

**STATE OF TEXAS
COUNTY OF BROWN**

The Brown County Commissioners Court convened in a Special Session on September 6, 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
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 August 22, 2011 and August 31, 2011 meetings 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: Public hearing to consider proposal to increase Total Tax Revenues for FY 2011-2012 from properties on 2011 tax roll. Judge West asked for comments, from the audience, concerning this second public hearing to consider the proposal to increase the Total Tax Revenues for FY 2011/2012 from properties on the 2011 tax roll. There were none. After discussion, Commissioner Kelton moved that the Court recess this second public hearing until September 7, 2011 at 9:00 A.M., to provide citizens with one more opportunity to speak at a public hearing on the 2011/2012 tax rate. Commissioner Traweek seconded the motion and the Court voted 4-0 to approve.

Judge West re-opened the second public hearing, for public comment, at 9:00 A.M. on September 7, 2011. Members of the Court present were:

Judge E. Ray West III

Steve Adams, Commissioner Precinct #1

Joel Kelton, Commissioner Precinct #2

Richard Gist, Commissioner Precinct #3

Larry Traweek, Commissioner Precinct #4

Sharon Ferguson, Brown County Clerk

Amy Hamrick, Administrative Assistant

Judge West asked for comments from the audience. There were none.

Item #2: Tony Aaron-Consideration and possible approval for equipment purchases. Commissioner Kelton moved that the Court authorize the Sheriff's Department to purchase three (3) bullet-proof vests for \$618.00 each. This purchase will be paid (50%) through a grant and (50%) from the Sheriff's Department's budget.

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

Item #3: Don King, County Surveyor-Consideration and possible approval of county surveyor duties and billing, procedures and payment for county surveyor. After discussion, with Brown County Surveyor Don King, the Court decided to re-convene at 1:30 P.M. this date to consider and vote on this Item #3.

The Court re-convened at 1:30 P.M. Judge West moved that the Court authorize the Brown County Auditor to pay Don King, Brown County Surveyor, \$13,507.50, from the Surveyor Fund, all surveyor filing fees accrued to date. Commissioner Gist seconded the motion and the Court voted 5-0 to approve. (Exhibit #1)

Item #4: Ray West-Consideration and possible approval of 2012 Optional County Fees. After discussion, Commissioner Adams moved that the Court notify the Texas Department of Motor Vehicles that Brown County has declined the imposition of Optional County Fees for calendar year 2012. Commissioner Kelton seconded the motion and the Court voted 4-0 to approve. (Exhibit #2)

Item #5: Suzy Young-Consideration and possible approval of the polling locations for the November 8, 2011 election (Special Constitutional Amendment Election). After discussion, with Elections Administrator Suzy Young, the Court decided to re-convene at 1:30 P.M. this date to consider and vote on this Item #5.

The Court re-convened at 1:30 P.M. Commissioner Adams moved that the Court approve the proposed polling locations for the November 8, 2011 Special Constitutional Amendment Election. Commissioner Traweek seconded the motion and the Court voted 4-0 to approve. (Exhibit #3)

Item #6: Steve Adams, Precinct #1-Consideration and possible approval of equipment purchase; pole saw. Commissioner Adams moved that the Court authorize him to purchase a pole saw, for \$670.00, to be used in Precinct #1. Commissioner Traweek seconded the motion and the Court voted 4-0 to approve.

Item #7: Frank Griffin-Consideration and possible approval of DWI Court Resolution. Commissioner Kelton moved that the Court approve a Resolution for the submission of the grant application for the Brown County DWI Court to the Office of the Governor, Criminal Justice Division. Commissioner Gist seconded the motion and the Court voted 4-0 to approve. (Exhibit #4)

Item #8: Shane Britton, County Attorney-Consideration and possible approval of \$100.00 month raise per employee of the County Attorney's Office. Passed.

Item #9: Tax Resale Deed-Shirley Smith, Tract 1: Lot 295, Tamarack Mountain Subdivision and Tract 2: Lot 219, Harbor Point Subdivision, Section 1: Marven Wade Brown, Tract 1: Lot 239, Section 1, Thunderbird Bay Subdivision, Tract 2: Lots 918 and 919, Harbor Point Subdivision, Section 1, Tract 3: Lot 987, Oak Point Subdivision, Tract 4: Lot 88, Section 1, Harbor Point Subdivision, Tract 5: Lots 655 and 656, Section 1, Harbor Point Subdivision, Tract 6: Lot 483 and 484, Harbor Point Subdivision, Section 1, Tract 7: Lot 435 and 436, Harbor Point Subdivision, Section 1, Tract 8: Lots 686 and 687, Harbor Point Subdivision, Section 1, Tract 9: Lot 689, Harbor Point Subdivision, Section 1, Tract 10: Lot 941, Oak Point Subdivision and Tract 11: Lot 1194, Oak Point Subdivision.

Commissioner Kelton moved that the Court approve a Tax Resale Deed to Shirley Smith for Tract 1: Lot 295, Tamarack Mountain Subdivision and for Tract 2: Lot 219, Harbor Point Subdivision, Section 1, Brown County, Texas. Commissioner Gist seconded the motion and the Court voted 4-0 to approve. (Exhibit #5)

Commissioner Adams moved that the Court approve a Tax Resale Deed to Marvin Wade Brown for Tract 1: Lot 239, Section 1, Thunderbird Bay Subdivision; Tract 2: Lots 918 and 919, Harbor Point Subdivision, Section 1; Tract 3: Lot 987, Oak Point Subdivision; Tract 4: Lot 88, Section 1, Harbor Point Subdivision; Tract 5: Lots 655 and 656, Section 1, Harbor Point Subdivision; Tract 6: Lot 483 and Lot 484, Harbor Point Subdivision, Section 1; Tract 7: Lots 435 and 436, Harbor Point Subdivision, Section 1; Tract 8: Lots 686 and 687, Harbor Point Subdivision, Section 1; Tract 9: Lot 689, Harbor Point Subdivision, Section 1; Tract 10: Lot 941, Oak Point Subdivision and Tract 11: Lot 1194, Oak Point Subdivision, Brown County, Texas. Commissioner Traweck seconded the motion and the Court voted 4-0 to approve. (Exhibit #6)

Item #10: Budget Workshop. Discussion, no action.

E. Reports. The September 6, 2011 Combined Statement of Cash Position was presented by County Treasurer Ann Krpoun, for filing. (Exhibit #7)

The Texas Commission on Jail Standards Jail Population Report for September 6, 2011 was presented for filing, by the Sheriff's Department. (Exhibit #8)

F. Consideration and approval of bills. Commissioner Gist moved that the claims, as presented by County Auditor Nina Cox, be paid. Commissioner Traweck seconded the motion and the Court voted 4-0 to approve. (Exhibit #9)

Commissioner Adams moved that the additional claims, as presented by County Auditor Nina Cox, be paid. Commissioner Gist seconded the motion and the Court voted 4-0 to approve. (Exhibit #10)

G. Adjourn. Judge West moved that the Court adjourn until September 12, 2011 at 9:00 A.M. in the Commissioners Courtroom. Commissioner Kelton seconded the motion and the Court voted 4-0 to approve.

