

**STATE OF TEXAS
COUNTY OF BROWN**

The Brown County Commissioners Court convened in a meeting on April 18, 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	COMMISSIONER, PRECINCT NO. 4

Also present:

SHARON FERGUSON	COUNTY CLERK
JOSIE CONTRERAS	ASSISTANT COUNTY AUDITOR
JENNIFER BROUGHTON	COUNTY ATTORNEY

- 2. Prayer**

Ron Keener, Pastor for North Lake Community Church, led the Court in the invocation.

3. Recognition of Special Guests and Presentations.

Quarterly First Responder Recognition Award(s). *Keva Wright-flight nurse for Air Evac, *Cliff Martin-firefighter for Blanket VFD, *Rain Brigman-Lifeguard EMS, *Jasmine Ables-Lifeguard EMS.

Judge Lilly presented Quarterly Emergency Management First Responder Awards to Rain Brigman, Lifeguard EMS, Jasmine Ables ([Exhibit #1](#)), Lifeguard EMS, Cliff Martin, Blanket VFD ([Exhibit #2](#)), and Keva Wright, flight nurse for AirEvac ([Exhibit #3](#)), who was not at the meeting. Dee Hart, from North Lake Community Church, and church members, presented each of the four recipients with a \$100.00 gift card, donated by A.W. Allen, in honor of his wife Doris, to United Supermarket. ([Exhibit #1](#), [Exhibit #2](#), and [Exhibit #3](#))

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. The comments were from Raymond Jenkins, concerning on-site sewage septic systems and Ronnie Lappe, concerning resources that are available through the Historical Commission. ([Exhibit #4](#))

5. Consideration and approval of the agenda minutes from the previous meeting (s). 04-11-22

Commissioner Kelton moved that the minutes of the April 11, 2022 meeting be approved, as presented by County Clerk Sharon Ferguson. Commissioner Shaw seconded the motion and the Court voted 5-0 to approve.

6. Consideration and approval of any Treasurer's/Auditor's Report. The April 18, 2022, Combined Statement Of Cash Position was presented by County Treasurer Ann Krpoun, for filing. [\(Exhibit #5\)](#)

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

C. Honorable Sharon Ferguson, County Clerk-Update on Land Project.

Brown County Clerk Sharon Ferguson updated the Court on the recent Kofile Land Project to be integrated into the NetData System. The project, for the integration, will cost approximately \$7,500.00 and will be paid with County Clerk Archive Funds.

D. Tarino Russell, Rite of Passage/The Oaks-Consideration and possible approval of adding more classrooms for the education program. (CJ)

Judge Lilly moved that the Court authorize Tarino Russell, from Rite of Passage/The Oaks, to purchase two additional portable buildings, for classrooms, at no expense to the county. Commissioner Kelton seconded the motion and the Court voted 5-0 to approve.

E. Honorable Vance Hill, Brown County Sheriff-Discussion and consideration and possible approval of authorization to purchase upfitted patrol vehicles.

Judge Lilly moved that the Court authorize Brown County Sheriff Vance Hill to purchase seven new upfitted vehicles, for up to \$281,897.00. Four of the vehicles were approved from the current budget and three vehicles were approved from previous year's budgets. Commissioner Shaw seconded the motion and the Court voted 5-0 to approve.

F. Larry Franks, Elections Administrator-Discussion about trade in value of old Elections truck. (CJ)

Elections Administrator Larry Franks. informed the Court that Bostick's has given him a signed bid, of \$7,000.00, for the old Election's truck.

G. Larry Franks, Elections Administrator-Consideration and possible approval of trade in or sell of truck on GovDeals whichever is greatest value. (CJ)

Commissioner Shaw moved that the Court list the old Election's truck for sale on GovDeals, for one time. Commissioner Kelton seconded the motion and the Court voted 5-0 to approve.

H. Larry Franks, Elections Administrator-Consideration and possible approval of Notice of Special Election. (CJ)

Commissioner Worley moved that the Court approve the Notice of Special Election and authorize Judge Lilly to sign the Notice, for the proposed Constitutional Amendments Election to be held on May 7, 2022. Commissioner Traweek seconded the motion and the Court voted 5-0 to approve. [\(Exhibit #6\)](#)

I. Honorable Jennifer Broughton, County Attorney-Consideration and possible approval of employee changes in the County Attorney's Office.

Judge Lilly announced that the Court recess the Special Session to convene into Executive Session at 9:41 A.M.

8. Executive Session

The proceeding of the meeting will be as follows:

The Commissioners Court may convene into closed executive session in the Commissioners 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 that the Court recess the Executive Session and reconvene into Open Session at 10:00 A.M.

Commissioner Kelton moved that the Court re-instate the Legal Assistant position, in the County Attorney's Office, and authorize the County Attorney to hire Vicky Jenkins, effective May 1, 2022. Commissioner Worley seconded the motion and the Court voted 5-0 to approve. ([Exhibit #7](#))

9. 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 #8](#))

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

No action was taken.

11. Adjournment

Judge Lilly adjourned the Brown County Commissioners Court at 10:07 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 April 18, 2022.

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