

STATE OF TEXAS

COUNTY OF GAINES

THE HONORABLE COMMISSIONERS' COURT OF GAINES COUNTY MET IN A SPECIAL MEETING ON SEPTEMBER 3, 2013 AT 10:00 A.M. THE COUNTY JUDGE LANCE T. CELANDER PRESIDING AND THE FOLLOWING MEMBERS OF THE COURT IN ATTENDANCE.

DANNY YOCOM
CRAIG BELT
BLAIR THARP
BIZ HOUSTON

COMMISSIONER PRECINCT #1
COMMISSIONER PRECINCT #2
COMMISSIONER PRECINCT #3
COMMISSIONER PRECINCT #4

VICKI PHILLIPS (ABSENT)

COUNTY CLERK

Court observed a moment of silence followed by the opening invocation given by Commissioner Tharp. Judge Celandor led the pledge to flags. The meeting was called to order at 10:02 a.m.

1. Hold a Public Hearing on the proposed tax rate for the FY 2014 budget; take action as appropriate

Judge Celandor called the Public Hearing to order at 10:02 a.m. There were no public members in attendance. Judge Celandor allowed time for late arrivals, at 10:10 a.m., with none appearing, Judge Celandor called an end to the Public Hearing stating that on September 9, 2013 at 10:00 a.m. the Court will vote to adopt the proposed tax rate for the FY 2014 budget.

2. Consider a procurement purchase for the Loop Water project; take action as appropriate

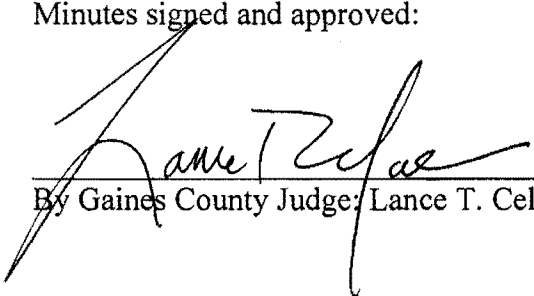
Rick Mills and Leonard Nail, with Parkhill, Smith & Cooper, gave an overview of the Loop Water project, requesting a small purchase procurement from Tejas Partners Construction LLP in the amount of \$15,750.00 to furnish and install insulated well house with additional concrete pad; furnish and install a sand separator with automatic blow off valve; and furnish and install new radio controls for one well. Commissioner Yocom made a motion to approve the small purchase procurement as requested. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Tharp. The motion carried unanimously. (see attached)

3. Adjourn

Commissioner Belt made a motion to adjourn. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Houston. The motion carried unanimously.

The meeting adjourned at 10:11 a.m.

Minutes signed and approved:


By Gaines County Judge: Lance T. Celandor

Date

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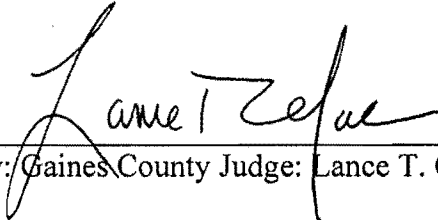
PUBLIC HEARING

Pursuant to Chapter 551, Texas Government Code, written notice is hereby given of a Public Hearing by the County Judge of Gaines County, to be held at 09:00 o'clock AM on the 5th day of September, 2013, at the Gaines County Commissioners' Courtroom, Courthouse, Seminole, Gaines County, Texas, that notice of such hearing was posted on the 30th day of August, 2013, the agenda of said hearing consists of the following:

Persons in attendance were: Rick Dollahan, Benette McDonald and Vicki Phillips.

1. Hold a Public Hearing on the County Wide Equalization proposed tax rate for FY 2014; take action as appropriate
Judge Celander called the Public Hearing to order at 9:00 a.m. There was no public in attendance, and no comments. Judge Celander waited until 9:10 a.m. to allow for any late arrivals. Judge Celander called the Public Hearing to an end.
2. Discuss tax rate public hearing dates and times for the CWE FY 2014 budget; take action as appropriate
Rick Dollahan, County Auditor, stated the 2nd Public Hearing will be held September 9, 2013 at 9: 00 a.m. and the adoption of the CWE tax rate will be held September 13, 2013 at 9:00 a.m.
3. Adjourn
The Public Hearing adjourned at 9:15 a.m.

Minutes signed and approved:


By: Gaines County Judge: Lance T. Celander

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Date

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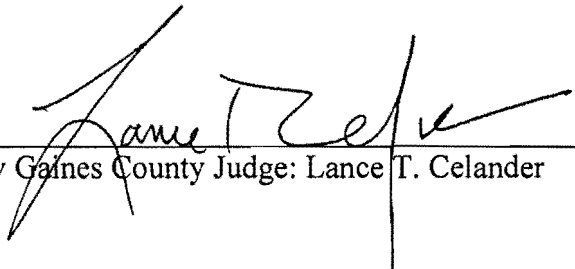
PUBLIC HEARING

Pursuant to Chapter 551, Texas Government Code, written notice is hereby given of a Public Hearing by the County Judge of Gaines County, to be held at 09:00 o'clock AM on the 9th day of September 2013, at the Gaines County Commissioners' Courtroom, Courthouse, Seminole, Gaines County, Texas, that notice of such hearing was posted on the 6th day of September 2013, the agenda of said hearing consists of the following:

Persons in attendance were: Rick Dollahan, Benette McDonald, Vicki Phillips and Dustin Wright.

1. Hold a Public Hearing on the County Wide Equalization proposed tax rate for FY 2014; take action as appropriate
Judge Celander called the 2nd Public Hearing on the CWE proposed tax rate for FY 2014 to order at 9:01 a.m. Public members in attendance were Gary Lentz, Dixie Lentz, Seminole ISD Superintendent Doug Harriman and SISD Chief Financial Officer, Jay Lashaway. Dixie Lentz stated they had concerns regarding all the different entities tax increases, stating as a small business owner, her property appraisal had doubled and the tax increases are hard for small businesses. Lentz stated they did not totally understand the CWE and would like a better explanation. Superintendent Harriman gave an overview of the CWE through the years, explaining it was voted in, in 1939. Harriman gave a breakdown of how the CWE is used in SISD and how the school budget depends on the CWE to supplement their annual budget.
2. Discuss tax rate public hearings dates and times for the CWE FY 2014 budget; take action as appropriate
Judge Celander stated the 3rd hearing to adopt the CWE FY 2014 budget will be held at 9:00 a.m. on September 13, 2013.
3. Adjourn
The Public Hearing adjourned at 9:40 a.m.

Minutes signed and approved:


By Gaines County Judge: Lance T. Celander

10-15-13
Date

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THE HONORABLE COMMISSIONERS' COURT OF GAINES COUNTY MET IN A REGULAR MEETING ON SEPTEMBER 9, 2013 AT 10:00 A.M. THE COUNTY JUDGE LANCE T. CELANDER PRESIDING AND THE FOLLOWING MEMBERS OF THE COURT IN ATTENDANCE.

DANNY YOCOM
CRAIG BELT
BLAIR THARP
BIZ HOUSTON

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COMMISSIONER PRECINCT #4

VICKI PHILLIPS

COUNTY CLERK

Court observed a moment of silence followed by the opening invocation given by Dixie Lentz. Judge Celandor led the pledge to flags. The meeting was called to order at 10:01 a.m.

1. Discuss routine administrative items; take action needed

- a. Last month's minutes
- b. Payroll
- c. Budget amendments and fund transfers
- d. Accounts payable
- e. Auditor's report
- f. Officer's report

Commissioner Belt made a motion to accept and approve the routine administrative items as presented. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Tharp. The motion carried unanimously. (see attached)

2. Meet with the Golf Professional, Shaun McDonald, to discuss changes to the tournament schedule; take action as appropriate

Commissioner Belt made a motion to approve the following tournament additions as presented: Corrosion Specialties on September 13th, Immanuel Baptist on October 5th and Juco College Match on October 14th. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Tharp. The motion carried unanimously. (see attached)

3. Consider renewing the contracts for residential juvenile services; take action as appropriate

- a. Commissioner Yocom made a motion to renew the contract with Randall County Next Step Home Services for residential juvenile services at a rate of \$96.17 for moderate level services. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Houston. The motion carried unanimously. (see attached)
- b. Commissioner Tharp made a motion to renew the contract with Randall County Youth Center Of The High Plains for residential juvenile services at a rate of \$130.00 for secure level services. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Belt. The motion carried unanimously. (see attached)

4. Consider renewing the service agreement with Gaines County and AAA of the PBRPC; take action as appropriate

Judge Celandor presented a service agreement with the Area Agency on Aging (AAA) of the Permian Basin Regional Planning Commission (PBRPC) for the congregate and home delivery meals that are reimbursed by PBRPC. Commissioner Belt made a motion to renew the service agreement as presented. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Yocom. The motion carried unanimously. (see attached)

5. Consider approving resolution for Texas Dept. of Agriculture Grant for Senior Citizens Center; take action as appropriate

Judge Celandor presented a resolution concerning the Texas Department of Agriculture Home-Delivered Meal Grant Program, stating Gaines County has made a grant to the

organization in the amount of \$60,000.00, to be used between October 1, 2013 and September 30, 2014, certifying the organization provides home-delivered meals to homebound elderly or disabled persons in Gaines County. Commissioner Belt made a motion to approve the resolution as presented. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Houston. The motion carried unanimously. (see attached)

6. Consider accepting RAMP grant; take action as appropriate

Judge Celander presented the Grant For Routine Airport Maintenance Program for approval. Rick Dollahan stated this is the grant that the State reimburses half the County expense for routine airport maintenance. Commissioner Tharp made a motion to accept the RAMP grant as presented. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Belt. The motion carried unanimously. (see attached)

7. Consider adopting CY 2013/FY 2014 tax rate; take action as appropriate

Judge Celander asked if there were any comments, Dixie Lentz requested the Court start watching their budget. Judge Celander reviewed thoughts on the proposed new jail and costs of housing out inmates. Commissioner Tharp stated unfunded mandates handed down from the State affect the budget. Commissioner Houston stated that \$700,000.00 was budgeted for the housing out of inmates. Commissioner Tharp also stated a large amount for upcoming capital murder trials had to be budgeted. Commissioner Belt stated all the growth in the County is a factor in the budget. The Court agreed that they discuss and consider all budget requests during budget sessions and try to control increases as best they can.

Judge Celander read the Order Setting The 2013 Property Tax Rate For Gaines County, Texas. The tax rate is proposed in the following components:

General Fund Maintenance and Operation Tax Rate \$0.251418

FC/Lateral Road Maintenance and Operation Tax Rate \$0.109684

Commissioner Yocom made a motion to adopt the 2013 Total Ad Valorem Tax Rate of \$0.361102 per \$100 assessed valuation on all taxable property within the County. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Belt, with all Court members voting aye, none against. The motion carried unanimously. (see attached)

8. Consider declaring surplus equipment for the County; take action as appropriate

Commissioner Yocom made a motion to declare Unit #1211-EZGO Golf Cart, in Precinct 1, as surplus equipment. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Belt. The motion carried unanimously. (see attached)

9. Consider current subdivision application(s); take action as appropriate

Judge Celander stated there are several pending subdivisions: three in Precinct 1, one in Precinct 2 and one in Precinct 3. No action taken..

10. Consider current road crossing request(s); take action as appropriate

Commissioner Tharp made a motion to approve a road crossing request, in Precinct 3, from John Fehr to cross County Road 304J with a 4" steel casing with poly hose. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Yocom. The 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

a. Judge Celander read a thank you letter from the Terry County Judge for the use of a roller from Precinct 1.

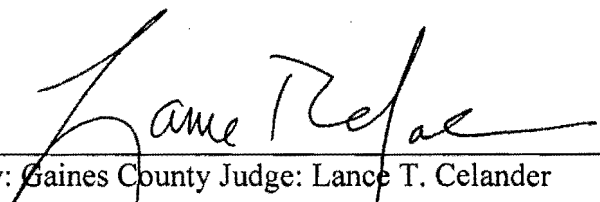
b. Judge Celander informed the Court of a \$225,000,000.00 grant that may be available for Counties with damage to paved roads due to the oilfield boom.

12. Adjourn

Commissioner Belt made a motion to adjourn. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Tharp. The motion carried unanimously.

The meeting adjourned at 10:50 a.m.

Minutes signed and approved:


By: Gaines County Judge: Lance T. Celander

10-15-13
Date

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PUBLIC HEARING

Pursuant to Chapter 551, Texas Government Code, written notice is hereby given of a Public Hearing by the County Judge of Gaines County, to be held at 09:00 o'clock AM on the 13th day of September 2013, at the Gaines County Commissioners' Courtroom, Courthouse, Seminole, Gaines County, Texas, that notice of such hearing was posted on the 9th day of September 2013, the agenda of said hearing consists of the following:

Persons in attendance were: Rick Dollahan, Benette McDonald and Connie Curtis.

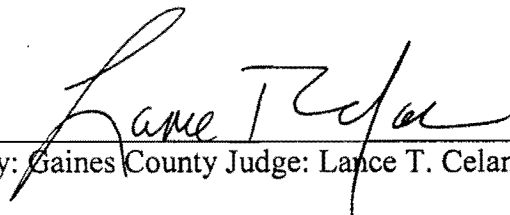
1. Consider adopting the County Wide Equalization tax rate for FY 2014; take action as appropriate

Judge Celander called the Public Hearing to order at 9:00 a.m. There were no public members in attendance. Judge Celander approved the Order Setting the Tax Year 2013 and Fiscal Year 2014 Property Tax Rates For County Wide Equalization at \$0.155546. (see attached)

2. Adjourn

The Public Hearing adjourned at 9:02 a.m.

Minutes signed and approved:


By: Gaines County Judge: Lance T. Celander

10-15-13
Date

STATE OF TEXAS

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THE HONORABLE COMMISSIONERS' COURT OF GAINES COUNTY MET IN A REGULAR MEETING ON SEPTEMBER 23, 2013 AT 10:00 A.M. THE COUNTY JUDGE LANCE T. CELANDER PRESIDING AND THE FOLLOWING MEMBERS OF THE COURT IN ATTENDANCE.

DANNY YOCOM
CRAIG BELT
BLAIR THARP
BIZ HOUSTON

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VICKI PHILLIPS

COUNTY CLERK

Court observed a moment of silence followed by the opening invocation given by Commissioner Yocom. Judge Celander led the pledge to flags. The meeting was called to order at 10:00 a.m.

1. Discuss routine administrative items: take action needed

- a. Payroll
- b. Budget amendments and fund transfers
- c. Accounts payable
- d. Auditor's report
- e. Officer's report

Commissioner Belt made a motion to accept and approve the routine administrative items, including the Library surplus/salvage and gifts declared as of September 23, 2013 list, as presented. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Tharp. The motion carried unanimously. (see attached)

2. Meet with the Golf Professional, Shaun McDonald, to discuss changes to the tournament schedule; take action as appropriate

Benette McDonald presented a request to change the West Texas Gas tournament on September 28th from a reverse shotgun to course closed ½ day. Commissioner Yocom made a motion to approve the revised tournament schedule as presented. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Belt. The motion carried unanimously. (see attached)

3. Meet with Jane Bering in reference to the Summer Reading Program; take action as appropriate

Jane Bering presented charts showing Summer Reading statistics and participation along with Summer Reading totals. Commissioner Tharp made a motion to accept the report as presented. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Houston. The motion carried unanimously. (see attached)

4. Meet with Jane Bering in reference to a proposed job description to include the duties of a community-based outreach coordinator; take action as appropriate

Jane Bering presented a job description for a Community-Based Outreach Coordinator. This will be a supplemental job added to the Adult & Young Adult Services position held by the 1st Assistant. Commissioner Belt made a motion to approve the job description as presented. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Yocom. The motion carried unanimously. (see attached)

5. Discuss the upcoming jail project; take action as appropriate

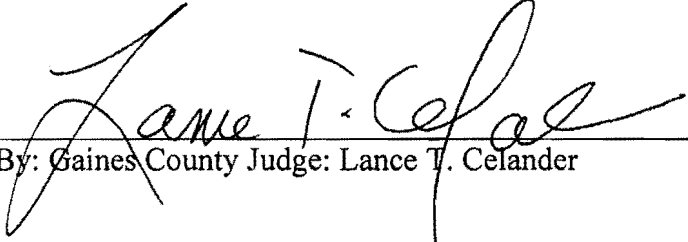
Rick Dollahan recommended having an attorney in place prior to beginning a jail project, stating Tom Polland, with Bickerstaff, Heath, Delgado, Acosta LLP, is already in place from the multi-use facility, however Dollahan recommends a renewed agreement. Dollahan also recommended getting a professional services contract with an architect firm. Wayne Gondeck with DRG Architects worked on the previous jail project. Sheriff Ronny Pipkin stated he had toured the new jail in Mitchell County saying the overall design looked good. Pipkin did recommend an underground EOC. Court agreed to

request Polland, Gondeck and the Jail Commission be at the Commissioners' Court meeting on October 15, 2013. Tabled until October 15, 2013.

6. Discuss vending machines on County property; take action as appropriate
Rick Dollahan stated any vending machines on County property must be bid out. The County can collect a commission on sales to be used for retirement and longevity gifts. This item was tabled to decide how many buildings might want vending machines, then request bids from vendors.
7. Consider approving subdivision application(s)
 - a. Commissioner Tharp, Precinct 3, made a motion to approve the Silver Bell preliminary plat. The owner is Frank Wiebe. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Houston. The motion carried unanimously.
 - b. Commissioner Yocom, Precinct 1, made a motion to approve the JW&T Estates preliminary plat. The owner is John Siemens and is all commercial tracts. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Belt. The motion carried unanimously.
8. Consider approving road crossing request(s)
None
9. 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
 - a. Rick Dollahan read a letter to Judge Schildknecht from the Attorney General regarding successful collection of child support payments. (see attached)
 - b. Commissioner Tharp and Benette McDonald recommended the purchase of an AED unit for the Golf Course due to a recent medical emergency at the Golf Course.
 - c. Judge Celander reminded everyone that the next Court meeting will be Tuesday, October 15, 2013 due to the Columbus Day holiday.
 - d. Rick Dollahan stated this is the last Court meeting for the fiscal year end, stating the year is ending with everything in good shape.
10. Adjourn
Commissioner Belt made a motion to adjourn. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Tharp. The motion carried unanimously.

The meeting adjourned at 10:50 a.m.

Minutes signed and approved:


By: Gaines County Judge: Lance T. Celander

10-15-13
Date