

**STATE OF TEXAS
COUNTY OF BROWN**

The Brown County Commissioners Court convened in a Regular meeting on April 22, 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	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

JD Newman, Pastor of Lake Brownwood First 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 04-15-2024.

Commissioner Kelton moved that the minutes of the April 15, 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.

The April 22, 2024, Combined Statement Of Cash Position was presented by County Treasurer Ann Krpoun, for filing. [\(Exhibit #1\)](#)

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 Captain Scott Bird, Commissioner Shaw moved that the Court authorize the following personnel changes and salaries at the Sheriff's Department:

Manuel DeLeon/Jailer/employed

effective 05-01-2024

Dean Anderson/Jailer/transferred to police academy

effective 04-14-2024 ([Exhibit #2](#))

Melanie Almgren/PT File Clerk Evening/employed

effective 04-15-2024

Audrey Wallace/PT File Clerk Evening/discontinued

effective 12-29-2023 ([Exhibit #3](#))

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

VIII. RESOLUTIONS AND PRESENTATIONS:

None.

IX. PUBLIC HEARINGS:

None.

X. BUSINESS TO BE DISCUSSED AND CONSIDERED FOR APPROVAL:

- A. Discussion about using Brown County Inmate labor at Greenleaf Cemetery.**

After discussion, no action was taken.

- B. Consideration and possible approval of request from the Cinco de Mayo Committee to use courthouse grounds, including electricity, during upcoming celebration.**

After discussion, Judge Britton moved that the Court approve the installation of an outdoor electrical outlet, in a lockable box, to be installed on the NW corner of the Courthouse. Commissioner Traweek seconded the motion and the Court voted 5-0 to approve.

- C. Consideration and possible approval of application to install private lines by Frontier Communications on Project number 5320238 that includes CR 143, CR 154, and CR 183. Presented by Commissioner Larry Traweek, Pct. 4.**

Commissioner Traweek moved that an application, made by Frontier Communications, to install buried or aerial telephone lines within the rights-of-way of County Road #143, County Road #154, and County Road #183, in Precinct #4, known as Project Number 5320238, be approved; subject to Brown County specifications for boring a road. Commissioner Worley seconded the motion and the Court voted 5-0 to approve. [\(Exhibit #4\)](#)

- D. Consideration and possible approval of application to install private lines by Frontier Communications on Project number 5320235 that includes CR 136, CR 138, and CR 147. Presented by Commissioner Larry Traweek, Pct. 4.**

Commissioner Traweek moved that an application, made by Frontier Communications, to install buried or aerial telephone lines within the rights-of-way of County Road #136, County Road #138, and County Road #147, in Precinct #4, known as Project Number 5320235, be approved; subject to Brown County specifications for boring a road. Commissioner Kelton seconded the motion and the Court voted 5-0 to approve. ([Exhibit #5](#))

- E. Consideration and possible approval of application to install private lines by Frontier Communications on Project number 5320234 on CR 157. Presented by Commissioner Larry Traweek, Pct. 4.**

Commissioner Traweek moved that an application, made by Frontier Communications, to install a buried or aerial telephone line within the right-of-way of County Road #157, in Precinct #4, known as Project Number 5320234, be approved; subject to Brown County specifications for boring a road. Commissioner Kelton seconded the motion and the Court voted 5-0 to approve. ([Exhibit #6](#))

F. Consideration and possible approval of application to install private lines by Frontier Communications on Project number 5320241 on CR 180. Presented by Commissioner Larry Traweek, Pct. 4.

Commissioner Traweek moved that an application, made by Frontier Communications, to install a buried or aerial telephone line within the right-of-way of County Road #180, in Precinct #4, known as Project Number 5320241, be approved; subject to Brown County specifications for boring a road. Commissioner Shaw seconded the motion and the Court voted 5-0 to approve. ([Exhibit #7](#))

G. Discussion and possible approval to declare surplus equipment. Presented by Commissioner Larry Traweek, Pct. 4.

Commissioner Traweek moved that the Court declare a 1989 Freightliner 12 CY Dump Tractor/Truck with Cat 3406 Motor, from Precinct #4, as surplus. Commissioner Worley seconded the motion and the Court voted 5-0 to approve. ([Exhibit #8](#))

H. Discussion and possible approval to sell surplus equipment on GovDeals.com. Presented by Commissioner Larry Traweek, Pct. 4.

Commissioner Traweek moved that the Court authorize him to sell a 1989 Freightliner 12 CY Dump Tractor/Truck with Cat 3406 Motor, declared as surplus, from Precinct #4, on GovDeals.com. Commissioner Kelton seconded the motion and the Court voted 5-0 to approve. ([Exhibit #8](#))

I. Discussion and possible approval to sell equipment to Precinct 3. Presented by Commissioner Larry Traweek, Pct. 4. Commissioner Traweek moved that the Court authorize him to sell a John Deere Tractor/Shredder, used in Precinct #4 to Precinct #3 for \$52,000.00. Commissioner Shaw seconded the motion and the Court voted 5-0 to approve.

J. Discussion and possible approval to declare surplus equipment. Presented by Commissioner Wayne Shaw, Pct. 3. Commissioner Shaw moved that the Court declare as surplus a list of equipment, used in Precinct #3, as listed as “Exhibit #A” to these minutes. Commissioner Traweek seconded the motion and the Court voted 5-0 to approve. ([Exhibit #9, Exhibit #A](#))

K. Discussion and possible approval to sell surplus equipment on GovDeals.com. Presented by Commissioner Wayne Shaw, Pct. 3. Commissioner Shaw moved that the Court authorize him to sell the surplus equipment, used in Precinct #3, listed as “Exhibit #A” to these minutes, on GovDeals.com. Commissioner Traweek seconded the motion and the Court voted 5-0 to approve. ([Exhibit #9, Exhibit #A](#))

L. Discussion and possible approval to purchase equipment from Precinct 4. Presented by Commissioner Wayne Shaw, Pct. 3.

No action.

XII. 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 5-0 to approve.

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

XIV. ADJOURNMENT

Judge Britton adjourned the Brown County Commissioners Court at 9:37 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 April 22, 2024.

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