

**STATE OF TEXAS
COUNTY OF BROWN**

The Brown County Commissioners Court convened in a Special Session on May 1, 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
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
LISA TAYLOR	ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANT

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

B. Reading and approval of minutes. Commissioner Carroll moved that the minutes of the April 17, 2006 meetings be approved, as presented by County Clerk Margaret Wood. Commissioner Gist 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: Sheriff's Office-approval of employee changes and salary adjustments. Passed.

Item #2: Approval of bond for Temporary Tax Assessor-Collector. Commissioner Adams moved that the Court approve a temporary bond for Interim Tax Assessor-Collector Cheryl Nelson. Commissioner Beck seconded the motion and the Court voted 5-0 to approve. (Exhibit #1)

Item #3: Consideration and action of salary change for Temporary Tax Assessor-Collector. Judge West moved that the Court approve a salary for Interim Tax Assessor-Collector Cheryl Nelson, equal to that budgeted for the Tax Assessor-Collector and effective as of April 13, 2006. Commissioner Gist seconded the motion and the Court voted 5-0 to approve. (Exhibit #2)

Item #4: Cheryl Nelson-approval of new employees. Commissioner Adams moved that the Court approve the following personnel changes, in the Tax Assessor-Collector Office:

Jody Brady/employed

Angi Bindel/discontinued (Exhibit #3)

Darlene Hair/employed

Christine Pentecost/moved to Chief Deputy (Exhibit #4)

Commissioner Beck seconded the motion and the Court voted 5-0 to approve.

Item #5: Cheryl Nelson-appointment of Chief Deputy for Tax Assessor-Collector's Office. Commissioner Adams moved that the

Court approve the request by Interim Tax Assessor-Collector Cheryl Nelson to promote Christine Pentecost to the position of Chief Deputy Tax Assessor-Collector. Commissioner Beck seconded the motion and the Court voted 5-0 to approve.

Commissioner Beck moved that Christine Pentecost be paid the same salary that Interim Tax Assessor-Collector Cheryl Nelson was making in that position. Commissioner Adams seconded the motion and the Court voted 5-0 to approve. (Exhibit #5)

Item #6: Suzy Young-approval of new employee.

Commissioner Carroll moved that the Court approve the following personnel change in the Elections Administration Office:

Angela Bindel/employed

Suzy Young/promoted to Elections Administrator

Commissioner Gist seconded the motion and the Court voted 5-0 to approve. (Exhibit #6)

Item #7: Suzy Young-request and approval to purchase office furniture. Commissioner Carroll moved that the Court authorize the Elections Administrator to purchase a desk (from a local merchant). Commissioner Beck seconded the motion and the Court voted 4-0 to approve.

Item #8: Suzy Young-clarification of salary for part-time help. Judge West moved that the Court approve the employment of Cassie Yancy, in the Elections Administration Office, as follows:

May 1, 2006- May 31, 2006/two hours per day

June 1, 2006-September 30, 2006/four hours per day

Her total salary can not exceed \$3,086.48. This motion supplants the action taken by the Commissioners Court on April 20, 2006, in regard to this matter. Commissioner Beck seconded the motion and the Court voted 5-0 to approve. (Exhibit #7)

Item #9: Shane Britton-discussion and approval to accept use of credit cards for County Attorney's Office. Commissioner Carroll moved that the Court authorize County Attorney Shane Britton to accept payment by electronic means of Hot Check fees and to collect and retain a handling fee for processing the payment. This method of payment is provided for in the Local Government Code, Section 132. Commissioner Beck seconded the motion and the Court voted 5-0 to approve. (Exhibit #8)

Item #10: Jule Richmond-presentation of Brown County Flood Prevention sites. Present in regard to this item, were

Jule Richmond/Pecan Bayou Soil and Water Conservation District

Patricia Butler/USDA Soil Conservation District, Rural

Development

Joyce McGlothlin/USDA Soil Conservation District, Rural

Development

Terry Beene/USDA Soil Conservation District

After a presentation, Judge West moved that the Court authorize a letter of obligation to participate in a renovation loan of \$375,000.00 at a rate of 4 3/8%, more or less, to be amortized for thirty nine years, bonded indebtedness, \$10,210.00 per year (maximum contribution); subject to the County Attorney's approval and the approval of the

grant by the RDA. Commissioner Gist seconded the motion and the Court voted 5-0 to approve. (Exhibit #9)

Item #11: David Carroll, Precinct #4/Verizon-utility easement, County Road #135. Commissioner Carroll moved that the Court approve a notice of construction, made by Verizon Southwest, of a buried communication line, within the right-of-way of County Road #135, in Precinct #4; subject to Brown County specifications. Commissioner Gist seconded the motion and the Court voted 4-0 to approve. (Exhibit #10)

Item #12: Jan Brown-approval of new employee and permission to pay for training time. Commissioner Adams moved that the Court approve the following personnel change in the District Clerk's Office

Robin Key/employed/authorized to pay for eight hour training

Lori Hightower/discontinued/part-time full time employee

Commissioner Carroll seconded the motion and the Court voted 4-0 to approve. (Exhibit #11)

Item #13: Adron Beck, Precinct #2-permission to request bids for paving and paving materials. Commissioner Beck moved that he be authorized to advertise for bids for paving and paving materials, as follows:

Sunday, May 7, 2006/published

Sunday, May 14, 2006/published

**Friday, May 19, 2006/last day for bid to be submitted to County
Clerk's Office**

Monday, May 22, 2006/bids opened

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

**E. Reports. Ann Krpoun, County Treasurer, presented the
April 28, 2006 Cash Statement Report, for filing. (Exhibit #12)**

**F. Consideration and approval of bills. Commissioner Carroll
moved that the claims, presented by Auditor Nina Cox, be approved for
payment. Commissioner Beck seconded the motion and the Court
voted 4-0 to approve. (Exhibit #13)**

**G. Adjourn. Commissioner Adams moved that the Court
adjourn until May 8, 2006. Commissioner Carroll seconded the motion
and the Court voted 4-0 to approve.**

**Approved by the BROWN COUNTY COMMISSIONERS COURT
on the 8th day of May, 2006**

COUNTY JUDGE

COMMISSIONER, PRECINCT NO. 1

COMMISSIONER, PRECINCT NO. 2

COMMISSIONER, PRECINCT NO. 3

COMMISSIONER, PRECINCT NO. 4

ATTEST

COUNTY CLERK