

**STATE OF TEXAS
COUNTY OF BROWN**

The Brown County Commissioners Court convened in a Special Session on November 27, 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
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 Worley moved that the minutes of the November 13, 2017 meeting be approved, as presented by County Clerk Sharon Ferguson. Commissioner Shaw 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: James Masters, Veteran's Service Officer-Presentation of Senate Resolution No. 91 to Billy Murphey. James Masters, Brown County Veteran's Service Officer, read Senate Resolution No. 91, prepared by Senator Dawn Buckingham's office, and presented it to former VSO Officer Billy Murphey commending him on his exceptional service to the people of Brown County as a Veterans Service Officer and extend to him best wishes for continued success in all his endeavors. Commissioner's Court applauded him on a job well done.

Item #3: Ray West, County Judge-Consideration and possible approval to ratify Resolution on 2018 Indigent Defense Grant Program. Judge West moved that the Court ratify the Resolution to authorize the County Judge, as the Authorized Official, to apply for the grant application for the 2018 Indigent Defense Formula Grant Program. Commissioner Worley seconded the motion and the Court voted 5-0 to approve. [\(Exhibit #1\)](#)

Item #4: Sheriff's Office-Employee changes. Commissioner Kelton moved that the Court authorize the following personnel changes at the Sheriff's Department:

**David Manalof/Jail Commissary/employed
permanent part-time effective 11-27-2017**

**Angela Williams/Jail Commissary/discontinued
effective 12-08-2017 [\(Exhibit #2\)](#)**

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

Item #5: Vance Hill, Sheriff-Consideration and possible approval to accept \$1,800.00 donation from House of Wheels, Pam and Terry McDonald. Commissioner Kelton moved that the Court approve the Sheriff's Department to accept a \$1,800.00 donation, from House of Wheels (Pam and Terry McDonald), to be used specifically to purchase a drone, for the Sheriff's Department. Commissioner Traweck seconded the motion and the Court voted 4-0 to approve. [\(Exhibit #3\)](#)

Item #6: Vance Hill, Sheriff-Consideration and possible approval to purchase Drone from Intrinsic. Commissioner Worley moved that the Court authorize the Sheriff's Department to purchase a drone, from Intrinsic, using the money donated, to the Sheriff's Department, from House of Wheels. Commissioner Shaw seconded the motion and the Court voted 4-0 to approve. [\(Exhibit #4\)](#)

Item #7: Vance Hill, Sheriff-Consideration and possible approval to accept \$10,000.00 donation from Stephen & Mary Birch Foundation. Commissioner Kelton moved that the Court authorize the Sheriff's Department to accept a \$10,000.00 donation, to be deposited in the Sheriff Department's Donation Fund, from Stephen & Mary Birch Foundation, Inc. Commissioner Worley seconded the motion and the Court voted 4-0 to approve. ([Exhibit #5](#))

E. Reports. The November 27, 2017 Combined Statement of Cash Position was presented by County Treasurer Ann Krpoun, for filing. ([Exhibit #6](#))

The Texas Commission On Jail Standards Jail Population Report was presented by the Sheriff's Department, 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 Shaw seconded the motion and the Court voted 4-0 approve. ([Exhibit #8](#))

G. Recess. Upon motion duly made by Commissioner Kelton, seconded by Commissioner Traweek and carried unanimously, the Brown County Commissioners Court recessed at 9:25 A.M. until December 4, 2017 at 9:00 A.M. in the Commissioners Courtroom.

