

**STATE OF TEXAS
COUNTY OF BROWN**

The Brown County Commissioners Court convened in a Special Session on November 5, 2007 at 9:00 A. M. in the Commissioner's 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
JOEL KELTON	COMMISSIONER, PRECINCT NO. 2
RICHARD GIST	COMMISSIONER, PRECINCT NO. 3
LARRY TRAWEEK	COMMISSIONER, PRECINCT NO. 4

Also present:

MARGARET WOOD	COUNTY CLERK
NINA COX	COUNTY AUDITOR
AMY HAMRICK	ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANT

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

B. Reading and approval of minutes. Commissioner Gist moved that the minutes of the October 22, 2007 meeting be approved, as presented by County Clerk Margaret Wood. Commissioner Traweek 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: Proclamation for Support the Troops Day. After a presentation by Amy Wellman, Commissioner Gist moved that the Court resolve “that the Brown County Commissioners Court resolve that each Friday be proclaimed “Red Shirt Day” in Brown County in recognition and support of our troops who are currently serving around the world in our Country’s fight against terrorism and to show such support by wearing a red shirt on Fridays.” Commissioner Kelton seconded the motion and the Court voted 5-0 to approve. (Exhibit #1)

Item #2: Shane Britton – Approval of Resolution proclaiming November 19, 2007 as Adoption Day. After a presentation by Shane Britton, Judge West moved that the Court proclaim November 19, 2007 as Brown County Adoption Day, in conjunction with National Adoption Day on November 17, 2007. The Proclamation urges all citizens to join in a national effort to raise awareness about the importance of adoption. Commissioner Traweck seconded the motion and the Court voted 5-0 to approve. (Exhibit #2)

Item #3: Approval of Resolution for Indigent Defense Grant. Judge West moved that the Court resolve to participate in the 2008 Brown County Indigent Defense Grant Program. Commissioner Kelton seconded the motion and the Court voted 5-0 to approve. (Exhibit #3)

Item #4: Approval of Sub-Recipient Agreement with Division of Emergency Management. Judge West moved that the Court approve Brown County’s 2007 Sub-Recipient Agreement (Homeland Security Grant Program). Commissioner Adams seconded the motion and the Court voted 5-0 to approve. (Exhibit #4)

Item #5: Jan Brown – Approval of replacement employee. Commissioner Adams moved that the Court approve a personnel change in the District Clerk’s Office, as follows:

Nita Richardson, Deputy Clerk/employed

Valerie Williams, Deputy Clerk/discontinued (Exhibit #5)

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

Item #6: Approval of renewal of Texas County & District Retirement System for 2008. Passed until November 19, 2007.

Item #7: Sheriff’s Office – Open bids for vehicles. Bids for Sheriff Department vehicles were opened, as follows:

2 Crown Victorias/Big Country Ford (Exhibit #6)

1 2008 Pickup Truck/Big Country Ford (Exhibit #7)

1 2008 Pickup Truck/Bruner Auto Group (Exhibit #8)

Commissioner Traweek moved that the two bids from Big Country Ford be accepted. Commissioner Kelton seconded and the Court voted 4-0 to approve.

Item #8: Sheriff’s Office – Approval of Renewal Agreement with Lone Star Commissary. Commissioner Adams moved that the Court approve a one year Commissary Service Renewal Agreement with Lone Star Commissary. Commissioner Kelton seconded the motion and the Court voted 4-0 to approve. (Exhibit #9)

Item #9: Sheriff’s Office – Approval of purchase of equipment (gas masks). Commissioner Adams moved that the Court approve the purchase of five gas masks, at \$11,000.00, for the Sheriff’s

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

Item #10: Consideration and action on adoption of an order authorizing the issuance and sale of Brown County, Texas, General Obligation Refunding Bonds, Series 2007; levying an annual ad valorem tax and providing for security for and payment of said bonds; approving the official statement; and enacting other provisions relating to the subject. Vince Viaille, from First Southwest Company, presented a plan for re-financing the General Obligation Certificates which were issued in 1999 for the construction of the Brown County/City of Brownwood Law Enforcement Center. Commissioner Adams moved that the Court approve the refinancing of the Certificates of Obligation at an interest rate of 3.89%. The Certificates of Obligation were issued at 5.50%. The interest rate is only change of terms. Commissioner Gist seconded the motion and the Court voted unanimously to approve. (Exhibit #10)

Item #11: Request for proposal for electric service bids. Commissioner Traweek moved that the Court advertise for bids for electrical service for all of the County's facilities. Commissioner Kelton seconded the motion and the Court voted 4-0 to approve. (Exhibit #11)

Item #12: Larry Traweek, Pct 4 – Approval of utility easement, Coleman County SUD, CR 121 & 122. Commissioner Traweek moved that an application, made by Coleman County Special Utility District,

to install buried water lines in the right-of-way of County Roads, in Precinct #4, be approved, as follows:

County Road #122/cut dirt road

County Road #121 aka Turkey Creek Road/directional bore under Commissioner Gist seconded the motion and the Court voted 4-0 to approve. (Exhibit #12)

Item #13: Don King – Approval of Turner Ranch Estate

Subdivision. Commissioner Kelton moved that the Court approve a plat, submitted by Surveyor Don King and Paul Waldrop, Jr., for Turner Ranch Estate Subdivision, in Precinct #2. Commissioner Traweek seconded the motion and the Court voted 4-0 to approve.

(Exhibit #13)

Item #14: Cheryl Nelson – Permission to remodel office space.

Passed until November 19, 2007.

Reports. The November 5, 2007 Cash Position Statement was presented by County Treasurer Ann Krpoun, for filing.

(Exhibit #14)

The Combined Statement of Cash Receipts and Disbursements for August and September, 2007 was presented by County Treasurer Ann Krpoun, for filing. (Exhibit #15)

F. Consideration and approval of bills. Commissioner Traweek moved that the claims, presented by County Auditor Nina Cox, be paid. Commissioner Gist seconded the motion and the Court voted 4-0 to approve. (Exhibit #16)

G. Adjourn. Commissioner Gist moved that the Court adjourn

**until November 17, 2007 at 9:00 A.M. in the Commissioners Courtroom.
Commissioner Traweek seconded the motion and the Court voted 4-0
to approve.**

**Approved by the BROWN COUNTY COMMISSIONERS COURT
on the 19th day of November 2007**

COUNTY JUDGE

COMMISSIONER, PRECINCT NO. 1

COMMISSIONER, PRECINCT NO. 2

COMMISSIONER, PRECINCT NO. 3

COMMISSIONER, PRECINCT NO. 4

ATTEST

COUNTY CLERK

November 5, 2007 meeting