

NOTICE OF MEETING
COMMISSIONERS COURT OF GARZA COUNTY, TEXAS
MONDAY, FEBRUARY 23, 2015 AT 9:00 A.M.
GARZA COUNTY COURTHOUSE, 3rd Floor
300 WEST MAIN
POST, TEXAS 79356

COMPLETE AGENDA:

Call to Order- Monday, February 23, 2015 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 an Interlocal Agreement Between Lynn and Garza County for Victim's Assistance Coordinator
5. Discuss to Approve an Amendment to the District Attorney's Budget
6. Discuss to Approve Applications for Public Assistance
7. Discuss to Approve Requesting Unclaimed Capital Credit Funds from the Texas Comptroller of Public Accounts
8. Discuss to Approve a Resolution for The Justice Assistance Grant (JAG)
9. Budget Amendments and Line Item Transfers
10. Public Comment



Lee Norman - Garza County Judge

FILED FOR RECORD
19th day of February 2015
at 8:35 o'clock A.M.
JIM PLUMMER
COUNTY CLERK, GARZA COUNTY, TEXAS
By Shirley Butler Deputy

A regular meeting of the Commissioners' Court of Garza County, Texas was held on Monday, February 23, 2015 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, Clerk; Ted Weems, Attorney; Nancy Wallace, Tax Collector/Assessor; Terry Morgan, Sheriff; LuAnne Terry, Treasurer; and Michael Munk, District Attorney.

Also present: J.P. Hamilton, Sergeant, Sheriff's Department; Kent Mahoney, Post Dispatch.

Judge Norman called the meeting to order at 9:04 a.m.

Order 1: Minutes from the February 9, 2015 regular meeting were approved as presented with a motion by Commissioner Brannon and seconded by Commissioner McDaniel. 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 Analysis

c. Judge Norman: discussed a letter from the Governor's office stating that we are still under a drought which allows the court to order burn bans and allows for low interest loans at the FSA.

(Written reports are attached.)

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

Order 3: Came on to be considered were the precinct and countywide accounts payable for February 10, 2015 through February 23, 2015.

Motion was made by Commissioner McDaniel and seconded by Commissioner Brannon 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 an Interlocal agreement between Lynn County and Garza County for a Victim's Assistance Coordinator.

Judge Norman reminded the court that the coordinator from Lynn County was approved in the budget. We will be reapplying for a grant to help fund in the future.

A motion was made by Commissioner McDaniel and seconded by Commissioner Brannon to approve the agreement as presented. With a majority of the court members voting aye, the motion carried and so ordered. (Agreement is attached.)

- Order 5: Came on for consideration was an amendment to the District Attorney's budget. District Attorney Michael Munk requested an increase in his current budget to support hiring an experienced assistant for a vacant position on his staff. He has the funds to support the increase with reserve funds for the remainder of his term. He added that the auditor of Dawson and Gaines Counties confirmed the availability of the reserve funds. A motion was made by Commissioner McDaniel and seconded by Commissioner Brannon to approve the requested budget amendment for the district attorney's office as presented. With a majority of the court members voting aye, the motion carried and so ordered. (A letter and budget are attached.)

The meeting recessed at 9:23 a.m.

The meeting resumed at 9:25 a.m.

- Order 6: Came on for consideration was an application for public assistance. Attorney Weems informed the court that the applicant qualifies for \$150 in rent. Motion was made by Commissioner Brannon and seconded by Commissioner Benham to approve the application from N.C.: \$150 for rent. With a majority of the court members voting aye, the motion carried and so ordered. (Application is attached.)
- Order 7: Came on for consideration was requesting unclaimed capital credit funds from the Texas Comptroller of Public Accounts. A motion was made by Commissioner Morris and seconded by Commissioner McDaniel to send the request letter as presented. With a majority of the court members voting aye, the motion carried and so ordered. (The letter request is attached.)

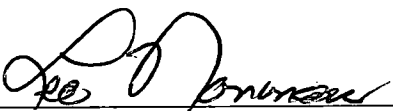
- Order 8: Came on for consideration was a resolution for the Justice Assistance Grant (JAG).
Garza County Sergeant John Hamilton said the grant request is for a non-matching grant request of \$27,909.74 that will pay for six in-car video systems and nine body cameras for the sheriff's department. The application is due by February 27, 2015.
A motion was made by Commissioner Morris and seconded by Commissioner Benham to approve the Resolution as presented. With a majority of the court members voting aye, the motion carried and so ordered. (The resolution and supporting information is attached.)
- Order 9: Came on for consideration was line item transfers and budget amendment requests.
One (1) line item transfer was submitted.
a. A motion was made by Commissioner Benham and seconded by Commissioner Morris to approve the line item transfer presented for the Road and Bridge Precinct 3 office for \$1000.
With a majority of the court members voting aye, the motion carried and so ordered.
(The Line item transfer is attached.)
- Order 10: Public Comment
Kent Mahoney, Managing Editor of the Post Dispatch, informed the court of proposed legislation that will create a state operated web site for public notice postings. He added that it would negatively affect local newspapers and asked the court members to contact our legislators to not support the effort.

The meeting adjourned at 9:50 a.m.


A special meeting is set for Wednesday, February 25, 2015 at 9:00 a.m.

The next regular meeting is set for March 9, 2015.

Approved and signed this 9th day of March, 2015.



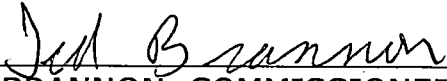
LEE NORMAN, COUNTY JUDGE



GARY MCDANIEL, COMMISSIONER PCT. 1



CHARLES MORRIS, COMMISSIONER PCT. 2

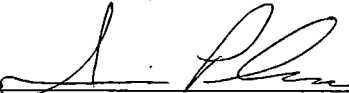


TED BRANNON, COMMISSIONER PCT. 3



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: 2/23/2015

	Name (please print)	Organization's Name	Addressing the Court "Yes" or "No"	Leaving Printed Material "Yes" or "No"
1	John Hamilton	G.E.S.O.	yes	yes
2	Kent Mahoney	POST DISPATCH	yes	yes
3	Michael Munk	DA	yes	yes
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