

**STATE OF TEXAS
COUNTY OF BROWN**

The Brown County Commissioners Court convened in a Regular Session on February 14, 2011 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
JOSIE CONTRERAS	ASSISTANT COUNTY AUDITOR
AMY HAMRICK	ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANT

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 February 7, 2011 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: Larry Traweek, Precinct #4-Application to install private line, CR #152. Commissioner Gist moved that a notice, made by Verizon Southwest, of construction of a communication line within the right-of-way of County Road #152, in Precinct #4, be approved; subject to Brown County specifications. Commissioner Adams seconded the motion and the Court voted 4-0 to approve. (Exhibit #1)

Item #2: Bobby Grubbs-Presentation of Certificate of Appreciation. Sheriff Bobby Grubbs presented a Certificate of Appreciation to Commissioners Court Administrative Assistant Amy Hamrick, for her lasting support and contributions to the Brown County Sheriff's Office in her efforts to save Brown County money through her management of Indigent Health and assistance to the Sheriff's Office.

Item #3: Shane Britton-Discussion and possible approval of Contract with Vulcan Materials, CR #234. Commissioner Adams moved that the Court approve an Agreement For Highway Improvement Projects between Brown County and Vulcan Construction Materials, LP, for construction of a bridge and to establish an underpass on County Road #234, Precinct #1. Commissioner Kelton seconded the motion and the Court voted 4-0 to approve. (Exhibit #2)

Item #4: Shane Britton-Discussion and possible approval of easement between Brown County and Vulcan Materials, CR #234. Commissioner Adams moved that the Court approve a Temporary Easement Agreement between Vulcan Lands, Inc. and Brown County for a by-pass road for the purpose of diverting traffic during the construction of a bridge over a portion of existing County Road #134, Precinct #1. Commissioner Kelton seconded the motion and the Court voted 4-0 to approve. (Exhibit #3)

Item #5: Ronnie Lappe, Brown County Historical Commission- Consideration and possible approval to use south lawn of Courthouse for a ceremony on March 2, 2011 to celebrate the 175th Anniversary of Texas Independence. Judge West moved that the Court approve a request, from the Brown County Historical Commission, to use of the south lawn of the Courthouse for a ceremony to celebrate the 175th Anniversary of Texas Independence Day. The event will be March 2, 2011 from 11:30 A.M. to 12:00 P.M. Commissioner Gist seconded the motion and the Court voted 5-0 to approve.

Item #6: Brent Bush-Consideration and possible approval of Proclamation for Severe Weather Awareness Week (February 20-26, 2011). Judge West moved that the Court approve a Proclamation to proclaim February 20 through February 26, 2011 as Severe Weather Awareness Week in Brown County. Commissioner Traweck seconded the motion and the Court voted 5-0 to approve. (Exhibit #4)

Item #7: Brent Bush-Consideration and possible approval to attend Emergency Management Conference in San Antonio, Texas on April 26-29, 2011. Commissioner Gist moved that the Court authorize Brent Bush, Emergency Management Coordinator, to expend approximately \$981.00 (plus possible local taxes) from his travel budget, to attend the 2011 Texas Emergency Management Conference in San Antonio, Texas on April 26 through April 29, 2011. Commissioner Traweek seconded the motion and the Court voted 4-0 to approve. (Exhibit #5)

Item #8: Steve Adams, Precinct #1, Consideration and possible approval for replacement employee. Commissioner Adams moved that the Court approve the following personnel changes, in Precinct #1:

D'Kota Dowdy/Road Hand/employed

effective 02-01-2011

James Williams/Road Hand/discontinued

effective 07-26-2010 (Exhibit #6)

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

Item #9: Tony Aaron-Consideration and possible approval of Resolution to re-apply for the Violence Against Women Act Grant Investigator. Commissioner Adams moved that the Court approve a Resolution to authorize Captain Tony Aaron to apply for the grant application for the Violence Against Women Special Investigator Grant to the Office of the Governor, Criminal Justice Division. Commissioner Gist seconded the motion and the Court voted 4-0 to approve. (Exhibit #7)

Item #10: Tony Aaron-Consideration and possible approval of the purchase of portable radio. Commissioner Adams moved that the Court authorize the Sheriff's Department to purchase a portable radio, from B & S Services, for \$1,468.70. Commissioner Traweek seconded the motion and the Court voted 4-0 to approve.

Commissioner Kelton moved that the Court recess until 11:45 A.M. for Item #1 of the Supplemental Agenda. Commissioner Adams seconded the motion and the Court voted 4-0 to approve.

SUPPLEMENTAL AGENDA

February 14, 2011 at 11:45 A.M.

Judge West called the meeting to order at 11:50 A.M. Present were:

Ray West	Brown County Judge
Steve Adams	Commissioner, Precinct #1
Larry Traweek	Commissioner, Precinct #2
Sharon Ferguson	County Clerk
Amy Hamrick	Administrative Assistant

ITEM #1: Chris Webber-Discussion regarding Wildfire Academy to be held at Camp Bowie on February 18, 19, and 20, 2011. Tami Brown, representing the Central Texas Wildfire Academy, informed the Court that the Texas Forest Service and the Dam Volunteer Fire Department are sponsoring the Central Texas Wildfire Academy on February 18-20, 2011 at the Camp Bowie Training Facility, Brownwood, Texas and invited all of them to attend. (Exhibit #8)

E. Reports. The February 14, 2011 Combined Statement of Cash Position was presented by County Treasurer Ann Krpoun, for filing. (Exhibit #9)

The Texas Commission on Jail Standards Jail Population Report for February 14, 2011, was presented for filing, by the Sheriff's Department. (Exhibit #10)

F. Consideration and approval of bills. Commissioner Adams moved that the claims, as presented by Assistant County Auditor Josie Contreras, be paid. Commissioner Kelton seconded the motion and the Court voted 4-0 to approve. (Exhibit #11)

G. Approval of Treasurer's/Auditor's Report. The Total Of Funds Under The Care & Custody Of Brown County Treasurer And Auditor's Report for January 2011 was approved after a motion by Commissioner Adams and a second by Judge West. 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 #12)

H. Recess. Commissioner Adams moved that the Court recess until February 15, 2011 at 8:00 A.M. at the Brownwood Chamber of Commerce and continuing in Austin, Travis County, Texas at the State Capitol. Commissioner Traweek seconded the motion and the Court voted 3-0 to approve.

