

STATE OF TEXAS

COUNTY OF GAINES
STATE OF TEXAS

COUNTY OF GAINES

THE HONORABLE COMMISSIONERS’ COURT OF GAINES COUNTY MET IN A REGULAR MEETING ON FEBRUARY 12, 2025 AT 9:00 A.M. THE COUNTY JUDGE CINDY THERWHANGER PRESIDING AND THE FOLLOWING MEMBERS OF THE COURT IN ATTENDANCE.

BRIAN ROSSON	COMMISSIONER PRECINCT #1
JOSH ELDER	COMMISSIONER PRECINCT #2
DAVID MURPHREE	COMMISSIONER PRECINCT #3
BIZ HOUSTON	COMMISSIONER PRECINCT #4

TERRI BERRY	COUNTY CLERK
-------------	--------------

Regular Meeting:

Call to Order - Judge Cindy Therwhanger

Invocation

Pledge - United States and Texas

1. Public Comment: Anyone wishing to address the Court during Public Comments is required to register your name on the registry prior to the meeting. Speakers may only address items listed on the current agenda and are limited to three (3) minutes speaking time. The Court cannot deliberate or act on matters not listed on the agenda.

None

2. Update from Seminole Fire Department.

D.A. Dagley, Fire Chief gave a detailed report of all activities and transactions for the Fire Department from January 1, 2024 through December 31, 2024. He stated he will email this report monthly to the county. (see attached) No action taken.

3. To consider, discuss and take any necessary action on routine administrative items:

a. Minutes from last month’s meetings:

- i. January 2, 2025, January 15, 2025, and January 29, 2025

b. Payroll payables

c. Accounts payable, fund transfers and budget amendments

d. Transfer, sale or destruction of Gaines County Surplus property under Local Government Code §263.152:

- i. Surplus - File Cabinets from District Clerk’s office

e. Contract Renewals:

- i. Permian Basin Regional Planning Commission - \$4,319.60

- ii. Winsupply – 2nd year of 5 year contract for Golf Course - \$3,550.00

Commissioner Houston made a motion to approve the routine administration items, surplus of file cabinets from the District Clerks office and contracts from Permian Basin Regional Planning Commission (\$4,319.60) and Winsupply (5 years- \$3,550.00) Commissioner Elder seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously. (see attached)

4. Update from the Auditor’s Department on the estimated completion date for transferring financial information to Fundview.

Esmeralda Felan, Auditor stated this is still in the process and they are working with Fundview to resolve the issue regarding totals and balancing. She stated at this time there is no completion date set. No action taken.

5. To consider, discuss and take any necessary action on a request from the Maintenance Department to assist an employee to obtain certification for backflow prevention certification.

Commissioner Rosson made a motion to approve a request from the Maintenance Department for the county to assist Jonathan Sendejo to obtain certification for backflow prevention, with an approximate cost to the county of \$3,000.00. Commissioner Elder seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously. (see attached)

6. Update on County Clerk's Record Preservation Fund.

Terri Berry, County Clerk gave an updated Records Preservation/Archive fund balance of \$751,291.34. (see attached) No action taken.

7. To consider and discuss using a portion of County Clerk's Record Preservation fund to assist the District Clerk's office with preservation work.

Susan Murphree, District Clerk stated she has Civil Records to be scanned and has an on site proposal from Terralogic for approximately \$100,000.00. Terri Berry, County Clerk has authorized the transfer of the funds from her Record Preservation/Archive fund to the District Clerk for this project.

8. To consider, discuss and take any necessary action on a resolution opposing elimination of countywide polling place program.

Commissioner Elder made a motion to approve a resolution opposing SB76, elimination of countywide polling place program. Commissioner Rosson seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously. (see attached)

9. Open Request for Proposals for designing the revisions to the fairway and putting range at the Gaines County Golf Course. Take any necessary action.

The following 2 bids were received: GreenSmith-\$61,500.00 and BedScapes-\$546,250.00.

Commissioner Murphree made a motion to approve the bid from GreenSmith for the revisions to the fairway and putting range at the Golf Course in the amount of \$61,500.00. Commissioner Elder seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously. (see attached)

10. To consider, discuss and take any necessary action on proposed revisions to the Gaines County Subdivision Policy and Checklist.

Commissioner Houston made a motion to approve the proposed revisions to the Gaines County Subdivision Policy and Checklist as follows: a stamp or signature and a case study # be on each milar map from the engineer or geoscientist and 3 milar maps are required and one will be given to the Gaines County Appraisal District. Commissioner Elder seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously. (see attached)

11. To discuss and provide information from Perdue Brandon that allows for an expedited sale of vacant properties in accordance with Texas Tax Code 33.911.

Judge Therwhanger stated Perdue Brandon contacted her regarding Texas Tax Code 33.911 that allows for an expedited sale of vacant properties. She then gave each Commissioner a printed out list of properties for them to review and bring back to court if any properties fell in this category. No action taken

12. To consider, discuss and take any necessary action on a request from Korbin Williams to authorize Michael Lord to sign an affidavit regarding a lien on an airport hanger.

Commissioner Murphree made a motion to authorize Michael Lord, Treasurer to sign an affidavit stating the county did not own the structure and Korbin Williams did own the land where his hanger is place at the Gaines County Airport. Commissioner Elder seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

13. To consider, discuss and take any necessary action on approving subdivision application(s), take note of known subdivision exceptions, consider any requests for subdivision variances.

Terri Berry, County Clerk
Clerk of Commissioner's Court
Gaines County, Texas

None

14. To consider, discuss and take any necessary action on road crossing request(s).

Commissioner Murphree made a motion to approve the road crossings on CR 402 in Precinct 4 from Altice dba Optimum and CR 212 in Precinct 2 from Zion.

Commissioner Houston seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously. (see attached)

15. Discuss any other items pertaining to County Business; for information purposes only, no action may be taken on these items except to schedule them for a future agenda.

Judge Therwhanger

Courthouse closed Feb. 17th-President Day

Steve Haley Park voted best walking park and Gaines County 4-H voted best parade

Rental trailer house at Gaines County Park- to be moved out by the end of February and carpets and house cleaned March 3-7

DSS shredding for the Courthouse will be March 5, 2025

Legislative updates-Emergency Order Governor's State of State Address, increase funding of fire trucks, County properties tax relief

Commissioner Rosson

In the process of putting caliche on roads

Commissioner Elder

He is in the process of working on the sprinkler system on the front Courthouse lawn

Commissioner Murphree

In the process of putting caliche on roads. Is in the process of tearing down the old broken cement benches at the Gaines County Park and replacing them

Commissioner Houston

In the process of putting caliche on roads. Is wanting to tear down the old picnic tables and replace and may order new ones at the same time as Commissioner Murphree.

16. EXECUTIVE SESSION: Pursuant to Texas Government Code, Chapter 551. May be acted upon, if appropriate, in open session:

a) Texas Government Code §551.129(2): Consultation with Attorney

Executive Session: closed at 10:45a.m. and opened at 11:10a.m.

Commissioner Murphree made a motion to authorize Scott Shortes, IT Director, Joe Nagy, County Attorney and Commissioner Elder to have discussions with A T & T. Commissioner Rosson seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

17. Adjourn

Commissioner Houston made a motion for the meeting to adjourn. Commissioner Elder seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

The meeting adjourned at 11:11a.m.

I, Terri Berry, Gaines County Clerk, attest that the foregoing is a true and accurate accounting of the Commissioners Court's authorized proceedings for February 12, 2025.



Terri Berry



STATE OF TEXAS

COUNTY OF GAINES
SEMINOLE, TEXAS

COUNTY OF GAINES

THE HONORABLE COMMISSIONERS' COURT OF GAINES COUNTY
MET IN A REGULAR MEETING ON FEBRUARY 26, 2025 AT 9:00A.M.
THE COUNTY JUDGE THERWHANGER PRESIDING AND THE
FOLLOWING MEMBERS OF THE COURT IN ATTENDANCE:

BRIAN ROSSON	COMMISSIONER PRECINCT #1
JOSH ELDER	COMMISSIONER PRECINCT #2
DAVID MURPHREE	COMMISSIONER PRECINCT #3
<u>BIZ HOUSTON</u>	<u>COMMISSIONER PRECINCT #4</u>

<u>TERRI BERRY</u>	<u>COUNTY CLERK</u>
--------------------	---------------------

9:00 am Regular Meeting:

Call to Order-Judge Cindy Therwhanger

Invocation

Pledge-United States and Texas

1. Public Comment: Anyone wishing to address the Court during Public Comments is required to register your name on the registry prior to the meeting. Speakers may only address items listed on the current agenda and are limited to three (3) minutes speaking time. The Court cannot deliberate or act on matters not listed on the agenda.

Terry Millican, Ag Extension Director, gave an update on the stock show results and the upcoming stock show judging. He gave an update on the various classes, conferences and skills that have been completed.

2. Routine administrative items:
 - a. Discuss, consider and/or approve payroll payables.
 - b. Discuss, consider and/or act regarding accounts payable, fund transfers and budget amendments.
 - c. Discuss, consider and/or approve the officer's report reporting all fines imposed and collected for the month of January pursuant to Local Government Code 114.004 and Texas Government Code 51.042.
 - d. Discuss, consider and/or approve renewal contracts.
 - i. TAC Annual County Membership Dues - \$955.00
 - ii. Guardian RFID System Renewal - \$4,138.25
 - e. Discuss, consider and/or approve the transfer, sale, or destruction of Gaines County Surplus property under Local Government Code 263.152.
 - i. Salvage - Precinct 2 - shop lights

Commissioner Houston made a motion to approve the routine administrative items, the follow contracts: TAC Annual Membership dues-\$955.00, Guardian RFIP System Renewal-\$4,138.25, Antivirus renewal contract for laptops and salvage in Precinct 2-shop lights and mailer machine in the Treasurers office. Commissioner Elder seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously. (see attached)

3. To consider, discuss and take any necessary action on the Treasurer's quarterly investment report.

5. To consider, discuss and take any necessary action on the roads in Rain's End Addition Subdivision.

Tabled until Commissioner Murphree is in attendance

6. To consider, discuss and take any necessary action on an Interlocal Agreement with Yoakum County for the Housing of Inmates.

Commissioner Elder made a motion to approve an Interlocal Agreement with Yoakum County for the housing of inmates at \$70 per day. Commissioner Rosson seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously. (see attached)

7. To consider and take any necessary action for the Auditor to add Disaster Recovery Fund lines.

Commissioner Rosson made a motion to authorize the auditor to add the following Disaster Recovery Fund lines:

- #50214-Supplies
- #50264- Equipment purchase/lease
- #51131-Techinal service/repair

Commissioner Elder seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

8. To consider, discuss and take any necessary action on the purchase of twenty Truancy Intervention for Students and Parents classes from Court Solutions Online for Justice of the Peace 2. Total Cost: \$500.00

This item is tabled, the Juvenile Probation has a program and can refer individuals at no cost to the county.

9. To consider, discuss and take any necessary action on approving subdivision application(s), take note of known subdivision exceptions, consider any requests for subdivision variances.

None

10. To consider, discuss and take any necessary action on road crossing request(s).

- a. Altice DBA Optimum - Precinct 3
- b. Peter Froese - Precinct 2

Commissioner Elder made a motion to approve the road crossing in Precinct-2 - Peter Froese-CR 224 and table the road crossing in Precinct 3- Altice DBA Optimum.

Commissioner Rosson seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously. (see attached)

11. Discuss any other items pertaining to County Business; for information purposes only, no action may be taken on these items except to schedule them for a future agenda.

Judge Therwhanger

Document shredding day is March 5th and all boxes need to be marked.

Legislative update-HB 300-EMS funding which could allow \$350,000 to each county if passed.

She commended the Gaines County Health Department in the efforts to manage and help in assistance with the measles outbreak.

Commissioner Rosson, Commissioner Elder and Commissioner Houston stated they are continuing the process of spraying weeds and hauling caliche.

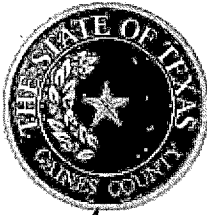
12. EXECUTIVE SESSION: Pursuant to Texas Government Code, Chapter 551. May be acted upon, if appropriate, in open session:

- a. Texas Government Code § 551.129 Consultation with Attorney

Executive Session closed at 9:35a.m.

Executive Session opened at 10:22a.m.

Commissioner Elder made a motion to approve the negotiation settlement agreement with AT&T as presented. Commissioner Rosson seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.



Terri Berry

Terri Berry, County Clerk

Clerk of the Commissioners' Court

Gaines County, Texas

