

**STATE OF TEXAS
COUNTY OF BROWN**

**The Brown County Commissioners Court convened in a meeting
On January 10, 2022, 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		COMMISSIONER, PRECINCT NO. 1
JOEL KELTON		COMMISSIONER, PRECINCT NO. 2
WAYNE SHAW		COMMISSIONER, PRECINCT NO. 3
LARRY TRAWEEK	absent	COMMISSIONER, PRECINCT NO. 4

Also present:

SHARON FERGUSON	COUNTY CLERK
JENNIFER ROBISON	COUNTY AUDITOR
SHANE BRITTON	COUNTY ATTORNEY

- 2. Prayer**

**Harold Hogan, Justice of the Peace, Precinct #4, led the Court in the
invocation.**

3. Recognition of Special Guests and Presentations.

Judge Lilly presented the Emergency Management First Responder of the Year 2021 award to Corrections Officer Christopher Sawders and presented the award to his widow, Marsha Sawders. Becky Caffey, Chief Deputy Sheriff of Corrections, spoke in memory of Christopher Sawders. Ron Kenner, pastor of North Lake Community Church, and church members, presented Mrs. Sawders with a \$100.00 gift card, donated by A.W. Allen, in honor of his wife Doris, to United Supermarket.

Judge Lilly presented the quarterly Emergency Management First Responder award to Iliea Bowden, EMT for LifeGuard Ambulance. Ron Kenner, pastor of North Lake Community Church, and church members, presented Ms. Bowden with a \$100.00 gift card, donated by A.W. Allen, in honor of his wife Doris, to United Supermarket.

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 January 4, 2022, meeting.

Commissioner Kelton moved that the minutes of the January 4, 2022, meeting be approved, as presented by County Clerk Sharon Ferguson. Commissioner Worley seconded the motion and the Court voted 4-0 to approve.

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

The January 10, 2022, Combined Statement Of Cash Position was presented by County Treasurer Ann Krpoun, for filing. [\(Exhibit #1\)](#)

The Total Of Funds Under The Care & Custody Of Brown County Treasurer And Auditor's Report For December 2021 was approved after a motion by Commissioner Worley and a second by Commissioner Shaw. The Court voted 4-0 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. [\(Exhibit #2\)](#)

7. 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 4-0 to approve. [\(Exhibit #3\)](#)

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)

Judge Lilly provided an update concerning the COVID 19 outbreak.

C. Larry Franks, Elections Administrator-Consideration and possible approval of disposal of HART Voting Equipment. (CJ).

After discussion, with Elections Administrator Larry Franks, Commissioner Kelton moved that the Court authorize the Elections Administrator to give the old voting equipment, declared as surplus, to HART to be disposed and destroyed. Commissioner Shaw seconded the motion and the Court voted 4-0 to approve.

D. Honorable Vance Hill, Sheriff-Consideration and possible approval to open and review the Brown County Commissary Proposals.

Becky Caffey, Chief Deputy Sheriff of Corrections, presented two Brown County Commissary Proposals. The proposals were from Lonestar Commissary and Keefe Group. Commissioner Kelton moved that the Court open and review the proposals. Judge Lilly seconded the motion and the Court voted 4-0 to approve.

E. Honorable Vance Hill, Sheriff-Consideration and possible approval to accept the Brown County Commissary Proposal.

Becky Caffey, Chief Deputy Sheriff of Corrections, requested that she be able to take the proposals to compare and review them with the Sheriff and have them approved later. The Court agreed. No action was taken.

F. Honorable Vance Hill, Sheriff-Consideration and possible approval of employee salary adjustment.

After discussion, with Becky Caffey, Chief Deputy Sheriff of Corrections, Commissioner Worley moved that the Court authorize the following salaries and changes at the Sheriff's Department:

**Gene "Buddy" Preston/Deputy Courthouse Security/
permanent part time/pay amended to \$20.37 per hour
as needed/effective 01-03-2022**

**Paul Morgan/Deputy Courthouse Security
permanent part time ([Exhibit #4](#))**

**Andre Smoot/promoted to Sgt.
effective 11-18-2021 ([Exhibit #5](#))**

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

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

G. Honorable Joel Kelton, Commissioner Pct. 2-Consideration and possible action regarding the Application of a Private Line on CR 496.

Commissioner Kelton moved that an application, made by Rayme Gregory, to install a buried water line within the right-of-way of County Road #495, in Precinct #2 be approved; subject to Brown County specification for cutting a road. Commissioner Worley seconded the motion and the Court voted 4-0 to approve. ([Exhibit #7](#))

H. Honorable Wayne Shaw, Commissioner Pct. 3-Consideration and possible action to declare a John Deere 310E backhoe and a Kobelco 80CS excavator as surplus.

Commissioner Shaw moved that the Court declare a John Deere 310E backhoe and a Kobelco 80CS excavator, in Precinct #3, as surplus. Commissioner Worley seconded the motion and the Court voted 4-0 to approve.

I. Honorable Wayne Shaw, Commissioner Pct. 3-Consideration and possible action to sell surplus equipment on GovDeals.com.

Commissioner Shaw moved that the Court authorize him to list and sell surplus equipment, from Precinct #3, being a John Deere 310E backhoe and a Kobelco 80CS excavator, on GovDeals.com. Commissioner Kelton seconded the motion and the Court voted 4-0 to approve.

J. Honorable Wayne Shaw, Commissioner Pct. 3-Consideration and possible action to purchase 2007 Case 580SM backhoe for up to \$33,000.00.

Commissioner Shaw moved that he be authorized to purchase a 2007 Case 580SM backhoe, for up to \$33,000.00, for use in Precinct #3. The purchase price will be paid from Precinct #3 funds. Commissioner Kelton seconded the motion and the Court voted 4-0 to approve.

K. Honorable Wayne Shaw, Commissioner Pct. 3-Public Hearing on the possible closure of a portion of CR 323.

Judge Lilly opened the public hearing and asked the audience for questions and comments concerning the possible closure of a portion of County Road #323, in Precinct #3. There were no questions. Judge Lilly closed the public hearing. [\(Exhibit #8\)](#)

L. Honorable Wayne Shaw, Commissioner Pct. 3-Consideration and possible action to close a portion of CR 323.

Commissioner Shaw moved that the Court approve the closure of a portion of County Road #323, which will be approximately 8,293 feet from FM 1467 east to the intersection of County Road #323 and County Road #284, in Precinct #3. Commissioner Kelton seconded the motion and the Court voted 4-0 to approve.

M. Honorable Larry Traweek, Commissioner Pct. 4-Public Hearing on the possible closure of a portion of Neal Dr.

No action was taken.

**N. Honorable Larry Traweek, Commissioner, Pct. 4-
Coconsideration and possible action to close a portion of Neal Dr.**

No action was taken.

**O. Honorable Larry Traweek, Commissioner Pct. 4-Consideration
and possible action to amend Resolution with TxDOT for Off-
system bridge program, CR 146.**

No action was taken.

**P. Eartha Stalling, Rite of Passage, The Oaks Academy-
Consideration and possible approval of fixing plumbing issues in
the Ray West Juvenile Justice Center. (Pct.1)**

No action was taken.

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

No action was taken.

10. Adjournment

**Judge Lilly adjourned the Brown County Commissioners Court at
9:42 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 _____, 2022.

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 January 10, 2022.

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