

**STATE OF TEXAS
COUNTY OF BROWN**

The Brown County Commissioners Court convened in a Regular meeting on December 14, 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:

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:

SHARON FERGUSON	COUNTY CLERK
BARBARA SHIELDS	CHIEF DEPUTY 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 Kelton moved that the minutes of the December 7, 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: Richard Gist, Precinct #3 – Application to install utility line CR 287. Commissioner Gist moved that a notice of installation of a communication line, made by GTE Southwest Inc. d/b/a Verizon Southwest, within the right-of-way of County Road #287, in Precinct #3, be approved; subject to Brown County specifications.

Commissioner Traweek seconded the motion and the Court voted 4-0 to approve. (Exhibit #1)

Item #2: Tony Aaron – Consideration and approval for purchase of equipment for emergency vehicles. Passed.

Item #3: Ray West – Consideration and approval of Texas Emergency Shelter Grants Program application. Judge West moved that the Court authorize him to sign a Local Government Certification Form, to act on behalf of Brown County, to approve the Emergency Shelter Grants Program project application submitted to the Texas Department of Housing and Community Affairs by Pecan Valley Regional Domestic Violence Shelter, Inc. dba The Ark. Commissioner Traweek seconded the motion and the Court voted 5-0 to approve. (Exhibit #2)

Item #4: Larry Traweek, Precinct 4 – Application to install private line CR 464. Commissioner Traweek moved that an application to install a buried water line, made by Brookesmith Water, within the right-of-way of County Road #464, in Precinct #4, be approved; subject to Brown County specifications for cutting a road. Commissioner Gist seconded the motion and the Court voted 4-0 to approve. (Exhibit #3)

Item #5: Steve Adams, Precinct #1 – Commissioners to visit flood control dam site at Cross Cut. Judge West announced that the Court was in recess and that the Commissioners were going to travel to the Upper Pecan Bayou Site 26.

Commissioner Pro-Tem Adams called the meeting to order at 10:00 A.M. The Commissioners traveled to the Upper Pecan Valley Site 26 to view the progress of the repair and restructuring work.

E. Reports. The December 14, 2009 Combined Statement of Cash Position was presented by County Treasurer Ann Krpoun, for filing. (Exhibit #4)

F. Consideration and approval of bills. Commissioner Gist moved that the claims, as presented by County Auditor Nina Cox, be paid. Commissioner Kelton seconded the motion and the Court voted unanimously to approve. (Exhibit #5)

G. Approval of Treasurer's/Auditor's Report. The Total of Funds under the Care and Custody of Brown County Treasurer and Auditor's Report for November 2009 was approved after a motion by Commissioner Kelton and a second by Commissioner Adams. The Court voted 5-0 to approve. An Affidavit, with the report attached, was signed and prepared for publication, according to Section 114.026 of the Texas Local Government Code. (Exhibit #6)

H. Recess. Commissioner Adams moved that the Court recess until December 21, 2009 at 9:00 A.M. in the Commissioners Courtroom. Commissioner Traweek seconded the motion and the Court voted unanimously to approve.

