

**STATE OF TEXAS
COUNTY OF BROWN**

The Brown County Commissioners Court convened in a Special meeting on October 21, 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
JENNIFER ROBISON	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 meeting held on 10-07-2024.

Commissioner Traweek moved that the minutes of the October 7, 2024, Commissioners Court meeting be approved, as presented by Chief Deputy County Clerk Amber Hanley. Commissioner Kelton 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 October 21, 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 September 2024 was approved after a motion by Commissioner Kelton and a second by Commissioner Shaw. 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. Sheriff's Department:

After discussion with Chief Deputy Sheriff James Stroope, Commissioner Traweek moved that the Court approve the following personnel changes and salaries in the Sheriff's Department:

**Dean Anderson/cadet/academy to Deputy
effective 10-07-2024**

**Dean Anderson/Jailer/discontinued
effective 10-07-2024 [\(Exhibit #3\)](#)**

**Ethan Fox/cadet/academy to Deputy
effective 10-07-2024**

**Ethan Fox/Jailer/discontinued
effective 10-07-2024 [\(Exhibit #4\)](#)**

**Nathaniel Newton/Jailer/employed
effective 10-05-2024**

**Robert Ford/Jailer/discontinued
effective 08-15-2024 ([Exhibit #5](#))**

Commissioner Shaw seconded the motion, and the Court voted 4-0 to approve.

The Jail Population Report was presented by the Sheriff's Department, for filing. ([Exhibit #6](#))

VIII. RESOLUTIONS AND PRESENTATIONS:

None.

IX. PUBLIC HEARINGS:

None.

X. BUSINESS TO BE DISCUSSED AND CONSIDERED FOR APPROVAL:

A. Consideration and possible approval of Brown County 2025 Holiday Calendar. Presented by County Judge's Office.

After discussion, Commissioner Traweek moved that the Court approve the Brown County Employee Holiday Calendar for 2025. Commissioner Shaw seconded the motion, and the Court voted 4-0 to approve. ([Exhibit #7](#))

B. Consideration and possible approval of sidewalk construction at Brownwood Dam. Presented by Johnny Hays, Brown County Water Improvement District #1.

After discussion with Dr. John Hays and John Allen, from the Brown County Water Improvement District, no action was taken.

C. Consideration and possible approval of action to declare Stenograph Stentura Fusion, serial number S002375, barcode number 1927 and Stenograph, serial number S003004, barcode number 2698 surplus to be recycled. Presented by the Auditor's Office.

Commissioner Shaw moved that the Court declare two Stenograph Stentura Fusion machines as surplus to be recycled. Commissioner Traweck seconded the motion, and the Court voted 4-0 to approve.

D. Consideration and possible approval of action to declare a John Deere CX15 rotary shredder surplus to be sold on GovDeals.com. Presented by Wayne Shaw, Commissioner Pct. 3.

Commissioner Shaw moved that the Court declare a John Deere CX15 rotary shredder as surplus to be sold on GovDeals.com. Commissioner Traweck seconded the motion, and the Court voted 4-0 to approve.

E. Consideration and possible approval of action to assist an existing employee in obtaining a CDL. Presented by Gary Worley, Commissioner Pct. 1.

After discussion, Commissioner Traweek moved that the Court authorize Precinct #1 employee Chad Hallum to enroll in classes to obtain a CDL. The \$4,500.00 classes will be paid for by the County. Commissioner Shaw seconded the motion, and the Court voted 4-0 to approve.

Judge Britton recessed the Special Session at 9:31 a.m. to convene into Executive Session.

XI. EXECUTIVE SESSION

The proceeding of the meeting will be as follows:

The Commissioners Court may convene into closed executive session in the Commissioners Courtroom, pursuant to Section 551.074 of the Texas Government Code.

Item 1. Discuss Personnel Issues.

After discussion, no action was taken.

Judge Britton called the Special Session back to order at 10:45 a.m.

XII. FINANCIAL

A. Payment of bills.

Commissioner Kelton moved that the claims, as presented by Brown County Auditor Jennifer Robison, be paid. Commissioner Traweek seconded the motion, and the Court voted 5-0 to approve. ([Exhibit #8](#))

XI1. ADJOURNMENT

Judge Britton adjourned the Brown County Commissioners Court at 10:45 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 **October 21, 2024.**

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