

**STATE OF TEXAS
COUNTY OF BROWN**

The Brown County Commissioners Court convened in a Regular Session on May 12, 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
T'ANNA MCCLURE	INDIGENT HEALTH COORDINATOR
	(Position approved today 05-12-2014)

- A. Opening prayer. Rick Phelps led the Court in the invocation.**
- B. Reading and approval of minutes. Commissioner Traweek moved that the minutes of the May 5, 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: Nancy Byler, Texas Silver-Haired Legislator-Discussion and possible action regarding the subject of HJR 16 allowing a tax freeze for seniors 65+ and/or disabled of Brown County. After discussion, with Nancy Byler, representing Brown County as a Texas Silver-Haired Legislator, and Chief Appraiser Brett McKibben, Commissioner Kelton moved that the Court approve a Resolution, that a proposition shall be included on the ballot for the General Election to be held on November 4, 2014, for Brown County voters to approve or disapprove the provision for an ad valorem tax freeze (for County taxes) on residence homesteads of the disabled and of the elderly (over 65) and their spouses, in accordance with “Proposition 13, House Bill 16” as passed by Texas voters in 2003. Commissioner Shaw seconded the motion and the Court voted 5-0 to adopt the Resolution. [\(Exhibit #1\)](#)

Item #3: Larry Traweek, Pct 2-Open bids for blasting and crushing of material bids. Commissioner Traweek opened one sealed bid, from Black Jack Energy Services, for blasting and crushing of materials to be used in Precinct #1 and Precinct #4. [\(Exhibit #2\)](#)

Item #4: Larry Traweek, Pct 2-Consideration and possible approval to accept bid for blasting and crushing of material bid. After discussion, Commissioner Worley moved that the Court approve the only bid received, from Black Jack Energy Services, for blasting and crushing of materials, to be used in Precinct #1 and Precinct #4. Commissioner Traweek seconded the motion and the Court voted 4-0 to approve. ([Exhibit #3](#))

Item #5: Gary Worley, Pct 1-Consideration and possible approval of filing cabinets for Indigent Care. Commissioner Worley moved that the Court authorize the purchase of three (3) filing cabinets, from Advantage Office Supplies, for \$189.50 each, for use by the Indigent Health Care office. This purchase price will be paid from the Non-Departmental Equipment Fund. Commissioner Kelton seconded the motion and the Court voted 4-0 to approve.

Item #6: Ray West-Consideration and possible approval of repair and replacement of air conditioning equipment at The Oaks facility. Brown County Maintenance Supervisor, Carl Greer, presented two (2) proposals, to the Court, for the repair and replacement of air conditioning and heating equipment (HVAC) at G4S/The Oaks facility. One proposal was from Heart Of Texas Mechanical Contracting, LLC and one proposal was from Roberts & Petty, Inc. After discussion, Judge West moved that the Court accept the proposal, from Heart Of Texas Mechanical Contracting, LLC, for \$24,995.52. Commissioner Worley seconded the motion and the Court voted 3-1 to approve. Commissioner Kelton voted nay. ([Exhibit #4](#) and [Exhibit #5](#))

Item #7: Ray West-Consideration and possible approval of legislative service agreement with Bob Turner and fee for such service. Present to address the Court was Ray Tipton, Executive Director of the Brownwood Chamber of Commerce. After discussion, Judge West moved that the Court authorize payment of \$7,600.00 to retain former State Representative Bob Turner to act as a liaison for Brown County (for 1 ½ years) at the 84th Legislative Session in Austin, Texas. The county's \$7,600.00 contribution, for Bob Turner's fee, will be paid from the General Fund and will be matched by contributions from the City of Brownwood, City of Early and the Early Economic Development Corporation, the Brownwood Economic Development Corporation and the Brownwood Area Chamber of Commerce. Commissioner Kelton seconded the motion and the Court voted 5-0 to approve.

Item #8: Ray West-Consideration and possible approval of proposal for repairs of elevator phone. After discussion, with Brown County Maintenance Supervisor, Carl Greer, Commissioner Kelton moved that the Court approve an expenditure, of \$1,000.87, payable to ThyssenKrupp Elevator Americas, to replace the elevator telephone. Commissioner Shaw seconded the motion and the Court voted 4-0 to approve. [\(Exhibit #6\)](#)

Item #9: Gary Worley, Pct 1-Consideration and possible approval of Indigent Health Care Assessment. Commissioner Worley moved that the Court authorize an expenditure, of \$500.00, to retain the services of Anita Dunlap, consultant for Indigent Inmate Medical Management Services, to perform an in house consultation and evaluation of Brown County's Indigent Health Care. Commissioner Shaw seconded the motion and the Court voted 4-0 to approve.

Item #10: Gary Worley, Pct 1-Consideration and possible approval of replacement employee for Indigent Health Care. Gary Worley moved that the Court authorize the following personnel changes for Indigent Health Care:

T'Anna McClure/Indigent Health Coordinator/employed effective 05-01-2014

Amy Hamrick/Administrative Assistant/Indigent Health Coordinator/discontinued effective 04-30-2014 ([Exhibit #7](#))

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

E. Reports. The May 12, 2014 Combined Statement of Cash Position was presented by County Treasurer Ann Krpoun, for filing. ([Exhibit #8](#))

The Pretrial Report was presented by Indigent Defense Coordinator/Pretrial Services Director Nita Richardson, for filing. ([Exhibit #9](#))

Brown County Auditor Nina Cox reported to the Court on Inter Governmental Transfers for Indigent Hospital Care.

F. Consideration and approval of bills. Commissioner Shaw moved that the claims, as presented by County Auditor Nina Cox, be paid. Commissioner Worley seconded the motion and the Court voted 4-0 to approve. ([Exhibit #10](#))

G. Approval of Treasurer's/Auditor's Report. The Total Of Funds Under The Care & Custody Of Brown County Treasurer and Auditor's Report for April, 2014 was approved after a motion by Commissioner Worley and a second by Commissioner Shaw. The Court voted 4-0 to approve. An Affidavit, with the report attached, was signed and prepared for publication, according to Section 114.026 of the Texas Local Government Code. ([Exhibit #11](#))

H. Recess. Commissioner Kelton moved that the Court recess until May 19, 2014, at 9:00 A.M. in the Commissioners Courtroom. Commissioner Worley seconded the motion and the Court voted 4-0 to approve.

