

NOTICE OF MEETING
COMMISSIONERS COURT OF GARZA COUNTY, TEXAS
MONDAY SEPTEMBER 22, 2014 AT 9:00 A.M.
GARZA COUNTY COURTHOUSE, 3rd Floor
300 WEST MAIN
POST, TEXAS 79356

COMPLETE AGENDA:

Call to Order- Monday, September 22, 2014 at 9:00 a.m.

Recognize Tom Fulton and The White Rive Municipal Water District

Michelle Arseneau with Texas Association of Counties Presentation

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 Public Assistance Applications
5. Discuss to Approve a Property Bid on on Property at 509 South G. Place, (S2' of E 67.5' of Lot 4, E67.5' Of Lot 5 & N12' E67.5' of Lot 6, Blk 144, Post, Texas 79356
6. Discuss to Approve the Garza County Support for Proposition One Constitutional Amendment for State Highway Fund
7. Discuss to Approve A Resolution Advocating Hyperbaric Oxygen Therapy and Other Medical Treatments and Therapy for TBI and PTSD
8. Discuss to Take Action on the District Contract for Indigent Defense-Fiscal Year 2015
9. Discuss to Approve Sick Leave for A Garza County Employee
10. Discuss to Approve A Temporary Waiver in the Vacation Usage Policy
11. Discuss to Approve Cell Phone Allowances for the Roadhands
12. Discuss to Approve the Texas Department of Transportation Grant for Routine Airport Maintenance Program
13. Budget Amendments and Line Item Transfers
14. Public Comment
15. Budget

Lee Norman

Lee Norman - Garza County Judge

FILED 9-17-14 1:40 PM.
JIM PLUMMER
BY *Dea Kuhn* DEPUTY
CLERK OF COUNTY COURT,
GARZA COUNTY, TEXAS

ACCORDANCE WITH TITLE III OF THE AMERICANS WITH DISABILITIES ACT, WE INVITE ALL ATTENDEES TO ADVISE US OF ANY SPECIAL ACCOMMODATIONS DUE TO DISABILITY. PLEASE SUBMIT YOUR REQUEST AS FAR IN ADVANCE AS POSSIBLE, OF THE MEETING YOU WISH TO ATTEND BY CONTACTING MEG NELSON AT 806-495-4405.

A regular meeting of the Commissioners' Court of Garza County, Texas was held on Monday, September 22, 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; Terry Morgan, Sheriff; and Ruth Ann Young, Treasurer.

Also present: Meg Nelson, Administrative Assistant; Tom Fulton, outgoing General Manager of the White River Municipal Water District (WRMWD); Victor Ashley, board member of WRMWD; Elena Quintanilla, South Plains Association of Governments (SPAG); Mayor Archie Gill, City of Post; and Luann Terry, County Treasurer elect.

Judge Norman called the meeting to order at 9:00 a.m.

- Order 1: Minutes from the September 4, 2014 special meetings (two) and the September 8, 2014 regular meeting were approved as amended (9/4) and as presented (9/8) with a motion by Commissioner Brannon and seconded by Commissioner Benham. With a majority of the court members voting aye, the motion carried and so ordered.
- 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. Budget Usage and Analysis
 - c. Clerk
 - d. Sheriff Morgan: Press release from the National Sheriff's Institute
 - e. Justice of the Peace, Pct. 1
 - f. Justice of the Peace, Pct. 2
 - g. Tax Collector/Assessor
 - h. Texas A&M AgriLife Extension Service-Jones
 - i. Texas A&M AgriLife Extension Service-McDonald
 - j. Minutes of County Election board Meeting
 - k. Garza Wildlife Damage Association
 - l. Garza County Combination Tax and Revenue Certificates of Obligation, Series 2008 Bond, Reserve and Construction Funds
 - m. 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.

- n. Judge Norman: He has been appointed to fill a term as second vice- president on the South Plains Association of Governments (SPAG) executive board.

Motion was made by Commissioner Morris and seconded by Commissioner McDaniel 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 September 9, 2014 through September 22, 2014. Judge Norman reported that the final bill has been submitted for the heating and cooling project. Motion was made by Commissioner McDaniel and seconded by Commissioner Benham 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 4: Came on for consideration was applications for public assistance.
- a. The applicant qualifies under the county's guidelines. Motion was made by Commissioner Morris and seconded by Commissioner McDaniel to approve the application from J.P. for \$150 to go towards rent. With a majority of the court members voting aye, the motion carried and so ordered.
 - b. The applicant qualifies under the county's guidelines. Motion was made by Commissioner McDaniel and seconded by Commissioner Benham to approve the application from D.O. for \$175 to go towards rent. With a majority of the court members voting aye, the motion carried and so ordered.
 - c. The applicant qualifies under the county's guidelines. Motion was made by Commissioner McDaniel and seconded by Commissioner Brannon to approve the application from A.B. for \$175 to go towards rent, \$55 for water and \$75 for electricity totaling \$305. With a majority of the court members voting aye, the motion carried and so ordered. (Applications are attached.)

Tom Fulton, outgoing general manager of White River Municipal Water District, was recognized for his accomplishments for the district. Elena Quintanilla of SPAG thanked the City of Post, the county and the water

district for working together to make the emergency water grants program successful.

WRMWD board member Victory Ashley reflected on Tom Fulton's job and that the district will miss him. City of Post Mayor Archie Gill thanked Fulton for a job well done through the drought issue by working together.

The meeting recessed at 9:29 a.m.

The meeting resumed at 9:39 a.m.

- Order 5: Came on for consideration was a bid for county property: 52' of E 67.5' of Lot 4, E 67.5' of Lot 5 and N 12' E 67.5' of Lot 6, Block 144 – 509 South G Place - of the original town site of Post, TX. One (1) bid was received from Francisco Rodriguez for \$600. Attorney Weems recommended that the court accept the bid. A motion was made by Commissioner Morris and seconded by Commissioner Brannon to approve the bid from Rodriguez for \$600. With a majority of the court members voting aye, the motion carried and so ordered. (Bid and info are attached.)
- Order 6: Came on for consideration was for the county to support Proposition One Constitutional Amendment for State Highway Fund. The proposition is on the November 4, 2014 ballot. Motion was made by Commissioner McDaniel and seconded by Commissioner Benham to support the proposition. With a majority of the court members voting aye, the motion carried and so ordered. (Document is attached.)
- Order 7: Came on for consideration was a resolution advocating hyperbaric oxygen therapy and other medical treatments and therapy for Traumatic Brain Injury (TBI) and Post Traumatic Stress Disorder (PTSD). Motion was made by Commissioner Morris and seconded by Commissioner Benham to support the resolution. With a majority of the court members voting aye, the motion carried and so ordered. (Resolution is attached.)
- Order 8: Came on for consideration was the fiscal year 2015 indigent defense contract for district court. Judge Norman informed the court that the annual cost is \$8756.10 (18.6% of the district cost), an increase of \$3000 over last year.

Attorney Weems recommends the court approve the contract because it is cost effective for the county.

Motion was made by Commissioner Brannon and seconded by Commissioner Morris to approve the contract with Attorney Arthur Aguilar. With a majority of the court members voting aye, the motion carried and so ordered. (The contract is attached.)

Order 9: Came on for consideration was additional sick leave for a county employee.

A motion was made by Commissioner McDaniel and seconded by Commissioner Benham to approve the additional sick leave for Meg Nelson in the judge's office.

With a majority of the court members voting aye, the motion carried and so ordered.

Order 10: Came on for consideration was a temporary waiver in the vacation usage policy.

Because of the new employee situation in the office, Clerk Plummer requested the vacation year be extended January 31, 2015 therefore giving Lina Rodriguez enough time to use her 2014 vacation hours.

A motion was made by Commissioner McDaniel and seconded by Commissioner Benham to approve the request as presented. Commissioner Brannon recused himself.

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

Order 11: Came on for consideration was a cell phone allowance for the (commissioner precincts) road hands.

A motion was made by Commissioner Benham and seconded by Commissioner Brannon to approve a cell phone allowance of \$40 a month per employee at the discretion of each commissioner and will not affect the 2014-2015 adopted budget.

With a majority of the court members voting aye, the motion carried and so ordered.

Order 12: Came on for consideration was the Texas Department of Transportation Grant for the Routine Airport Maintenance Program.

Judge Norman said it could be up to \$50,000 with 50% paid by the state. At this time, the City of Post is requesting \$5000. Therefore, the local entities will share \$2500 making the county's share \$1250.

A motion was made by Commissioner McDaniel and seconded by Commissioner Morris to approve the grant as presented, certify that the city and county have the funds and to designate the Post City Manager as the authorized representative.

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

Order 13: Came on for consideration was line item transfers and budget amendment requests.

Three (3) line item transfers were submitted.

a. A motion was made by Commissioner Benham and seconded by Commissioner Morris to approve the line item transfer presented for the foster care court office for \$8940.50.

With a majority of the court members voting aye, the motion carried and so ordered.

b. A motion was made by Commissioner Benham and seconded by Commissioner Morris to approve the line item transfer presented for the Clerk's office for \$45.68.

With a majority of the court members voting aye, the motion carried and so ordered.

c. A motion was made by Commissioner Benham and seconded by Commissioner Morris to approve the line item transfer presented for the Community Recovery Center office for \$2080.

With a majority of the court members voting aye, the motion carried and so ordered.

(Line item transfers and budget amendments are attached.)

Order 14: Public Comment

Judge Norman commented on the fire at the Post Elementary School. There was great cooperation between all the entities that participated in dealing with the fire.

Commissioner Morris thanked and congratulated Sheriff Morgan for attending the National Sheriff's Institute.

Order 15: Budget

(The item was inadvertently put on the agenda.)

The meeting adjourned at 10:11 a.m.

The next regular meeting is Thursday, October 9 at 9:00 a.m.

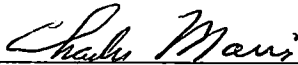
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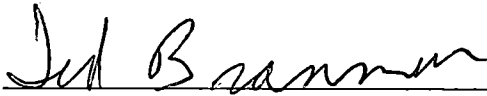
LEE NORMAN, COUNTY JUDGE



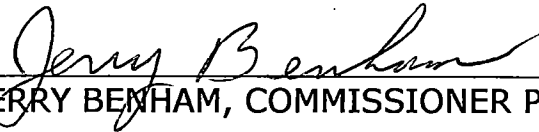
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TED BRANNON, COMMISSIONER PCT. 3



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: SEPT. 22, 2014

	Name (please print)	Organization's Name	Addressing the Court "Yes" or "No"	Leaving Printed Material "Yes" or "No"
1	LuAnne Terry	Treasurer's Office	Yes	No
2	Victor Ashley	WRMWD	yes	NO
3	Tom Fulton	WRMWD	yes	NO
4	Archie Gize	City		NO
5	Elena Quintanilla	SPAG	Yes	
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