

STATE OF TEXAS

COUNTY OF GAINES

THE HONORABLE COMMISSIONERS' COURT OF GAINES COUNTY MET IN A REGULAR MEETING ON MAY 6, 2024 AT 9:00 A.M. THE COUNTY JUDGE CINDY THERWHANGER PRESIDING AND THE FOLLOWING MEMBERS OF THE COURT IN ATTENDANCE.

BRIAN ROSSON
JOSH ELDER
DAVID MURPHREE
BIZ HOUSTON

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

TERRI BERRY

COUNTY CLERK

9:00 am Regular Meeting:

Call to Order - Judge Cindy Therwhanger

Invocation

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1. Public Comment – should be related to a listed agenda item, if not on the agenda the Court will be unable to respond to the issue in any way other than scheduling for the agenda of a future meeting.

None

2. Introduce new staff members for the Gaines County Clerk's Office and Juvenile Probation Office.

Terri Berry, County Clerk introduced her new employee, Lynda Wieler as a Deputy in the County Clerk's office.

Delia Grisham, JV Probation introduced her new employee, Norma Casas as an Administrative Assistant

3. To consider, discuss and take any necessary action on routine administrative items:
 - a. Minutes from last month's meeting April 4, 2024 (special meeting), April 10, 2024 and April 15, 2024.
 - 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. Salvage:
 1. Maintenance – Dishwasher
 2. Precinct 2 - Pickup
 - e. Contract Renewals
 - i. IT - JL3 Integrated Solutions
 - f. Request for changes in rental hours:

Commissioner Elder made a motion to approve the routine administrative items, and the following:

- Salvage – Maintenance/Buildings – Dishwasher
Precinct 2 – Unit #2156, 2001 Ford Pickup
- Renewal contract on JL3 Integrated Solutions in the amount of \$1,000.00

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

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

Commissioner Elder made a motion to approve the Quarterly Treasurers Investment report as presented by Michael Lord, Treasurer. Commissioner Rosson seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously. (see attached)

5. To consider, discuss and take any necessary action on quotes from JL3 Integrated Solutions for camera systems at the Seagraves Museum and Seagraves Library using ARPA funds. Museum Total Cost: \$12,515.00 Library Total Cost: \$6,722.61

Commissioner Murphree made a motion to approve installing a camera system at the Seagraves Museum in the amount of \$12,515.00 and the Seagraves Library in the amount of \$6,722.61 by JI3 Integrated Solutions using ARPA funds. Commissioner Houston seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously. (see attached)

6. To consider, discuss and take any necessary action on a quote from Glass Ops, LLC for the replacement of windows at the Seagraves JP/Tax Assessor's Office using ARPA funds. Total Cost: \$3,620.84

Commissioner Murphree made a motion to approved a quote from Glass Ops, LLC for the replacement of windows at the Seagraves JP/Tax Assessor's office in the amount of \$3,620.84 using ARPA funds. Commissioner Houston seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously. (see attached)

7. To consider, discuss and take any necessary action on quotes from DGA and FIM for the Gaines County Park DGC for disc golf signage using ARPA funds. DGA Total Cost: \$705.00 FIM Total Cost \$200.00

Commissioner Murphree made a motion to approve a quote from DGA in the amount of \$705.00 and FIM in the amount of \$200.00 for disc golf signage using ARPA funds. Commissioner Houston seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously. (see attached)

8. To consider, discuss and take any necessary action on a quote from Kubota for the purchase of a small tractor for Precinct 2. BuyBoard Purchase: Total Cost \$23,668.56

Commissioner Houston made a motion to approve a quote from Kubota for the purchase of a small tractor for Precinct 2 with a BuyBoard purchase of \$23,668.56 and this amount be transferred from capital project funds into Memorial Cemetery funds. Commissioner Rosson seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously. (see attached)

9. To consider, discuss and take any necessary action on applying for Unclaimed Property Capital Credits for Counties.

Commissioner Rosson made a motion to authorize Judge Therwhanger to apply for the Unclaimed Property Capital Credits for Gaines County. Commissioner Elder seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously. (see attacVed)

10. To discuss the development of a policy that allows for payment of school for new employees willing to get a CDL license.

Following much discussion Judge Therwhanger will research policies with other counties and address the issues regarding, school cost, how long employees are to work to pay back the cost, etc. and prepare a policy to present to court for approval.

11. To consider, discuss and take any necessary action on requests to build airport hangars:

- a. Jake Peters – L4 – 50x65
- b. John Peters – L5 – 75x80
- c. Yolanda Guenther – L6 – 75x80
- d. Korbin Williams – L7

Commissioner Rosson made a motion to approve the building of the following hangers and the county will no longer provide or put down asphalt for the front of the hangers:

- a. Jake Peters – L4 – 50x65

- b. John Peters – L5 – 75x80
- c. Yolanda Guenther – L6 – 75x80
- d. Korbin Williams – L7

Commissioner Elder seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

12. Consider approving subdivision application(s), take note of known exceptions, consider any requests for variances, act as appropriate.

None

13. Consider current road crossing request(s), act as appropriate.

None

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

Judge Therwhanger:

Her office will be closed May 7th – May 13th to attend the Probate Academy Conference as well at Terri Berry, County Clerk.

We have received the TAC Rebate for Unemployment Survey in the amount of \$23,292.00.

The week of May 13th the Community Building will be rented out by 3 schools for end of year activities. Commissioner Murphree stated there needs consistency as to when and who will take care of the water needs and refilling the tank for park use. He stated he will get with Scott Nichols and determine the best way to handle this with a protocol put in place.

The windows were installed in the District Courtroom.

The next meeting will be May 22nd with deadline for agenda items to be turned in by May 15th.

Commissioner Elder:

The roof has been completed. There have been termites found at the Civic Center and Premiere Pest Solutions with spray and take care of the minimal issue at a cost of approximately \$4,000.00.

Commissioner Murphree:

He stated there needs consistency as to when and who will take care of the water needs and refilling the tank for park use. He stated he will get with Scott Nichols and determine the best way to handle this with a protocol put in place.

Commissioner Houston:

He stated the sprinklers are running good and he will level out dirt in areas and reseed, Rodeo Club is doing a fantastic job with the project and have not ask for any help from the county. He stated when they are ready to paint he would like for the county to purchase paint.

15. Adjourn

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

The meeting adjourned at 9:45a.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 May 6, 2024.



Terri Berry

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

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9:00 am **Regular Meeting:**

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Invocation

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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. Discuss, consider and/or act on 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 March pursuant to Local Government Code 114.004 and Texas Government Code 51.042.
- d. Discuss, consider and take any action on non-capital surplus or salvage

Commissioner Rosson made a motion to approve the routine administrative items as presented. Commissioner Houston seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously. (see attached)

3. To consider, discuss, and take any necessary action on a request from the Juvenile Probation department to purchase nine (9) gift cards for Character Camp 2024. Total cost: \$240

Commissioner Rosson made a motion to approve the purchase of 9 gift cards with the total amount being \$240 for the Juvenile Probation department to use for the Character Champ 2024, JULY 16TH-18TH. Commissioner Houston seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously. (see attached)

4. To consider, discuss, and take any necessary action on the increased rates for the Lubbock County Juvenile Justice Center effective September 1, 2024, for the Juvenile Probation department

Commissioner Rosson made a motion to approve the \$20 per day increase for the Lubbock County Juvenile Justice Center effective September 1st for the Juvenile Probation department. Commissioner Elder seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously. (see attached)

5. To consider, discuss and take any necessary action on acceptance of a grant the Fire Department received for the partial purchase of a tanker truck.

Commissioner Elder made a motion to approve no changes in the budget or local funding as a result of the Fire Department receiving a grant of \$400,000.00 to

purchase a tanker truck. Commissioner Rosson seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously. (see attached)

6. To consider, discuss and take any necessary action on rates for pavers for the Gaines County Veterans Memorial.

Commissioner Rosson made a motion to approve the rates for pavers as presented and the county will pay the \$65.00 cost to inscribe names. Commissioner Elder seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously. (see attached)

7. To consider, discuss and take any necessary action on requirements for names being placed on Veterans Memorial.

Commissioner Rosson made a motion to approve the requirements for names being placed on the Veterans Memorial as presented with Johnny Hernandez researching names needing DD214 as per the requirements. Commissioner Houston seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously. (see attached)

8. To consider, discuss and take any necessary action on a request for the Fire Department to use a county facility for training events.

Commissioner Elder made a motion authorize the Fire Department to use the building North of the Emergency Operations Center for training purposes. Commissioner Houston seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

9. To consider, discuss and take any necessary action on entering into a scheduled service agreement using ARPA funds with Trane for the courthouse chillers.

Commissioner Murphree made a motion to approve a service agreement and to make a lump sum payment of \$150,392.16 (4% discount) with TRANE for the courthouse chillers using ARPA funds. Commissioner Rosson seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously. (see attached)

10. To consider, discuss and take any necessary action on a request from the Maintenance Department to purchase a used bucket truck using ARPA funds.

Commissioner Elder made a motion go out for bids for a new or used bucket truck for the Maintenance Department using ARPA funds, unless he found a truck for under the requirement of \$50,000.00. Commissioner Houston seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously. (see attached)

11. To consider, discuss and take any necessary action on submitting a ballot for Texas Association of Counties Health and Employee Benefits Pool Board of Directors.

Commissioner Rosson made a motion to approve the nomination of the Hon. Ellen Owens, Bastrop County Tax Assessor-Collector for the Texas Association of Counties Health and Employee Benefits Pool Board of Directors. Commissioner Elder seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously. (see attached)

12. To consider, discuss, and take any necessary action on a request from Precinct 1 to purchase a dump truck from Bruckner's Truck & Equipment. Total Cost: \$195,830.36 (HGAC co-op purchase)

Commissioner Houston made a motion to approved the purchase of a 2025 dump truck from Bruckner's Truck & Equipment for Precinct 1 in the amount of \$195,830.36. Commissioner Murphree seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously. (see attached)

13. To consider, discuss, and take any necessary action on the purchase of a CAT Skid Steer Loader with attachments for Precinct 4. Buyboard purchase. Total Cost:\$104,995.00

Commissioner Rosson made a motion to approve a Buyboard purchase of a CAT Skid Steer Loader with attachments from Warren CAT for Precinct 4 in the amount of \$104,050.00. Commissioner Elder seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously. (see attached)

14. To consider, discuss and take any necessary action on a request from Precinct 1 to purchase a mini-van for delivery of meals for the Seagraves Senior Citizens. Total Cost: \$47,241.27

Commissioner Houston made a motion to approve the purchase of a mini-van from Brownfield Chrysler for the Seagraves Senior Citizens in Precinct 1 in the amount of \$47,241.27 using ARPA funds. Commissioner Murphree seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously. (see attached)

15. Consider approving subdivision application(s), take note of known exceptions, consider any requests for variances, act as appropriate.

None

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

None

17. 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:

Veterans Coffee & Camaraderie is May 23rd at the Civic Center.

She stated she will be serving on the steering committee for the US Dept of Transportation Safe Streets and Roads for All with PBRPV

June 5th will be the first budget meeting.

TxDot will be doing traffic studies on US Hwy 385.

The next court meeting will be June 5th, deadline for agenda items will be Wednesday May 29th

Commissioner Rosson:

He stated he will be out all next week

Commissioner Murphree:

He stated how important communication is and there was an incident within the county by the west towers of a man being electrocuted and he was able to call for help. A county employee heard the call on his radio installed in his vehicle and was nearby and was able to get to the individual and call EMS for assistance and directed them where the individual was located.

Commissioner 4:

The fence is up at Haley Park.

The water system is complete at the cemetery.

He thanked the Fire Department for the use of the fire hut to hold the benefit meal for David Anderson.

Esmeralda Felan, Auditor:

They along with the Treasurer's office completed the new software training. There will be a transition from the old system coming soon.

Scott Shortes, IT Director:

He stated TDS will stop bulk cable at the jail and reached out to IT at the courthouse in Andrews, Tx and they stated they used Direct TV. He contacted Direct TV and their rate is cheaper and he will place it on the next Agenda for approval.

18. Adjourn;

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

The meeting adjourned at 9:56a.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 May 22, 2024.



A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Terri Berry".

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