

NOTICE OF SPECIAL MEETING
COMMISSIONERS COURT OF GARZA COUNTY, TEXAS
THURSDAY, JULY 31, 2014 AT 1:30 P.M.
GARZA COUNTY COURTHOUSE, 3rd Floor
300 WEST MAIN
POST, TEXAS 79356

COMPLETE AGENDA:

Call to Order- Thursday, July 31, 2014 at 1:30 p.m.

DELIBERATE AND CONSIDER ACTION ON THE FOLLOWING ITEMS:

1. Reconvene - 2014-2015 Budget Hearing

FILED 7/29/14 11:05 A.M.
JIM BRAMMER
BY [Signature] DEPUTY
CLERK OF COUNTY COURT,
GARZA COUNTY, TEXAS

[Signature]

Lee Norman - Garza County Judge

A special meeting (budget hearing) of the Commissioners' Court of Garza County, Texas was held on Thursday, July 31, 2014 at 1:30 p.m. (a reconvening of the regular meeting on July 28, 2014) at the Commissioners' Courtroom, 300 W. Main St., Post, TX with the following members present: Lee Norman, Judge; Commissioners – Pct. 1-Gary McDaniel, Pct. 2-Charles Morris, Pct. 3-Ted Brannon and Pct. 4-Jerry Benham.

County officials present: Jim Plummer, Clerk; Preston Poole, Attorney; Nancy Wallace, Tax Collector/Assessor; Ruth Ann Young, Treasurer; and Terry Morgan, Sheriff.

Also present: Ted Weems, incoming County Attorney; and Michael Isbell, Emergency Management Coordinator.

Judge Norman called the meeting to order at 1:34 p.m.

Order 1: Reconvene - 2013-2014 Budget Hearing

Judge Norman informed the court of the calendar for budget meetings and legal deadlines. (See attached.)

He also informed the court about the public hearing scheduled by the South Plains Association of Governments on Tuesday, August 5, 2014 at 5:05 p.m. concerning the completion of a Texas Community Development Block Grant Program project.

He also announced that the proposed budget is posted on the county web site as of today at the .42 ad valorem tax rate per \$100 valuation.

Emergency Management Coordinator, Michael Isbell, discussed his budget proposal, page 10.

Judge Norman introduced the budget and reviewed it from the beginning page by page.

The meeting recessed at 2:40 p.m.

The meeting resumed at 2:55 p.m.

The review continued on page 16, Justice of the Peace 2.

The meeting recessed at 3:43 p.m.

The meeting resumed at 3:45 p.m.

The review continued on page 25, Law Enforcement/Dispatch.

Attorney Poole reported on the Young building purchase. The deed to the property is being drafted. Then the deed will have to be distributed to each of the owners. It should be completed between 10 days to two weeks.

The meeting recessed at 3:55 p.m.

The meeting resumed at 4:06 p.m.

The review continued on page 31, Drug and Alcohol Program.

With a .42 ad valorem tax rate, excess funds are \$56,866.76. After adjustments, there is a decrease in the budget of \$14,750 making excess funds of \$71,616.76 before payroll raises are considered. Raises would cost about \$30,000 per 1 percent. The judge requested the court to consider a tax rate of .419. He added that the rollback rate is .4309. Raises will be considered at the August 11, 2014 meeting.

Tax Collector/Assessor presented a handout showing certified values at \$917,848,685, the effective ad valorem tax rate, .389626, projected revenues at certain tax rates, and the rollback rate, .420796. (See handout.)

The proposed budget at the .42 tax rate was posted on the county web site prior to the meeting.

Commissioner McDaniel encouraged the court to set the rate at .419.

Treasurer Young informed the court that a 2% across the board raise will cost \$63,000 which includes holiday pay.

Deputy District Clerk Lina Rodriguez requested the court consider giving employees who have been here more than 30 years four weeks of vacation.

The meeting adjourned at 5:27 p.m.

Next regular meeting will be on 8/11/2014.

LEE NORMAN, COUNTY JUDGE

Gary McDaniel

GARY MCDANIEL, COMMISSIONER PCT. 1

Charles Morris

CHARLES MORRIS, COMMISSIONER PCT. 2

Ted Brannon

TED BRANNON, COMMISSIONER PCT. 3

Jerry Benham

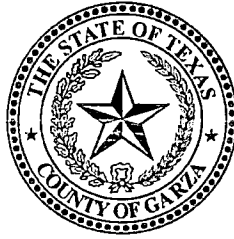
JERRY BENHAM, COMMISSIONER PCT. 4

ATTEST:

Jim Plummer

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JIM PLUMMER
District and County Clerk

**Welcome to the
Commissioners Court
of Garza County**

*Please leave any printed
material you presented
with the Clerk.
Thank You!*

Date: July 31, 2014

	Name (please print)	Organization's Name	Addressing the Court "Yes" or "No"	Leaving Printed Material "Yes" or "No"
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