

**STATE OF TEXAS
COUNTY OF BROWN**

The Brown County Commissioners Court convened in a Special meeting on March 20, 2023, at 9:00 A.M. in the Commissioner's Courtroom, at the Brown County Courthouse, 200 South Broadway St., Brownwood, Texas.

I. DECLARE A QUORUM AND CALL MEETING TO ORDER

The meeting is recorded and can be found on the Brown County Texas website.

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

Members of the Court present were:

SHANE BRITTON	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
JENNIFER ROBISON	COUNTY AUDITOR
JENNIFER BROUGHTON	COUNTY ATTORNEY

II. PRAYER

Troy Henderson, Constable Precinct #4, led the Court in the invocation.

III. 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. All presentations are subject to a five (5) minute time limit. Multiple person groups will be limited to one speaker.

There were no citizen comments.

IV. CONSENT AGENDA

The consent agenda includes non-controversial and routine matters that the court may act on in one single vote. The County Judge or any Commissioner may pull any item from the Consent Agenda in order to discuss and act upon it as a part of the Regular Agenda.

Commissioner Traweek moved that the Court approve Consent Agenda Items A., B., C., and E. Consent Agenda Item D. was moved to the Special Agenda. Commissioner Shaw seconded the motion and the Court voted 5-0 to approve.

A. Approval of the Agenda Minutes from the previous meeting held on 03/13/2023.

B. Acceptance of Treasurer's Auditor's Report.

Cash Position Statement ([Exhibit #1](#))

C. Approval of recommendation regarding burn ban.

The burn ban remains lifted.

D. Approval of Treasurer's/Auditor's recommendation on payment of bills.

Removed from Consent Agenda to Special Agenda.

E. Approval of Application to install private line on CR 129 by Brookesmith SUD. ([Exhibit #2](#))

V. EMPLOYEE CHANGES

A. Sheriff's Department

After discussion, with Sheriff Vance Hill, Commissioner Worley moved that the Court authorize the following personnel changes and salaries at the Sheriff's Department:

**Chase Cunningham/Jailer/employed
effective 03-20-2023**

**Ashley Ryan/Jailer/discontinued
effective 03-13-2023 ([Exhibit #3](#))**

**Daniella Allcorn/transferred from f/pt Visitation Clerk
to Jailer effective 03-03-2023 ([Exhibit #4](#))**

**Jennifer Guajardo/Jailer/employed
effective 03-01-2023**

**Connie Beloat/promoted to Cpl
effective 02-21-2023 ([Exhibit #5](#))**

**Dean Anderson/Jailer/employed
effective 03-06-2023**

**Timothy Harrell/promoted to Sgt.
effective 02-21-2023 ([Exhibit #6](#))**

**Michael Hough/Jailer/employed
effective 03-06-2023 ([Exhibit #7](#))**

**Ashleigh Geis/Jailer/employed
effective 03-20-2023 ([Exhibit #8](#))**

**Francisco Valencia/Deputy/employed
effective 03-20-2023**

**M. Scott Burke/transferred to SRO
effective 09-30-2022 ([Exhibit #9](#))**

**Stephanie Morgan/Part-time Administrative Support
Staff/ New Position/employed
effective 03-15-2023 ([Exhibit #10](#))**

**Commissioner Kelton seconded the motion and the Court voted 5-0 to
approve.**

**The Texas Commission On Jail Standards Jail Population Report was
presented by the Sheriff's Department, for filing. ([Exhibit #11](#))**

B. Consideration and possible approval of beginning salary of new Elections Administrator.

After discussion, Commissioner Shaw moved that the Court approve a yearly salary, of \$57,971.17, for new Elections Administrator Brenda Arp, effective April 1, 2023. Commissioner Traweek seconded the motion and the Court voted 5-0 to approve. [\(Exhibit #12\)](#)

VI. BUSINESS TO BE DISCUSSED AND CONSIDERED FOR APPROVAL:

A. Consider authorizing the County Judge to sign an agreement for IT Security Services and to pay a monthly charge of \$5,636.00. This agreement will include Enterprise Endpoint Security with Antivirus, email backup, email link filtering and firewall management for all county computers.

After discussion, with Sam Goldsmith, with Goldsmith Solutions, LLC, Commissioner Kelton moved that the Court authorize Brown County Judge Shane Britton to sign an Agreement, for IT Security Services, that will include Enterprise Endpoint Security with Antivirus, email backup, email link filtering and firewall management, for all county computers, and to pay a monthly charge of \$5,636.00. This expenditure will be paid from the Contingency Fund. Commissioner Worley seconded the motion and the Court voted 5-0 to approve. [\(Exhibit #13\)](#)

Commissioner Kelton moved that the Court approve Agenda Items B., C., and D. and to pay the expenditures from ARPA Funds. Commissioner Worley seconded the motion and the Court voted 5-0 to approve.

- B. Consider authorizing Goldsmith Solutions to order 75 APC Back-Ups Pro 1000VA 10-Outlet Battery Back-Ups at a cost of \$170.49 per unit. ([Exhibit #14](#))**
- C. Consider authorizing Goldsmith Solutions to order 2 APC NetShelter SX Networking Enclosures at a cost of \$2,403.78 per unit. ([Exhibit #15](#) and [Exhibit #16](#))**
- D. Consider authorizing Goldsmith Solutions to order 3 Sonicwall TZ370 firewall units with Rack Mount Kit at a cost of \$1,377.10 per unit. ([Exhibit #17](#))**

Consent Agenda Item D. Approval of Treasurer/Auditor's recommendation on Payment of bills.

Commissioner Worley moved that the Court approve the claims, presented by County Auditor Jennifer Robison, as corrected. Commissioner Shaw seconded the motion and the Court voted 5-0 to approve. ([Exhibit #18](#))

VI II. ADJOURNMENT

Judge Britton adjourned the Brown County Commissioners Court at 9:55 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 Meetings Act.

Submitted on the _____ day of _____, 2023.

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 20, 2023.

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