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HOUSTON COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS BOARD MEETING

9:00, December 16, 2025 County Board Room 222, Historic Courthouse

AGENDA

CALL TO ORDER

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

APPROVE AGENDA

APPROVE PREVIOUS MINUTES

-Board Meeting December 2, 2025

PUBLIC COMMENT

APPOINTMENTS

9:05 a.m. Public Hearing, pursuant to Minnesota Statutes § 375A.1205, Subdivision 1. The purpose of the hearing is to consider making the positions of Auditor / Treasurer and Recorder positions appointed. (Parker)

9:30 a.m. Recognize Public Health Nurse, Mary Zaffke on being awarded the MDH Betty Hubbard Maternal & Child Health Leadership Award for 2025. (Pugleasa)

CONSENT AGENDA

(Routine business items enacted by one unanimous motion. Commissioners may request moving items on the consent agenda to the Action Item list if they desire discussion before taking action.)

- 1) Change the employment status of Emma Walter, Deputy Recorder, from probationary to regular, effective December 30, 2025. (Parker)
- 2) Accept the resignation of Nicole Lemke, Child Support Officer, effective December 19th, 2025, with thanks for her 2 years of service to the residents of Houston County. (Parker)
- 3) Hire Kohl Betcher as a 67-day temporary/casual Drop Site Supervisor, at a pay rate of \$17.50 per hour. (Parker)
- 4) Accept the resignation of Abigail Bendel, Child Protection Social Worker, effective December 31st, 2025, with thanks for her 2 years of service to the residents of Houston County. (Parker)

- 5) Consider approving Resolution 25-44 adopting Houston County Policies and Procedures Manual. (Parker)

ACTION ITEMS

- 1) Consider approving 2026-2027 MPCA Feedlot Program Delegation Agreement Work Plan. (Burt)
- 2) Consider approving Social Worker Internship Agreement with Winona State University. (Pugleasa)
- 3) Consider approving Biennial Healthcare Access Plan 2026-2027. (Pugleasa)
- 4) Consider Initiating a competitive search for a 1 FTE Child Support Officer (B24) (Parker)
- 5) Consider Initiating a competitive search for a 1 FTE Child Protection Social Worker (C41) (Parker)
- 6) Consider approving law enforcement contract for services with the city of Spring Grove. (Swedberg)
- 7) Consider reviewing and approving payments. (Lapham)

DISCUSSION ITEMS

- 1) Discuss Sheriff Swedberg's 2026 Salary
- 2) Coordinator Updates
- 3) Board Updates (Board Chairman)
- 4) Commissioner Reports and Comments

CLOSING PUBLIC COMMENT

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REMINDERS