

**STATE OF TEXAS  
COUNTY OF BROWN**

**The Brown County Commissioners Court convened in a Regular Session on March 16, 2009 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:**

<b>E. RAY WEST III</b>	<b>COUNTY JUDGE</b>
<b>STEVE ADAMS</b>	<b>COMMISSIONER, PRECINCT NO. 1</b>
<b>JOEL KELTON</b>	<b>COMMISSIONER, PRECINCT NO. 2</b>
<b>RICHARD GIST</b>	<b>COMMISSIONER, PRECINCT NO. 3</b>
<b>LARRY TRAWEEK</b>	<b>COMMISSIONER, PRECINCT NO. 4</b>

**Also present:**

<b>SHARON FERGUSON</b>	<b>COUNTY CLERK</b>
<b>NINA COX</b>	<b>COUNTY AUDITOR</b>
<b>AMY HAMRICK</b>	<b>ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANT</b>

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

**B. Reading and approval of minutes. Commissioner Traweek moved that the minutes of the March 9, 2009 meeting be approved, as presented by County Clerk Sharon Ferguson. 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: Ellis Johnson-Presentation of Racial Profiling Report. The Brown County Sheriff's Department presented the 2008 Racial Profile Report, for filing. (Exhibit #1)**

**Item #2: Ellis Johnson-Discussion and possible approval to establish salary for environmental officer. Commissioner Adams moved that the Court approve the employment of Lauren Michelle Holder, as Deputy-Environmental Officer (new grant position), for the Sheriff's Department, effective 12-01-2008. Commissioner Kelton seconded the motion and the Court voted 4-0 to approve. (Exhibit #2)**

**Item #3: Ray West-Discussion and possible approval of transferring to the City of Brownwood properties acquired for delinquent taxes. Commissioner Traweek moved that the County release any interest they have, in the properties listed in Exhibit #3 to these minutes, to the City of Brownwood. Commissioner Adams seconded the motion and the Court voted 4-0 to approve. (Exhibit #3)**

**Item #4: Steve Adams, Precinct #1-Approval of Verizon utility easement on Oak Hill Circle. Commissioner Adams moved that a notice of installation of a communication line, made by GTE Southwest, Inc. D/B/A Verizon Southwest, at the end of Spring Hollow, within the right-of-way of Oak Hill Circle, in Precinct #1, be approved; subject to Brown County specifications. Commissioner Kelton seconded the motion and the Court voted 4-0 to approve. Judge West abstained from the discussion and vote. (Exhibit #4)**

**E. Reports. The March 16, 2009 Cash Position Statement was presented by County Treasurer Ann Krpoun, for filing. (Exhibit #5)**

**F. Consideration and approval of bills. Commissioner Adams moved that the claims, as presented by County Auditor Nina Cox, be paid. Commissioner Kelton seconded the motion and the Court voted 4-0 to approve.**

**G. Recess. Commissioner Gist moved that the Court recess until March 23, 2009 at 9:00 A.M. in the Commissioners Courtroom. Commissioner Traweek seconded the motion and the Court voted unanimously to approve.**

