

**STATE OF TEXAS
COUNTY OF BROWN**

The Brown County Commissioners Court convened in a Special Session on January 3, 2017 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
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 Worley moved that the minutes of the December 19, 2016 meeting be approved, as presented by County Clerk Sharon Ferguson. Commissioner Kelton 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: Wayne Shaw, Pct 3-Consideration and possible approval of new employee. Commissioner Shaw moved that the Court authorize the following personnel changes in Precinct #3:

**Doug Jester/Road Crew/employed
part time only/no fringes effective 01-03-2017 ([Exhibit #1](#))**

**David Wallace/Road Crew/employed
temporary full time/with fringes effective 01-03-2017
([Exhibit #2](#))**

**Jake Davis/Road Crew/employed temporary full time
with fringes effective 01-03-2017 ([Exhibit #3](#))**

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

Item #3: Sharon Ferguson, County Clerk-Consideration and possible approval of employee changes. Commissioner Worley moved that the Court authorize the following personnel changes in the County Clerk's Office:

**Amber Hanley/Chief Deputy/promoted
effective 01-01-2017**

**Carol Holamon/Chief Deputy/discontinued
effective 12-16-2016 ([Exhibit #4](#))**

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

Item #4: Sharon Ferguson, County Clerk-Consideration and possible approval of personnel promotions. After discussion, with County Clerk Sharon Ferguson, Commissioner Worley moved that the Court authorize the following personnel promotions, with salary changes, in the County Clerk's Office:

**Yolanda Bernal/Chief Deputy/Vitals/Records Management
effective 01-01-2017 ([Exhibit #5](#))**

**Amber Hanley/Chief Deputy/Criminal/Records Management
effective 01-01-2017 (Exhibit #4) (See Item #3)**

Commissioner Traweek seconded the motion and the Court voted 3-1 to approve. Commissioner Kelton voted nay.

Item #5: Ray West, County Judge-Swearing in of newly elected officials. The following elected County officials were sworn into office by Judge West:

Shane Britton-County Attorney

Gary Worley-Commissioner Precinct #1

Wayne Shaw-Commissioner Precinct #3

Christine Pentecost-Tax Assessor Collector

Jim Byars-Constable Precinct #4

Vance Hill-Sheriff

Roy Parrack-Constable Precinct #3

Robert Mullins-Constable Precinct #1

David Hefner-Constable Precinct #2

Micheal Murray-District Attorney

Item #6: Sharon Ferguson, County Clerk-Consideration and possible approval of bonds for elected and appointed officials. Commissioner Kelton moved that the Court approve the bond for Constable Precinct #2 David Hefner. Commissioner Traweek seconded the motion and the Court voted 4-0 to approve. ([Exhibit #6](#))

Commissioner Worley moved that the Court approve the bond for Constable Precinct #1 Robert Mullins. Commissioner Traweek seconded the motion and the Court voted 4-0 to approve. ([Exhibit #7](#))

Commissioner Shaw moved that the Court approve the bond for Constable Precinct #3 Roy Parrack. Commissioner Worley seconded the motion and the Court voted 4-0 to approve. ([Exhibit #8](#))

Commissioner Traweek moved that the Court approve the bond for Constable Precinct #4 Jim Byars. Commissioner Worley seconded the motion and the Court voted 4-0 to approve. ([Exhibit #9](#))

Commissioner Kelton moved that the Court approve two bonds for Tax Assessor Collector Christine Pentecost. Commissioner Shaw seconded the motion and the Court voted 4-0 to approve. ([Exhibit #10](#) and [Exhibit #11](#))

Commissioner Shaw moved that the Court approve the bond for County Attorney Shane Britton. Commissioner Kelton seconded the motion and the Court voted 4-0 to approve. ([Exhibit #12](#))

Commissioner Traweck moved that the Court approve the bond for Commissioner Precinct #3 Wayne Shaw. Commissioner Kelton seconded the motion and the Court voted 3-0 to approve. ([Exhibit #13](#))

Commissioner Traweck moved that the Court approve the bond for Commissioner Precinct #1 Gary Worley. Commissioner Kelton seconded the motion and the Court voted 3-0 to approve. ([Exhibit #14](#))

Commissioner Worley moved that the Court approve the bond for District Attorney Micheal Murray. Commissioner Kelton seconded the motion and the Court voted 4-0 to approve. ([Exhibit #15](#))

Commissioner Shaw moved that the Court approve Statement of Elected Officer and Oath of Office for Sheriff Vance Hill. Commissioner Traweck seconded the motion and the Court voted 4-0 to approve. ([Exhibit #16](#))

Bonds were also renewed for:

Commissioner Worley moved that the Court approve the Continuation Bond for First Assistant County Auditor Josie Contreras. Commissioner Kelton seconded the motion and the Court voted 4-0 to approve. ([Exhibit #17](#))

Commissioner Kelton moved that the Court approve the bond for Justice of the Peace Precinct #2 Mike Holder. Commissioner Shaw seconded the motion and the Court voted 4-0 to approve. ([Exhibit #18](#))

Commissioner Worley moved that the Court approve the bond for County Court At Law Judge Sam Moss. Commissioner Traweek seconded the motion and the Court voted 4-0 to approve. ([Exhibit #19](#))

Commissioner Kelton moved that the Court approve the bond for County Treasurer Ann Krpoun. Commissioner Shaw seconded the motion and the Court voted 4-0 to approve. ([Exhibit #20](#))

Item #7: Ray West, County Judge-Consideration and possible approval of listing Houston Street Jail property for sale on GovDeals.com. Judge West moved that the Court approve listing the Houston Street Jail property/photographs for sale on GovDeals.com, which is an internet auction site. Commissioner Kelton seconded the motion and the Court voted 5-0 to approve. ([Exhibit #21](#))

E. Reports. The January 3, 2017 Combined Statement of Cash Position was presented by County Treasurer Ann Krpoun, for filing.

([Exhibit #22](#))

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

([Exhibit #23](#))

F. Consideration and approval of bills. Commissioner Worley moved that the claims, as presented by County Auditor Jennifer Robison, be paid. Commissioner Kelton seconded the motion and the Court voted 4-0 approve. ([Exhibit #24](#))

G. Adjourn. Commissioner Traweek moved that the Court adjourn until January 9, 2017 at 9:00 A.M. in the Commissioners Courtroom. Commissioner Worley seconded the motion and the Court voted 4-0 to approve.

