

**STATE OF TEXAS
COUNTY OF BROWN**

The Brown County Commissioners Court convened in a Special Session on March 5, 2012 at 9:00 A.M. in the Commissioner's Courtroom, Brown County Courthouse, 200 South Broadway Brownwood, Texas. Judge Pro-Tem Gist called the meeting to order.

Members of the Court present were:

BOB CLARK	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 Clark moved that the minutes of the February 21, 2012 meeting be approved, as presented by County Clerk Sharon Ferguson. Commissioner Kelton 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: Joel Kelton, Precinct #2-Consideration and possible approval of burn ban. Discussion, no action.

Item #2: Shane Britton-Consideration and possible approval of County sponsorship of Brown County Children's Advocacy Grant Application. Commissioner Traweek moved that the Court approve a Resolution to designate Shane Britton, Brown County Attorney, to apply for submission of the grant application for the Brown County Child Advocacy Center to the Office of the Governor, Criminal Justice Division. Commissioner Kelton seconded the motion and the Court voted 4-0 to approve. (Exhibit #1)

Item #3: Suzy Young-Consideration and possible approval of purchase of 6 laptops to be paid for out of HAVA and contract funds. Discussion, no action.

Item #4: Tony Aaron-Presentation of racial profiling report. Captain Tony Aaron presented the Brown County Sheriff's Office 2011 Annual Racial Profiling Report, for filing. (Exhibit #2)

Item #5: Tony Aaron-Consideration and possible approval of computer equipment for Sheriff's Office. Commissioner Clark moved that the Sheriff's Department be authorized an expenditure, of up to \$5,000.00, to purchase a terminal server and licensing software, for the connectivity to work in their laptops so they will be able to communicate with the DPS website and TCIC/NCIC. The expenditure will be paid from the inmate phone account or the seizure funds. Commissioner Traweek seconded the motion and the Court voted 4-0 to approve.

Item #6: Bob Clark-Consideration and possible approval of Interlocal Agreement between Brown County and Brookesmith ISD for material and labor for parking lot at the school. Passed.

Item #7: Richard Gist, Precinct #3-Consideration and possible approval of equipment purchases. Commissioner Gist moved that he be authorized to purchase a haul trailer, for \$3,800.00, and a water pump, for \$1,100.00, to be used in Precinct #3. Commissioner Traweek seconded the motion and the Court voted 4-0 to approve.

E. Reports. The March 5, 2012 Combined Statement of Cash Position was presented by County Treasurer Ann Krpoun, for filing. (Exhibit #3)

The Texas Commission On Jail Standards Jail Population Report was presented for filing, by the Sheriff's Department. (Exhibit #4)

Brown County Justice of the Peace Jim Cavanaugh and Brown County Justice of the Peace Walter B. Croft announced, in Commissioners Court, that their two chief administrative clerks, Victoria Collom and Rhonda Durkop, had mastered the state's top certification for justice court clerks. Both Collom and Durkop were both awarded a "Masters" rating for justice court clerks. The Court acknowledged their accomplishments.

Cheryl Nelson, Brown County Tax Assessor-Collector, reported to the Court that the Tax Assessor-Collector's Office will close at noon, on Wednesday, March 7, 2012, and will re-open at 8:30 a.m. on Thursday, March 8, 2012. This is to allow the State to install all new equipment, furnished by the State of Texas, in the Tax Assessor-Collector's Office.

Cheryl Nelson also gave a monthly report, to the Court, concerning the volume of business, conducted in the Tax Assessor-Collector's Office, for the Month of February, 2012.

F. Consideration and approval of bills. Commissioner Clark 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. (Exhibit #5)

G. Adjourn. Commissioner Kelton moved that the Court adjourn until March 12, 2012 at 9:00 A.M. in the Commissioners Courtroom. Commissioner Clark seconded the motion and the Court voted 4-0 to approve.

