

**STATE OF TEXAS  
COUNTY OF BROWN**

**The Brown County Commissioners Court convened in a Special Session on September 29, 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>T'ANNA MCCLURE</b>	<b>INDIGENT HEALTH COORDINATOR</b>

- 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 September 15, 2015 meeting be approved, as presented by County Clerk Sharon Ferguson. Commissioner Kelton 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: Public hearing-Proposed Budget for 2015. Judge West asked for questions, comments, or objections, concerning the adoption of the proposed budget for Fiscal Year 2014/2015, from the audience and the Court. There were no questions, comments, or objections. ([Exhibit #1](#))**

**Item #3: Ray West, County Judge-Consideration and possible adoption of proposed budget for 2015. Commissioner Kelton moved that the proposed Brown County Fiscal Year 2014-2015 Budget be adopted, as presented. Commissioner Worley seconded the motion and the Court voted 5-0 to approve. ([Exhibit #2](#))**

**Item #4: Public hearing-Proposed Brown County tax rates for 2015. This Item #4 was considered on September 30, 2014.**

**Item #5: Ray West, County Judge-Consideration and possible adoption of tax rates and Resolution for increase in tax rates for Brown County for 2015. This Item #5 was considered on September 30, 2014.**

**Item #6: Sherry Clark, Child Welfare Board-Consideration and possible approval of new members for Child Welfare Board. Commissioner Shaw moved that the Court approve the appointment of Cristy Herrada to serve on the Brown County Child Welfare Board. She will fill the vacancy left by Debbie Krischke. Commissioner Traweek seconded the motion and the Court voted 4-0 to approve. ([Exhibit #3](#))**

**Item #7: May Silver & Terri Densman, The Ark-Consideration and possible approval of Proclamation declaring the month of October as Domestic Violence Awareness month. Commissioner Traweek moved that the Court approve a proclamation to proclaim the month of October 2014 as “Domestic Violence Awareness Month” in Brown County. Commissioner Kelton seconded the motion and the Court voted 5-0 to approve. ([Exhibit #4](#))**

**Item #8: Cheryl Jones, District Clerk-Consideration and possible approval of the District Clerk’s Records Archival Plan. After discussion, Commissioner Shaw moved that the Court approve the Preservation And Restoration Of Archived Records Plan presented by District Clerk Cheryl Jones. Commissioner Kelton seconded the motion and the Court voted 5-0 to approve. ([Exhibit #5](#))**

**Item #9: Bob Beadel, Constable Pct 1-Announcement of retirement. Precinct #1 Constable Bob Beadel introduced his wife, Ann Beadel, to the Court. Constable Beadel read a letter, to the Court, announcing his retirement plans, effective no later than October 31, 2014. The Court commended Constable Beadel on a job well done. ([Exhibit #6](#))**

**Item #10: Ann Krpoun, Treasurer-Consideration and possible approval of rolling over unused portion of Flex Med reserves. After discussion, with County Treasurer Ann Krpoun, Commissioner Kelton moved that the Court adopt Amendment Number 8 “Use-or-Lose” Rule Amendment to the Section 125 Cafeteria Plan for the Employees of Brown County. Commissioner Shaw seconded the motion and the Court voted 5-0 to approve. ([Exhibit #7](#))**

**Item #11: Ann Krpoun-Consideration and possible approval of Agreement to the Section 125 Cafeteria Plan. After discussion, with County Treasurer Ann Krpoun, Commissioner Kelton moved that the Court approve the Business Associate Agreement to Section 125 of the Cafeteria Plan between Brown County and David K. Young Consulting LLC (DKYC). Judge West seconded the motion and the Court voted 5-0 to approve. ([Exhibit #8](#))**

**Item #12: Tootie Kelly-Consideration and possible approval of Sunshine Acres Subdivision. Commissioner Traweek moved that the Court approve the filing of Sunshine Acres Subdivision Plat, in Precinct #4. Commissioner Worley seconded the motion and the Court voted 4-0 to approve. ([Exhibit #9](#))**

**Item #13: David Withers-Consideration and possible approval of Resolution authorizing County Grant for “Texans Feeding Texans: Home Delivered Meal Grant Program. Judge West moved that the Court approve a Resolution certifying that the County has made a grant to Brownwood Senior Citizens-City of Brownwood, that will allow the County to apply for its share of a grant from the Texas Department of Agriculture to assist with financing a home deliver meal program that provides meals to home bound persons in the County who are elderly and/or have a disability. Commissioner Kelton seconded the motion and the Court voted 5-0 to approve. [\(Exhibit #10\)](#)**

**E. Reports. The September 29, 2014 Combined Statement of Cash Position was presented by County Treasurer Ann Krpoun, for filing. [\(Exhibit #11\)](#)**

**The Pretrial Report was presented by Indigent Defense Coordinator/Pretrial Services Director Nita Richardson, for filing. [\(Exhibit #12\)](#)**

**The Court recessed at 9:35 A.M. for thirty minutes. Judge West reconvened the Special Session at 10:05 A.M.**

**After discussion, Commissioner Kelton moved that the Court recess until September 30, 2014 at 4:00 P.M. to consider Item #4, Item #5, and F. (Approval of bills). Commissioner Traweek seconded the motion and the Court voted 4-0 to approve.**

**September 30, 2014 at 4:00 P.M.**

**Judge Pro-Tem Kelton called the Special Session back to order at 4:02 P.M. Judge West was absent. Members of the Court present were:**

<b>Gary Worley</b>	<b>Commissioner, Precinct #1</b>
<b>Joel Kelton</b>	<b>Commissioner, Precinct #2</b>
<b>Wayne Shaw</b>	<b>Commissioner, Precinct #3</b>
<b>Larry Traweek</b>	<b>Commissioner, Precinct #4</b>

**Also present:**

<b>Sharon Ferguson</b>	<b>County Clerk</b>
<b>Nina Cox</b>	<b>County Auditor</b>
<b>T'Anna McClure</b>	<b>Indigent Health Coordinator</b>
<b>Shane Britton</b>	<b>County Attorney</b>

**Item #4: Public hearing-Proposed Brown County tax rates for 2015. Judge Pro-Tem Kelton asked for question, comments, or objections to the proposed Brown County tax rates for Fiscal Year 2014-2015. Joe Cooksey spoke in opposition to the proposed Brown County tax rates for Fiscal Year 2014-2015.**

**After further discussion, Commissioner Traweek moved that the Court recess at 4:25 P.M. and reconvene at 4:45 P.M. Commissioner Shaw seconded the motion and the Court voted 4-0 to approve.**

**Judge Pro-Tem Kelton called the Special Session back to order at 4:45 P.M.**

**Item #5: Ray West, County Judge-Consideration and possible adoption of tax rates and Resolution for increase in tax rates for Brown County for 2015. The Court adopted a Resolution to approve the tax rates for Fiscal Year 2014-2015 as follows:**

**General Fund Rate per \$100 valuation-0.4476**

**motion by Commissioner Worley  
second by Commissioner Traweek  
vote: 4-0 in favor**

**Road & Flood Rate per \$100 valuation-0.0801**

**motion by Commissioner Worley  
second by Commissioner Traweek  
vote: 4-0 in favor**

**Debt Service Rate per \$100 valuation-0.0467**

**motion by Commissioner Traweek  
second by Commissioner Shaw  
vote: 4-0 in favor**

**Commissioner Worley moved that the tax rate be increased by the adoption of a Total Tax Rate of 0.5744, which will effectively raise more taxes for maintenance and operations that last year's budget by**

**7.34 percent. Commissioner Traweek seconded the motion and the Court voted 4-0 to approve. ([Exhibit #13](#))**

**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 #14](#))**

**G. Recess. Commissioner Traweek moved that the Court recess until October 6, 2014 at 9:00 A.M. in the Commissioners Courtroom. Commissioner Shaw seconded the motion and the Court voted 4-0 to approve.**

