

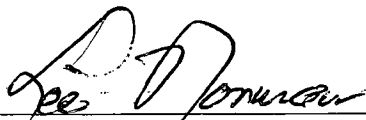
NOTICE OF MEETING
COMMISSIONERS COURT OF GARZA COUNTY, TEXAS
MONDAY, NOVEMBER 23, 2015 AT 9:00 A.M.
GARZA COUNTY COURTHOUSE, 3rd Floor
300 WEST MAIN
POST, TEXAS 79356

COMPLETE AGENDA:

Call to Order- Monday, November 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 a Resolution for Joint Primary for the March 1, 2016 Election
5. Discuss to Approve the Silver County Choice Retiree Medical Program with Texas Association of Counties
6. Discuss to Approve Applications for Public Assistance
7. Approval of Water Line Crossing on CR 183
8. Approve Rates for Private Road Work
9. Burn Ban
10. Budget Amendments and Line Item Transfers
11. Public Comment



Lee Norman - Garza County Judge

19th FILED FOR RECORD
day of November 2015
at 3:22 o'clock P M.
JIM PLUMMER
COUNTY CLERK, GARZA COUNTY, TEXAS
By Dora Angle Deputy

A regular meeting of the Commissioners' Court of Garza County, Texas was held on Monday, November 23, 2015 at 9:00 a.m. at the Commissioners' Courtroom, 300 W. Main St., Post, TX with the following members present: Lee Norman, Judge; Commissioners – Pct. 2-Charles Morris, Pct. 3-Ted Brannon and Pct. 4-Jerry Benham. Not present was Pct. 1 Commissioner Gary McDaniel.

County officials present: Jim Plummer, District and County Clerk; Ted Weems, Attorney; LuAnne Terry, Treasurer; and Nancy Wallace, Tax Assessor/Collector.

Also present: Meg Nelson, Administrative Assistant; Trevor Thuett, Garza County Republican Chair; Tom Peyton; and Kent Mahoney, Post Dispatch.

Judge Norman called the meeting to order at 9:08 a.m.

Order 1: Minutes from the November 9, 2015 regular meeting and the November 16, 2015 special meeting were approved as amended (11/9/15) and presented with a motion by Commissioner Benham and seconded by Commissioner Brannon. 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. Clerk
- b. County Court Monthly - Office of Court Administration
- c. District Court Monthly - Office of Court Administration
- d. Justice of the Peace – 1
- e. Senior Transportation
- f. Sheriff Morgan: The jail is full.
- g. Judge Norman:

Motion was made by Commissioner Brannon 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 November 10, 2015 through November 23, 2015. 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 4: Came on for consideration was a Resolution for Joint Primary for the March 1, 2016 Election.

Clerk Plummer informed the court that the state chair of the Democratic party and the county chair of the Republican party plan to enter into a Joint Primary Election Services Contract with him as the County Election Officer. The party chairs and the county election officer request the court to authorize the contracts by way of the resolution.

Motion was made by Commissioner Morris and seconded by Commissioner Benham to authorize the joint contracts and pass the Joint Resolution for the March 1, 2016 Primary Election. With a majority of the court members voting aye, the motion carried and so ordered. (The Resolution is attached.)

Order 5: Came on for consideration was the Silver Choice retiree medical program with Texas Association of Counties.

Treasurer-elect LuAnn Terry informed the court that it is time to renew the program and that the health insurance rates did increase.

Motion was made by Commissioner Benham and seconded by Commissioner Brannon to approve the renewal.

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

Order 6: Came on for consideration was applications for public assistance.

a. Attorney Weems informed the court that the applicant does qualify for assistance.

Motion was made by Commissioner Morris and seconded by Commissioner Benham to approve the application from A.M: \$55 for water, \$75 electricity for a total of \$130.

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

b. Attorney Weems informed the court that the applicant does qualify for assistance.

Motion was made by Commissioner Benham and seconded by Commissioner Brannon to approve the application from S.D.: \$150 for rent.

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

The meeting recessed at 9:27 a.m.

The meeting resumed at 9:30 a.m.

- c. Attorney Weems informed the court that the applicant does not qualify for assistance.
Motion was made by Commissioner Brannon and seconded by Commissioner Benham to approve the application from E.D.: \$75 electricity and \$175 for rent totaling \$250.
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 an application for a water line crossing on County Road 183.
Motion was made by Commissioner Morris and seconded by Commissioner Benham to approve the application from Joe Marts Construction. With a majority of the court members voting aye, the motion carried and so ordered. (The application is attached.)

Order 8: Came on for consideration was rates for private road work.
Motion was made by Commissioner Morris and seconded by Commissioner Brannon to raise the rates \$5 per item from the 2007 schedule and to add the backhoe rate at \$40/hour. With a majority of the court members voting aye, the motion carried and so ordered. (The 2015 rate schedule is attached.)

Order 9: Came on for consideration was whether to order a burn ban (Order for Garza County Prohibition of Outdoor Burning).
Motion was made by Commissioner Morris and seconded by Commissioner Benham to prohibit certain outdoor burning as described in the Order for 90 days ending February 23, 2016. With a majority of the court members voting aye, the motion carried and so ordered. (Order is attached.)

Order 10: Came on for consideration was line item transfers and budget amendment requests.
None presented.

Order 9: Public Comment

Ted Weems, as a citizen, complimented Sheriff Morgan for his character and compassion in handling an inmate who is a veteran and accused of a victimless crime.

Tom Payton encouraged those who are able to attend the Southland High School Eagles quarterfinal playoff game.

Trevor Thuett, County Chair for the Republican Party, thanked the court for working with the parties for the primary election.

The next regular meeting is set for December 14, 2015.

Approved and signed this 14th day of December, 2015.



LEE NORMAN, COUNTY JUDGE



GARY MODANIEL, COMMISSIONER PCT. 1



CHARLES MORRIS, COMMISSIONER PCT. 2



TED BRANNON, COMMISSIONER PCT. 3



JERRY BENHAM, COMMISSIONER PCT. 4

ATTEST: 

JIM PLUMMER, COUNTY CLERK

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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: Nov. 23, 2015

	Name (please print)	Organization's Name	Addressing the Court "Yes" or "No"	Leaving Printed Material "Yes" or "No"
1	Kent Mahoney	POST DISPATCH	NO	NO
2	Thomas H Taylor	SELF	no	no
3	TREVOR THURST	GARZA COUNTY REPUBLICAN PARTY	YES	YES
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