

MINUTES OF THE HOUSTON COUNTY COMMISSION
REGULAR SESSION
MAY 29, 2018

PRESENT: Chairman Mark S. Culver, Commissioner Curtis Harvey, Commissioner Doug Siquefield, Commissioner Jackie Battles, Commissioner Jackie Battles, Commissioner Brandon Shoupe, County Attorney Pres Register, County Engineer Barkley Kirkland, and Nancy Bristow sitting in for Chief Administrative Officer William J. Dempsey.

Chairman Culver welcomed everyone to the May 29, 2018 Houston County Commission Meeting and called the 10:00 a.m. meeting to order. He declared a quorum as all commissioners were present.

David Temples, Pastor at Westwood Presbyterian Church, gave the invocation and Commissioner Jackie Battles led in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Commissioner Doug Siquefield made a motion to approve the minutes of the previous meeting. Commissioner Battles seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

ANNOUNCEMENTS AND COMMENTS FROM THE CHAIRMAN AND COMMISSIONERS

Chairman Culver began by stating that he hoped that everyone remembered why we were not working yesterday and why we celebrate this Memorial Day Holiday. He thanked those service men and women that gave the ultimate sacrifice so that we may have our freedoms. He also mentioned that the weather altered some of the Memorial Day events but we were lucky that we did receive any damage from Tropical Storm Alberto. Chairman Culver thanked the EMA Director and his staff and City of Dothan Fire Chief Williams and his staff and all the volunteers that were prepared in the instance that the weather would have been worse. He stressed that being prepared is better than not and he thanked everyone for their awareness. Mr. Culver added that the safety of our citizens is top priority.

He announced that Foster Fest will be held on Friday, June 1st and the Farmer's Market will be held on Saturday, June 2nd in the Civic Center parking lot. Commissioner Siquefield stated that Ashford will hold their Farmer's Market on Saturday at the Depot in Ashford. They encouraged everyone to support our local farmers during these events.

Chairman Culver encouraged everyone to get out and vote next Tuesday, June 5th during the Primary Election.

AWARDS AND PRESENTATIONS

1. Recognition – Capt. Chris Bryant, Salvation Army Corps Officer

Chairman Culver stepped down to the podium and called EMA Director Chris Judah to come forward along with Chris and Kelly Bryant.

Chris Judah approached the podium and began by thanking the Commissioners and Chairman Culver for all their help over the weekend in the preparedness for the Tropical Storm. He then asked everyone to listen as what he had to speak about was very important; the recognition of Mr. and Mrs. Chris Bryant, local Salvation Army Corps Officers. Mr. Judah expressed that Chris and Kelly were “angels” sent to our community and they have been invaluable since they arrived three years ago. He stated that the Bryant’s have gone above and beyond to do whatever they could do to help the people in Houston County and the surrounding areas in whatever capacity was needed. Chris Bryant then approached the podium and stated that he and his family have enjoyed living and working in Houston County but that their work here was completed and they are transferring to another Salvation Army in Anniston Alabama to help to update that unit. Mr. Judah thanked the Bryant’s for all they have done and wished them well in their next endeavor.

REGULAR AGENDA

1. Request to approve emergency expenditure from the Capital Replacement Fund for HVAC repair at Health Dept. Building – Sean Curtis, Maintenance Manager

Commissioner Sinquefield made a motion to approve the emergency expenditure for the HVAC repair. Commissioner Harvey seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

2. Request to adopt Resolution for Municipal Water Pollution Prevention (MWPP) Program

Commissioner Battles made a motion to adopt the Resolution for the MWPP Program and Commissioner Shoupe seconded. The motion carried unanimously.

3. Request to sell the following items on GovDeals; computer modems, printers, miscellaneous office supplies – Road and Bridge

Commissioner Sinquefield made a motion to approve the request to sell the items on GovDeals and Commissioner Harvey seconded. The motion carried unanimously.

STAFF REPORTS

Chief Administrative Officer – No Report

County Engineer – One closed road E. Cook Road

County Attorney – No Report

Commissioner Harvey made a motion to adjourn. The motion was seconded and carried unanimously.