

**STATE OF TEXAS  
COUNTY OF BROWN**

**The Brown County Commissioners Court convened in a Special Session on July 25, 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:**

<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>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 Kelton moved that the minutes of the July 11, 2016 and July 18, 2016 meetings be approved, as presented by County Clerk Sharon Ferguson. Commissioner Shaw seconded the motion and the Court voted 4-0 to approve. Commissioner Worley abstained from voting on the July 11, 2016 minutes.**

**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 in effect.**

**Item #2: Cheryl Jones, District Clerk-Consideration and possible approval of personnel changes. Commissioner Worley moved that the following personnel changes be authorized in the District Clerk's Office, as presented by Chief Deputy District Clerk Shana Bullard:**

**Mark Stroope/Deputy District Clerk/employed  
effective 07-25-2016**

**Audrey Ward/Chief Deputy District Clerk/discontinued  
effective 06-10-2016 ([Exhibit #1](#))**

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

**Item #3: Karen Opiela, Elections Administrator-Consideration and possible approval of personnel changes. After discussion, with Elections Administrator Karen Opiela, Commissioner Traweek moved that the Court approve the temporary part-time employment of Ervin Bates, effective 07-28-2016. He will be working approximately 27 hours per week and will be paid \$10.58 per hour. Commissioner Kelton seconded the motion and the Court voted 4-0 to approve. ([Exhibit #2](#))**

**Item #4: Sherry Clark, Child Welfare Board-Consideration and possible approval of new board member. Commissioner Shaw moved that the Court approve the appointment of Jacqueline Rider to serve as a member on the Child Welfare Board of Brown County, as presented by Chair Sherry Clark. Commissioner Kelton seconded the motion and the Court voted 4-0 to approve. ([Exhibit #3](#))**

**Item #5: Ann Krpoun, Treasurer-Consideration and possible approval of health insurance proposal from TAC for FYI 2016-2017. After discussion, with County Treasurer Ann Krpoun, Commissioner Kelton moved that the Court approve the Texas Association of Counties Health and Employee Benefits Pool 2016/2017 Renewal Notice and Benefit Confirmation Medical Plan 700. The plan will run the fiscal year instead of the calendar year. Commissioner Worley seconded the motion and the Court voted 4-0 to approve. ([Exhibit #4](#))**

**Item #6: Gary Worley, Pct 1-Discussion and possible approval to invite US Army Special Operation Command to conduct training operations in Brown County. Commissioner Worley moved that the Court approve an invitation letter, to be sent to the United States Army Special Operations Command, inviting them to conduct military training, Unconventional Warfare Exercise 17, within our jurisdiction, from March 5 thru June 1, 2017. Commissioner Traweek seconded the motion and the Court voted 4-0 to approve. ([Exhibit #5](#))**

**Item #7: Gary Worley, Pct 1-Consideration and possible approval to allow Precinct 1 to sell 2004 Chevy pickup at auction. Commissioner Worley moved that the Court authorize Precinct #1 to sell a 2004 Chevrolet pickup at a public auction. Commissioner Shaw seconded the motion and the Court voted 4-0 to approve.**

**Item #8: Gary Worley, Pct 1-Consideration and possible approval to allow Precinct 1 to purchase 2011 Mack Truck from Bruckner Truck Sales. Commissioner Worley moved that the Court authorize Precinct #1 to purchase a 2011 Mack truck, through the Buy Board process, from Bruckner Truck Sales, Inc. The purchase price, of \$65,568.00, will be paid using Precinct #1 funds. Commissioner Traweck seconded the motion and the Court voted 4-0 to approve. ([Exhibit #6](#))**

**E. Reports. The July 25, 2016 Combined Statement of Cash Position was presented by County Treasurer Ann Krpoun, for filing. ([Exhibit #7](#))**

**F. Consideration and approval of bills. Commissioner Worley moved that the claims, as presented by Assistant County Auditor Josie Contreras, be paid. Commissioner Kelton seconded the motion and the Court voted 4-0 approve. ([Exhibit #8](#))**

**G. Recess. Commissioner Traweck moved that the Court recess until August 1, 2016 at 9:00 A.M. in the Commissioners Courtroom. Commissioner Shaw seconded the motion and the Court voted 4-0 to approve.**

