

**NOTICE OF MEETING
COMMISSIONERS COURT OF GARZA COUNTY, TEXAS
MONDAY, AUGUST 11, 2014 AT 9:00 A.M.
GARZA COUNTY COURTHOUSE, 3rd Floor
300 WEST MAIN
POST, TEXAS 79356**

COMPLETE AGENDA:

Call to Order- Monday, August 11, 2014 at 9:00 a.m.

DELIBERATE AND CONSIDER ACTION ON THE FOLLOWING ITEMS:

1. Minutes from Prior Meetings
2. Receive Reports from County Offices
3. Accounts Payable
4. Discuss to Approve Early Voting Poll Workers for the September 9, 2014 Special Election
5. Discuss to Approve Election Day Presiding Judge and Alternate Judge for The September 9, 2014 Special Election
6. Discuss to Approve Early Voting Ballot Board (EVBB) for The September 9, 2014 Special Election
7. Discuss to Approve Consolidation of Election Precinct Boxes to One Polling Place For The September 9, 2014 Special Election
8. Discuss to Approve Statement of Agreement Between West Texas Centers and Garza County Commissioner's Court
9. Consider to Approve Sealed Bids on Window A/C - Heating Units
10. Budget Amendments and Line Item Transfers
11. Public Comment
12. 2014-2015 Budget
 - A. Proposed Salaries & Expenses/ Increase for Elected Officials
 - B. Present Calculation of Effective & Roll Back Tax Rate

FILED 8/6/14 2014 1:10P.M.
JIM PLUMMER
BY [Signature] DEPUTY
CLERK OF COUNTY COURT,
GARZA COUNTY, TEXAS



Lee Norman - Garza County Judge

A regular meeting of the Commissioners' Court of Garza County, Texas was held on Monday, August 11, 2014 at 9:00 a.m. at the Commissioners' Courtroom, 300 W. Main St., Post, Texas 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, District and County Clerk; Ted Weems, Attorney; Nancy Wallace, Tax Collector/Assessor; Ruth Ann Young, Treasurer; and Terry Morgan, Sheriff.

Also present: Billie Williams, Assistant to the Judge; Deana Watson, City of Post Manager; Tom Payton; and Kent Mahoney, Post Dispatch.

Judge Norman called the meeting to order at 9:01 a.m.

Order 1: Minutes from the July 28, 2014 regular meeting, the July 31, 2014 budget hearing and the August 5, 2014 special meeting were approved as amended from the DRAFT with a motion by Commissioner Morris and seconded by Commissioner Benham. With a majority of the court members voting aye, the motion carried and so ordered.

NOTE: Judge Norman noticed that the amount stated for the amount of employee raises in the July 28th meeting was corrected at the July 31st meeting.

Order 2: Reports from county offices: The following items of information were brought before the Court as a written and/or a verbal report:

- a. Treasurer
- b. Clerk
- c. County Court Monthly - Office of Court Administration
- d. District Court Monthly - Office of Court Administration
- e. County Court Appointed Civil Attorney
- f. District Court Appointed Civil Attorney
- g. Guardianships Filed
- h. Abstracts of Death (May, June and July)
- i. DPS-County Combined Completeness Percentage
- j. Justice of the Peace – 1
- k. Senior Transportation
- l. Garza County 2008 Reserve Fund
- m. Garza County Combination Tax and Revenue Certificates of Obligation, Series 2008 Bond, Reserve and Construction Funds
- n. Garza County Public Facility Corporation Taxable Project Revenue Refunding Bonds, Series 2012 Bond, Reserve and Project Funds; Rental, Operating, Surplus, Cost of Issuance, Escrow Accounts and Juvenile Facility Surplus Account.

- o. Sheriff Morgan: Reported on the county jail billing. (See attached.)
- p. Judge Norman: Advertise for RFPs for engineering services and deal with the issue at the Sept. 4 meeting. Also, the City of Post wants the county to share in a first responder vehicle and split the purchase cost of \$137,000.

Motion was made by Commissioner Benham and seconded by Commissioner Brannon to accept the reports as presented. With a majority of the court members voting aye, the motion carried and so ordered. (Written reports are attached.)

Order 3: Came on to be considered were the precinct and countywide accounts payable for July 29, 2014 through August 11, 2014.

Motion was made by Commissioner Brannon and seconded by Commissioner Morris that all accounts presented in the fund requirement print-out is ordered paid and presented to the Treasurer for payment. With a majority of the court members voting aye, the motion carried and so ordered. (Printout is attached.)

Order 7: Came on for consideration was the consolidation of election precinct boxes to one polling place for the September 9, 2014 Special Election. Clerk Plummer explained the statute referring to polling places and suggested the court Order the consolidation of the polling places as requested.

Motion was made by Commissioner Morris and seconded by Commissioner McDaniel to approve the consolidation as presented. With a majority of the court members voting aye, the motion carried and so ordered. (Order is attached.)

Order 4: Came on for consideration was the Early Voting poll workers for the September 9, 2014 Special Election.

Clerk Plummer presented the list of nominees.

Motion was made by Commissioner McDaniel and seconded by Commissioner Benham to approve the list of Early Voting poll workers as presented.

With a majority of the court members voting aye, the motion carried and so ordered. (List is attached.)

Order 5: Came on for consideration was the Election Day Presiding Judge and Alternate judge for the September 9, 2014 Special Election.

Clerk Plummer presented the list of nominees for consideration.

Motion was made by Commissioner Brannon and seconded by Commissioner Morris to approve the list of Early Voting poll workers as presented.

With a majority of the court members voting aye, the motion carried and so ordered. (List is attached.)

Order 6: Came on for consideration was the Early Voting Ballot Board (EVBB) for the September 9, 2014 Special Election.

Clerk Plummer presented the list of nominees for consideration.

Motion was made by Commissioner Morris and seconded by Commissioner Benham to approve the list of the Early Voting Ballot Board as presented.

With a majority of the court members voting aye, the motion carried and so ordered. (List is attached.)

Order 8: Came on for consideration was a Statement of Agreement between West Texas Centers (WTC) and Garza County Commissioners' Court. A motion was made by Commissioner McDaniel and seconded by Commissioner Brannon to approve the agreement with WTC to provide Garza County mental health and intellectual and developmental disability services.

With a majority of the court members voting aye, the motion carried and so ordered. (Contract is attached.)

Order 9: Came on for consideration was sealed bids for the old courthouse window A/C-heating units:

Twenty-three (23) bids were received from:

- a. AC #2 – Randall Love for \$100
- b. AC #2 – Tommy Young for \$126*
- c. AC #3 _ First Baptist Church for \$100*
- d. AC #3 _ Kim Wilks for \$58
- e. AC #5 – Randall Love for \$100*
- f. AC #5 – Manuella Benividez for \$35
- g. AC #6 - FBC for \$100
- h. AC #6 – Randall Love for \$100
- i. AC #8 – Randall Love for \$100*
- j. AC #8 – Daniel Clark for \$45
- k. AC #9 – Daniel Clark for \$45*
- l. AC #10 – Randall Love for \$100*
- m. AC #11 – Steve Norman for \$50*
- n. AC #14 – FBC for \$100*
- o. AC #14 – Kim Wilks for \$58
- p. AC #14 – John Bill Hedrick for \$50*
- q. AC #15 – Kim Wilks for \$58*
- r. AC #15 – John Bill Hedrick for \$50
- s. AC #15 – Edel O. Sanchez for \$15
- t. AC #15 – Patricia Sanchez for \$51

- u. AC #16 – Kim Wilks for \$58*
- v. AC #16 – Edele O. Sanchez for \$39
- w. AC #16 – Patricia Sanchez for \$30

A motion was made by Commissioner Benham and seconded by Commissioner Brannon to accept the high bid (*) for each unit and to contact the tied bidders for AC #6 to resolve the tie. With a majority of the court members voting aye, the motion carried and so ordered. (Bids are attached.)

Order 10: Came on for consideration was line item transfers and budget amendment requests.
One (1) line item transfers was submitted.

a. A motion was made by Commissioner McDaniel and seconded by Commissioner Morris to approve the line item transfer presented for the Clerk's office for \$200. With a majority of the court members voting aye, the motion carried and so ordered.
(Line item transfer is attached.)

Order 11: Public Comment

The meeting recessed at 9:35 a.m.

The meeting resumed at 9:48 a.m.

Order 12: 2014-2015 Budget
City of Post manager Deana Watson was present to discuss the airport joint venture and sharing the cost on the first responder rescue truck. The City Council will review the law enforcement budget on August 12, 2014.

Judge Norman led the court through a review of the proposed budget starting on page 14, district court focusing on the district attorney's (DA) office.

A motion was made by Commissioner Morris and seconded by Commissioner Benham to set DA's budget at \$66,086. With a majority of the court members voting aye, the motion carried and so ordered.

The victim assistance advocate plan with Lynn County is no longer a possibility since Lynn County did not receive the grant for the upcoming fiscal year.

Tax Collector/Assessor Wallace requested \$10,000 to cover the early hiring of the new employee for training purposes prior to the end of the year. The new employee will take LuAnne Terry's place as she will move early to be trained at her elected position of treasurer.

The court is working with a proposed tax rate of .419.

A. Proposed salaries and expenses / increases for elected officials
A motion was made by Commissioner McDaniel and seconded by Commissioner Benham to increase the salaries across the board by 2%. With a majority of the court members voting aye, the motion carried and so ordered.

B. Present calculation of effective and roll back tax rate

The meeting recessed at 10:55 a.m.

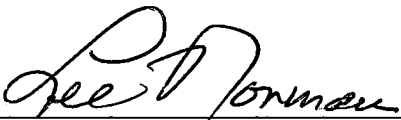
The meeting reconvened at 10:58 a.m.

To clarify: The DA budget was to approve same amount as the current fiscal year and his request for 2% raises and ancillary items.

The meeting adjourned at 11:01 a.m.

The next budget session is Monday August 18, 2014 and the next regular meeting is Monday, August 25, 2014.

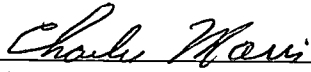
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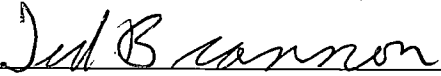
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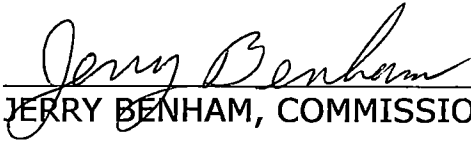
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TED BRANNON, COMMISSIONER PCT. 3



JERRY BENHAM, COMMISSIONER PCT. 4

ATTEST:



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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: Aug. 11, 2014

	Name (please print)	Organization's Name	Addressing the Court "Yes" or "No"	Leaving Printed Material "Yes" or "No"
1	Kent Mehoney	POST DISPATCH	NO	NO
2	Tom Payton	SELF	no	no
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