

**STATE OF TEXAS
COUNTY OF BROWN**

The Brown County Commissioners Court convened in a Special Session on February 27, 2006 at 9:00 A. M. in the Commissioners 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
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 Gist led the Court in the invocation.

B. Reading and approval of minutes. Commissioner Carroll moved that the minutes of the February 13, 2006 meeting be approved, as presented by County Clerk Margaret Wood. Commissioner Beck seconded the motion and the Court voted 3-0 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: Consideration and approval of Local Fund Participation Federal Off-System Program, County Road #114.

Commissioner Gist moved that the Court authorize the work performed on County Road #225, in Precinct #1, valued at \$9,044.66 be applied toward Brown County's Local Fund Participation amount in the Federal Off-System Program and Texas Department of Transportation Project in Precinct #1, (West Holloway Creek Bridge on County Road #114). Commissioner Carroll seconded the motion and the Court voted 3-0 to approve. (Exhibit #1)

Item #2: Revision of Resolution Local Fund Participation for Off-System Program, County Road #228. Judge West moved that the Court authorize an Amended Resolution stating that the equivalent match project on County Road #229, Precinct #1, in the amount of \$40,929.98, should be applied to the Off-System Program located at Indian Creek Road and County Road #228, in Precinct #1. Commissioner Beck seconded the motion and the Court voted 4-0 to approve. (Exhibit #2)

Item #3: Direct Energy-presentation of energy reduction study for Brown County and permission to request RFQ per Local Government Code #302. After a presentation, made by Mickey West and Joe Davis from Direct Energy, and a discussion period, the Court tabled the matter until the next meeting. (Exhibit #3)

Item #4: Approval of Tax Deed, Howard and Jean Morris, Hillcrest Addition, Block 16, Lots 4, 5 and 6. Judge West told the Court that the City of Brownwood and the Brownwood Independent School District has approved the sale of the property listed in this

matter. He then moved that the Court approve the Tax Resale Deed to Howard and Jean Morris for property described as follows:

**a portion of Lots 4, 5, and 6, Block 16 of the Hillcrest Addition,
City of Brownwood**

Commissioner Carroll seconded the motion and the Court voted 4-0 to approve. (Exhibit #4)

Item #5: Elections Office-discussion and consideration of copier. Commissioner Beck moved that the Court authorize the rental of a Cannon Copier, for \$45.00 per month, for the Elections Administration Office. Commissioner Gist seconded the motion and the Court voted 3-0 to approve. (Exhibit #5)

Item #6: Sheriff's Office-approval of employee changes. Commissioner Beck moved that the Court approve the following employee changes, in the Sheriff's Department:

Daniel M. Weatherly/ jailer/employed

Roderick Jones, Jr/jailer/discontinued (Exhibit #6)

Irene Hurtado/jailer/employed

Jessica Smith/jailer/discontinued (Exhibit #7)

Angela Chambers/jailer/employed

Irene Hurtado/jailer/discontinued (Exhibit #8)

Paula Garcia/jailer/employed

Kim Boyette/jailer/discontinued (Exhibit #9)

Charlotte Spinks/jailer/employed

Howard Whitney/jailer/discontinued (Exhibit #10)

Nathan Donald/jailer/employed

Todd Moody/jailer/promoted to Jail Sergeant (Exhibit #11)

Todd Moody/Sergeant Jailer/employed

Debra Smith/Sgt Jailer/promoted to Asst Jail Admin (Exhibit #12)

Commissioner Carroll seconded the motion and the Court voted 3-0 to approve.

Commissioner Beck moved that the Court authorize the Sheriff to employ Jane Fisher as a part-time (20 hours per week) Records Clerk and to pay her out of the Evercom Fund. Commissioner Carroll seconded the motion and the Court voted 3-0 to approve. (Exhibit #13)

Item #7: Sheriff's Office-approval of equipment for new patrol vehicle. Commissioner Carroll moved that the Court authorize the Sheriff to purchase, in the amount of \$6,388.45, radio equipment for a new patrol vehicle. The purchase is to be made from the remaining funds allocated for new Sheriff Department vehicles. Commissioner Gist seconded the motion and the Court voted 3-0 to approve. (Exhibit #14)

Item #8: Shane Britton-approval of new employee. Commissioner Carroll moved that County Attorney Shane Britton be authorized to employ former Sheriff Glen Smith, as a volunteer County Attorney Investigator, for sixteen hours per week. County Attorney Britton will carry his Law Enforcement Commission. Commissioner Beck seconded the motion and the Court voted 3-0 to approve.

Item #9: Nona Giddens-approval of new employee and employee changes. Commissioner Gist moved that the Court approve the following personnel changes in the Commissioner Court's

Administrative Assistant Office:

Lisa Taylor/Administrative Assistant/employed

Nona Giddens/Administrative Assistant/resigned (Exhibit #15)

Lisa Taylor/IHC Assistant/promoted to Admin Asst

Amelia Hamerick/IHC Assistant/employed (Exhibit #16)

Commissioner Carroll seconded the motion and the Court voted 3-0 to approve.

Item #10: DIAMIN, Inc.-approval of gas lease with the County at Thrifty Park and utility easement on County Road #105, in Precinct #4. Terry Bennie, from DIAMIN, Inc., was present to discuss a gas lease, which Brown County owns, at Thrifty Park, in Precinct #4. After discussion, Judge West moved that the Court ratify a 1942 gas lease, subject to:

legal requirements (researched by Judge West and County Attorney Shane Britton in the Local Government Code) for notice requirements and publication of notices, if necessary language acceptable to both lessor and lessee

Commissioner Carroll seconded the motion and the Court voted 4-0 to approve. The utility easement was tabled. (Exhibit #17)

Item #11: Steve Adams, Precinct #1/Pecan Valley Pipe Line-utility easement, County Road #194. Commissioner Gist moved that the Court approve an application, made by Terrie Bennie and

Pecan Valley Pipe Line, to install a buried line within the right-of-way of County Road #194, in Precinct #1; subject to Brown County specifications. Commissioner Carroll seconded the motion and the Court voted 3-0 to approve. (Exhibit #18)

Item #12: Acceptance of resignation of Mike Barr as Deputy Constable, Precinct #3. Commissioner Gist moved that the Court accept the resignation of Mike Barr, Deputy Constable, Precinct #3. Commissioner Beck seconded the motion and the Court voted 3-0 to approve. (Exhibit #19)

E. Reports. Ann Krpoun, County Treasurer, presented the February 24, 2006 Cash Statement Report, for filing. (Exhibit #20)

F. Consideration and approval of bills. Commissioner Gist moved that the claims, presented by Auditor Nina Cox, be approved for payment. Commissioner Carroll seconded the motion and the Court voted 3-0 to approve. (Exhibit #21)

G. Recess. Judge West moved that the Court recess until March 6, 2006. Commissioner Carroll seconded the motion and the Court voted 3-0 to approve.

**Approved by the BROWN COUNTY COMMISSIONERS COURT
on the 6th day of March, 2006**

COUNTY JUDGE

COMMISSIONER, PRECINCT NO. 1

COMMISSIONER, PRECINCT NO. 2

COMMISSIONER, PRECINCT NO. 3

COMMISSIONER, PRECINCT NO. 4

ATTEST

COUNTY CLERK