

**STATE OF TEXAS
COUNTY OF BROWN**

The Brown County Commissioners Court convened in a Special Session on December 7, 2020 at 9:00 A.M. in the Commissioner's Courtroom, at the Brown County Courthouse, 200 South Broadway St., Brownwood, Texas.

1. Declare a Quorum and Call Meeting to Order

Judge Lilly declared a Quorum and called the meeting to order.

Members of the Court present were:

DR. PAUL LILLY	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
SHANE BRITTON absent	COUNTY ATTORNEY
T'ANNA MCCLURE	COMMISSIONERS EXECUTIVE ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANT

2. Prayer

Harold Hogan, from Mt. Zion Baptist Church, in Brownwood, Texas, led the Court in the invocation.

3. Citizens Comments

(All speakers will be required to adhere to the rules of procedure, conduct and decorum adopted by the Court on August 12, 2019. Any disruptive, abusive, obscene, or disrespectful behavior will be terminated immediately.)

There were no citizen comments.

4. Consideration and approval of minutes from November 9, 2020, November 16, 2020, November 23, 2020 and November 30, 2020 meeting(s).

Commissioner Kelton moved that the minutes of the meetings of November 16, 2020 and November 23, 2020 be approved, as presented by County Clerk Sharon Ferguson. Judge Lilly seconded the motion and the Court voted unanimously to approve. Commissioner Shaw abstained from voting on the November 16, 2020 meeting and Commissioner Worley abstained from voting on the November 23, 2020 meeting.

5. Consideration and approval of any Treasurer's/Auditor's Report.

The December 7, 2020 Combined Statement Of Cash Position was presented by County Treasurer Ann Krpoun, for filing. [\(Exhibit #1\)](#)

6. Consideration and approval of payment of any bills needed.

Commissioner Kelton moved that the claims, as presented by County Auditor Jennifer Robison, be paid. Commissioner Shaw seconded the motion and the Court voted 5-0 to approve. [\(Exhibit #2\)](#)

7. Consideration and approval of all appropriate action regarding the following:

A. Joel Kelton, Commissioner Pct. 2-Consideration and possible approval of action regarding burn ban.

After discussion, no action was taken. The burn ban remains in effect.

B. Lisa Dick, Administrator, Brownwood-Brown County Health Department-Update on COVID19 response and County health initiatives (Spon Pct. 2).

After an update, from Lisa Dick, Administrator, from the Brownwood-Brown County Health Department, concerning the COVID-19 outbreak, no action was taken. ([Exhibit #3](#))

C. Vance Hill, Sheriff-Consideration and possible approval of action regarding employee changes. (Spon CJ).

After discussion, with Becky Caffey, Chief Deputy Sheriff of Corrections, Commissioner Kelton moved that the following personnel salaries be approved at the Sheriff's Department:

**Avery Molotsky/Jail Cpl/employed
effective 11-03-2020**

**Michelle Johnson/Jail Cpl/discontinued
effective 11-03-2020 ([Exhibit #4](#))**

**Michelle Johnson/Jailer/employed
effective 11-03-2020**

**Avery Molotsky/Jailer/discontinued
effective 11-04-2020 ([Exhibit #5](#))**

Commissioner Shaw seconded the motion and the Court voted 5-0 to approve.

The Texas Commission On Jail Standards Jail Population Report was presented by the Sheriff's Department, for filing. ([Exhibit #6](#))

D. Dale Cummings, Intersect Power-Presentation of IP Radian Solar Project, consideration and discussion of possible approval of tax abatement (Spon CJ).

After discussion, and a video presentation, from Dale Cummings, Senior Consultant for Cummings Westlake LLC, and Christian Fiene, Principal, for Intersect Power, concerning a Radian Solar Project and possible tax abatement, no action was taken. ([Exhibit #7](#))

E. Sharon Ferguson, County Clerk-Consideration and possible approval of Bond for Tax Assessor Collector (Spon CJ).

After discussion, Judge Lilly moved that the Court approve the bond for the Tax Assessor-Collector, Christine Pentecost. The new surety bond will be filed with the Comptroller Of Public Accounts and will cover state taxes and registration fees as required by Sections 6.28 and 6.29 of the Texas Tax Code. Commissioner Worley seconded the motion and the Court voted 5-0 to approve. ([Exhibit #8](#))

F. Paul Lilly, County Judge-Consideration and possible approval of travel for COVID Vaccine training out of state (Spon CJ).

After discussion, Commissioner Kelton moved that the Court approve out of state travel, for Judge Lilly, to attend COVID Vaccine training. Commissioner Shaw seconded the motion and the Court voted 3-2 to approve. Commissioner Worley and Commissioner Traweek voted nay.

G. Paul Lilly, County Judge-Consideration and possible approval of reimbursement for travel for COVID Vaccine training out of state (Spon CJ).

After discussion, Commissioner Kelton moved that the Court approve reimbursement for out of state travel, for Judge Lilly, to attend COVID Vaccine training, using COVID Funds, if available. The Court voted 3-2 to approve. Commissioner Worley and Commissioner Traweek voted nay. Commissioner Worley noted that he was not against the travel reimbursement if the costs could be paid from COVID Funds.

H. Larry Traweek, Commissioner Pct. 4-Consideration and possible approval of employee changes (Spon Pct. 4)

Commissioner Traweek moved that the Court approve the following salary for Precinct #4:

**James Barnum/Road Crew/employed
permanent full-time
effective 11-23-2020 ([Exhibit #9](#))**

Commissioner Shaw seconded the motion and the Court voted 5-0 to approve.

8. Commissioners Comments. (No action can be taken on anything during this information only discussion).

Commissioner Worley discussed the need for more courthouse parking spaces. Commissioner Kelton informed the Court that County Road #411 bridge is now open. After discussion, no action was taken.

9. Adjournment

Judge Lilly adjourned the Brown County Commissioners Court at 9:54 A.M.

Agenda items may be considered, deliberated, and/or acted upon in a different order than set forth above. The Brown County Commissioners Court reserves the right to discuss any above items in executive (closed) session whenever permitted by the Texas Open Meeting Act.

Submitted on the _____ day of _____, 2020.

COUNTY JUDGE

COMMISSIONER, PRECINCT NO. 1

COMMISSIONER, PRECINCT NO. 2

COMMISSIONER, PRECINCT NO. 3

COMMISSIONER, PRECINCT NO. 4



I, Sharon Ferguson, Brown County Clerk, attest that the foregoing is a true and accurate accounting of the Commissioners Court's authorized proceedings for **December 7, 2020.**

**SHARON FERGUSON, County Clerk and Ex-Officio Member
Clerk of Commissioner's Court, Brown County, Texas**