

**STATE OF TEXAS
COUNTY OF BROWN**

The Brown County Commissioners Court convened in a Special Session on March 7, 2016 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
JOSIE CONTRERAS	ASSISTANT COUNTY AUDITOR
T'ANNA MCCLURE	ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANT

- A. Opening prayer. Rick Phelps led the Court in the invocation.**
- B. Reading and approval of minutes. Commissioner Kelton moved that the minutes of the February 29, 2016 meeting be approved, as presented by County Clerk Sharon Ferguson. Commissioner Worley 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, Commissioner Kelton moved that the Court lift the burn ban. Commissioner Worley seconded the motion and the Court voted 4-0 to approve.

Item #2: Larry Franks, Elections Administrator-Consideration and possible approval of Interlocal Agreement between Brown County and the City of Brady and Brady I.S.D. After discussion, with Interim Elections Administrator Larry Franks, Judge West moved that the Court approve an Interlocal Agreement For Elections Services Between The City Of Brady, Brady Independent School District And Brown County for the provision of election equipment/services for the General elections to be held on May 7, 2016. Commissioner Worley seconded the motion and the Court voted 5-0 to approve. [\(Exhibit #1\)](#)

Larry Franks informed the Court that the Primary Election, held on March 1, 2016, had a record turnout.

Item #3: Vance Hill, Chief Deputy-Consideration and possible approval to purchase commercial grade lawnmower for the Law Enforcement Center. Chief Deputy Vance Hill presented three (3) proposals for a commercial grade lawnmower, for the Law Enforcement Center. After discussion, Commissioner Kelton moved that the Court approve the proposal, of \$8,248.66, from Brady Butane, for the purchase of a Hustler mower, for the Law Enforcement Center. Commissioner Shaw seconded the motion and the Court voted 4-0 to approve. [\(Exhibit #2\)](#)

Item #4: Ray West, County Judge-Open bids for paving, seal coating and asphalt products. Judge West opened three (3) sealed bids for paving and/or seal coating and asphalt products, for all Precincts. The bids were from:

Kelcy & Son Paving Contractors, Inc. ([Exhibit #3](#))

Russell Construction ([Exhibit #4](#))

Wright Asphalt Products Co. ([Exhibit #5](#))

Publisher's Affidavit ([Exhibit #6](#))

Commissioner Kelton read the bids to the Court.

Item #5: Ray West, County Judge-Consideration and possible approval to accept bids for paving, seal coating and asphalt products. Commissioner Kelton moved that the Court accept all bids, for paving and/or seal coating and asphalt products, for all Precincts. The bids are from:

Kelcy & Son Paving Contractor, Inc. ([Exhibit #3](#))

Russell Construction ([Exhibit #4](#)) and

Wright Asphalt Products Co. ([Exhibit #5](#))

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

Item #6: Gary Worley, Pct 1-Public Hearing regarding setting of 45 mph speed limit on CR 225. Judge West asked for comments, from the audience, concerning a proposed 45 mph speed limit on County Road #225, in Precinct #1. There were no comments. ([Exhibit #7](#))

Item #7: Gary Worley, Pct 1-Consideration and possible approval to set a 45 mph speed limit on CR 225. Commissioner Worley moved that the Court approve to set the speed limit on County Road #225, 1.2 miles south of FM 45, at 45 mph, in Precinct #1. Commissioner Traweek seconded the motion and the Court voted 4-0 to approve. [\(Exhibit #8\)](#)

Item #8: Ray West, County Judge-Consideration and possible approval of participation in payment for legislative liaison (Bob Turner) for next legislative session. Present to address the Court was Ray Tipton, Executive Director of the Brownwood Chamber of Commerce. After discussion, Judge West moved that the Court authorize payment of \$7,333.00 to retain former State Representative Bob Turner to act as a liaison for Brown County (for two years) at the next Legislative Session in Austin, Texas. The county's \$7,333.00 contribution, for Bob Turner's fee, will be paid from the General Fund and will be matched by contributions from the City of Brownwood, City of Early and the Early Economic Development Corporation, the Brownwood Economic Development Corporation, the Brownwood Area Chamber of Commerce and the Brown County Water Improvement District. Commissioner Kelton seconded the motion and the Court voted 5-0 to approve.

Item #9: Ray West, County Judge-Consideration and possible reappointment for three positions on the Brown County Hospital Authority Board. Judge West moved that the Court approve the re-appointment of Keith Clark, Robert Porter, and Paul Waldrop to serve as representatives on the Brown County Hospital Authority Board. Commissioner Worley seconded the motion and the Court voted 5-0 to approve.

Item #10: Ray West, County Judge-Consideration and possible approval of policy prohibit business solicitation at the Courthouse. Judge West moved that the Court adopt, as County Policy, that Commercial, For Profit Solicitation shall be prohibited at the Courthouse, effective immediately. This prohibition of solicitation shall not apply to charitable or educational related fundraisers, nor shall it prohibit individual delivery of commercial products requested by Courthouse employees. Commissioner Traweck seconded the motion and the Court voted 5-0 to approve.

Item #11: Ray West, County Judge-Consideration and possible approval of Order to authorize sale of fireworks during the San Jacinto Day period. Commissioner Shaw moved that the Court approve an Order to authorize the sale of fireworks during the San Jacinto Day period beginning April 16, 2016 and ending April 21, 2016. Commissioner Traweck seconded the motion and the Court voted 4-1 to approve. Commissioner Worley voted nay. [\(Exhibit #9\)](#)

E. Reports. The March 7, 2016 Combined Statement of Cash Position was presented by County Treasurer Ann Krpoun, for filing.

[\(Exhibit #10\)](#)

The Texas Commission On Jail Standards Jail Population Report was presented by the Sheriff's Department, for filing. [\(Exhibit #11\)](#)

F. Consideration and approval of bills. Commissioner Kelton moved that the claims, as presented by Assistant County Auditor Josie Contreras, be paid. Commissioner Worley seconded the motion and the Court voted 4-0 approve. [\(Exhibit #12\)](#)

G. Adjourn. Commissioner Kelton moved that the Court adjourn until March 14, 2016 at 9:00 A.M. in the Commissioners Courtroom. Commissioner Shaw seconded the motion and the Court voted 4-0 to approve.

