

**STATE OF TEXAS  
COUNTY OF BROWN**

**The Brown County Commissioners Court convened in a Special Session on December 21, 2015 at 9:00 A.M. in the Commissioner's Courtroom, Brown County Courthouse, 200 South Broadway Brownwood, Texas. Judge Pro-Tem Kelton called the meeting to order. Members of the Court present were:**

<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>ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANT</b>

- A. Opening prayer. Leland Acker led the Court in the invocation.**
- B. Reading and approval of minutes. Commissioner Shaw moved that the minutes of the December 14, 2015 meeting be approved, as presented by County Clerk Sharon Ferguson. Commissioner Traweek 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 Shaw moved that the Court approve the following personnel changes at the Sheriff's Department:**

**Michelle Johnson/Jailer/employed**

**effective 12-16-2015**

**Matthew Tillery/Jailer/transferred to Road Crew**

**effective 12-07-2015 ([Exhibit #1](#))**

**Matthew Tillery/ transferred to Jailer Road Crew**

**effective 12-07-2015**

**Dennis Essary/transferred back to jail**

**effective 03-23-2015 ([Exhibit #2](#))**

**Charles Woods/promoted to CID from Courthouse Security**

**effective 12-21-2015**

**Scott Bird/was CID/ promoted to CID Sgt.**

**effective 12-02-2015 ([Exhibit #3](#))**

**Michael L. McCoy/Deputy/employed**

**effective 01-01-2016**

**Charles Woods/Deputy/transferred to CID**

**effective 12-21-2015 ([Exhibit #4](#))**

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

**Commissioner Worley moved that the Court approve the following personnel changes at the Sheriff's Department:**

**Kenneth Wilson/going from Pct #4 to Pct #3/Road Crew effective 12-07-2015**

**Dennis Essary/was Precinct #3 Road Crew transferred back to jail effective 03-23-2015 ([Exhibit #5](#))**

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

**Item #3: Don King, County Surveyor-Consideration and possible approval of a security system for County Surveyor's Office. After discussion, with Brown County Surveyor Don King, no action was taken. Mr. King stated that he would be returning the Brown County Surveyor record books to the County Clerk's Office.**

**Item #4: Gary Worley, Pct 1-Application to install private line, CR 185. Commissioner Worley moved that an application, made by Brookesmith SUD, to install a buried water line, within the right-of-way of County Road #185, in Precinct #1, be approved; subject to Brown County specifications for cutting a road. Commissioner Shaw seconded the motion and the Court voted 4-0 to approve. ([Exhibit #6](#))**

**Item #5: Ray West, County Judge-Consideration and reappointment of Barry Miller as Brown County representative to Brown County Appraisal District Board. Commissioner Worley moved that the Court approve the re-appointment of Barry Miller as a representative on the Brown County Appraisal District Board. Commissioner Shaw seconded the motion and the Court voted 4-0 to approve.**

**Item #6: Ray West, County Judge-Consideration and possible approval to declare Brown County property in Houston as surplus, being lots in the Brooke Smith Addition to the City of Houston more fully described in a deed from the Harris County Sheriff to Brown County, dated September 5, 1993, recorded in Volume 1477, Page 44, Harris County Deed Records. No action.**

**E. Reports. The December 21, 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](#))**

**Dr. Dawn Buckingham addressed the Court, as a Texas State Senate Candidate, for District 24. ([Exhibit #9](#))**

**Robert Porter, Republican Party Chair, announced that the drawing, for a place on the Republican Party Primary Ballot, will be held today at 2:00 P.M. at the Elections Administration Office.**

**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 approve. ([Exhibit #10](#))**

**Commissioner Traweek moved that the claims, for McKinstry, be approved for payment on December 29, 2015, providing that the Certificates of Obligation fund that day. Commissioner Worley seconded the motion and the Court voted 3-0 to approve. Commissioner Kelton abstained from voting. ([Exhibit #11](#))**

**G. Recess. Commissioner Traweek moved that the Court recess until January 4, 2016 at 9:00 A.M. in the Commissioners Courtroom. Commissioner Shaw seconded the motion and the Court voted 4-0 to approve.**

