

**STATE OF TEXAS
COUNTY OF BROWN**

The Brown County Commissioners Court convened in a Special Session on April 4, 2005 at 9:00 A. M. in the County Courtroom, Brown County Courthouse, 200 South Broadway Brownwood, Texas. Judge West called the meeting to order. Members of the Court present were:

E. RAY WEST III	COUNTY JUDGE
STEVE ADAMS	COMMISSIONER, PRECINCT NO. 1
ADRON BECK	COMMISSIONER, PRECINCT NO. 2
RICHARD GIST	COMMISSIONER, PRECINCT NO. 3
DAVID CARROLL	COMMISSIONER, PRECINCT NO. 4

Also present:

MARGARET WOOD	COUNTY CLERK
NINA COX	COUNTY AUDITOR
NONA GIDDENS	ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANT

A. Opening prayer. Commissioner Carroll led the Court in the invocation.

B. Reading and approval of minutes. Commissioner Gist moved that the minutes of the March 21, 2005 meeting be approved, as presented by County Clerk Margaret Wood. Commissioner Adams seconded the motion and the Court voted 4-0 to approve.

C. Recognition of visitors.

D. Matter of new business to be presented to the Court for its consideration and action as appropriate

Item #1: Approval to replace part of the security system.

Courthouse Security Officer Wayne Coffman told the Court that the button alarm/security system on the second and third floors of the Courthouse, except for the Justice of the Peace Offices, were knocked out by a recent power surge, during a thunderstorm. Judge West moved that the Court approve the expenditure of \$5500.00 to replace the button alarm/security system component which covers the second and third floors of the Courthouse and to submit the bill to the insurance company (Texas Association of Counties). Commissioner Adams seconded the motion and the Court voted 5-0 to approve.

(Exhibit #1)

Item #2: David Carroll, Precinct #4/Verizon-utility easement, Highway 67 and Sherwood Drive. Commissioner Carroll moved that the Court approve a notice of construction of a communication line, made by Verizon Southwest, within the right-of-way of Highway #67 and Sherwood Drive, in Precinct #4; subject to Brown County specifications. Commissioner Gist seconded the motion and the Court voted 4-0 to approve. (Exhibit #2)

Item #3: David Carroll, Precinct #4/Johnny Deal-utility easement, County Road #151. Commissioner Carroll moved that an application to bore under County Road #151, to install a buried line, made by Johnny Deal, in Precinct #4, be approved; subject to Brown County specifications for boring under a road. Commissioner Adams seconded the motion and the Court voted 4-0 to approve. (Exhibit #3)

Item #4: David Carroll, Precinct #4/Jim Byers-utility

easement, County Road #135. Commissioner Carroll moved that an application, made by Jim Byers, to install a buried line within the right-of-way of County Road #135, in Precinct #4, be approved; subject to Brown County specifications for boring under a County road. Commissioner Gist seconded the motion and the Court voted 4-0 to approve. (Exhibit #4)

Item #5: Nina Cox-request to advertise for bids for County Depository. Auditor Nina Cox told the Court that the depository contract with Texas Bank will expire on May 31, 2005. Commissioner Adams moved that the Auditor be authorized to advertise for bids on a five year County Depository contract. Commissioner Beck seconded the motion and the Court voted 4-0 to approve.

Item #6: Nina Cox-request to purchase chairs for District Judge's Office. Commissioner Carroll moved that the District Judge be authorized to purchase two guest armchairs, at \$381.50 each. Commissioner Gist seconded the motion and the Court voted 4-0 to approve. (Exhibit #5)

Item #7: Approval of tax deeds/Brown Baptist Association, Highland View, Block 3, Lot 18 and Part of Lot 17/Max Pearce, Tamarack Mountain, Section I Lot 17 and Lot 58/Douglas and Judy Pierson, Tamarack Mountain, Section II, Lots #289, #290, #331, and #332. Commissioner Carroll moved that the Court accept the following bids for tax sale property located in Brown County:

1700 81/2 Street, Brownwood, also known as Highland View, Block 3, Lot 18 and part of Lot 17/sold to Brown Baptist

Association (Exhibit #6)

Commissioner Beck seconded the motion and the Court voted 4-0 to approve.

Commissioner Carroll moved that the Court accept the following bids for tax sale properties, in Brown County:

Tamarack Mountain, Section I, Lot 57

Tamarack Mountain, Section I, Lot 38/sold to Max Pearce

Tamarack Mountain, Section II, Lots 289, 290, 331, 332/

Sold to Douglas and Judy Peirson (Exhibit #7)

Commissioner Beck seconded the motion and the Court voted 4-0 to approve.

Item #8: Bobby Grubbs-approval to purchase vehicle radio repeaters and equipment. Commissioner Adams moved that Sheriff Grubbs be authorized to purchase a hand held radio, from S & P, for \$2731.05. Commissioner Carroll seconded the motion and the Court voted 4-0 to approve. (Exhibit #8)

Reports. The April 1, 2005 Cash Position Statement was presented by County Treasurer Judy Stirman, for filing. (Exhibit #9)

F. Consideration and approval of bills. Commissioner Adams moved that claims be paid, as presented by County Auditor Nina Cox. Commissioner Carroll seconded the motion and the Court voted 3-0 to approve. Judge West and Commissioner Gist were not present at the time of the vote. (Exhibit #10)

G. Recess. Commissioner Carroll moved that the Court recess

until April 5, 2005 at 9:00 A.M. in the City of Brownwood City Council Chambers. Commissioner Beck seconded the motion and the Court voted 3-0 to approve. Commissioner Gist and Judge West were not present at the time of the vote.

**Approved by the BROWN COUNTY COMMISSIONERS COURT
on the 11th day of April, 2005**

COUNTY JUDGE

COMMISSIONER, PRECINCT NO. 1

COMMISSIONER, PRECINCT NO. 2

COMMISSIONER, PRECINCT NO. 3

COMMISSIONER, PRECINCT NO. 4

ATTEST

COUNTY CLERK