineer**

- a. Discussion / Possible Action: Roadway Maintenance Update
- b. Discussion / Possible Action: Accept Low Bid on RFQ 2022003m "Roadway Base"
- c. Discussion / Possible Action: Set Speed Limit on Leatherwood Rd between US 87 & CR 21 at 55 MPH
- d. Discussion / Possible Action: Permission to go out for Bids on Cattleguards & Seals
- e. Discussion / Possible Action: Reeves County Employee Expo & Truck Rodeo

**9. Stan Parker, County Sheriff**

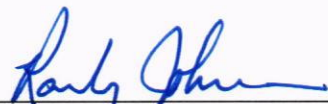
- a. Discussion / Possible Action: Personnel Considerations- EXECUTIVE/CLOSED SESSION – A closed meeting will be held pursuant to Section 551.074

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

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

POSTED  
FILED at 10:55 A M O'clock 2/24/23  
BRENT ZITTERKOPF, County Clerk, Howard County, Texas  
By Justin Brown Deputy

Attest:

  
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 CONVEY 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.



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HOWARD COUNTY COMMISSIONERS COURT  
AGENDA  
SPECIAL MEETING  
FEBRUARY 28, 2023

A Quorum of Howard County Commissioners will be present, no action will be taken. Special Joint Leadership Summit/Work Session will begin at 1:30 P.M. Tuesday February 28, 2023, at the Dorothy Garrett Coliseum-Sonic Floor. Please see below for meeting details.



**Special Joint Leadership Summit/Work Session**  
**Coordinating Plans to Move the Community Forward**

Tuesday, February 28, 2023 @ 1:30 p.m.

Dorothy Garrett Coliseum-Sonic Floor- 1001 Birdwell Ln- Big Spring, Texas

Minutes will not be recorded for this meeting as no action will be taken.

Recording will also be available on Optimum channel 17 within 7 days following the event.

**AGENDA**

1. Call to Order and Welcome, 118<sup>th</sup> District Court Judge Shane Seaton, Master of Ceremonies
2. Invocation and Pledge, Life Church Associate Pastor, Manny Negron
3. Summit Focus and Procedures, District Judge Shane Seaton
4. **2023 Challenges and Support for...**
  - A. Howard County, Judge Randy Johnson
  - B. City of Big Spring, Mayor Robert H. Moore III
  - C. Big Spring Economic Development Corporation, Executive Director Mark Willis
  - D. Big Spring Area Chamber of Commerce, President Michelle Hamlin
  - E. Howard College, President Cheryl Sparks
  - F. Big Spring ISD, Superintendent Jay McWilliams
  - G. Coahoma ISD, Superintendent Brad Cox
  - H. Forsan ISD, Superintendent Dane Richardson
  - I. West Texas VA Healthcare System, Associate Director James L. Douglas
  - J. Big Spring State Hospital, Assistant Superintendent George Oteiza
  - K. Scenic Mountain Medical Center, President Stacey Brown

5. Adjourn

POSTED at 10:55 A M O'clock 2/24/23  
BRENT ZITTERKOPF, County Clerk, Howard County, Texas  
By Jessie Barron Deputy

Attest:

  
Randy Johnson  
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BE IT REMEMBERED that on the 27th day of February, A.D. 2023 the Commissioner Court of Howard County met in Workshop @ 1:00 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 Workshop was called to order at 1:01 PM.

Judge Johnson opened the meeting with discussion concerning the Commissioner's Court Procedures & Organization. No action taken during Workshop. The Court also discussed topics to be presented during the Howard County Summit.

The meeting was recessed @ 2:16 PM. Commissioners Ray and Berry went to tour the Road & Bridge Department during the recess.

The meeting reconvened @ 3:33 PM.

A motion was made by Johnson and seconded by Commissioner Long to adopt the Commissioner's Court Procedures and Organization as discussed in the Workshop. A vote was taken and the members of the Court unanimously voted "AYES". Motion carried.

Judge Johnson recapped what was discussed in the Workshop prior to the Regular Meeting. He also made the Public aware of Permian Basin Juvenile Justice Center Proposal and spoke of the shortage of beds for Juvenile Detention. He said that Howard County plans to participate in getting that facility to the Permian Basin. No action needed at this time.

A motion was made by Commissioner Ray and seconded by Commissioner Wagner 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 Berry and seconded by Commissioner Ray to accept the Treasurer's Monthly report for January 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 Wagner to accept the Treasurer's Monthly Payroll Report for February 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 Ray and seconded by Commissioner Berry 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 Long and seconded by Commissioner Berry to table a request for 5 copiers for various offices in order to get more information on whether to purchase or lease copiers. 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 Purchase Requests as presented by Jackie Olson, County Auditor, and Commissioner Long. The requests are as follows: Sheriff for Investigations training class from Credit Card @ \$1200; Sheriff for training for Natalie Oliver from Tyler Connect @ \$1099; Sheriff for CAC Interview System from unnamed vendor @ \$5162.37; Sheriff for 2 radars and 1 remote from Stalker Radar @ \$3175; Sheriff for vehicle repair from Crossroads Collision Center @ \$1952.50; Sheriff for 1 Tahoe from Caldwell Country @ \$52000; Commissioner Long for signage for the Military Memorial at the Courthouse from ebay @ \$6186.22; Commissioner Long for material and labor to replace handrailing around perimeter of Courthouse cellars and East side arched staircase from Wilson's Welding @ \$49360 (also giving Auditor permission to pay 20% in advance). 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 Judge Johnson and seconded by Commissioner Wagner to approve the renewal of the Official Bond and Oath of Judge Angela Griffin as presented by Judge Griffin. 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 Wagner giving permission for the Librarian to seek grants, Read Across Texas 2023 Library Grant and Arts Respond Performance Support Grant from the Texas Commission on the Arts as requested by Sandra Verdin, Head Librarian. A vote was taken and the members of the Court unanimously voted "AYES". Motion carried.

Sandra Verdin, Librarian, introduced the new Children's Librarian, Julianna Sanchez, to the Court.

A motion was made by Commissioner Long and seconded by Commissioner Wagner to approve a lodging reimbursement request for Julianna Sanchez @ \$279 and Sandra Verdin @

\$267 for training to be held in April as requested by Sandra Verdin, Librarian. 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 Sump Pump Replacement for the Library and Courthouse from James Lane Mechanical @ \$87778.87 as presented by Commissioner Long. A vote was taken and the members of the Court unanimously voted "AYES". Motion carried.

Brian Klinksiek, County Road Administrator, gave the Bridge Inspection Report for 6 bridges in Howard County. No action needed.

A motion was made by Commissioner Berry and seconded by Commissioner Ray to approve RFQ2023003M (Flex Base Recap) approving the only bid from Tubb Quarry and upping the original quantity for a total of \$136,000 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 Ray and seconded by Commissioner Wagner to set the speed limit on Leatherwood Road between US 87 & CR 21 at 55 MPH 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 Judge Johnson and seconded by Commissioner Wagner to give permission to go on bid for cattle guards and seals as requested 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 Judge Johnson and seconded by Commissioner Berry to allow taking some Road & Bridge employees to the Reeves County Employee Expo & Truck Rodeo training as presented by Brian Klinksiek, County Road Administrator. A vote was taken and the members of the Court unanimously voted "AYES". Motion carried.

Sheriff Parker cancelled his request for an Executive / Closed session.

A motion was made by Commissioner Long and seconded by Commissioner Berry to approve hiring an employee and be double staffed for approximately 6 weeks to train for an employee retiring in May as presented by Sheriff Parker. A vote was taken and the members of the Court unanimously voted "AYES". Motion carried.

Commissioner Long reported that the removal process in the old jail started on this day. He also reported that the air conditioning on the roof installation will begin on the roof next week and hopefully also completed next week.

Court was adjourned @ 4:35 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 February 27, 2023.



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