

NOTICE OF MEETING  
COMMISSIONERS COURT OF GARZA COUNTY, TEXAS  
MONDAY, JANUARY 26, 2009 AT 9:00 A.M.  
COMMISSIONERS COURTROOM, GARZA COUNTY COURTHOUSE  
300 WEST MAIN,  
POST, TEXAS 79356

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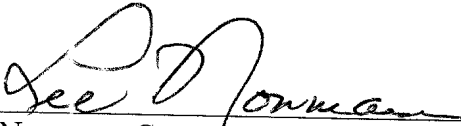
COMPLETE AGENDA:

Call to Order- Monday, January 26, 2009 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 Vehicle Purchase for Precinct 4
5. City/County Law Enforcement Agreement
6. Discuss City of Post Resolution Number 350
7. Budget Amendments and Line Item Transfers
8. Jail Inspection & Approval for Job Completion Payment

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JIM PLUMMER  
BY Hilena Quintana DEPUTY  
CLERK OF COUNTY COURT,  
GARZA COUNTY, TEXAS

  
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Lee Norman - Garza County Judge

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IN ACCORDANCE WITH TITLE III OF THE AMERICANS WITH DISABILITIES ACT, WE INVITE ALL ATTENDEES TO ADVISE US OF ANY SPECIAL ACCOMMODATIONS DUE TO DISABILITY. PLEASE SUBMIT YOUR REQUEST AS FAR IN ADVANCE AS POSSIBLE, OF THE MEETING YOU WISH TO ATTEND BY CONTACTING MEG NELSON AT 806-495-4405.

A regular meeting of the Commissioners Court of Garza County, Texas was held on Monday, January 26, 2009 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 A. Brannon; and Pct. 4-Mike Sanchez.

County officials present were: Jim Plummer, Clerk; Michael Munk, Attorney; Judy Bush, Tax Assessor/Collector; and Ruth Ann Young, Treasurer.

Also present were Meg Nelson, Administrative Assistant; and Michael Isbell, Emergency Management Coordinator.

Judge Norman called the meeting to order at 9:02 A.M.

- Order 1: Minutes from the January 12, 2009 regular meeting were approved as presented with a motion by Commissioner Sanchez and seconded by Commissioner McDaniel. With all four commissioners 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. Clerk
  - b. Tax Assessor/Collector
  - c. Senior Transportation
- Motion was made by Commissioner McDaniel and seconded by Commissioner Morris to accept the reports as presented. With all four commissioners 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 January 13, 2009 through January 26, 2009. Motion was made by Commissioner Morris and seconded by Commissioner McDaniel that all such accounts presented in the fund requirement print-out are allowed and ordered paid and presented to the Treasurer for payment. With all four commissioners voting aye, the motion carried and so ordered. (Printout is attached.)
- Order 4: Came on for discussion was the purchase of a used vehicle for Precinct 4. Commissioner Sanchez explained that \$9,000 is in his budget for capital improvements. Ruth Ann brought up that a note payment for \$4400 is due for Precinct 4 over the next three years and is accounted for in the budget.

The vehicle being considered is a half ton 2007 Chevrolet 1500 Regular Cab 4x4 long bed with 18,251 miles with factory warranty priced at \$18,500 from Robert Hall Chevrolet.

A motion to approve the purchase was made by Commissioner McDaniel and seconded by Commissioner Brannon to purchase the vehicle with the available funds from the capital improvements account and to pay the balance over three years. With all four commissioners voting aye, the motion carried and so ordered. (Vehicle information sheet is attached.)

*Note: The court discussed developing a policy on how to handle future purchases of equipment for less than \$25,000.*

*Commissioner McDaniel offered that the court may want to approve any time a commissioner enters into a contract. Treasurer Young added that since her signature is required on all notes she recommends that all contracts/notes be approved by the court. This issue will be addressed at a later meeting.*

- Order 5: Came on for discussion was the City of Post/Garza County law enforcement agreement. Judge Norman explained that there is not an agreement at this time. No action was taken.
- Order 6: Came on for discussion was the City of Post's Resolution Number 350 concerning law enforcement contributions to the county. Judge Norman explained that the resolution states that the city's contribution will decrease by \$50,000 until no funds will be contributed in the year 2014. He advised the court that the county must plan future budgets to handle the decrease in contributions from the city. The Judge suggested the county may reduce the law enforcement budget by the amount the city reduces the budget each year or possibly not share law enforcement with the city. The resolution was first introduced to the court and entered into the minutes during at the August 25, 2008 meeting. This was for discussion purposes only. No action was taken. (The City of Post Resolution Number 350 is attached.)
- Order 7: ✓ Came on for consideration was line item transfers and budget amendment requests. Two (2) line item transfers were submitted.
- a. A motion was made by Commissioner Morris and seconded by Commissioner Sanchez to approve the line item transfer presented for the Sheriff's office for \$10,186.

With all four commissioners voting aye, the motion carried and so ordered.

b. A motion was made by Commissioner McDaniel and seconded by Commissioner Brannon to approve the line item transfer presented for the Attorney's office for \$1437.50.

With all four commissioners voting aye, the motion carried and so ordered.

(Line item transfers are attached.)

*Notes:*

*Judge Norman said the county does not have a current burn ban. Emergency Management Coordinator Michael Isbell added that a statewide burn ban is expected soon.*

*Isbell reported that SPAG will be here tomorrow to discuss the upgrade in radio communication for the region. When this happens, the current radios will be shared with commissioner precinct employees for their vehicles.*

*Commissioner Morris talked about reclaimed road material from the highway department. The material must be hauled off by the end of July.*

*Attorney Munk introduced the idea of setting reasonable easement fees.*

Order 8: Came on for consideration was an inspection of the new Garza County Law Enforcement Center and the job completion payment. Judge Norman explained that the final payment is due the contractor if the commissioners pass a final inspection. Commissioner McDaniel suggested that the sheriff set a deadline for the jail to begin accepting prisoners from other entities.

The court recessed at 10:31 A.M.

The court resumed at 10:50 A.M. at the new Garza County Law Enforcement Center.

The commissioners took a brief tour of the sheriff's office section of the center and noticed that a few items on the punch list were not addressed. Therefore, the final inspection of the facility did not pass.

**MOTION:**

A motion to not make the completion payment was made by  
Commissioner Brannon and seconded by Commissioner Sanchez.

With all four commissioners voting aye, the motion carried and so  
ordered.

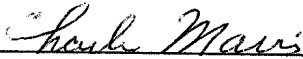
The meeting adjourned at 11:25 A.M.



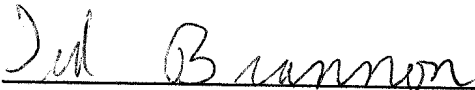
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LEE NORMAN, COUNTY JUDGE



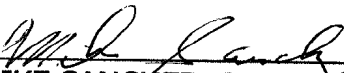
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GARY MCDANIEL, COMMISSIONER PCT. 1



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CHARLES MORRIS, COMMISSIONER PCT. 2



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TED BRANNON, COMMISSIONER PCT. 3



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MIKE SANCHEZ, COMMISSIONER PCT. 4

ATTEST:



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JIM PLUMMER, COUNTY CLERK