

**STATE OF TEXAS
COUNTY OF BROWN**

The Brown County Commissioners Court convened in a Special Session on January 23, 2012 at 9:15 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
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 Traweek moved that the minutes of the January 9, 2012 meeting be approved, as presented by County Clerk Sharon Ferguson. Commissioner Kelton seconded the motion and the Court voted 3-0 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: Sheriff's Office-Employee changes. Commissioner Kelton moved that the Court authorize the following personnel changes in the Sheriff's Department:

Joshua Sams/Jailer/employed

effective 01-11-2012

Nathan Donald/Jailer/discontinued

effective 10-31-2011 (Exhibit #1)

Commissioner Gist seconded the motion and the Court voted 3-0 to approve.

Item #2: Joel Kelton, Precinct #2-Water utility easement CR #411. Passed.

Item #3: Joel Kelton, Precinct #2-Consideration and possible approval of burn ban. Discussion, no action.

Item #4: Jane Masters-Consideration and possible approval of transfer of responsibility for the "Wall of Heroes" from the Military and Family Support Group to VFW Post 3278 Ladies Auxiliary. After discussion, with Jane Masters and Joyce Leidig, Commissioner Gist moved that the Court authorize the transfer of responsibility, for the "Wall of Heroes", from the Military and Family Support Group to the VFW Post 3278 Ladies Auxiliary. Commissioner Traweek seconded the motion and the Court voted 3-0 to approve. (Exhibit #2)

Item #5: Nina Cox-Consideration and possible approval of Brent Bush full time employment ratification. Judge West moved that the Court approve the effective date, for the “full-time” employment of Brent Bush, as Brown County Emergency Management Coordinator, as January 9, 2012. Commissioner Gist seconded the motion and the Court voted 3-0 to approve. Commissioner Kelton abstained.

(Exhibit #3)

Item #6: Suzy Young-Consideration and possible approval of Primary joint Resolution. Judge West moved that the Court authorize a Joint Contract by and among, David Bullion, Democratic County Chair, and Brad Locker, Republican County Chair, and Suzy Young, County Elections Officer of Brown County, Texas, for the conduct and supervision of the Brown County Joint Primary Election on April 3, 2012 and the Brown County Joint Primary Runoff Election, if necessary, on June 5, 2012. Commissioner Traweek seconded the motion and the Court voted 4-0 to approve. (Exhibit #4)

E. Reports. The January 23, 2012 Combined Statement of Cash Position was presented by County Treasurer Ann Krpoun, for filing.

(Exhibit #5)

The Texas Commission On Jail Standards Jail Population Report for January 23, 2012 was submitted by the Sheriff’s Department, for filing. (Exhibit #6)

F. Consideration and approval of bills. Commissioner Kelton moved that the claims, as presented by County Auditor Nina Cox, be paid. Commissioner Traweek seconded the motion and the Court voted 3-0 to approve. (Exhibit #7)

G. Recess. Commissioner Kelton moved that the Court recess until February 6, 2012 at 9:00 A.M. in the Commissioners Courtroom. Commissioner Gist seconded the motion and the Court voted 3-0 to approve.

