

**STATE OF TEXAS
COUNTY OF BROWN**

The Brown County Commissioners Court convened in a Special Session on August 4, 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
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. Rick Phelps led the Court in the invocation.

B. Reading and approval of minutes. Commissioner Traweek moved that the minutes of the July 28, 2014 meeting be approved, as presented by County Clerk Sharon Ferguson. Commissioner Shaw seconded the motion and the Court voted 3-0 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: Renee Howes-Consideration and possible final approval of King's Point Cove, Unit 3. After discussion with Civil Engineer Michael F. Lucci, PE, who is representing DFC Texas Land, LLC, no action was taken.

Item #3: Suzy Young-Consideration and possible approval to appoint election and alternate judges for next term (9-1-14 to 8-31-15).

Commissioner Shaw moved that the Court approve the appointment of Republican Election Judges and the appointment of Democrat Alternate Election Judges for a two year term commencing September 1, 2014 through August 31 2016. A list of Early Voting Clerks is attached to the list of judges, as presented by Elections Administrator Suzy Young. Commissioner Traweek seconded the motion and the Court voted 3-0 to approve. [\(Exhibit #1\)](#)

Item #4: Suzy Young-Consideration and possible approval to order the General Election and the tax freeze election for implementation of tax exemption for residential (homestead) owners 65 and older, and/or disabled in Brown County, pursuant to Article 8, Section 1 b(h) Texas Constitution.

After discussion, with Elections Administrator Suzy Young, Commissioner Shaw moved that the Court approve the Order Of General Election for November 4, 2014. Commissioner Traweek seconded the motion and the Court voted 3-0 to approve. [\(Exhibit #2\)](#)

Commissioner Shaw moved that the Court approve the Order Of Special Election for November 4, 2014, for the purpose of implementation of tax exemption for residential (homestead) owners over 65 and older, and/or disabled in Brown County. Commissioner Traweek seconded the motion and the Court voted 3-0 to approve. [\(Exhibit #3\)](#)

Item #5: Larry Traweek, Pct 4-Consideration and possible approval of Commissioners Court Administrative Assistant replacement. Commissioner Traweek moved that the Court approve the appointment of T'Anna McClure as the Commissioners Court Administrative Assistant. Her salary will be \$30,000.00 per year beginning August 1, 2014. Commissioner Shaw seconded the motion and the Court voted 3-0 to approve. T'Anna McClure was appointed the Indigent Health Coordinator on May 12, 2014. [\(Exhibit #4\)](#)

Item #6: Gary Worley, Pct 1-Application to install private line, CR 225. Commissioner Shaw moved that the Court approve an application, made by GTE Southwest dba Verizon Southwest, to install a buried communication line within the right-of-way of County Road #225, in Precinct #1; subject to Brown County specifications. Commissioner Traweek seconded the motion and the Court voted 3-0 to approve. [\(Exhibit #5\)](#)

Item #7: Joel Kelton, Pct 2-Consideration and possible approval for replacement of septic system at Precinct 2 barn. Commissioner Kelton presented three (3) proposals to replace the septic system at the Precinct #2 county barn. The proposals were from Bert's Tanks, Kirby Cabler Enterprises General Contractors, and Steve's Dirt Work. After discussion, Commissioner Kelton moved that the Court approve the proposal from Steve's Dirt Work to replace the septic system at the Precinct #2 county barn. Commissioner Traweek seconded the motion and the Court voted 3-0 to approve.

([Exhibit #6](#), [Exhibit #7](#), and [Exhibit #8](#))

Item #8: Steve Ellis-Consideration and possible approval of replacement employee. Commissioner Shaw moved that the Court authorize the following personnel changes in the District Court:

**Sheena Cantwell/District Court Administrator/employed
effective 08-01-2014**

**Cheryl Jones/District Court Administrator/discontinued
effective 07-15-2014 ([Exhibit #9](#))**

Commissioner Traweek seconded the motion and the Court voted 3-0 to approve.

Item #9: Budget Hearings. No action.

**E. Reports. The August 4, 2014 Combined Statement of Cash Position was presented by County Treasurer Ann Krpoun, for filing.
[\(Exhibit #10\)](#)**

The Pretrial Report was presented by Indigent Defense Coordinator/Pretrial Services Director Nita Richardson, for filing.

[\(Exhibit #11\)](#)

F. Consideration and approval of bills. Commissioner Shaw moved that the claims, as presented by County Auditor Nina Cox, be paid. Commissioner Traweck seconded the motion and the Court voted 3-0 to approve. [\(Exhibit #12\)](#)

G. Adjourn. Commissioner Traweck moved that the Court adjourn until August 11, 2014 at 9:00 A.M. in the Commissioners Courtroom. Commissioner Shaw seconded the motion and the Court voted 3-0 to approve.

