

**STATE OF TEXAS
COUNTY OF BROWN**

The Brown County Commissioners Court convened in a Special Session on July 7, 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

- A. Opening prayer. Steve Nash led the Court in the invocation.**
- B. Reading and approval of minutes. Commissioner Kelton moved that the minutes of the June 23, 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 lifted.

Item #2: Sheriff's Office-Employee changes. Commissioner Worley moved that the Court approve the following personnel changes at the Sheriff's Department:

Devan Denton/Jailer/employed

effective 06-23-2014

Michael Heath/Jailer/discontinued

effective 04-30-2014 ([Exhibit #1](#))

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

Item #3: Ray West-Presentation of Distinguished Service Award certificate to Brown County Historical Commission. Judge West, on behalf of the State of Texas, presented the Brown County Historical Commission with a 2013 Distinguished Service Award in recognition of its active and well-balanced preservation program. Donnie Lappe, Ronnie Lappe, and Frank Hilton, accepted the award on behalf of the Brown County Historical Commission.

Item #4: Frank Griffin-Consideration and possible approval of replacement employee. Commissioner Traweek moved that the Court approve the following personnel changes at the County Court At Law Office:

**Rhonda Earp/CCL Court Administrator/employed
effective 07-02-2014**

**Brenda Arp/CCL Court Administrator/discontinued
effective 07-03-2014 ([Exhibit #2](#))**

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

Item #5: T'Anna McClure-Consideration and possible approval for the revision of Fraud Policy and Appeals Procedure for Indigent Health Care. Judge West moved that the Court approve the revision of the Fraud Policy & Appeals Procedures for Brown County Indigent Health Care. Commissioner Worley seconded the motion and the Court voted 5-0 to approve. ([Exhibit #3](#))

Item #6: Joel Kelton, Pct 2-Consideration and possible approval of courthouse parking lot repair. Discussion, no action.

Item #7: Sharon Ferguson-Consideration and possible approval of Official Bond and Oath for District Clerk Cheryl Jones. Commissioner Worley moved that the Court approve the Official Bond and Oath for District Clerk Cheryl Jones, who was appointed by District Judge Stephen Ellis on June 30, 2014. Commissioner Traweek seconded the motion and the Court voted 4-0 to approve. ([Exhibit #4](#))

Item #8: Steve Ellis-Consideration and possible approval of the confirmation for appointment of Cheryl Jones to fill Jan Brown's unexpired term as District Clerk. Commissioner Worley moved that the Court confirm District Judge Stephen Ellis' appointment, of Cheryl Jones, to fill District Clerk Jan Brown's unexpired term as District Clerk. Commissioner Kelton seconded the motion and the Court voted 4-0 to approve.

Item #9: Steve Ellis-Consideration and possible approval of appointments of Deputy Clerks. After discussion, with District Clerk Cheryl Jones and County Clerk Sharon Ferguson, Commissioner Kelton moved that the Court approve the Statement of Appointed Officer and Oaths for the following deputy District Clerks:

Becky Dudley/Chief Deputy District Clerk

[\(Exhibit #5, Exhibit #6, and Exhibit #7\)](#)

Amanda Bundick/Chief Deputy District Clerk

[\(Exhibit #8, Exhibit #9, and Exhibit #10\)](#)

Sheena Cantwell/Deputy District Clerk

[\(Exhibit #11, Exhibit #12, and Exhibit #13\)](#)

Audrey Ward/Deputy District Clerk

[\(Exhibit #14, Exhibit #15, and Exhibit #16\)](#)

Tasha Harris/Deputy District Clerk

[\(Exhibit #17, Exhibit #18, and Exhibit #19\)](#)

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

Item #10: Bobby Duvall-Consideration and possible approval of replacement patrol vehicle. After discussion, with Sheriff Bobby Grubbs and Chief Deputy Sheriff Bobby Duvall, Commissioner Kelton moved that the Court authorize the Sheriff's Office to purchase a 2014 Chevrolet Tahoe, to replace a damaged Dodge Charger patrol vehicle. The new vehicle, less trade-in, will be paid from the General Non-Departmental Equipment Fund. Commissioner Worley seconded the motion and the Court voted 4-0 to approve. ([Exhibit #20](#))

Item #11: Sharon Ferguson-Consideration and possible approval of Court Payment Card Processing Participation Agreement for e-filing. After discussion, with County Clerk Sharon Ferguson and District Clerk Cheryl Jones, Judge West moved that the Court approve the Court Payment Card Processing Participation Agreement, between Brown County and Tyler Technologies, for e-filing. Commissioner Kelton seconded the motion and the Court voted 5-0 to approve. ([Exhibit #21](#))

Item #12: Christine Pentecost-Consideration and possible approval replacement employee; TAC office. Commissioner Worley moved that the Court approve the following personnel changes at the Tax-Assessor Collector's Office:

Autumn Watson/Deputy TAC/employed

effective 07-03-2014

Crystal Smith/Deputy TAC/discontinued

effective 06-30-2014 ([Exhibit #22](#))

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

Item #13: Wayne Shaw, Pct 3-Application to install private line, CR 348. Commissioner Shaw moved that the Court approve an application, made by Zephyr Water Supply, to install a buried line, within the right-of-way of County Road #348, in Precinct #3; subject to Brown County specifications. Commissioner Kelton seconded the motion and the Court voted 4-0 to approve. ([Exhibit #23](#))

E. Reports. The July 7, 2014 Combined Statement of Cash Position was presented by County Treasurer Ann Krpoun, for filing. ([Exhibit #24](#))

The Pretrial Report was presented by Indigent Defense Coordinator/Pretrial Services Director Nita Richardson, for filing. ([Exhibit #25](#))

The Texas Commission on Jail Standards Jail Population Report was presented by the Sheriff's Department, for filing. ([Exhibit #26](#))

F. Consideration and approval of bills. Commissioner Worley 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 #27](#))

G. Adjourn. Commissioner Traweek moved that the Court adjourn until July 10, 2014 at 9:00 A.M. in the Commissioners Courtroom. Commissioner Worley seconded the motion and the Court voted -0 to approve.

