

COMMISSIONER'S COURT  
OF



Notice of Meeting of Commissioners Court of Young County, Texas

Notice is hereby given that a regular meeting of the Young County Commissioners Court will be held on Monday – October 28, 2024, at 9:30 a.m. in the courtroom of the Young County Court, Young County Courthouse, 516 Fourth Street, Room 106, Graham, Texas, for the purpose of discussing and taking any necessary action on the below identified matters.

Agenda Topics

1. Call to order - All stand if convenient.
2. Invocation, followed by the U.S. Pledge and Texas Pledge (Honor the Texas flag, I pledge allegiance to thee, Texas, One state under God, One and Indivisible).

3. Public Comments, Announcements and Presentations - No action item(s).

[Public comments, announcements and presentations will be limited to a maximum of five (5) minutes, unless a member of the court requests additional time for the presenter. Any handout materials required must be reproduced and furnished by the presenter.]

- Public Comments.
- Receipt of Hotel Occupancy Tax (HOT) Report for \$53.65 for September, 2024, from The Cabin at Salt Fork Ranch.
- Receipt of Hotel Occupancy Tax (HOT) Report for \$1,082.65 for September, 2024, from La Casa Tierra.
- Receipt of Hotel Occupancy Tax (HOT) Report for \$5,166.78 for September, 2024, from Wildcatter Ranch & Resort.

4. Consider County Clerk Minutes from previous meeting – October 15<sup>th</sup>, 2024.
5. Consider Treasures Financial Report / Updates on Securities Pledged – Presented by Kyle Milam.
  - Discuss / Consider accepting donation from True Cemetery Association to the Young County Sheriff's Office for \$750.00.
6. Consider Auditors Budget Amendments / Vouchers Payable – Presented by Cheryl Roberts.

Signed on this the 24<sup>th</sup> day of October, 2024.



By: Ann Ford  
Ann Ford, County Clerk  
Young County, Texas

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ANN FORD, COUNTY CLERK  
YOUNG COUNTY, TEXAS

**YOUNG COUNTY, TEXAS  
REPORT OF HOTEL OCCUPANCY TAX**

Remittance Information:

Date: 10/2/24Name: La Casa TierraAddress: P.O. Box 566  
Graham, TX 76450Contact Number: 817-980-7189 Email: Pam@pambenson.com

To avoid penalty, your tax payment and report must be submitted to the County Treasurer, 516 Fourth Street Room 105 Graham, Texas 76450, by the 20<sup>th</sup> day of the month next following the reporting period

This report is for month ending:

9/30/24  
21,653.00

1. Gross Room Rental Receipts

2. Gross Room Rentals Exempt from Taxation

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3. Taxable Gross Room Rentals

21,653.00

4. Tax Due (Line 3 times .05)

1,082.65Number of rooms available 1Number of rooms rented 1

I as authorized agent of La Casa Tierra (Name of Hotel or Motel) under the penalty of perjury do state upon oath and do hereby acknowledge that the foregoing statement of room rentals and tax due is true and correct.

Dated: 10/2/24
  
Authorized Agent

Please type or print:

Name Pam BensonTitle PresidentPhone Number 817-980-7189

Failure to pay the tax on the due date shall result in a penalty of five (5%) percent of tax due.

(A) Failure to file the report on the due date shall result in a penalty of five (5%) percent of the amount of tax due.

(B) All past due taxes shall result in an interest of six (6%) percent per annum. Commissioners Court Order Resolution Number: 055-FY 2018 as passed on December 11, 2017 to be effective January 1, 2018.

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## YOUNG COUNTY, TEXAS

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Agenda Topics**ITEM NO. 1. Call to order - All stand if convenient.**

THEN, County Judge, Edwin "Win" S Graham IV, called the meeting to order and made note that all Commissioners were present and that the meeting had been posted in the manner and for the time required. Commissioner's Court was streaming and will be available on You Tube.

**ITEM NO. 2. Invocation was given by Stacey K Rogers followed by the U.S. Pledge and Texas Pledge (Honor the Texas Flag, I Pledge Allegiance to thee, Texas, One State Under God, One and Indivisible).**

**ITEM NO. 3. PUBLIC COMMENTS, ANNOUNCEMENTS AND PRESENTATIONS-NO ACTION ITEM(S).**

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- Public Comments:
- Tax Assessor/Collector September Activity Report & Information from Texas Department of Motor Vehicles-See Exhibit "A".
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**ITEM NO. 4. Consider County Clerk Minutes from Previous Meeting September 30, 2024**

NEXT, Commissioner Stacy Creswell made a motion to accept the Minutes of September 30, 2024 as presented by Ann Ford, County Clerk; Outlined in Exhibit "B". Motion was seconded by Commissioner Jimmy Wiley and carried 5-0.

**ITEM NO. 5. Consider Treasurers Financial Report/Updates on Securities Pleaded-Presented by Kyle Milam.****NO UPDATES PRESENTED**

- Discuss/Accept Scrap book Proceeds to the Young County Historical Commission for a total of \$64.50

NEXT, Commissioner Stacy Creswell made a motion to approve as stated; Outlined in Exhibit "C". Motion was seconded by Commissioner Stacey K Rogers and carried 5-0.

**ITEM NO. 13. Discuss/Consider Resolution #112-FY2025-Young County Resolution for Indigent Defense Grant Program.**

NEXT, Commissioner Stacy Creswell made a motion to approve as stated; Outlined in Exhibit "M". Motion was seconded by Commissioner Stacey K Rogers and carried 5-0.

**ITEM NO. 14. Discuss/Consider Resolution #113-FY2025-Texas Department of Agriculture Texans Feeding Texans: Home-Delivered Meal Grant Program-Young County Olney Senior Cub Center-\$350.00 and Resolution #114-FY2025-Texas Department of Agriculture Texans Feeding Texans: Home-Delivered Meal Grant Program-Young County Senior Citizens Assoc Inc-\$850.00**

NEXT, Commissioner Jimmy Wiley made a motion to approve as stated; Outlined in Exhibit "N & O". Motion was seconded by Commissioner Stacy Creswell carried 5-0.

**ITEM NO. 15. Discuss/Consider Application/Permit to Cross County Road to Construct Pipeline or Utility for Kramer Road-Presented by Scott Shook, commissioner, Pct. #2.**

NEXT, Commissioner Scott Shook made a motion to approve as stated; Outlined in Exhibit "P". Motion was seconded by Commissioner Jimmy Wiley carried 5-0.

**ITEM NO. 16. Discuss/Consider Reduction of Speed Limit from 30 to 25 MPH. Pursuant to 545.355.T.T.C., for all or portions of Judges Road and Consider setting Public Hearing as Required by T.T.C. 251.152 Regarding Traffic Regulations-Public Hearing will be set for Monday, October 28, 2024 @10:15 Am-Presented by Scott Shook, Commissioner, Pct. F#2.**

NEXT, Commissioner Scott Shook made a motion to approve as stated; Outlined in Exhibit "Q". Motion was seconded by Commissioner Jimmy Wiley and carried 5-0.

**ITEM NO. 17. Discuss/Consider Requesting Sealed Bids for 2024/2025 one-ton Pick-up, 4WD Crew Cab Chassis with a Utility Flatbed-Open Bids on Monday October 28, 2024 @10:00 AM-Presented by Scott Shook, Commissioner, Pct. #2**

NEXT, Commissioner Scott Shook made a motion to approve as stated; Outlined in Exhibit "R". Motion was seconded by Commissioner Stacy Creswell and carried 5-0.

**ITEM NO. 18. Discuss/Consider Purchase of 2024 Kabota MC 141 through First National Bank, Stewart Cobb-Presented by Scott Shook, Commissioner, Pct. #2.**

NEXT, Commissioner Scot Shook made a motion to approve as stated. Motion was seconded by Commissioner Jimmy Wiley and carried 5-0.

**ITEM NO. 19. Discuss/Consider Ray Reaves Creating a Sub-Division on the Brooke's Estate-Presented by Jimmy Wiley, Commissioner, Pct. #4.**

NEXT, Commissioner Jimmy Wiley made a motion to approve the preliminary plat of Brooke's Estate; Outlined in Exhibit "S". Motion was seconded by Commissioner Stacy Creswell and carried 5-0.



TRUE CEMETERY ASSOCIATION

10-4-24

1016

Young County Sheriff Office \$750.

Seven hundred Fifty

FARMERS STATE BANK

NEWCASTLE, TEXAS 16372

Mowing donation

Phyllis Low

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SCHEDULE OF BILLS BY FUND

FUND	DESCRIPTION	DISBURSEMENTS
010	GENERAL FUND	
021	R & B PCT #1 FUND	135,116.59
022	R & B PCT #2 FUND	1,154.82
023	R & B PCT #3 FUND	352.43
024	R & B PCT #4 FUND	295.63
		62,307.53
	TOTAL OF ALL FUNDS	199,227.00

THE PRECEDING LIST OF BILLS PAYABLE WAS REVIEWED  
AND APPROVED FOR PAYMENT BY COMMISSIONER'S COURT.

DATE: 10-28-2024

COUNTY JUDGE	<i>Chadley</i>
COMMISSIONER PCT 1	<i>Sam Lynd</i>
COMMISSIONER PCT 2	<i>Scott Allen</i>
COMMISSIONER PCT 3	
COMMISSIONER PCT 4	<i>absent</i>
AUDITOR	<i>absent</i>
TREASURER	<i>absent</i>

# MERCHANTS BONDING COMPANY™

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MERCHANTS BONDING COMPANY (MUTUAL) P.O. BOX 14498, DES MOINES, IA 50306-3498  
PHONE: (800) 678-8171 FAX: (515) 243-3854

## TEXAS OFFICIAL BOND AND OATH

THE STATE OF TEXAS

County of Young

ss.

Bond No. TX5392377

KNOW ALL PERSONS BY THESE PRESENTS:

That we, Cara L. Smith, as Principal, and the  
MERCHANTS BONDING COMPANY (Mutual), a corporation duly licensed to do business in the State of Texas, as Surety, are held and bound  
unto Young County Commissioners Court, his successors in office, in the sum of  
Five Thousand Dollars (\$5,000.00) DOLLARS, for the payment of which we  
hereby bind ourselves and our heirs, executors and administrators, jointly and severally, by these presents.

THE CONDITION OF THE ABOVE OBLIGATION is such, that, whereas, the above bounden Principal was on the 8th  
day of September, 2020, duly Appointed  
to the office of Deputy Tax Collector in and for Young  
County in the State of Texas, for a term beginning the 8th day of November, 2024 and ending the 8th day of November, 2025.

Now, therefore, if the said Principal shall well and faithfully perform and discharge all the duties required of him by law as the aforesaid  
officer, and shall  
faithfully perform the duties of office

then this obligation to be void, otherwise to remain in full force and effect.

PROVIDED, HOWEVER, that regardless of the number of years this bond may remain in force and the number of claims which may be  
made against this bond, the liability of the Surety shall not be cumulative and the aggregate liability of the Surety for any and all claims, suits, or  
actions under this bond shall not exceed the amount stated above. Any revision of the bond amount shall not be cumulative.

PROVIDED, FURTHER, that this bond may be canceled by the Surety by sending written notice to the party to whom this bond is payable  
stating that, not less than thirty (30) days thereafter, the Surety's liability hereunder shall terminate as to subsequent acts of the Principal.

Dated this 17th day of June, 2024

Cara L. Smith

Principal

Cara L. Smith

MERCHANTS BONDING COMPANY (Mutual)

By:

Shannon Lindeberg  
Shannon Lindeberg Attorney-in-Fact

## ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF PRINCIPAL

THE STATE OF TEXAS

County of YoungBefore me, Sharri Ashley

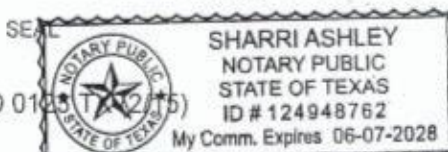
Cara L. Smith

, a notary public, on this day personally appeared

known to me to be the person whose name is subscribed to the foregoing  
instrument, and acknowledged to me that he/she executed the same for the purposes and consideration therein expressed.

Given under my hand and seal of office, at  
this 22 day of October, 2024

Graham, Tx.



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County, Texas.



**MERCHANTS**  
**BONDING COMPANY**  
**POWER OF ATTORNEY**

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Know All Persons By These Presents, that MERCHANTS BONDING COMPANY (MUTUAL) and MERCHANTS NATIONAL BONDING, INC., both being corporations of the State of Iowa, d/b/a Merchants National Indemnity Company (in California only) (herein collectively called the "Companies") do hereby make, constitute and appoint, individually,

Shannon Lindeberg

their true and lawful Attorney(s)-in-Fact, to sign its name as surety(ies) and to execute, seal and acknowledge any and all bonds, undertakings, contracts and other written instruments in the nature thereof, on behalf of the Companies in their business of guaranteeing the fidelity of persons, guaranteeing the performance of contracts and executing or guaranteeing bonds and undertakings required or permitted in any actions or proceedings allowed by law.

This Power-of-Attorney is granted and is signed and sealed by facsimile under and by authority of the following By-Laws adopted by the Board of Directors of Merchants Bonding Company (Mutual) on April 23, 2011 and amended August 14, 2015 and adopted by the Board of Directors of Merchants National Bonding, Inc., on October 16, 2015.

"The President, Secretary, Treasurer, or any Assistant Treasurer or any Assistant Secretary or any Vice President shall have power and authority to appoint Attorneys-in-Fact, and to authorize them to execute on behalf of the Company, and attach the seal of the Company thereto, bonds and undertakings, recognizances, contracts of indemnity and other writings obligatory in the nature thereof."

"The signature of any authorized officer and the seal of the Company may be affixed by facsimile or electronic transmission to any Power of Attorney or Certification thereof authorizing the execution and delivery of any bond, undertaking, recognizance, or other suretyship obligations of the Company, and such signature and seal when so used shall have the same force and effect as though manually fixed."

In connection with obligations in favor of the Florida Department of Transportation only, it is agreed that the power and authority hereby given to the Attorney-in-Fact includes any and all consents for the release of retained percentages and/or final estimates on engineering and construction contracts required by the State of Florida Department of Transportation. It is fully understood that consenting to the State of Florida Department of Transportation making payment of the final estimate to the Contractor and/or its assignee, shall not relieve this surety company of any of its obligations under its bond.

In connection with obligations in favor of the Kentucky Department of Highways only, it is agreed that the power and authority hereby given to the Attorney-in-Fact cannot be modified or revoked unless prior written personal notice of such intent has been given to the Commissioner-Department of Highways of the Commonwealth of Kentucky at least thirty (30) days prior to the modification or revocation.

In Witness Whereof, the Companies have caused this instrument to be signed and sealed this 17th day of June, 2024.



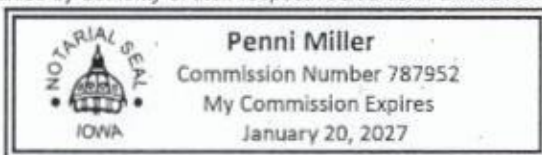
MERCHANTS BONDING COMPANY (MUTUAL)  
MERCHANTS NATIONAL BONDING, INC.  
d/b/a MERCHANTS NATIONAL INDEMNITY COMPANY

By

*Larry Taylor*  
President

STATE OF IOWA  
COUNTY OF DALLAS ss.

On this 17th day of June, 2024, before me appeared Larry Taylor, to me personally known, who being by me duly sworn did say that he is President of MERCHANTS BONDING COMPANY (MUTUAL) and MERCHANTS NATIONAL BONDING, INC.; and that the seals affixed to the foregoing instrument are the Corporate Seals of the Companies; and that the said instrument was signed and sealed in behalf of the Companies by authority of their respective Boards of Directors.



(Expiration of notary's commission does not invalidate this instrument)

*[Signature]*  
Notary Public

I, William Warner, Jr., Secretary of MERCHANTS BONDING COMPANY (MUTUAL) and MERCHANTS NATIONAL BONDING, INC., do hereby certify that the above and foregoing is a true and correct copy of the POWER-OF-ATTORNEY executed by said Companies, which is still in full force and effect and has not been amended or revoked.

In Witness Whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed the seal of the Companies on this 17th day of June, 2024.



*William Warner Jr.*  
Secretary

POA 0018 (1/24)

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If you have a problem with a claim or your premium, call your insurance company or HMO first. If you can't work out the issue, the Texas Department of Insurance may be able to help.

Even if you file a complaint with the Texas Department of Insurance, you should also file a complaint or appeal through your insurance company or HMO. If you don't, you may lose your right to appeal.

To get information or file a complaint with your insurance company or HMO:

Merchants Bonding Company (Mutual)

Call: Compliance Officer at (800) 671-8171

Toll-free: (800) 671-8171

Email: [regulatory@merchantsbonding.com](mailto:regulatory@merchantsbonding.com)

Mail: P.O. Box 14498, Des Moines, Iowa 50306-3498

To get insurance information, you may also contact your agent:

Bryan Insurance Agency Ltd

Call: 940-549-2525

Mail: PO Box 839 Graham, TX 76450-0839

The Texas Department of Insurance

To get help with an insurance question or file a complaint with the state:

Call with a question: 1-800-252-3439

File a complaint: [www.tdi.texas.gov](http://www.tdi.texas.gov)

Email: [ConsumerProtection@tdi.texas.gov](mailto:ConsumerProtection@tdi.texas.gov)

Mail: Consumer Protection, MC: CO-CP, Texas Department of Insurance,

**¿Tiene una queja o necesita ayuda?**

Si tiene un problema con una reclamación o con su prima de seguro, llame primero a su compañía de seguros o HMO. Si no puede resolver el problema, es posible que el Departamento de Seguros de Texas (Texas Department of Insurance, por su nombre en inglés) pueda ayudar.

Aun si usted presenta una queja ante el Departamento de Seguros de Texas, también debe presentar una queja a través del proceso de quejas o de apelaciones de su compañía de seguros o HMO. Si no lo hace, podría perder su derecho para apelar.

Para obtener información o para presentar una queja ante su compañía de seguros o HMO:

Merchants Bonding Company (Mutual)

Llame a: Compliance Officer al (800) 671-8171

Teléfono gratuito: (800) 678-8171

Correo electrónico: [regulatory@merchantsbonding.com](mailto:regulatory@merchantsbonding.com)

Dirección postal: P.O. Box 14498, Des Moines, Iowa, 50306-3498

El Departamento de Seguros de Texas

Para obtener ayuda con una pregunta relacionada con los seguros o para presentar una queja ante el estado:

Llame con sus preguntas al: 1-800-252-3439

Presente una queja en: [www.tdi.texas.gov](http://www.tdi.texas.gov)

Correo electrónico: [ConsumerProtection@tdi.texas.gov](mailto:ConsumerProtection@tdi.texas.gov)

Dirección postal: Consumer Protection, MC: CO-CP, Texas Department of Insurance, PO Box 12030, Austin, TX 78711-2030

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# APPLICATION / PERMIT TO INSTALL ENTRY CULVERT IN COUNTY ROAD RIGHT-OF-WAY DITCH LINE

THE STATE OF TEXAS

COUNTY ROAD Rosser Ranch RD

COUNTY OF YOUNG

Now on this 28 day of Oct, 2024, at a meeting of the Commissioners Court of Young County, Texas, came on to be considered the application of \_\_\_\_\_ for a permit to install an entry culvert in the ditch line and parallel with \_\_\_\_\_ in Young County, Pct. #1. Such Application was filed on the 16 day of October, 2024 and is referred to and made a part of Young County Commissioners Court minutes. And said Court, having determined that the permit for installation of a culvert should be GRANTED / DENIED, it is accordingly ordered by the Court:

1. That the County of Young, State of Texas, does hereby APPROVE / DENY the application of 1368 Rosser Ranch Road to install a culvert at designated location as described and such culvert and installation shall be to the specifications authorized by this permit. This permit is valid for 90 days subject to extension.

Description and Location:

2. Culvert shall be marked with proper markers in a clear and visible manner on each end of said culvert.

Required Diameter: \_\_\_\_\_  
Round: 12"  
Arched: \_\_\_\_\_

Required Length: 24'

Stacy Criswell  
Commissioner, Pct # 1

YOUNG COUNTY COMMISSIONERS COURT

BY: [Signature]  
County Judge, Young County, Texas

ATTEST: [Signature]  
Young County Clerk

Date: 10/28/24

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YOUNG COUNTY Pct#2 requests bids to purchase a 2024/2025 one-ton pickup, 4WD Crew Cab chassis with a utility flatbed. Bids may be mailed to the Young County Auditor, P. O. Box 607, or overnighted to 516 Fourth St., Ste 103, Graham, Texas 76450. Please clearly mark envelopes as **"One Ton Truck"**.

Specifications can be acquired from the Young County Auditor's office.

Bids will be received until 4:00 p.m., Friday, October 25, 2024 and opened in Commissioner's Court at 10:00 a.m. on Monday, October 28, 2024.

For additional information, please contact Commissioner, Scott Shook at 940-456-0884 or the County Auditor's office at 940-549-1786. Young County reserves the right to accept or reject any and all bids.

Young County Commissioners Court  
Edwin Graham  
Young County Judge

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## PUBLIC NOTICE OF HEARING

Young County Commissioners Court will hold a Public Hearing in accordance with Texas Transportation Code, Subchapter E, Section 251.152. The purpose of The Hearing is in regard to traffic regulation, specifically the lowering of maximum speed limit on Judges Road from 30 MPH to 25 MPH. The Hearing shall be held October 28, 2024 at the Young County Courthouse, Room 106 at 10:15 A.M. All interested parties are invited to comment and will be heard.

Win Graham, Young County Judge

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