

NOTICE OF MEETING
COMMISSIONERS COURT OF GARZA COUNTY, TEXAS
MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 25, 2017 AT 9:00 A.M.
GARZA COUNTY COURTHOUSE, 3rd Floor
300 WEST MAIN
POST, TEXAS 79356

COMPLETE AGENDA:

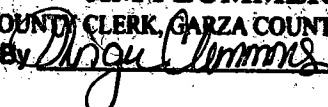
Call to Order- Monday, September 25, 2017 at 9:00 a.m.

DELIBERATE AND CONSIDER ACTION ON THE FOLLOWING ITEMS:

1. Minutes from Prior Meetings
2. Receive Reports from County Offices
3. Accounts Payable
4. New Agri Life Extension Agent
5. Proclamation for Breast Cancer Awareness Month
6. Resolution to Nominate a Representative to the Garza Central Appraisal District
7. District Indigent Defense Resolution - FY 2018
8. 2018 Garza County Resolution Indigent Defense Grant
9. Budget Amendments and Line Item Transfers
10. Public Comment
11. Adopt the 2017-2018 Tax Rate
12. Adopt the 2017-2018 Budget



Lee Norman - Garza County Judge

FILED FOR RECORD
21st day of Sept. 2017
at 1:19 o'clock P.M.
JIM PLUMMER
COUNTY CLERK, GARZA COUNTY, TEXAS
By  Deputy

A regular meeting of the Commissioners' Court of Garza County, Texas was held on Monday, September 25, 2017 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-Jeff Williams, 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; LuAnne Terry, Treasurer; and Terry Morgan, Sheriff.

Also present: Meg Nelson, Administrative Assistant; Terri Laurence, Deputy Tax Assessor/Collector; Michael Clausen and Tarlton Holloway, Texas A&M AgriLife Extension Service; Carey Bridgman and Ashley Young, Breast Cancer Awareness month; and Julia Childs and Mandi Thompson, Post Dispatch.

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

Order 1: Minutes from the September 11, 2017, regular meeting and the September 18, 2017 special meeting were approved as 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. Sheriff: The billing report was submitted. The jail is full. A contract with Briscoe County will be on the next agenda and another county is pending.
- b. Clerk Plummer: Notice of Election was presented for the judge's signature.
- c. Treasurer
- d. Budget Analysis Usage
- e. County Court Monthly - Office of Court Administration
- f. District Court Monthly - Office of Court Administration
- g. Registrar of Death (BVS)
- h. US Bank: Garza County Combination Tax and Revenue Certificates of Obligation, Series 2008 Bond, Reserve and Construction Funds 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.

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 for consideration was the precinct and countywide accounts payable for September 12, 2017 through September 25, 2017. Motion was made by Commissioner Brannon and seconded by Commissioner Williams 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 new AgriLife Extension Agent. Michael Clausen, District Administrator of the Texas A&M AgriLife Extension office, introduced Tarleton Holloway as the proposed new agent for Garza County. Holloway explained his background and his intentions for the community. He is due to begin on October 2, 2017. Motion was made by Commissioner Morris and seconded by Commissioner Brannon to employ him as the new agent. With a majority of the court members voting aye, the motion carried and so ordered. (Resume is attached.)

The court recessed at 9:17 a.m.

The court resumed at 9:22 a.m.

- Order 5: Came on for consideration was a proclamation for Breast Cancer Awareness Month. Julia Childs and Carey Bridgeman addressed the court about upcoming activities. In Garza County, there are 30 women survivors of breast cancer. One out of eight women is affected. Motion was made by Commissioner Morris and seconded by Commissioner Williams to approve the proclamation declaring October Breast Cancer Awareness Month. With a majority of the court members voting aye, the motion carried and so ordered. (Resolution is attached.)
- Order 6: Came on for consideration was a resolution to nominate a representative to the Garza Central Appraisal District. Motion was made by Commissioner Benham and seconded by Commissioner Williams to approve a resolution to nominate Giles Dalby, Jr. With a majority of the court members voting aye, the motion carried and so ordered. (Resolution is attached.)
- Order 7: Came on for consideration was a resolution for district court indigent criminal defense funds.

Attorney Weems explained the contract with Arthur Aguilar, Jr. is similar to years past and that it saves money for the participating counties.

Motion was made by Commissioner Williams and seconded by Commissioner Brannon to approve a resolution for state funds for indigent criminal defense. With a majority of the court members voting aye, the motion carried and so ordered. (Contract is attached.)

- Order 8: Came on for consideration was a resolution for county court indigent criminal defense funds.
Judge Norman explained that the county is required to provide legal counsel to eligible defendants. Meg explained that the state increase our portion again this year.
Motion was made by Commissioner Morris and seconded by Commissioner Benham to approve a resolution to apply for state funds for indigent criminal defense. With a majority of the court members voting aye, the motion carried and so ordered. (Resolution is attached.)

- Order 9: Came on for consideration was line item transfers and budget amendment requests.
One (1) line item transfer and one (1) budget amendment were submitted.

a. A motion was made by Commissioner Williams and seconded by Commissioner Morris to approve the line item transfer presented for the Clerk's/Election office for \$1000.
With a majority of the court members voting aye, the motion carried and so ordered.

b. A motion was made by Commissioner Williams and seconded by Commissioner Morris to approve the line item transfer presented for the Prec. 2 office for \$\$23,250.
With a majority of the court members voting aye, the motion carried and so ordered.

(Line item transfers and budget amendments are attached.)

- Order 10: Public Comment
(None presented.)

- Order 11: Set Tax Rate
Came on for setting was the Garza County 2017-2018 fiscal year Tax Rate.

A motion that the court adopt a tax rate of \$0.5946 was made by Commissioner Morris and seconded by Commissioner Williams. With the record vote being called: Judge Norman, aye; Commissioner Williams, aye; Commissioner Morris, aye; Commissioner Brannon, aye; and Commissioner Benham, aye. The motion carried and was so ordered.

Order 12: Adopt Budget

Came on for adoption was the Garza County 2017-2018 fiscal year budget.

A motion to adopt the proposed County Budget with the changes made since its filing was made by Commissioner Benham and seconded by Commissioner Brannon.

All members of the court voted in favor. The motion carried and was so ordered. (Budget is attached.)

The meeting adjourned at 9:46 a.m.

The next regular meeting is set for Wednesday, October 11, 2017.

Approved and signed this 11th day of October, 2017.



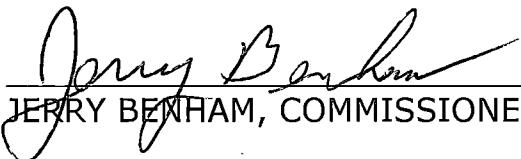
LEE NORMAN, COUNTY JUDGE



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: SEPT. 25, 2017

	Name (please print)	Organization's Name	Addressing the Court "Yes" or "No"	Leaving Printed Material "Yes" or "No"
1	Julia Childs	Post Dispatch	YES	NO
2	Carey Bridgeman		NO	NO
3	Ashley Young		NO	NO
4	M. Chapman	Agri. Life Extension	Yes	No
5	Tarlon Holloway	AgriLife	Yes	No
6	Mendi Thompson	Post Dispatch	NO	No
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