

**STATE OF TEXAS  
COUNTY OF BROWN**

**The Brown County Commissioners Court convened in a Special Session on August 3, 2015 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>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>JOSIE CONTRERAS</b>	<b>ASSISTANT COUNTY AUDITOR</b>
<b>T'ANNA MCCLURE</b>	<b>ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANT</b>

**A. Opening prayer. Rick Phelps led the Court in the invocation.**

**B. Reading and approval of minutes. Commissioner Shaw moved that the minutes of the July 27, 2015 meeting be approved, as presented by County Clerk Sharon Ferguson. Commissioner Kelton 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: Nita Richardson-Consideration and possible approval of replacement employee. Commissioner Traweck moved that the Court approve the following personnel changes in the Indigent Defense/Pretrial Services Office:**

**Jordon Splawn/Assistant/employed**

**effective 08-03-2015**

**Chris Keech/Assistant/discontinued**

**effective 07-22-2015 ([Exhibit #1](#))**

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

**Item #3: Sheriff's Office-Employee changes. Commissioner Shaw moved that the Court authorize the following personnel changes at the Sheriff's Department:**

**Coby Tucker/Jailer/employed/effective 07-31-2015**

**Rhonda Brittany Deen/Jailer/discontinued**

**effective 03-15-2015 ([Exhibit #2](#))**

**Taylor Fletcher/Deputy/employed/effective 07-30-2015**

**Kelly Marsh/Deputy/discontinued/**

**effective 07-29-2015 ([Exhibit #3](#))**

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

**Item #4: Sharon Ferguson, County Clerk-Consideration and possible approval of bond for District Clerk Cheryl Jones. Commissioner Traweek moved that the Court approve the bond and oath for District Clerk Cheryl Jones. Commissioner Shaw seconded the motion and the Court voted 3-0 to approve. ([Exhibit #4](#))**

**Item #5: Cheryl Jones, District Clerk-Consideration and possible approval of replacement employee. Commissioner Kelton moved that the Court approve the following personnel changes in the District Clerk's Office:**

**Jocelyn Keeney/Deputy District Clerk/employed  
effective 08-03-2015**

**Jennifer Rinkenberger/Deputy District Clerk/discontinued  
effective 05-30-2015 ([Exhibit #5](#))**

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

**Item #6: Gary Worley, Pct 1-Consideration and possible approval to renew land owner contract. Commissioner Traweek moved that the Court approve the renewal of a contract, between Precinct #1 and Bob Lewis, for access and permission to crush rock and for royalties to be paid to the landowner, on property located 8 miles South of Brownwood on County Road #231, in Precinct #1. Commissioner Shaw seconded the motion and the Court voted 3-0 to approve. ([Exhibit #6](#))**

**Item #7: Wayne Shaw, Pct 3-Consideration and possible approval of equipment purchase. Commissioner Shaw moved that the Court authorize him to purchase a jail crew truck at a price not to exceed \$10,000.00. Commissioner Traweek seconded the motion and the Court voted 3-0 to approve.**

**Commissioner Shaw moved that the Court recess until 1:30 P.M. to consider Item #8: Budget Hearings. Commissioner Kelton seconded the motion and the Court voted 3-0 to approve.**

**Item #8: Budget Hearings: Judge Protem Kelton called the Court to order at 1:30 P.M. All members of the Court were present. Those present to meet with the Court to review their respective budgets were:**

**Historical Commission-Ronnie Lappe**

**Child Welfare Board-Sherry Clark**

**Center For Life Resources & Brown County Transport**

**Dion White**

**Family Services Center-Doak Givan**

**Good Samaritan Ministries and Brown County Home**

**Solutions-Angelia Bostick**

**Library-Frank Hilton, Bill Blagg and Matt McConnell**

**Corinne T Smith Animal Center-Freda Day**

**Museum Of History-Beverly Norris, Wanda Furgason and**

**Ken Harris**

**County Court At Law-Judge Sam Moss**

**Commissioner's Court-T'Anna McClure**

**After discussion, no action was taken.**

**E. Reports. The August 3, 2015 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. [\(Exhibit #8\)](#)**

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

**[\(Exhibit #9\)](#)**

**F. Consideration and approval of bills. Commissioner Traweek moved that the claims, as presented by Assistant County Auditor Josie Contreras, be paid. Commissioner Shaw seconded the motion and the Court voted 3-0 approve. [\(Exhibit #10\)](#)**

**G. Adjourn. Commissioner Kelton moved that the Court adjourn until August 10, 2015 at 9:00 A.M. in the Commissioners Courtroom. Judge West seconded the motion and the Court voted 4-0 to approve.**

