

BE IT REMEMBERED that on Monday, August 25, 2025, the Commissioner Court of Howard County met in Workshop Session at 9:00 AM and in Regular session at 10:00AM with RANDY JOHNSON, County Judge, as the Presiding Officer. The following members were present: Commissioner Pct. 1 Eddilisa Ray, Commissioner Pct. 2 Cash Berry, Commissioner Pct. 3 Jimmie Long, Commissioner Pct.4 Doug Wagner & County Judge, Randy Johnson.

The Workshop was called to order at 9:00 AM

Troy Reed, Senior Tax Manager of Ernst & Young, LLP & Tyler Pierce, Lead Developer of Terra-Gen, presented the court with a proposal related to a Wind Farm Project. Also present for the meeting was Mark Willis, Executive Director of Big Spring Economic Development Corporation. The Court is interested in moving forward with the process and are willing to meet again after Troy and Tyler meet with personnel from Howard College. No Action Taken.

Court Recessed at 9:53 and Recovened in Regular Session at 10:05 AM.

Craig Wyrick, Howard County Citizen registered to make comments. Mr. Wyrick spoke to the Court about his concerns regarding the Amended Order Calling an Election Related to the Creation of the Howard County Emergency Services District No. 1. No Action Taken.

The Court moved into Executive/Closed Session pursuant to Tex. Gov. Code, Sec. 551.071 from 10:09AM to 11:07AM.

A motion was made by Randy Johnson, County Judge and seconded by Commissioner Pct. 3 Long to Amend the Findings in the Order Calling an Election Related to the Creation of the Howard County Emergency District No. 1, as presented by Randy Johnson, County Judge. A vote was taken and 5 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. 1 Ray to Approve Personnel Considerations as presented by Sharon Adams, County Treasurer. A vote was taken and 5 members of the Court voted "AYE" with None voting "NAY." Motion carried.

A motion was made by Commissioner Pct. 2 Berry and seconded by Commissioner Pct.4 Wagner to Accept the Letter of Retirement from Sharron Adams, County Treasurer, as presented by Sharon Adams, County Treasurer. A vote was taken and 5 members of the Court voted "AYE" with None voting "NAY." Motion carried.

A motion was made by Commissioner Pct. 2 Berry and seconded by Commissioner Pct. 1 Ray to Accept the Treasurer's Monthly Payroll Report for July 2025 as presented by Sharon Adams, County Treasurer. A vote was taken and 5 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 Accept Treasurer's Monthly Report for July 2025 as presented by Sharon Adams, County Treasurer. A vote was taken and 5 members of the Court voted "AYE" with None voting "NAY." Motion carried.

The court entered into a Public Hearing at 11:19 AM. No discussion, questions or comments were made by the Public. Public Hearing closed at 11:21 AM.

A motion was made by Commissioner Pct. 3 Long and seconded by Commissioner Pct. 1 Ray to Approve the 2025 -2026 Salary, Expenses and Other Allowances for Elected County Officers as presented by Jackie Olson, County Auditor. A vote was taken and 5 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 Adopt the 2026 Budget as presented by Jackie Olson, County Auditor. A vote was taken and 5 members of the Court voted "AYE" with None voting "NAY." Motion carried.

A motion was made by Commissioner Pct. 2 Berry and seconded by Commissioner Pct.4 Wagner to Approve Setting the Debt Rate at .008489 for the upcoming 2025-2026 Fiscal Year as presented by Jackie Olson, County Auditor. A vote was taken and 5 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 Approve setting the Maintenance & Operations (M&O) Rate at .293222 for the upcoming 2025-2026 Fiscal Year as presented by Jackie Olson, County Auditor. A vote was taken and 5 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. A vote was taken and 5 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 Budget Amendments as presented by Jackie Olson, County Auditor. A vote was taken and 5 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. 2 Berry to Approve Purchase Request as presented by Jackie Olson, County Auditor. The requests are as follows: Jail for Inmate Supplies from ICS Jail Supplies, Inc. at \$2,893.02; Dispatch for T-Shirts from 4Imprint at \$1,359.83; IT for Acronis Cyber Protect Backup Advanced License for the Entire County from CDW-G at \$2,825.40; IT for Meraki Switches w/Licenses for Dispatch, District Courthouse and County Courthouse from GDT at \$10,462.05; Sheriff for Mug Shot Package for Sex Offender Registration from Mentalix at \$4,390.00; Jail for Commissary Restock from Keefe at \$10,000.00 and Sheriff for Vest for Patrol from Mallory Safety and Supply LLC at \$2,046.54. A vote was taken and 5 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 Accept County Auditor's Monthly Report for July 2025 as presented by Jackie Olson, County Auditor. A vote was taken and 5 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 Approving the Inmate Medical Service Agreement and Physician Service Agreements for the upcoming 2025-2026 Fiscal Year, as presented by JoAnn H. Valle, Director Indigent/Welfare. A vote was taken and 5 members of the Court voted "AYE" with None voting "NAY." Motion carried.

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

A motion was made by Commissioner Pct. 1 Ray and seconded by Commissioner Pct. 2 Berry to Approve the Super Heavy Over-Weight Permit, Subject to 2M Bond, as presented by Brian Klinksiek, County Engineer. A vote was taken and 5 members of the Court voted "AYE" with None voting "NAY." Motion carried.

Brian Klinksiek, County Road Engineer, gave Fleet Management Updates, No Action Taken.

Future Agenda Items:

- Oil Show for 100th Anniversary of 1st Oil Rig - October 22, 2025

Court Recessed at 12:14PM and Reconvened in the 2nd Floor Conference Room at 12:35PM.

The Court moved into Executive/Closed Session pursuant to Tex. Gov. Code, Sec. 551.074 from 12:35PM to 5:24 PM, in order to Interview Applicants for the Howard County Treasurer position.

A motion was made by Commissioner Pct. 3 Long and seconded by Commissioner Pct. 1 Ray to Appoint Ms. Abigail Lopez as the new Howard County Treasurer. A vote was taken and 5 members of the Court voted "AYE" with None voting "NAY." Motion carried.

Meeting adjourned at 5:30 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 August 25, 2025.



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