

NOTICE OF MEETING
COMMISSIONERS COURT OF GARZA COUNTY, TEXAS
MONDAY, MARCH 14, 2011 AT 9:00 A.M.
GARZA COUNTY COURTHOUSE,
300 WEST MAIN
POST, TEXAS 79356

COMPLETE AGENDA:

Call to Order- Monday, March 14, 2011 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. Joe Hays - Present 2010 Garza County Audit
5. Irma Guerra - SPCAA Presentation
6. Discuss to Approve Two Applications for Public Assistance
7. Discuss to Approve A Contract with ES&S
8. Discuss to Approve Sealed Property Bid on Lot 3 - 11, Blk. 155, Post, Texas 79356
9. Discuss to Approve An Extended Warranty on Maintainers for R&B #2
10. Discuss to Approve An Extended Warranty on Maintainers for R&B #1
11. Budget Amendments and Line Item Transfers
12. Public Comment

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JIM PLUMMER
CLERK OF COUNTY COURT
GARZA COUNTY, TEXAS
By [Signature] Deputy

[Signature]
Lee Norman - Garza County Judge

A regular meeting of the Commissioners' Court of Garza County, Texas was held on Monday, March 14, 2011 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, Clerk; Mike Munk, Attorney; Assessor/Collector; and Ruth Ann Young, Treasurer. Also present: Meg Nelson, Administrative Assistant; Joe F. Hays, Independent Auditor, CPA; Irma Guerra, South Plains Community Action Association (SPCAA);

Judge Norman called the regular meeting to order at 9:00 A.M.

- Order 1: Minutes from the February 28, 2011 regular meeting were approved as presented with a motion by Commissioner Morris and seconded by Commissioner Benham. 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. District/County Clerk
 - b. Treasurer
 - c. Budget Usage Analysis
 - d. Senior Transportation
 - e. Justice of the Peace, Pct. 1
 - f. Justice of the Peace, Pct. 2
 - g. Garza County Certificates of Obligation Bond Fund, 2008
 - h. Garza County Public Facilities Board Bond Funds, 2005
- Motion was made by Commissioner Morris 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. (Reports are attached.)
- Order 3: Came on to be considered were the precinct and countywide accounts payable for February 29, 2011 through March 14, 2011. Motion was made by Commissioner Brannon and seconded by Commissioner Benham 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 5: Came on before the court was Irma Guerra of South Plains Community Action Association.

Guerra, division director of SPCAA, informed the court that federal funding cuts may eliminate community action programs. She submitted the organizations 2009 annual report. SPCAA manages the following services in Garza County: emergency financial assistance, energy efficiency program, senior companion program, head start and the Spartan public transportation program. She requested the support of the court to maintain the federal funding for these programs in Garza County.
No action was necessary.

The court recessed at 9:17 A.M.

The court resumed at 9:20 A.M.

Order 4: Came on for presentation was the annual Report of Audit of Garza County by independent auditor Joe F. Hays, CPA. The county was issued a "qualified opinion" for the audit for the year ending September 30, 2010. Hays explained that the opinion is qualified because new accounting principles require that post employment benefits (for retired employees) be considered and they are recorded as a liability. Hays reviewed a summary of the audit. The county general fund showed net revenue of \$1,159,995. The county jail facilities figures include all law enforcement activity including the sheriff's department. Not just the jail. * He explained that the accounting procedures at the law enforcement facility are sound. A motion was made by Commissioner Morris and seconded by Commissioner Benham to accept the audit as presented. With a majority of the court members voting aye, the motion carried and so ordered. (The audit summary and full audit are attached.)

* THE JAIL CASH FLOWS.

The court recessed at 9:42 A.M.

The court resumed at 9:47 A.M.

Order 9: Came on for consideration was an extended warranty on maintainers for Road and Bridge (R&B) #2. Commissioner Morris explained that the original warranty on the R&B #2 motor grader and front-end loader has expired. The proposed extension is for four years at a cost of about \$15,000. The expense is unbudgeted and would require an appropriation (budget amendment). Lance Wells of Warren Cat explained that the warranty stays with the unit if sold before the end of the warranty period.

A motion was made by Commissioner Brannon and seconded by Commissioner Benham to approve the extended warranty as presented for \$15,550 taken from Precinct 2 reserve funds. With a majority of the court members voting aye, the motion carried and so ordered.

Order 10: Came on for consideration was an extended warranty on maintainers for Road and Bridge (R&B) #1.

The original warranty on the R&B #1 motor grader has expired. The proposed extension is for three years at a cost of about \$6,800. The expense is unbudgeted and would require an appropriation (budget amendment).

A motion was made by Commissioner Morris and seconded by Commissioner Benham to TABLE the item until Commissioner McDaniel can be present. With a majority of the court members voting aye, the motion carried and so ordered.

Order 6: Came on for consideration were two applications for public assistance.

A. Attorney Munk said the applicant is not eligible for assistance according to the courts guidelines.

Motion was made by Commissioner Brannon and seconded by Commissioner Morris to approve the application from S.F. and to pay \$75 toward the applicant's electric bill.

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

B. Attorney Munk said the applicant is not eligible for assistance.

Motion was made by Commissioner Brannon and seconded by Commissioner Morris to not approve the application from J.A.S.

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

Order 7: Came on for consideration was a three (3) year service agreement renewal with Election Systems and Software (ES&S) for election ballot and coding services. Clerk Plummer informed the court that the original agreement started in 2008 and offers a discount on most of the services. The new agreement shows a decrease in ballot printing costs. The coding discounted fees will remain the same.

A motion was made by Commissioner Morris and seconded by Commissioner Brannon to approve the renewal agreement as presented.

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

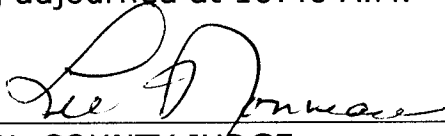
Order 8: Came on for consideration was a bid for county property located at 105 E 4th street (Lot 3, Block 155) in the original town site of Post. One sealed bid was submitted: Dawn Guerrero for \$100. Attorney Munk said the property was struck-off to the county in July 2005. Taxes owed are about \$1825.47 and court costs owed are \$769. Appraised value is \$1500. A motion was made by Commissioner Brannon and seconded by Commissioner Benham to decline the bid for \$100 from Dawn Guerrero. With a majority of the court members voting aye, the motion carried and so ordered. (Bid is attached.)

Order 11: Came on for consideration was line item transfers and budget amendment requests. None were submitted.

Order 12: Public Comment
Commissioner Morris commented that there should be a fund to repair damages and other expenses to county equipment during rural fires. Judge Norman and Treasurer Young suggested using funds set aside for volunteer fire department equipment. The court will consider the issue at the next meeting.

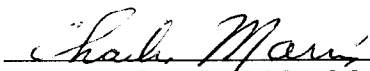
Judge Norman commented about a list of proposed cuts by the state that will affect counties' budgets.

The meeting adjourned at 10:40 A.M.

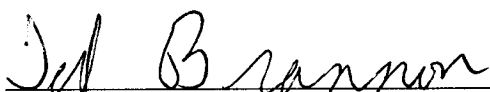


LEE NORMAN, COUNTY JUDGE

GARY MCDANIEL, COMMISSIONER PCT. 1




CHARLES MORRIS, COMMISSIONER PCT. 2



TED BRANNON, COMMISSIONER PCT. 3

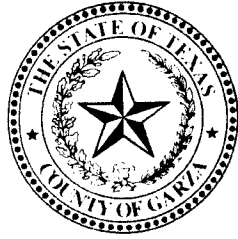


JERRY BENHAM, COMMISSIONER PCT. 4

ATTEST: 

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JIM PLUMMER
District and County Clerk

Date: 3/14/2011

**Welcome to the
Commissioners Court
of Garza County**

*Please leave any printed
material you presented
with the Clerk.
Thank You!*

	Name (please print)	Organization's Name	Addressing the Court "Yes" or "No"	Leaving Printed Material "Yes" or "No"
1	Loma Guerra	South Plains CITA	YES	YES
2	Joe Hays	Joe F. Hays CPA	YES	YES
3	Lance Wells	Warden Coyt	YES	NO
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