

**STATE OF TEXAS
COUNTY OF BROWN**

The Brown County Commissioners Court convened in a Special meeting on April 3, 2023, at 9:15 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 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
JOSIE CONTRERAS	ASSISTANT COUNTY AUDITOR
JENNIFER BROUGHTON	COUNTY ATTORNEY

II. PRAYER

Blu Tidwell, Pastor of Rocky Creek Baptist Church, 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 (5) minute time limit. Multiple person groups will be limited to one speaker.

There was one citizen comment from Allison Ellis. Ms. Ellis updated the Court on Frontier Telecommunications.

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 Kelton moved that the Court approve Consent Agenda Items A., B., C., and D. Commissioner Worley seconded the motion and the Court voted 5-0 to approve.

A. Approval of the Agenda Minutes from the previous meeting(s) held on 03-20-2023.

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

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

C. Approval of recommendation regarding burn ban.

No action was taken. The burn ban remains lifted.

D. Approval of Treasurer/Auditor's recommendation on payment of bills. ([Exhibit #2](#))

V. EMPLOYEE CHANGES

A. Commissioner Traweck Pct 4.

Commissioner Traweck moved that the Court approve the following personnel change and salary in Precinct #4:

**Slade Byars/Road Hand/employed
effective 04-03-2023 ([Exhibit #3](#))**

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

B. District Attorney Michael Murray.

After discussion, with District Attorney Micheal Murray, Commissioner Shaw moved that the Court approve the following personnel change in the District Attorney's Office:

**Cara Landers/Assistant District Attorney/employed
effective sometime in April 2023
Skyler Schoolfield/Assistant District Attorney/discontinued
effective 03-31-2023 ([Exhibit #4](#))**

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

VI. RESOLUTION AND PRESENTATIONS:

- A. Consideration of a resolution to declare the month of April as Child Abuse Awareness and Prevention Month.**

Commissioner Worley read aloud a Proclamation proclaiming the month of April 2023 as Child Abuse Awareness and Prevention Month in Brown County. Commissioner Worley moved that the Court approve the Proclamation amending the Proclamation to read: NOW, THEREFORE, THE BROWN COUNTY COMMISSIONERS COURT do hereby proclaim, not just THE BROWN COUNTY JUDGE. Commissioner Kelton seconded the motion and the Court voted 5-0 to approve.

[\(Exhibit #5\)](#)

- B. Consideration of a resolution to declare the month of April as National 9-1-1 Education Month.**

No action.

- C. Presentation regarding the current contract with Rite of Passage and The Oaks Academy.**

After discussion, with Torino Russell, Program Director for Rite of Passage The Oaks Academy, no action was taken. Mr. Russell thanked the Court for the repairs that have been done at The Oaks Academy.

D. Consideration of a resolution to apply for Victim Coordinator and Liaison Grant.

After discussion, with District Attorney Micheal Murray, Commissioner Worley moved that the Court approve a Resolution, for the Texas AG VCLG Grant Program, for the submission of the application to the Office of the Attorney General as well as designate Micheal Murray as the Authorized Official. Commissioner Traweek seconded the motion and the Court voted 5-0 to approve. ([Exhibit #6](#))

VII. BUSINESS TO BE DISCUSSED AND CONSIDERED FOR APPROVAL.

A. Open Bids for Cold Mix Cover Stone Caliche and consideration and possible approval of best bid for Cold Mix Cover Stone Caliche.

Commissioner Kelton opened sealed bids for Cold Mix Cover Stone Caliche. Bids received were from:

Wright Asphalt Products Co. ([Exhibit #7](#))

Ergon Asphalt & Emulsions, Inc. ([Exhibit #8](#))

Vulcan Materials Company ([Exhibit #9](#))

Zack Burkett Co. ([Exhibit #10](#))

Diamond P Aggregates, Ltd. ([Exhibit #11](#))

- B. Open Bids for blasting and crushing of rock and consideration and possible approval of best bid for Cold Mix Cover Stone Caliche.**

Commissioner Kelton opened one sealed bid for blasting and crushing of rock. Bid received was from:

Diamond P Aggregates, Ltd. ([Exhibit #12](#))

- C. Open Bids for Paving and consideration and possible approval of best bid for paving.**

Commissioner Kelton opened sealed bids for Paving. Bids received were from:

Mobley Construction LLC ([Exhibit #13](#))

Martin Earthworks ([Exhibit #14](#))

Grider Paving LLC ([Exhibit #15](#))

- D. Open bids and consideration and possible approval of best bid for bulk hauling.**

Commissioner Kelton opened sealed bids for bulk hauling. Bids received were from:

Mobley Construction LLC ([Exhibit #16](#))

Landfill Services, Inc. ([Exhibit #17](#))

After discussion, Commissioner Worley moved that the Court accept “ALL” sealed bids received, Item VII A., B., C., and D., for cold mix cover stone caliche, blasting and crushing of rock, paving, and bulk hauling. Commissioner Kelton seconded the motion and the Court voted 5-0 to approve.

E. Consideration and possible approval of action to sign the Texas Feeding Texans: Home -Delivery Meals (2022 HDM) Grant Affidavit.

After discussion, with Angie Dees, Program Director of the Senior Citizens Program, Commissioner Kelton moved that the Court approve an Affidavit HDM County Grant Program Year 2022 Texas Department of Agriculture Texans Feeding Texans: Home-Delivered Meal Grant Program, certifying that the county made a grant to City of Brownwood Senior Citizens Center and that the County has successfully issued the grant payment to the City of Brownwood Senior Citizens Program and that the grant has been received and used between October 1, 2021 and September 30, 2022, as outlined in the original Resolution. Commissioner Shaw seconded the motion and the Court voted 5-0 to approve. [\(Exhibit #18\)](#)

F. Consideration and possible approval of request from Lifeguard to allow them to raise the base rates they charge for services.

After discussion, with Joshua Chapman, Lifeguard EMS Operations Manager, Commissioner Kelton moved that the Court authorize Lifeguard to raise the base rates, by 30%, they charge for services. Mr. Kelton said this was discussed and agreed by the Ambulance Oversight Committee also. Commissioner Shaw seconded the motion and the Court voted 5-0 to approve.

- G. Consideration and possible approval of action regarding authorizing the County Judge to sign an agreement with Goldsmith Solutions for Microsoft Licensing for Email & Microsoft Office applications.**

After discussion, with Sam Goldsmith, Brown County IT Manager, Commissioner Kelton moved that the Court authorize Judge Britton to sign an agreement, through Goldsmith Solutions, for Microsoft Licensing For Email & Microsoft Office Applications. Commissioner Worley seconded the motion and the Court voted 5-0 to approve.

[\(Exhibit #19\)](#)

- H. Consideration and possible approval of action regarding authorizing the County Judge to sign an agreement to obtain a “.Gov” domain from the Cybersecurity & Infrastructure Security Agency (CISA)/Department of Homeland Security (DHS).**

After discussion, with Sam Goldsmith, Brown County IT Manager, Commissioner Worley moved that the Court approve the registration and migration to “.Gov”, and authorize Judge Britton to sign any necessary paperwork to officially request browncountytx.gov from CISA/DHS, Cyber & Infrastructure Security Agency (CISA) which is managed by the Department Of Homeland Security (DHS). Commissioner Kelton seconded the motion and the Court voted 5-0 to approve. [\(Exhibit #20\)](#)

- I. Consideration and possible approval of action regarding authorizing Goldsmith Solutions to move all Adobe licensing to a DIR Agreement with discounted pricing.**

After discussion, with Sam Goldsmith, Brown County IT Manager, Commissioner Kelton moved that the Court authorize Goldsmith Solutions to move all Adobe licensing to a DIR Agreement with discounted pricing. Commissioner Worley seconded the motion and the Court voted 5-0 to approve. ([Exhibit #21](#))

- J. Consideration and possible approval authorizing Goldsmith Solutions to order IT supplies.**

After discussion, with Sam Goldsmith, Brown County IT Manager, Commissioner Worley moved that the Court authorize Goldsmith Solutions to purchase baseline supplies, to be kept in inventory, at a cost of \$19,617.02. The purchase price will be paid from ARPA Funds. Commissioner Traweek seconded the motion and the Court voted 5-0 to approve. ([Exhibit #22](#))

- K. Consider authorizing Goldsmith Solutions to purchase IT Equipment.**

After discussion, with Sam Goldsmith, Brown County IT Manager, Commissioner Worley moved that the Court authorize Goldsmith Solutions to purchase IT Equipment, for \$25,478.08. The purchase price will be paid from ARPA Funds. Commissioner Kelton seconded the motion and the Court voted 5-0 to approve. ([Exhibit #23](#))

L. Consideration and possible approval of IT Recycling.

After discussion, with Sam Goldsmith, Brown County IT Manager, Commissioner Kelton moved that the Court approve numerous items, that no longer serve a purpose, from the Courthouse, LEC, and Veteran's Building, to be recycled through the Dell Reconnect program and partnership with Goodwill Industries. Hard drives have been removed and will be approved for destruction at a future date. Commissioner Worley seconded the motion and the Court voted 5-0 to approve. [\(Exhibit #24\)](#)

M. Open bids and consideration and possible approval of best bid for a county bank depository agreement.

Commissioner Kelton opened two sealed bids presented for the county bank depository agreement. The bids received were from:

Texas Bank [\(Exhibit #25\)](#)

Citizens National Bank [\(Exhibit #26\)](#)

No action was taken.

VII. ADJOURNMENT

Judge Britton adjourned the Brown County Commissioners Court at 12:02 P.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 **April 3, 2023**.

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