

**STATE OF TEXAS
COUNTY OF BROWN**

The Brown County Commissioners Court convened in a Regular Session on August 14, 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 August 7, 2017, August 8, 2017 and August 9, 2017 meetings 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 in effect.

Item #2: Rick Phelps-Formal invitation for Commissioners Court and department heads to 9/11 Ceremony. Rick Phelps formally invited the Commissioners Court and all County department heads to a 9/11 Ceremony, on behalf of the Victory Life Academy. The ceremony will be September 11, 2017 at 9:00 A.M. at Victory Life Church. The Court thanked him for the invitation.

Item #3: Vance Hill, Sheriff's Office-Consideration and possible approval to purchase security camera upgrades for jail holding and visitation. Sheriff Vance Hill presented, to the Court, a quote, for \$27,662.00, from Guardian Security Solutions, LC, for 22 security cameras to be used for upgrades to the jail holding and visitation areas at the Sheriff's Department. After discussion, Judge West moved that the Court approve the installation of camera upgrades, for the jail holding and visitation area, as submitted by the Sheriff Hill, on the condition that it is paid for by NCIC, and that NCIC follows up with the Grant that they have promised and that if that Grant is not forthcoming that the equipment be removed by the vendor. The NCIC Technology Enhancement is for \$25,000.00. The remaining balance, of \$2,662.00, will be paid from the Sheriff Department's Commissary Fund. Commissioner Worley seconded the motion and the Court voted 5-0 to approve. [\(Exhibit #1\)](#)

Item #4: Joel Kelton, Pct 2-Application to install private line, CR 411. Commissioner Kelton moved that an application, made by Brookesmith SUD to install a buried water line within the right-of-way of County Road #411, in Precinct #2, be approved; subject to Brown County specifications. Commissioner Worley seconded the motion and the Court voted 4-0 to approve. ([Exhibit #2](#))

Item #5: Wayne Shaw, Pct 3-Consideration and possible approval of employee. Commissioner Shaw moved that the Court authorize him to hire Brett Chaput, for Precinct #3, effective August 7, 2017, on a part-time/full-time basis. Mr. Chaput will be paid \$12.00 per hour. Commissioner Traweek seconded the motion and the Court voted 4-0 to approve. ([Exhibit #3](#))

At 9:35 A.M. the Court recessed until 9:50 A.M. to consider Item #6, Budget Workshop.

Item #6: Budget Workshop. The Court reconvened at 9:50 A.M. After discussion, no action was taken.

E. Reports. The August 14, 2017 Combined Statement of Cash Position was presented by County Treasurer Ann Krpoun, for filing. ([Exhibit #4](#))

The Texas Commission On Jail Standards Jail Population Report was presented by the Sheriff's Department, for filing. ([Exhibit #5](#))

F. Consideration and approval of bills. Commissioner Kelton moved that the claims, as presented by County Auditor Jennifer Robison, be paid. Commissioner Traweek seconded the motion and the Court voted 4-0 approve. ([Exhibit #6](#))

G. Approval of Treasurer's/Auditor's Report. The Total Funds Under The Care & Custody Of Brown County Treasurer And Auditor's Report for July, 2017 was approved after a motion by Commissioner Worley and a second by Commissioner Shaw. The Court voted 5-0 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 #7](#))

H. Recess. Commissioner Kelton moved that the Court recess, at 11:15 A.M., until August 15, 2017 at 9:00 A.M. in the Commissioners Courtroom. Commissioner Shaw seconded the motion and the Court voted 4-0 to approve.

