

**STATE OF TEXAS
COUNTY OF BROWN**

The Brown County Commissioners Court convened in a Special meeting on May 22, 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
JOSIE CONTRERAS	ASSISTANT COUNTY AUDITOR
JENNIFER BROUGHTON	COUNTY ATTORNEY

II. PRAYER

Tom Washburn, Pastor of Austin Avenue Church of Christ, 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 were no citizen comments.

IV. MINUTES OF MEETINGS:

A. Approval of the agenda minutes from the previous regular meeting held on 05-08-2023

Commissioner Worley moved that the minutes of the May 8, 2023, meeting be approved, as presented by County Clerk Sharon Ferguson. Commissioner Kelton seconded the motion and the Court voted 5-0 to approve.

V. TREASURER'S AND AUDITOR'S REPORT

A. Acceptance of Treasurer's/Auditor's Report.

The May 22, 2023, Combined Statement Of Cash Position was presented by County Treasurer Ann Krpoun, for filing. [\(Exhibit #1\)](#)

VI. EMPLOYEE CHANGES:

A. Sheriff's Department

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

Ariel McKoy/Visitation Clerk/PT-employed

effective 05-02-2023

Daniella Allcorn/Visitation Clerk/PT-transferred to

Jailer effective 03-02-2023 [\(Exhibit #2\)](#)

Julie Kilgore/Jailer-employed

effective 04-26-2023

Darby Adams/Jailer-promoted to Corporal

effective 02-17-2023 [\(Exhibit #3\)](#)

Commissioner Traweck 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. [\(Exhibit #4\)](#)

B. Tax Assessor' Office

After discussion, with Tax Assessor Collector Christine Pentecost, Commissioner Worley moved that the Court approve the following personnel changes and salaries in the TAC's Office:

**Autumn Watson/promoted to Chief Deputy TAC
effective 06-01-2023 ([Exhibit #5](#))**

**Serena Dickey/Deputy TAC/employed
effective 06-01-2023 ([Exhibit #6](#))**

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

VII. RESOLUTIONS AND PRESENTATIONS:

A. Brown County Clerk Sharon Ferguson will make a presentation regarding her office's purchasing and use of Property Fraud Alert.

County Clerk Sharon Ferguson presented the Court with information concerning her office's purchasing Property Fraud Alert Services. This service will be made available through the Brown County Clerk's Office website and is free to anyone who wants to subscribe to it. Property Fraud Alert allows for free subscriptions via the Property Fraud Alert website and is accessed by the potential subscriber. Subscribers will be notified, either by email or phone, only when the name they have submitted is used in any recording activities within the County Clerk's Office. ([Exhibit #7](#))

VIII. BUSINESS TO BE DISCUSSED AND CONSIDERED FOR APPROVAL:

A. Consider and take appropriate action approving a Memorandum of Understanding between Brown County and the Texas AgriLife Extension Agency for future use of the extension office. To be presented by Scott Anderson.

After discussion, with Brown County Extension Agent Scott Anderson and District Extension Administrator Marty Gibbs, Commissioner Worley moved that the Court approve a Cooperative Agreement Between Texas A&M AgriLife Extension Service and Brown County for the purpose of establishing a partnership between the county government representing the citizens of Texas residing in said county and AgriLife Extension. Commissioner Traweek seconded the motion and the Court voted 5-0 to approve. [\(Exhibit #8\)](#)

B. Consider and take appropriate action to seek approval from Frontier Communications for DID numbers.

No action.

C. Consider and take appropriate action to approve the destruction of surplus hard drives.

Commissioner Worley moved that the Court approve a request, from Goldsmith Solutions, for \$3,072.60, for Hard Drive Destruction. The expenditure will be paid from ARPA Funds. Commissioner Kelton seconded the motion and the Court voted 5-0 to approve. [\(Exhibit #9\)](#)

- D. Consider and take appropriate action to reappoint Bart Johnson and Bert Massey to the Brown County Hospital District Board of Directors.**

Commissioner Worley moved that the Court approve the two year re-appointment of Bart Johnson and Bert Massey to the Brown County Hospital District Board of Directors. Commissioner Shaw seconded the motion and the Court voted 5-0 to approve.

- E. Consider and take appropriate action to change or amend the regular meeting dates of the Brown County Commissioner's Court for September and October 2023.**

Commissioner Worley moved that the Court amend the Regular Commissioner Court meeting dates for the months of August and September for the budgeting process. Every Monday, for these two months, will be a Regular Commissioner Court meeting, except for Monday September 4, 2023, which is a holiday. Commissioner Traweck seconded the motion and the Court voted 5-0 to approve.

[\(Exhibit #10\)](#)

- F. Consider and take appropriate action regarding the scheduling and planning of County Budget workshops for the creation of the FY23 Brown County Budget.**

No action.

IX. FINANCIAL

A. Payment of bills.

Commissioner Worley 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.

[\(Exhibit #11\)](#)

B. Brown County Investment Report.

The Brown County Investment Report for the First Quarter of 2023 was approved after a motion by Commissioner Worley and a second by Commissioner Traweek. The Court voted 5-0 to approve. [\(Exhibit #12\)](#)

X. ADJOURNMENT

Judge Britton adjourned the Brown County Commissioners Court at 9:54 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 May 22, 2023.

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