

**STATE OF TEXAS
COUNTY OF BROWN**

The Brown County Commissioners Court convened in a Special Session on July 7, 2008 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
STEVE ADAMS
JOEL KELTON
RICHARD GIST
LARRY TRAWEEK**

**COUNTY JUDGE
COMMISSIONER, PRECINCT NO. 1
COMMISSIONER, PRECINCT NO. 2
COMMISSIONER, PRECINCT NO. 3
COMMISSIONER, PRECINCT NO. 4**

Also present:

**SHARON FERGUSON
NINA COX
AMY HAMRICK**

**CHIEF DEPUTY COUNTY CLERK
COUNTY AUDITOR
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 June 26, 2008 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. Items may not be taken in the order that they are listed.

Item #1: Joel Kelton-Utility Easement for Brookesmith Water, CR 461. Commissioner Kelton moved that the Court approve an application to install a buried water line, made by Terry Stahl and Brookesmith SUD, within the right of way of County Road #461, in Precinct #2; subject to Brown County specifications for boring under a road. Commissioner Adams seconded the motion and the Court voted 4-0 to approve. (Exhibit #1)

Item #2: Ray West-Discussion and approval of Interlocal Agreement for Capital Murder Defense Counsel. Judge West moved that the Court approve an Interlocal Agreement, to provide court-appointed counsel for individuals charged with the offense of capital murder (death-eligible), between Lubbock County, Texas, acting through the West Texas Public Defender for Capital Cases, and Brown County, Texas. Commissioner Adams seconded the motion and the Court voted 5-0 to approve. (Exhibit #2)

Item #3: James Cook-Presentation of certificates to Commissioners. James Cook, Emergency Operations Coordinator, presented the following Commissioners with certificates of completion of the Community Emergency Medication Clinic Core Leader's Course, May 2008:

Commissioner Steve Adams (Exhibit #3)

Commissioner Joel Kelton (Exhibit #4)

Commissioner Richard Gist (Exhibit #5)

Commissioner Larry Traweek (Exhibit #6)

Item #4: James Cook-Discussion and approval of Dr. James Hays as new Health Authority. Commissioner Adams moved that the Court approve the appointment of James Hays, M.D. as the Local Health Authority for the Brownwood/Brown County Health Department. Commissioner Kelton seconded the motion and the Court voted 5-0 to approve. (Exhibit #7)

Item #5: Charles McDonald-Consideration and possible approval of plat on Patsy's pastures, intersection of CR 151 and CR 152. Passed.

Item #6: Ronnie Lappe-Request to ask for increase in fee for indigent burial. After a request made by Ronnie Lappe, on behalf of Greenleaf Cemetery Association, Judge West moved that the Court increase the amount of money paid to the Greenleaf Cemetery Association for indigent burials from \$100.00 to \$250.00. Commissioner Kelton seconded the motion and the Court voted 5-0 to approve.

Item #7: Margaret Wood-Approval for employee to be paid by records management funds. Commissioner Adams moved that County Clerk Margaret Wood be authorized to hire an employee, at beginning salary. This salary will be paid with funds from the County Clerk's Records Management Fund. Commissioner Traweck seconded the motion and the Court voted 4-0 to approve.

Item #8: Brad Locker-Appointment of Republican Election Judges. Marie Bowman presented to the Court, for their approval, a list of Republican Election Judges. She also informed the Court that

Precinct #316 will continue to be consolidated with Precinct #318.

Commissioner Adams moved that the Court approve the appointment of Election Judges for the term commencing August 1, 2008.

Commissioner Adams seconded the motion and the Court voted 4-0 to approve. (Exhibit #8)

Item #9: Bobby Grubbs-Approval of employee changes.

Commissioner Adams moved that the following personnel changes be made in the Sheriff's department:

Scott J. Swift/Jailer/hired

Anthony D. Spivey/Jailer/discontinued (Exhibit #9)

Angela D. Cardenas/Jailer/hired

Jason Crowder/Jailer/discontinued (Exhibit #10)

Andre A. Smoot/Jailer/hired for Nathan Donald's jailer slot (Exhibit #11)

Nathan Donald/Jailer/promoted to Sergeant Jailer with salary change

Cruzette Sepulveda/Sergeant Jailer/discontinued (Exhibit #12)

Aaron Thomas/Jailer/promoted to Sergeant Jailer with salary change

Daniel McCombs/Sergeant Jailer/discontinued (Exhibit #13)

David Shields/Jailer/hired/part time/base salary at an hourly rate (Exhibit #14)

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

Item #10: Richard Gist-Open bids for paving materials (all precincts). After opening one bid, from Kelcy & Son Paving Contractors, Inc. for paving and/or seal coating equipment for all the precincts for the remainder of the calendar year 2008, Commissioner Gist moved that the bid be accepted. Commissioner Adams seconded the motion and the Court voted 4-0 to approve. (Exhibit #15)

Item #11: Amy Hamrick-Discussion and possible action regarding phone system for commissioner's office. Commissioner Kelton moved that the Court authorize the purchase of a new telephone system, for the Commissioner's Office, Indigent Health, Permitting and 911 Addressing, from Custom Communications of Brownwood. The purchase price of \$3,400.00 is to be paid from the non-departmental equipment fund. Commissioner Gist seconded the motion and the Court voted 4-0 to approve.

Item #12: Deana Sealy-Discussion and possible action regarding CDBG Grant for Zephyr Water. After a request from August Pope, representing Zephyr Water Supply Corporation, Commissioner Adams moved that the Court sponsor an application for a Community Development Block Grant on behalf of the Zephyr Water Supply Corporation. Commissioner Kelton seconded the motion and the Court voted 3-0 to approve. Commissioner Gist abstained from voting because he is on the Zephyr Water Supply Corporation Board.

Item #13: Nina Cox-Budget amendments. Passed.

E. Reports. The July 7, 2008 Cash Position Statement was presented by County Treasurer Ann Krpoun, for filing. (Exhibit #16)

Sheriff Grubbs presented the Jail Population report for July 2008, for filing. (Exhibit #17)

F. Consideration and approval of bills. Commissioner Traweek moved that the claims, as presented by County Auditor Nina Cox, be paid. Commissioner Gist seconded the motion and the Court voted 4-0 to approve. (Exhibit #18)

G. Adjourn. Judge West moved that the Court adjourn until July 14, 2008 at 9:00 A.M. in the Commissioners Courtroom. Commissioner Adams seconded the motion and the Court voted 5-0 to approve.

**Approved by the BROWN COUNTY COMMISSIONERS COURT
on the 14th day of July, 2008.**

COUNTY JUDGE

COMMISSIONER, PRECINCT NO. 1

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ATTEST

COUNTY CLERK

July 7, 2008 Meeting