

BE IT REMEMBERED that on Monday, July 28, 2025, the Commissioner Court of Howard County met in Workshop at 9:00 AM, Regular Session at 10:00 AM and Workshop at 1:30 PM, with RANDY JOHNSON, County Judge, as the Presiding Officer. The following members were present: Commissioner Pct. 1 Eddilisa Ray, Commissioner Pct. 3 Jimmie Long, Commissioner Pct. 4 Doug Wagner and County Judge Randy Johnson.

The Workshop was called to order at 9:04 AM.

Joseph Beasley, Assistant VP - McGuire Woods and David Rasky, Developer - Peregrine Energy, presented the court with new information about Project LES, a Battery Energy Storage System that consists of a 200 MW Standalone Energy Storage Facility. Also present for the meeting was Dr. Cheryl Sparks, President - Howard College, Teresa Morris, Associate Director- Big Spring EDC and Lindsay Wilkerson, County Attorney. No Action Taken.

The Court Recessed at 9:54 am and Reconvened in Regular Session at 10:10 AM.

Randy Johnson, County Judge, proclaimed the month of August 2025 National Emergency Management Awareness Month in Howard County and recognized our local Emergency Management Coordinators: Itzel Gomez - Howard County EMC and Jose Casarez - City of Big Spring EMC. No Action Taken.

A motion was made by Commissioner Pct. 1 Ray and seconded by Commissioner Pct. 4 Wagner to Approve the New Interlocal Agreement with the Permian Basin Regional Planning Commission for Next Generation 911 Automatic Location Information & Geographic Information System Maintenance Services, as presented by Randy Johnson, County Judge. A vote was taken and 4 members of the Court voted "AYE" with None voting "NAY." Motion carried.

Randy Johnson, County Judge, spoke about the importance of Harassment and Discrimination Prevention Training and why it is important for County Officials and employees to participate in the training provided. Discussion Item Only, No Action Taken.

Randy Johnson, County Judge, spoke about the Construction Cost Estimates related to the Howard County Library. Discussion Item Only, No Action Taken.

The Court moved into Executive/Closed Session pursuant to Tex. Gov. Code, Sec. 551.071 from 10:27am until 11:32am. No Action taken as a result of the Executive/Closed Session.

A motion was made by Commissioner Pct. 3 Long and seconded by Commissioner Pct. 1 Ray to Approve Tax Deed Parcel 27781 as presented by Randy Johnson, County Judge. A vote was taken and 4 members of the Court voted "AYE" with None voting "NAY." Motion carried.

A motion was made by Commissioner Pct. 4 Wagner and seconded by Commissioner Pct. 3 Long to Approve Personnel Considerations as presented by Sharon Adams, County Treasurer. A vote was taken and 4 members of the Court voted "AYE" with None voting "NAY." Motion carried.

A motion was made by Commissioner Pct. 1 Ray and seconded by Commissioner Pct. 3 Long to Approve Amended Monthly Report for June 2025 as presented by Sharon Adams, County Treasurer. A vote was taken and 4 members of the Court voted "AYE" with None voting "NAY." Motion carried.

A motion was made by Commissioner Pct. 3 Long and seconded by Commissioner Pct. 1 Ray to Accept the Treasurer's Quarterly Report for the 2nd Quarter of 2025, Beginning on the 1st day of April 2025 and ending on the 30th day of June 2025, as presented by Sharon Adams, County Treasurer. A vote was taken and 4 members of the Court voted "AYE" with None voting "NAY." Motion carried.

A motion was made by Commissioner Pct.4 Wagner and seconded by Commissioner Pct. 3 Long to Approve the TCDRS Plan Agreement for Plan Year 2026 as presented by Sharon Adams, County Treasurer. A vote was taken and 4 members of the Court voted "AYE" with None voting "NAY." Motion carried.

A motion was made by Commissioner Pct. 1 Ray and seconded by Commissioner Pct.4 Wagner to Approve Purchase Requests as presented by Jackie Olson, County Auditor. The requests are as follows: Library for Renewal of Annual Subscription from Envisionware at \$1,759.59; IT for Apple iPads with 2-Year Warranty, Logitech Keyboards and Screen Protectors for Commissioners Laptop Replacements from Amazon at \$8,719.84; IT for Meraki Varifocal Lens Dome 8MP Outdoor Camera with 3-Year Enterprise License and Support from GDT at \$5,330.91; District Clerk for Archive Imaging and Indexing from KoFile at \$29,426.00 and Sheriff for Travel Trailer Hail Damage Repair from Casey's Campers at \$1,244.96. A vote was taken and 4 members of the Court voted "AYE" with None voting "NAY." Motion carried.

A motion was made by Commissioner Pct.4 Wagner and seconded by Commissioner Pct. 3 Long to Approve Invoices as presented by Jackie Olson, County Auditor. Including travel reimbursement requests from the Elections Department that were excluded at the July 14, 2025 Commissioners Meeting. A vote was taken and 4 members of the Court voted "AYE" with None voting "NAY." Motion carried.

There were no budget amendments this meeting.

A motion was made by Commissioner Pct. 3 Long and seconded by Commissioner Pct.4 Wagner to Approve the Purchase of a Chevrolet Traverse for the Sheriff's Office using the Sheriff's Commissary Fund, as presented by Brian Klinksiek, County Engineer. A vote was taken and 4 members of the Court voted "AYE" with None voting "NAY." Motion carried.

Brian Klinksiek, Road Engineer, provided Roadway Maintenance Updates. No Action Taken.

A motion was made by Commissioner Pct. 3 Long and seconded by Commissioner Pct. 1 Ray to Table Item 5c., as presented by Brian Klinksiek, County Engineer. A vote was taken and 4 members of the Court voted "AYE" with None voting "NAY." Motion carried.

A motion was made by Commissioner Pct. 3 Long and seconded by Commissioner Pct.4 Wagner to Give Permission to Butler-Cohen to Proceed on the Howard County Sheriff's Office Expansion Project on August 4, 2025, as presented by Jimmie Long, Commissioner Pct. 3. A vote was taken and 4 members of the Court voted "AYE" with None voting "NAY." Motion carried.

Future Agenda Items:

- Super Heavy Overweight Permit Request
- Review Insurance Information Related to Hailstorms
- Budget Meeting tentatively 8/11/2025

Court Recessed at 12:16PM and Reconvened in the 2nd floor Conference Room at 1:30PM.

The Court held interviews with Halff and WTC Engineers | Surveyors related to submissions received for the RFQ-2025-1. Present for the first interview representing Halff were David Smith, Operations Manager, and Andrew Howe, Project Manager. Present for the second interview representing WTC Engineers | Surveyors were Randy Shaffer, Director of Operations, and Mindy Wiggins, Marketing Lead. The Court will wait for a negotiation price on the project from the higher-scoring vendor and will discuss the next steps at a future meeting. No Action Taken.

Court Adjourned at 3:13 PM

STATE OF TEXAS
COUNTY OF HOWARD

I, Jury Padron, Howard County Clerk, attest that the foregoing is a true and accurate accounting of the Commissioners Court authorized proceedings for July 28, 2025.



Jury Padron, Howard County Clerk
Clerk of the Commissioners Court
Howard County, Texas