

**STATE OF TEXAS  
COUNTY OF BROWN**

**The Brown County Commissioners Court convened in a Special Session on February 3, 2014 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:**

<b>E. RAY WEST III</b>	<b>COUNTY JUDGE</b>
<b>GARY WORLEY</b>	<b>COMMISSIONER, PRECINCT NO. 1</b>
<b>JOEL KELTON</b>	<b>COMMISSIONER, PRECINCT NO. 2</b>
<b>WAYNE SHAW</b>	<b>COMMISSIONER, PRECINCT NO. 3</b>
<b>LARRY TRAWEEK</b>	<b>COMMISSIONER, PRECINCT NO. 4</b>

**Also present:**

<b>SHARON FERGUSON</b>	<b>COUNTY CLERK</b>
<b>NINA COX</b>	<b>COUNTY AUDITOR</b>
<b>AMY HAMRICK</b>	<b>ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANT</b>

**A. Opening prayer. Leland Acker, Pastor of Grace Pointe Baptist Church, at Brownwood, Texas, led the Court in the invocation.**

**B. Reading and approval of minutes. Commissioner Kelton moved that the minutes of the January 27, 2014 meeting be approved, as presented by County Clerk Sharon Ferguson. Commissioner Worley 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, Pct 2-Consideration and possible approval of action regarding burn ban. After discussion, no action was taken. The burn ban remains in effect.**

**Item #2: Suzy Young-Consideration and possible approval of early voting and election day signs. After discussion, with Elections Administrator Suzy Young, no action was taken. [\(Exhibit #1\)](#)**

**Item #3: Suzy Young-Consideration and possible approval and appointment of the supplemental list of election judges for year 2014. After discussion, with Elections Administrator Suzy Young, Commissioner Kelton moved that the Court approve the appointment of Jean Woosley as a Republican election judge for Precinct #215 for a term beginning February 3, 2014 and expiring on August 31, 2014. Commissioner Worley seconded the motion and the Court voted 4-0 to approve. [\(Exhibit #2\)](#)**

**Item #4: Chris Weber & Scott Drake, Dam Volunteer Fire Department-Presentation regarding Fire Academy. Chris Weber, representing the Central Texas Wildfirefire Academy, informed the Court that the Texas A&M Forest Service and the Dam Volunteer Fire Department are sponsoring the 13<sup>th</sup> Annual Central Texas Wildfire Academy on February 13 through February 17, 2014 at the Camp Bowie Training Facility, Brownwood, Texas and invited everyone to attend. The Court commended them for their good work.**

**[\(Exhibit #3\)](#)**

**Item #5: Chris Weber & Scott Drake, Dam Volunteer Fire Department-Consideration and possible approval of burning permits associated with Fire Academy. After discussion, with Chris Weber, no action was taken.**

**Item #6: Joel Kelton, Pct 2-Application to install communication line, CR 478. Commissioner Kelton moved that the Court approve an application, made by Windstream Communications, to install a buried communication line, within the right-of-way of County Road #478, in Precinct #2; subject to Brown County specifications for boring a road. Commissioner Worley seconded the motion and the Court voted 4-0 to approve. ([Exhibit #4](#))**

**Item #7: Gary Worley, Pct 1-Consideration and possible approval of equipment purchase. Commissioner Worley moved that he be authorized to purchase a 2004 self-propelled road sweeper for \$18,757.00, for Precinct #1. This will be purchased through the Texas Department of Transportation surplus equipment sale. Commissioner Shaw seconded the motion and the Court voted 4-0 to approve.**

**Item #8: Joel Kelton, Pct 2-Discussion and possible approval regarding the creation of one or more County Energy Transportation Reinvestment Zone (CETRZ), as authorized by law, to promote one or more infrastructure projects to be located within the County to be funded by the CETRZ including the potential boundaries and requirements of a County Energy Transportation Reinvestment Zone (CETRZ), as authorized 222.1071 of the Texas Transportation Code.**

**Commissioner Kelton moved that the Court authorize the creation of the County Energy Transportation Reinvestment Zone (CETRZ), known as Brown County Energy Transportation Reinvestment Zone No. 1, as described in Exhibit A to the order signed by the Court. Commissioner Traweek seconded the motion and the Court voted 5-0 to approve. ([Exhibit #5](#))**

**Item #9: Joel Kelton, Pct 2-Discussion and possible approval regarding the SB 1747 Prioritized Project List for the County Transportation Infrastructure Fund Grant Program. No action.**

**Item #10: Joel Kelton, Pct 2-Discussion and consideration of accepting county road report(s) for filing in the minutes of the Commissioners Court. Commissioner Kelton moved that the Court accept the Amended Annual Road Report, for filing in the minutes of the Commissioners Court, stating that any bridges, culverts or other improvements necessary to place the precinct roads in good condition and the estimated cost of the improvements: CR 411 and CR 120; rehabilitate from SH 279 East on CR 120 to the South Intersection of CR 411 to the Red River Bridge in order to improve the flow of heavy**

**traffic into the area with the most production of oil and gas in the county and to bring a portion of these roads up to the standards to handle this type of traffic; \$3,007.626.07. Commissioner Shaw seconded the motion and the Court voted 4-0 to approve. [\(Exhibit #6\)](#)**

**Item #11: Ray West-Consideration and possible approval of Advisory Board of County Energy Transportation Reinvestment Zone. Commissioner Worley moved that the Court appoint the following Brown County citizens to serve as members of the Advisory Board for the Brown County Energy Transportation Reinvestment Zone No. 1:**

**Bill Murphree**

**Ronnie Taylor**

**Vanessa Gordon**

**Russell Davis**

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

**Item #12: Nina Cox-Open and review bids for electricity. The Court received one bid, for electricity supplies for County owned facilities, from TXU Energy. [\(Exhibit #7\)](#)**

**Item #13: Nina Cox-Consideration and possible approval of electricity proposals. After discussion, no action was taken.**

**E. Reports. The February 3, 2014 Combined Statement of Cash Position was presented by County Treasurer Ann Krpoun, for filing. [\(Exhibit #8\)](#)**

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

**G. Adjourn. Commissioner Kelton moved that the Court adjourn until February 10, 2014 at 9:00 A.M. in the Commissioners Courtroom. Commissioner Shaw seconded the motion and the Court voted 4-0 to approve.**

