



**HOUSTON COUNTY COMMISSIONERS COURT
MINUTES
SPECIAL CALLED MEETING
SEPTEMBER 3, 2019**

The Commissioners' Court of Houston County met in a special, called meeting on September 3, 2019 with the following members present, to wit:

Gary Lovell	Commissioner, Precinct #1
Willie Kitchen	Commissioner, Precinct #2
Pat Perry	Commissioner, Precinct #3
Jimmy Henderson	Commissioner, Precinct #4

Also present:

Melissa Jeter	County Auditor
Sharon Luker	Assistant to the County Commissioners
Janis Omelina	County Treasurer

Media:

None

Visitors: None

- (1) Welcome, Invocation and Pledges:
Skipped this item
- (2) Recognition and comments from guests:
Skipped this item
- (3) Commissioner Kitchen made a motion to enter into a lease purchase agreement with Citizens National Bank for the purchase of a Backhoe for Precinct 2 in an amount not to exceed \$103,000.00 and approve necessary budget amendments. He suggested that Commissioner Henderson be the co-signer. Commissioner Perry seconded. Motion carried 5 to 0.
- (4) Discuss and consider action on a lease purchase agreement with Citizens National Bank for the purchase of Backhoe for Precinct 3 in an amount not to exceed \$104,000.00 and necessary budget amendments. Commissioner Perry asked that this agenda item be tabled at this time.

- (5) Melissa Jeter, County Auditor, talked about the extra work that the County Attorney and her staff perform on the CPS cases. They keep up with their time and work and are able to recoup about \$4000 a year for the county. There is a new amendment that allows for appointed attorney reimbursement and it will require some extra work on the part of the County Attorney and the Auditor to get this federal funding. She said that they are willing to do the work to help the county get back around \$15,000 per year.

Commissioner Lovell made a motion to approve the contract with Texas Department of Family and Protective Services for IV-E County Legal Services for FY 2020. Commissioner Kitchen seconded. Motion carried 5 to 0.

- (6) Judge Lovell moved to adjourn the meeting. Commissioner Kitchen seconded. Motion carried 5 to 0.

Jim Lovell, County Judge

Gary Lovell, Commissioner, Precinct #1

Willie Kitchen, Commissioner, Precinct #2

Pat Perry, Commissioner, Precinct #3

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Attest:

Terri Meadows, County Clerk