

**STATE OF TEXAS
COUNTY OF BROWN**

**The Brown County Commissioners Court convened in a meeting
On December 20, 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. The meeting is
recorded and can be found on the Brown County Texas website.**

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

Members of the Court present were:

DR. PAUL LILLY		COUNTY JUDGE
GARY WORLEY	absent	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	COUNTY ATTORNEY

- 2. Prayer**

**Kurt Newton, Area Wide Fellowship of Christian Athletes Director, led
the Court in the invocation.**

- 3. Recognition of Special Guests and Presentations.**

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 no citizen comments.

5. Consideration and approval of the agenda minutes from the December 13, 2021, meeting(s).

Commissioner Kelton moved that the minutes of the December 13, 2021, meeting be approved, as presented by County Clerk Sharon Ferguson. Commissioner Shaw seconded the motion and the Court voted 4-0 to approve.

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

The 12-20-2021 Combined Statement Of Cash Position was presented by County Treasurer Ann Krpoun, for filing. [\(Exhibit 1\)](#)

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

Commissioner Traweek moved that the claims, as presented by County Auditor Jennifer Robison, be paid. Commissioner Shaw seconded the motion and the Court voted 4-0 to approve. [\(Exhibit #2\)](#)

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

A. Honorable 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 COVID 19 response and County Health initiatives. (Pct. 2)

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

C. Honorable Paul Lilly, County Judge-Consider and possible take action on all matters related to the redistricting of the county's political boundaries, including adoption of an Order Conforming Election Precincts With Commissioner, Justice of the Peace, and Constable Precincts.

After discussion, with Elections Administrator Larry Franks, Commissioner Kelton moved that the Court authorize Judge Lilly to sign an Order Conforming Election Precincts To Revised Commissioners Court Precincts verifying splitting voting precincts 202 and 204. Commissioner Traweck seconded the motion and the Court voted 4-0 to approve. [\(Exhibit #3\)](#)

D. Mia Stroope, Justice Court Administrator for Justice of the Peace-Consideration and possible approval of changing the Certified Mail fee in the Justice of the Peace Courts. (pct. 1)

After discussion, with Justice Court Administrator Mia Stroope, Commissioner Kelton moved that the certified mail fee, in the Justice of the Peace Courts, be increased to adjust to current prices for certified mail, effective January 1, 2022. Commissioner Shaw seconded the motion and the Court voted 4-0 to approve.

E. Larry Franks, Elections Administrator-Consideration and possible approval of purchasing new State Mandated voter equipment to be reimbursed with State Funds. (CJ)

After discussion, with Elections Administrator Larry Franks and Tony Cervantes, Hart InterCivic Account Manager, Commissioner Shaw moved that the Court approve purchasing new State Mandated voter equipment. for \$647,611.00. The purchase price will be paid from AARP Funds to be reimbursed later with State Funds. Commissioner Kelton seconded the motion and the Court voted 4-0 to approve.

[\(Exhibit #4\)](#)

F. Larry Franks, Elections Administrator-Consideration and possible approval of purchasing AT&T full enablement package (Funded by the Help America Vote Act). (CJ)

After discussion, with Elections Administrator Larry Franks, Commissioner Kelton moved that the Court authorize the purchasing a full enablement package (Funded by the Help America Vote Act). The total expenditure is \$39,742.46 and will be paid from the Elections Operating Budget (\$1,402.30) and HAVA funds. Commissioner Traweek seconded the motion and the Court voted 4-0 to approve.

G. Larry Franks, Elections Administrator-Consideration and possible approval of initiating the process to move to County wide polling locations program. (CJ)

After discussion, with Elections Administrator Larry Franks, Commissioner Kelton moved that the Court authorize Larry Franks to initiate the process to move to the County wide polling locations program (Vote Centers). Commissioner Shaw seconded the motion and the Court voted 4-0 to approve.

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 9:53 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 **December 20, 2021.**

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