

**STATE OF TEXAS
COUNTY OF BROWN**

The Brown County Commissioners Court convened in a Regular meeting on January 16, 2024, 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	absent	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 (absent)

II. PRAYER

Sterling Lentz, Pastor of First Christian 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 were no citizen comments.

IV. MINUTES OF MEETINGS:

A. Approval of the agenda minutes from the previous regular meeting held on 01-08-2024.

Commissioner Kelton moved that the minutes of the January 8, 2024, Commissioners Court meeting be approved, as presented by County Clerk Sharon Ferguson. Commissioner Traweek seconded the motion and the Court voted to approve.

V. TREASURER'S AND AUDITOR'S REPORT

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

None.

VI. BURN BAN: Consider and take appropriate action to reinstate a county-wide burn ban.

After discussion, no action was taken. The burn ban remains lifted.

VII. EMPLOYEE CHANGES:

A. Sheriff's Department.

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

Lindsay Campos/Jailer/employed

effective 12-20-2023

Audrey Wallace/Jailer/discontinued

effective 11-05-2023 [\(Exhibit #1\)](#)

Commissioner Shaw 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. [\(Exhibit #2\)](#)

VIII. RESOLUTIONS AND PRESENTATIONS:

A. First Responder Recognition for the Fourth Quarter of 2023.

Rebecca Mendez, EMT and Boyd Hale, EMT were recognized as the First Responders for the Fourth Quarter of 2023.

B. IT Vision 2025 Project Report.

No action.

C. IT Update.

No action.

IX. PUBLIC HEARINGS:

None.

X. BUSINESS TO BE DISCUSSED AND CONSIDERED FOR APPROVAL:

- A. Consideration and possible approval of application to install a Private Line on CR 478 by Windstream/Melvin Fecher.**

Presented by Commissioner Kelton Pct. 2.

Commissioner Kelton moved that the Court approve an application, made by Windstream, to install a buried telephone line within the right-of-way of County Road #478, in Precinct #2: subject to Brown County specifications for boring a road. Commissioner Traweek seconded the motion and the Court voted 4-0 to approve. ([Exhibit #3](#))

- B. Consideration and possible approval of action to accept Proposal from Kirbo's for Copier and Printer services.**

No action.

- C. Consideration and possible approval of action regarding authorization of IT Hardware Recycling.**

No action.

D. Consideration and possible approval of action to enter contract with Diamond Pharmacy. Presented by Sheriff Vance Hill.

After discussion with Sheriff Hill, Commissioner Kelton moved that the Court approve a Pharmacy Services Agreement between Brown County and Diamond Drugs, Inc. to provide services to Brown County correctional patients. Commissioner Traweek seconded the motion and the Court voted 4-0 to approve. ([Exhibit #4](#))

E. Consideration and possible approval of action to enter contract agreement with eBONDS. Presented by Sheriff Vance Hill.

After discussion with Sheriff Hill, Commissioner Shaw moved that the Court approve a Master Subscription Agreement between Brown County and Govolution LLC to provide internet-based electronic payment services using a third party's proprietary software applications for the purpose of processing credit card and/or ACH payments. Commissioner Traweek seconded the motion and the Court voted 4-0 to approve. ([Exhibit #5](#))

XI. FINANCIAL

A. Payment of bills.

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 4-0 to approve. ([Exhibit #6](#))

XII. ADJOURNMENT

Judge Britton adjourned the Brown County Commissioners Court at 9:27 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 _____, 2024.

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 **January 16, 2024**.

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