

**STATE OF TEXAS
COUNTY OF BROWN**

The Brown County Commissioners Court convened in a meeting on March 14, 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**

No action.

- 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 previous meeting (s). 03/07/22

Commissioner Kelton moved that the minutes of the March 7, 2022 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 March 14, 2022, Combined Statement Of Cash Position was presented by County Treasurer Ann Krpoun, for filing. [\(Exhibit #1\)](#)

Commissioner Worley moved that the Brown County Investment Report for the Fourth Quarter of 2021 ending December 31, 2021, be accepted as presented. Commissioner Shaw seconded the motion and the Court voted 4-0 to approve. [\(Exhibit #2\)](#)

The Total Of Funds Under The Care & Custody Of Brown County Treasurer And Auditor's Report for February 2022 was approved after a motion by Commissioner Worley. 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. [\(Exhibit #3\)](#)

7. 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 Judge Lilly, concerning the COVID-19 outbreak, no action was taken.

C. Honorable Gary Worley, Commissioner Pct. 1-Consideration and possible approval of action regarding an appointment for the County Attorney position.

After discussion, Commissioner Worley moved that the Court approve the appointment of Jennifer Broughton, the Republican Party Nominee for Brown County Attorney, to fill the unexpired term of current County Attorney Shane Britton, effective April 1, 2022. The Canvass Report for March 1, 2022, Republican Primary, was signed by Republican Party Chairman Robert Porter and is attached as an Exhibit to these minutes. Commissioner Shaw seconded the motion and the Court voted 4-0 to approve. [\(Exhibit #4\)](#)

Executive Session

The proceeding of the meeting will be as follows:

The Commissioners Court may convene into closed executive session in the Commissioner Courtroom, pursuant to Section 551.074 of the Texas Government Code.

Item 1: Discuss Personnel Issues.

Item 2: The Commissioners will reconvene from the executive session in the Commissioners Courtroom to take any action deemed necessary.

Judge Lilly announced, at 9:35 A.M., that the Court will recess the Special Session to convene into Executive Session.

Judge Lilly announced, at 10:16 A.M., that the Court will recess the Executive Session and reconvene into Open Session.

Judge Lilly called the Special Session back to order. No action was taken.

D. Honorable Vance Hill, Sheriff-Consideration and possible approval of employee changes.

Commission Worley moved that the Court authorize the following personnel changes and salaries at the Sheriff's Department:

Paul Morgan/Courthouse Security Deputy/transferred from temporary full time to Permanent part time effective 03-07-2022 ([Exhibit #5](#))

Michael Sheedy/transferred from patrol to Full Time Courthouse Security effective 03-06-2022 ([Exhibit #6](#))

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 #7](#))

E. Honorable Vance Hill, Sheriff-Consideration and possible approval of authorization to accept donations.

After discussion, with Sheriff Vance Hill, Commissioner Kelton moved that the Court authorize the Sheriff's Department to accept a \$40.00 donation from Blevins Body Shop. Commissioner Shaw seconded the motion and the Court voted 4-0 to approve.

F. Mr. Russell and Mike Cantrell, Rite of Passage, The Oaks Academy-Consideration and possible approval of action to fix plumbing issues in the Ray West Juvenile Justice Center. (Pct.1)

After discussion, with Torino Russell, with Rite of Passage, The Oaks Academy, no action was taken.

G. Darrell Johnston, Brown County Emergency Management-Consideration and possible approval of action regarding signing updated Emergency Response Plan for Brown County and the Cities of Brownwood, Early, Bangs, and Blanket. (CJ)

After discussion, with Darrell Johnston, Brown County Emergency Management, Commissioner Kelton moved that the Court authorize Judge Lilly and Darrell Johnston to sign the Brown County, City of Brownwood, City of Early, City of Bangs, and City of Blanket Emergency Management Plan to be uploaded to Veoci online website provided by the Texas Department of Emergency Management. The link to the online Brown County Emergency Preparations Basic Plan is: veoci.com/v/home/tab/dashboard. Contact Brown County Emergency Management for login credentials. Commissioner Shaw seconded the motion and the Court voted 4-0 to approve. ([Exhibit #8](#))

H. Jennifer Robison, County Auditor-Consideration and possible approval of 2021 fiscal year Budget adjustments.

After discussion, with Jennifer Robison, Brown County Auditor, Commissioner Worley moved that the Court approve the 2021 EOY Budget Adjustments. Commissioner Shaw seconded the motion and the Court voted 4-0 to approve. ([Exhibit #9](#))

8. 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 #10](#))

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 10:17 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 March 14, 2022.

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