

**STATE OF TEXAS
COUNTY OF BROWN**

The Brown County Commissioners Court convened in a Regular Session on November 14, 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
JOEL KELTON	COMMISSIONER, PRECINCT NO. 2
WAYNE SHAW	COMMISSIONER, PRECINCT NO. 3
LARRY TRAWEEK	COMMISSIONER, PRECINCT NO. 4

Also present:

SHARON FERGUSON	COUNTY CLERK
JENNIFER ROBISON	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 November 7, 2016 meeting be approved, as presented by County Clerk Sharon Ferguson. Commissioner Shaw 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: Becky Caffey, Jail Administrator-Consideration and possible approval of inmate phone proposal. Becky Caffey, Brown County Jail Administrator, presented four (4) proposals, for inmate telephone service, to the Court. The proposals were from:

NCIC ([Exhibit #1](#))

CTC Company, Inc. ([Exhibit #2](#))

LATTICE Incorporated ([Exhibit #3](#))

SECURUS Technologies ([Exhibit #4](#))

After discussion, Commissioner Kelton moved that the Court approve an Inmate Telephone Service Agreement between NCIC Inmate Telephone Services, (NCIC) and Brown County for inmate telephone services. Commissioner Traweck seconded the motion and the Court voted 3-0 to approve. ([Exhibit #5](#))

Item #3: Wayne Shaw, Pct 3-Application to install private line, Oak Street. Commissioner Shaw moved that the Court approve an application, from Oncor Electric, to install a communication line within the right-of-way of Oak Street, in Precinct #3; subject to Brown County specifications. Commissioner Traweck seconded the motion and the Court voted 3-0 to approve. ([Exhibit #6](#))

Item #4: Jeff Wetzel-Consideration and possible approval of request for waiver of penalty and interest on ad valorem (mineral interest) tax. After discussion, with Jeff Wetzel, Judge West moved that the Court waive the penalty and interest on advalorem tax (tax statements for royalty interest were not sent to royalty owner so royalty owner not at fault), for Jeff Wetzel. Commissioner Shaw seconded the motion and the Court voted 4-0 to approve.

Item #5: Scott Anderson, County Extension Agent-Consideration and possible approval for replacement employee. Commissioner Kelton moved that the following personnel changes be made at the County Extension office:

Courtney Levens/FCS Agent/employed

effective 11-07-2016

Kim Miles/FCS Agent/discontinued

effective 01-31-2016 ([Exhibit #7](#))

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

Item #6: Valton Sudderth-Consideration and possible approval of road dedication and acceptance; Sudderth-Frazier Lane. After discussion, with Valton Sudderth, Commissioner Shaw moved that the Court, accept Sudderth-Frazier Lane, Jacob Duckworth Survey, Block 9, in Precinct #3, as a county public road. Commissioner Traweek seconded the motion and the Court voted 3-0 to approve. ([Exhibit #8](#))

Item #7: Ray West, County Judge-Consideration and possible approval of County Information Resources Agency Services Agreement. Judge West moved that the Court approve a County Information Resources Agency Services Agreement between Brown County and the County Information Resources Agency (CIRA), for Website Service support for Brown County. Commissioner Shaw seconded the motion and the Court voted 4-0 to approve. ([Exhibit #9](#))

Item #8: Jennifer Robison, County Auditor-Consideration and possible approval of Indigent Defense Grant Program. After discussion, with Brown County Auditor Jennifer Robison, Commissioner Traweek moved that the Court approve a 2017 Brown County Resolution Indigent Defense Grant Program to assist the county in the implementation and the improvement of the indigent criminal defense services in Brown County and to designate the County Auditor as the Financial Officer for this grant. Commissioner Shaw seconded the motion and the Court voted 3-0 to approve. ([Exhibit #10](#))

Item #9: Larry Traweek, Pct 4-Consideration and possible approval of employee changes. Commissioner Traweek moved that the following personnel changes be made in Precinct #4:

**Rex Pennington/Foreman (in training) for Precinct #4
effective 11-15-2016 and Foreman effective 01-01-2017
Rex Pennington/Road Hand/Precinct #1/discontinued
transferred to Precinct #4
effective 11-14-2016 ([Exhibit #11](#))**

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

E. Reports. The November 14, 2016 Combined Statement of Cash Position was presented by County Treasurer Ann Krpoun, for filing. ([Exhibit #12](#))

The Texas Commission On Jail Standards Jail Population Report was presented by the Sheriff's Department, for filing. ([Exhibit #13](#))

F. Consideration and approval of bills. Commissioner Shaw moved that the claims, as presented by County Auditor Jennifer Robison, be paid. Commissioner Traweek seconded the motion and the Court voted 3-0 approve. ([Exhibit #14](#))

G. Approval of Treasurer's/Auditor's Report. The Total Of Funds Under The Care & Custody Of Brown County Treasurer And Auditor's Report for October, 2016 was approved after a motion by Commissioner Kelton and a second by Judge West. The Court voted 4-0 to approve. An Affidavit, with the Report attached, was signed and prepared for publication, according to Section 114.026 of the Texas Local Government Code. ([Exhibit #15](#))

H. Recess. Commissioner Kelton moved that the Court recess until November 21, 2016 at 9:00 A.M. in the Commissioners Courtroom. Commissioner Shaw seconded the motion and the Court voted 3-0 to approve.

