

MINUTES OF THE HOUSTON COUNTY COMMISSION  
REGULAR SESSION  
June 9, 2025

PRESENT: Chairman Brandon Shoupe, Commissioner Curtis Harvey, Commissioner Ricky Herring, Commissioner James Ivey, County Engineer Barkley Kirkland, Chief Administrative Officer Peter Covert and County Attorney Pres Register.

Chairman Shoupe called the 10:00 a.m. meeting to order and welcomed everyone to the June 9, 2025, Houston County Commission Regular Session. He declared a quorum as a majority of the commissioners were in attendance.

The invocation was given by Commissioner Ricky Herring and the pledge of allegiance was led by Commissioner Curtis Harvey.

The minutes of the previous meeting were approved on a motion by Commissioner Harvey and seconded by Commissioner Herring. The motion carried unanimously.

ABSENT: Commissioner Tracy Adams

ANNOUNCEMENTS AND COMMENTS FROM THE CHAIRMAN AND COMMISSIONERS

(There were no comments)

AWARDS AND PRESENTATIONS

1. Second Quarter Service Anniversaries – Sheri Garner, Personnel Director

Chairman Shoupe asked Ms. Garner to come forward to recognize the Second Quarter Service Anniversaries Employees. Ms. Garner asked the employees in attendance to join her as well. Four employees out of the fourteen are present today and they are as follows:

Josh Harper	Road & Bridge Dept.	20 years
Michael Williams	Sanitation Dept.	25 years
Richard Williams	Road & Bridge Dept.	20 years
Chris Bowen	Road & Bridge Dept.	25 years

Ms. Garner thanked those in attendance today for their many years of service to the county. Those not in attendance are as follows:

Damian Balthaser	Sheriff's Dept.	5 years
Lacey Raley	Sheriff's Dept.	5 years
Grace Holloway	Probate	10 years
Kaci King	Sheriff's Dept.	10 years
Angie Richards	IT Dept.	20 years
Dianne Morris	Jail	20 years
Eric Paul	Sheriff's Dept.	20 years
Roy Caine	Jail	25 years
Tracy Ward	Sheriff's Dept.	25 years

## REGULAR AGENDA

1. Request from the Personnel Board to concur with the 2026 County Holiday Schedule – Sheri Garner, Personnel Director

Commissioner Ivey made a motion to concur with the 2026 County Holiday Schedule as presented. Commissioner Harvey seconded and the motion carried unanimously.

2. Request to approve budget amendment in the amount of \$7,500 for re-plat of the DHR property on Prevatt Road

Commissioner Herring made a motion to approve the budget amendment in the amount of \$7,500 for the re-plat of the DHR property on Prevatt Road. Chairman Shoupe commented that this should be the last item for this project. When called for the vote, the motion passed unanimously.

3. Request to approve budget amendment in the amount of \$30,000 for municipal and recreation improvement projects in the Town of Gordon

Commissioner Harvey made the motion to approve the budget amendment as stated. Commissioner Ivey seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

4. Request to extend the preliminary plat approval for Flower's Plantation for an additional 12 months – Road & Bridge

Commissioner Ivey made a motion to approve the extension of the preliminary plat for Flowers Plantation for an additional 12 months. Commissioner Harvey seconded and the motion carried unanimously.

5. Request to approve preliminary plat for Martin Farms – Road & Bridge

Commissioner Herring made a motion to approve the preliminary plate for Martin Homes. Commissioner Ivey seconded and the motion carried unanimously.

6. Request to approve resolution for MPO Project for the resurfacing of N. Broadway St. from HWY 84 to Main St. – Road & Bridge

Commissioner Herring made a motion to approve the resolution and Commissioner Harvey seconded. When called for the vote, the motion passed unanimously.

7. Request from the Town of Rehobeth to assist in the demolition of the restrooms and concession building located at 5449 County Rd. 203 – Road & Bridge

Commissioner Herring made a motion to approve the request from the Town of Rehobeth. Commissioner Ivey seconded and when called for the vote, the motion carried unanimously.

8. Request from the Town of Rehobeth and Houston County Schools to assist with water drainage deficiency affecting Rehobeth Elementary School and the Rehobeth walking trail – Road & Bridge

Commissioner Herring made a motion to approve the request from the Town of Rehobeth and Houston County Schools. Commissioner Ivey seconded the motion and with there being no questions or discussion, the motion carried unanimously.

#### STAFF REPORTS

Chief Administrative Officer – No report

County Engineer – 3 closed roads: Cumbie, Bill Yance, and Prevatt. Engineer Kirkland stated that there are 7 roads they plan to pave this summer, with weather permitting. Those roads include County Line Road, Power Dam Road, Prevatt Road, D Hodge Road, Ben Ivey, Iris and Donnie Mae. He added that there are 3 more scheduled for this coming fall and those include Bill Yance, Furnie Folks and Cumbie.

County Attorney – No report

Adjourned