

**STATE OF TEXAS
COUNTY OF BROWN**

The Brown County Commissioners Court convened in a Special Session on March 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:

E. RAY WEST III	COUNTY JUDGE
GARY WORLEY	COMMISSIONER, PRECINCT NO. 1
JOEL KELTON	COMMISSIONER, PRECINCT NO. 2
WAYNE SHAW	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. 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 February 18, 2014 meeting be approved, as presented by County Clerk Sharon Ferguson. Commissioner Shaw 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: Becky Caffey-Review of jail population and jail inspection report. Becky Caffey, Brown County Jail Administrator, and Sheriff Bobby Grubbs, presented the Texas Commission On Jail Standards Annual Jail Inspection Report, for filing. This certifies that the Brown County Jail has been inspected and has been found to be in compliance with the standards of the Texas Commission on Jail Standards. Sheriff Bobby Grubbs commended Becky Caffey, Brown County Jail Administrator, for diligently working in keeping the jail in compliance and presented her with the certificate issued by the commission for meeting the required standards. The Court commended Mrs. Caffey and the jail staff for their good work.

(Exhibit #1)

Item #3: Sheriff's Office-Employee changes. Commissioner Worley moved that the Court approve the following personnel changes and the stated salaries at the Sheriff's Department:

**Barbara Beam/Jailer/part-time kitchen/employed
effective 02-26-2014**

**Ashton Arnold/Jailer/part-time kitchen/discontinued
effective 12-31-2013 (Exhibit #2)**

**Michael Dorman/Jailer/employed
effective 02-28-2014**

**Jeffrey Dempsey/Jailer/discontinued
effective 12-12-2013 ([Exhibit #3](#))**

**Jeffrey King, Jr./Jailer/employed
effective 02-28-2014**

**Joel Moran/Jailer/discontinued
effective 12-29-2013 ([Exhibit #4](#))**

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

Item #4: Wayne Shaw, Pct 3-Consideration and possible approval of vehicle purchase. Commissioner Shaw moved that he be authorized to purchase a 2006 Toyota Tacoma 4 wheel drive 4 door pick-up, for \$19,500.00, from Mike Nichols, for use in Precinct #3. Commissioner Traweek seconded the motion and the Court voted 4-0 to approve.

Item #5: Jan Brown-Consideration and possible approval for promoting Amanda Bundick to Chief Deputy. No action.

Item #6: Mechail Cox-Consideration and possible approval of Proclamation declaring the week of March 3rd thru March 8th as “Severe Weather Awareness” Week. After discussion, with Mechail Cox, Emergency Management Coordinator, Judge West moved that the Court approve a Proclamation to proclaim March 2 through March 8, 2014 as Severe Weather Awareness Week in Brown County. Commissioner Shaw seconded the motion and the Court voted 5-0 to approve. ([Exhibit #5](#))

Item #7: Suzy Young-Consideration and possible approval of replacement Central Counting Judge for the 2014 Joint Primary Election. After discussion with Suzy Young, Brown County Elections Administrator, Commissioner Traweek moved that the Court approve the temporary appointment of Barbara Shields as Central Counting Judge for the Joint Primary to be held March 4, 2014. Commissioner Kelton seconded the motion and the Court voted 4-0 to approve.

(Exhibit #6)

Item #8: Steve Ellis and Nita Richardson-Discussion of Indigent Defense Program and Pretrial Services for Brown and Mills Counties.

The Court discussed the progress of the Indigent Defense Program and Pretrial Services, for Brown and Mills counties, with District Judge Steve Ellis and Indigent Defense Coordinator/Pretrial Services Director, Nita Richardson. After discussion, no action was taken.

E. Reports. The March 3, 2014 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 was presented by the Sheriff's Department, 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 Traweek moved that the Court adjourn until March 10, 2014 at 9:00 A.M. in the Commissioners Courtroom. Commissioner Shaw seconded the motion and the Court voted 4-0 to approve.

