

**STATE OF TEXAS
COUNTY OF BROWN**

The Brown County Commissioners Court convened in a Regular Session on March 22, 2021 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
JOSIE CONTRERAS	ASSISTANT COUNTY AUDITOR
SHANE BRITTON	COUNTY ATTORNEY
T'ANNA MCCLURE	COMMISSIONERS EXECUTIVE ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANT

2. Prayer

John Cravy led the Court in the invocation.

3. Recognition of Special Guests and Presentations.

None.

4. 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 two citizen comments, concerning the Tax Abatement, from the following citizens:

Kenneth Adams-opposition to tax abatement ([Exhibit #1](#))

John Daigle-opposition to tax abatement ([Exhibit #2](#))

5. Consideration and approval of minutes of March 15th, 2021

Commissioner Kelton moved that the minutes of the March 15, 2021 meeting and the minutes of the March 16, 2021 Public Workshop meeting be approved, as presented by County Clerk Sharon Ferguson. Commissioner Traweek seconded the motion and the Court voted 5-0 to approve.

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

The March 22, 2021 Combined Statement Of Cash Position was presented by County Treasurer Ann Krpoun, for filing. ([Exhibit #3](#))

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

Commissioner Kelton moved that the claims, as presented by Assistant County Auditor Josie Contreras, be paid. Commissioner Shaw seconded the motion and the Court voted 5-0 to approve.

([Exhibit #4](#))

8. 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, Commissioner Kelton moved that the Court lift the burn ban. Commissioner Kelton seconded the motion and the Court voted 4-1 to approve. Commissioner Worley voted against.

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

After an update, from Lisa Dick, Administrator of the Brownwood-Brown County Health Department, concerning the COVID-19 outbreak, no action was taken.

C. Judy Brownlee, Child Welfare Board-Consideration and possible approval of action to confirm a new member to the Child Welfare Board (Spon CJ).

Commissioner Kelton moved that the Court authorize the appointment of Angela Agan as a member of the Brownwood-Brown County Child Welfare Board. Commissioner Shaw seconded the motion and the Court voted 5-0 to approve.

D. Judy Brownlee, Child Welfare Board-Consideration and possible approval of action for allocation of additional funds for the program (Spon CJ).

After discussion, with Judy Brownlee, Chairperson of the Brownwood-Brown County Child Welfare Board, no action was taken.

E. Gary Worley, Commissioner Pct. 1-Consider and authorize setting date of May 10, 2021 for a public hearing and publication of notice of such hearing in a newspaper of general circulation on the creation of a reinvestment zone to be known as Brown County Reinvestment Zone No.1-IP Radian for purposes of tax abatement to provide economic development within the county, and to take up for consideration a tax abatement agreement with IP Radian, LLC.

Commissioner Worley moved that the Commissioners Court, of Brown County, conduct a public hearing on May 10, 2021 and provide notice, as required by law, regarding the creation of an Reinvestment Zone for purposes of tax abatement, to provide economic development, be published in a newspaper, of general circulation, in accordance with Chapter 312 of the Texas Tax Code, and to take possible action regarding tax abatement on a capital investment of approximately \$297,951,000.00. Commissioner Traweck seconded the motion and the Court voted 4-1 to approve. Judge Lilly voted against.

Commissioner Worley then moved that the County provide notice to other taxing jurisdictions, in Brown County, affected by the proposed reinvestment zone, of the intent to create a Reinvestment Zone and to possibly enter into a tax abatement agreement, on terms favorable to Brown County, with IP Radian, LLC, as required by Chapter 312 of the Texas Tax Code. Commissioner Kelton seconded the motion and the Court voted 5-0 to approve.

F. Paul Lilly, County Judge-Presented by Darrell Johnston EMC- Consideration and possible approval of accepting a donation of vehicle to Chaplains program by Global Medical response the parent company of Lifeguard (Spon CJ).

After discussion, with Darrell Johnston, Emergency Management Coordinator, Judge Lilly moved that the Court approve accepting a donation, of a vehicle, to the Chaplain's program. The donation is from Global Medical Response, which is the parent company of Lifeguard, and this vehicle will not cost the County any money. Commissioner Kelton seconded the motion and the Court voted 5-0 to approve.

[\(Exhibit #5\)](#)

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

No action.

10. Adjournment

Judge Lilly adjourned the Brown County Commissioners Court at 9:43 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 _____, 2021.

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 March 22, 2021.

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