

**HOWARD COUNTY COMMISSIONERS COURT
AGENDA
SEPTEMBER 23, 2024**

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 23, 2024. The workshop will begin at 9:00 A.M. in the 2nd Floor Judge's Conference Room. Court will recess and reconvene at 10:00 A.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 – 9:00 AM:

Location: Judges Conference Room (2nd Floor of County Courthouse)

1. Judge Johnson, Howard County Judge

- a. Discussion / Possible Action: Road & Bridge Policies related to new roads-Cameron Walker, Consultant
- b. Discussion / Possible Action: Damage Roads and Other Property Due to the Recent Rainstorms

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. Judge Johnson, Howard County Judge

- a. Public Hearing: County Road Policies
- b. Discussion / Possible Action: Consider Policy for County Road/Infrastructure Assistance
- c. Discussion / Possible Action: Cooperative Agreement Between Midland College and Howard County; Breath & Alcohol Testing program
- d. Discussion / Possible Action: Alamo Letter Ceremony on October 16, 2024, at 10 AM
- e. Discussion / Possible Action: Donation of Excess Furniture

3. Sharon Adams, County Treasurer

- a. Discussion / Possible Action: Personnel Considerations
- b. Discussion / Possible Action: Treasurer's Monthly Report (Aug.)
- c. Discussion / Possible Action: County Choice Silver Renewal for 2025 (65+ Retiree Insurance)

4. Jackie Olson, County Auditor

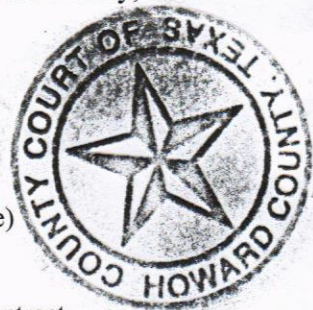
- a. Presentation of Financial Reports
- b. Discussion / Possible Action: Interlocal Agreement with Howard College-Piggyback Fuel Contract
- c. Discussion / Possible Action: Approve Invoices
- d. Discussion / Possible Action: Approve Purchase Requests
- e. Discussion / Possible Action: Budget Amendment

5. Brian Klinksiek, Road Engineer

- a. Discussion / Possible Action: Consider Bulk Fuel Bid 2025-01
- b. Discussion / Possible Action: Roadway Maintenance Update

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

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



Attest:

Randy Johnson

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Howard County Judge
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Filed at 8:40 a M O'clock 9-20-24
By Nancy Porter Deputy
Brent Zitterkopf, County Clerk, Howard County, Texas

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 23rd day of September, A.D. 2024 the Commissioner Court of Howard County met in Workshop Session at 9:00 AM 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.

The Workshop was called to order @ 9:00 AM.

Cameron Walker, Consultant, discussed the Policy for Howard County Infrastructure Assistance changes that have been made. The Court discussed the Policy and made further changes.

Dude Speed, Texas Division of Emergency Management spoke about the requirements and how to receive assistance from disasters such as flooding, fires, etc. No action needed.

Court recessed at 10:06 AM for move to Regular Session.

Court reconvened at 10:14 AM in Regular Session.

Wesley Taylor, Registered Speaker, spoke about flooding on his property on Centerpoint Road and the extensive damage it caused. Requesting drainage ditches and other preventive measures be taken to stop the flooding.

Moved into Public Hearing on the County Road Policies @ 10:23 AM. Cameron Walker explained the policy in detail. No public attended and there were no questions or comments from the public.

Moved back into Regular Session @ 10:31 AM.

A motion was made by Commissioner Long and seconded by Commissioner Ray to adopt the Policy for Howard County Infrastructure Assistance 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 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 Berry and seconded by Commissioner Long to accept the Treasurer's Monthly Report for August 2024 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 Renewal of the County Choice Silver Renewal for 2025 (65+Retiree Insurance) 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 accept the low Bulk Fuel Bid from Parks Fuels as presented by Brian Klinksiek, County Road Administrator. A vote was taken and the members of the Court unanimously voted "AYES". Motion carried.

In Roadway Maintenance Updates, Brian Klinksiek, County Road Administrator, reported that his crew is still working to clean up the areas that were flooded in recent heavy rains.

A motion was made by Commissioner Ray and seconded by Commissioner Berry to approve the Cooperative Agreement between Midland College and Howard County for the Breath and Alcohol Testing Program as presented by Judge Johnson. A vote was taken and the members of the Court unanimously voted "AYES". Motion carried.

Judge Johnson reminded the Court that the Alamo Letter Ceremony will be held October 16, 2024 @ 10:00 AM.

A motion was made by Commissioner Long and seconded by Commissioner Wagner to post on the County website that excess desks can be donated to non-profit organizations and names will be drawn from submissions 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 Ray and seconded by Commissioner Berry to approve the Texas Interlocal Cooperative Agreement between the County of Howard and Howard College that will allow Howard College to piggy back on the County's Fuel Contract 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 Wagner 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.

There were no Purchase Requests on this date.

A motion was made by Commissioner Long and seconded by Commissioner Ray to approve the Budget Amendments 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 Ray to accept the County Auditor's Monthly Report for August 2024 as presented by Jackie Olson,

County Auditor. A vote was taken and the members of the Court unanimously voted "AYES".
Motion carried.

Commissioner Berry that landowners contacting him about flooding issues are all saying they will agree to do whatever it takes to correct the problems.

Future agenda items:

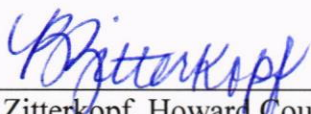
- Aprotex Fire and Security for Elections Office
- Burns Architecture proposed budget for jail expansion

Court was adjourned @ 11:52 AM.

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 23, 2024.





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