

NOTICE OF MEETING
COMMISSIONERS COURT OF GARZA COUNTY, TEXAS
MONDAY, APRIL 12, 2010 AT 9:00 A.M.
COMMISSIONERS COURTROOM, GARZA COUNTY COURTHOUSE
POST, TEXAS 79356


COMPLETE AGENDA:

Call to Order- Monday, April 12, 2010 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. Jayta Cravy – Victims Assistance Program Grant
5. Discuss to Approve the Co-Presiding Judges and Co-Alternate Judges for the Two Election Day Voting Boxes (Precincts)
6. Discuss to Approve Resolution for County Government Month 2010
7. Discuss to Approve Proclamation for Natural Resources Conservation Service
8. Traci Bush – Restoration Project for the Close City School
9. Joe Hays – Annual Audits
10. Budget Amendments and Line Item Transfers
11. Public Comment

FILED FOR RECORD
8 day of April 20 10
at 8:35 o'clock 9. M.
JIM PLUMMER
COUNTY CLERK, GARZA COUNTY, TEXAS
By Lena Rodriguez Deputy



Lee Norman - Garza County Judge

A regular meeting of the Commissioners' Court of Garza County, Texas was held on Monday, April 12, 2010 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. 1-Gary McDaniel, Pct. 2-Charles Morris, Pct. 3-Ted Brannon, Pct. 4 Commissioner-Mike Sanchez.

County officials present: Jim Plummer, Clerk; Mike Munk, Attorney; and Judy Bush, Tax Collector/Assessor.

Also present: Jana McCallister, Deputy Treasurer; Billie Williams, Assistant to the Judge; Jayta Cravy, Victims' Assistance Advocate; Tommy Binford, Chief Sheriff's Deputy; Joe F. Hays, Independent Auditor, CPA ; Glen Killough, Tom Middleton and Don Windham, Jr., Natural Resource and Conservation Service; Helen Saldana, Soil and Water Conservation District; Traci Freeman and Nancy Morris of the Close City Community; Jim Bird, county resident; Jarod Standlee, Yellowhouse Machinery; Harry Record, PACC; and Rosa Latimer, Post Dispatch.

Judge Norman called the regular meeting to order at 9:03 A.M.

Order 1: Minutes from the March 22, 2010 regular meeting were approved as presented with a motion by Commissioner Sanchez and seconded by Commissioner Morris. With a majority of the court members voting aye, the motion carried and so ordered.

Order 2: The following items of information were brought before the Court as a written report or for discussion:

- a. Treasurer
 - b. Budget Usage Analysis
 - c. Senior Transportation
 - d. District/County Clerk
 - e. Tax Collector/Assessor
 - f. Justice of the Peace, No. 1
 - g. Justice of the Peace, No. 2
 - h. AgriLife Extension-Jones
 - i. Garza County Certificates of Obligation Bond Fund, 2008
 - j. Garza County Public Facilities Board Bond Funds, 2005
- Motion was made by Commissioner McDaniel 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.

Order 3: Came on to be considered were the precinct and countywide accounts payable for March 23, 2010 through April 12 2010.

Motion was made by Commissioner Morris and seconded by Commissioner Sanchez that all such accounts presented in the fund

requirement print-out are allowed and 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 to address the court was Jayta Cravy about the Victims Assistance Program Grant.
Cravy explained once a year for the last 11 years the county applied for a VOCA (Victims of Crime Act) grant to help fund the program. Currently she covers Garza and Dickens counties with 98% of the victims from Garza County.
The grant application was due by March 5th and was submitted on time.* But, certification was not submitted until Monday after the deadline which has never been a problem. Due to changes at the state level, 33 grant applications statewide and seven in the region, were not submitted on time, therefore were rejected. Cravy recently received an email from the state saying Garza County is ineligible. The current VOCA Grant will fund the Garza/Dickens Counties program through August 2010.
She suggested three viable options: 1. disband the program all together, 2. fund it for a year and re-apply for grant next year, or 3. for the county to totally fund the program in place of the VOCA grant. Judge Norman added that this is the first of more state cut backs that will shift the funding burden to the county.
No action taken.
[Hand out is attached which includes reference to the time (*) of grant submission, 7:09 PM on March 5, 2010, and referring to the time as "after hours".]
- Order 5: Came on for consideration was the Co-presiding and Co-alternate Election Judges for the primary run-off elections on April 13, 2010. Clerk Plummer presented a list of nominated poll workers for the two polling places on Election Day.
A motion was made by Commissioner Morris and seconded by Commissioner Sanchez to appoint the 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 a resolution declaring April as County Government Month.
A motion was made by Commissioner Brannon and seconded by Commissioner McDaniel to approve the resolution as presented. 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 proclamation for the Natural Resources Conservation Service.
Glenn Killough announced that the service, formerly known as the Soil Conservation Service, is celebrating its 75th year.
A motion was made by Commissioner Sanchez and seconded by Commissioner Morris to proclaim April 27, 2010 as Conservation Day in honor of the 75th Anniversary of the Natural Resources Conservation Service in the State of Texas.
With a majority of the court members voting aye, the motion carried and so ordered. (Proclamation is attached.)
- Order 8: Came on to address the court was Traci Bush Freeman about the restoration project of the Close City School.
Freeman and Nancy Morris explained that the organization has established 501 C (3) tax exempt status. They have held fundraisers and have raised about \$8,000 and have submitted grant applications to different foundations.
Freeman requested the court to pay for the survey of the land. She wasn't aware of what it would cost.
Motion was made by Commissioner Morris and seconded by Commissioner Sanchez to pay up to \$1500 for a survey of the Close City Community School to come out of the Special Projects line item.
With a majority of the court members voting aye, the motion carried and so ordered.
- Order 11: Public Comment
Jimmy Bird expressed concern over the Verbena Road that leads to his property. He was under the understanding it was a county road. His neighbor, Paul Beach, recently put up a sign saying it was a private road which limits who can use the road. He requested the county help with taking down the sign and to perform maintenance on the road.
Attorney Munk concluded through his research that the road is a county road. The judge concurred.
No action taken.

The court recessed at 10:00 A.M.

The court resumed at 10:13 A.M.

Jerrold Standlee of Yellowhouse Machinery invited the court members to his companies booth, hospitality room and golf tournament at the Judge's and Commissioners conference on April 26-30 in San Angelo.

Order 9: Came on for presentation were the annual Reports of Audit of Garza County, the Operations of the Dalby Correctional Facility and the Dalby Correctional Facility inmate Trust Funds by independent auditor Joe F. Hays, CPA.
All three entities audited were issued clean opinions.
A motion was made by Commissioner Morris and seconded by Commissioner Sanchez to accept the audits as presented.
With a majority of the court members voting aye, the motion carried and so ordered. (The audits are attached.)

Order 10: Came on for consideration were line item transfers and budget amendment requests.
Three (3) line item transfers were submitted.
a. A motion was made by Commissioner Brannon and seconded by Commissioner Sanchez to approve the line item transfer presented for the Clerk's office for \$700. With a majority of the court members voting aye, the motion carried and so ordered.
b. A motion was made by Commissioner Brannon and seconded by Commissioner Sanchez to approve the line item transfer presented for the Service Center for \$5000. With a majority of the court members voting aye, the motion carried and so ordered.
c. A motion was made by Commissioner Brannon and seconded by Commissioner Sanchez to approve the line item transfer presented for the Road and Bridge Precinct 3 office for \$30,000. With a majority of the court members voting aye, the motion carried and so ordered.

(Line item transfers are attached.)

The next regular meeting of the court is set for April 26, 2010.

The meeting adjourned at 10:43 A.M.



LEE NORMAN, COUNTY JUDGE



GARY MCDANIEL, COMMISSIONER PCT. 1

Charles Morris

CHARLES MORRIS, COMMISSIONER PCT. 2

Ted Brannon

TED BRANNON, COMMISSIONER PCT. 3

Mike Sanchez

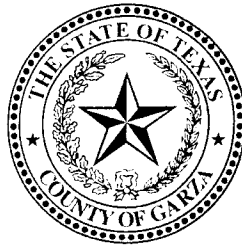
MIKE SANCHEZ, COMMISSIONER PCT. 4

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: April 12, 2010

	Name (please print)	Organization's Name	Addressing the Court "Yes" or "No"	Leaving Printed Material "Yes" or "No"
1	Santa Cruz	Victims Assistance	Yes	Yes
2	JOF F HAYS	JOF F HAYS CPA	YES	YES
3	Kasa Latimer	Post Dispatch	no	no
4	Harry Record	PACC	NO	NO
5	Glen Killough	NACS		
6	Tom M. Dalton	NACS	NO	NO
7	Don Windham Jr.	NACS	NO	NO
8	Jim Bird	Close	Yes	yes
9	Gail Neuman	Close City Comm.	yes	NO
10	Nancy Morris	Close City Comm.	yes	no
11	Helen Saldana	Garza SWCD	NO	no
12	Tommy Binter	Sheriff's	maybe	No
13	JAMES STANLEE	Yellow House Machinery		1/19 - INVITATIONS
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