

**STATE OF TEXAS
COUNTY OF BROWN**

The Brown County Commissioners Court convened in a Special meeting on January 29, 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:

AMBER HANLEY	CHIEF DEPUTY COUNTY CLERK
JOSIE CONTRERAS	ASSISTANT COUNTY AUDITOR
JENNIFER BROUGHTON	COUNTY ATTORNEY

II. PRAYER

Dalton Mathis, Pastor of Salt 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 were no citizen comments.

IV. MINUTES OF MEETINGS:

A. Approval of the agenda minutes from the previous regular meeting held on 01-16-2024.

Commissioner Kelton moved that the minutes of the January 16, 2024, Commissioners Court meeting be approved, as presented by Chief Deputy County Clerk Amber Hanley. 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.

The January 29, 2024, Combined Statement Of Cash Position was presented by County Treasurer Ann Krpoun, for filing. [\(Exhibit #1\)](#)

The Total Of Funds Under The Care & Custody Of Brown County Treasurer And Auditor's Report For December 2023 was approved after a motion by Commissioner Traweck and a second by Commissioner Kelton. The Court voted 4-0 to approve. An Affidavit, with the Report attached, was signed, and prepared for publication according to Section 114.026 of the Texas Local Government Code. [\(Exhibit #2\)](#)

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. Larry Traweck Commissioner Pct. 4.

After discussion, Commissioner Traweck moved that the following personnel change and salary be approved in Precinct #4:

**Logan Fisher/Road Han/employed
effective 02-01-2024 [\(Exhibit #3\)](#)**

Commissioner Shaw seconded the motion and the Court voted 3-0 to approve.

VIII. RESOLUTIONS AND PRESENTATIONS:

A. Camp Bowie Prescribed Burn.

Darrell Johnston, Brown County Chief Of Emergency Management, informed the Court of the Camp Bowie prescribed burn to be held February 19 through 23, 2024. No action was taken.

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.**

No action.

- B. Consideration and possible approval or action authorization for the Sheriff's Department to accept donations. Presented by Sheriff Vance Hill.**

After discussion with Chief Deputy Sheriff James Stroope, Commissioner Kelton moved that the Court authorize the Sheriff's Department to accept a \$50.00 donation, from Ms. Baker. Commissioner Traweek seconded the motion and the Court voted 3-0 to approve.

The Texas Commission On Jail Standards Jail Population Report was presented by the Sheriff's Department, for filing. ([Exhibit #4](#))

- C. Consideration and possible approval of 2024 Commissioners Court Meeting Calendar.**

No action.

D. Discussion and possible approval of 2023 yearend adjustments. Presented by the Auditor's Office.

Commissioner Kelton moved that the Court approve the 2023 yearend budget adjustments, as presented by Assistant County Auditor Josie Contreras. Commissioner Shaw seconded the motion and the Court voted 3-0 to approve. ([Exhibit #5](#))

E. Consideration and possible approval of contract with the City of Brownwood for renovations and operation of building at 305 Booker Street. Presented by Shane Britton.

No action.

XI. FINANCIAL

A. Payment of bills.

Commissioner Traweek moved that the claims, as presented by Assistant County Auditor Josie Contreras, be paid. Commissioner Kelton seconded the motion and the Court voted 3-0 to approve. ([Exhibit #6](#))

Brown County Grants Coordinator, Pat McLaughlin, updated the Court on the early weather warning sirens grant.

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 29, 2024.

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