

**STATE OF TEXAS
COUNTY OF BROWN**

The Brown County Commissioners Court convened in a Regular meeting on July 21, 2025, at 9:00 A.M. in the Commissioners' 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
KIRK CHASTAIN	COMMISSIONER, PRECINCT NO. 1
JOEL KELTON	COMMISSIONER, PRECINCT NO. 2
DAVID REID	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

Robert Lee 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.

None.

IV. MINUTES OF MEETINGS:

A. Approval of the agenda minutes from the previous meeting(s) held on 07-07-2025, 07-08-2025 & 07-09-2025 & 07-15-2025.

Commissioner Kelton moved the minutes of July 7, 2025, Commissioners Court meeting and the minutes of July 8, July 9, and July 15, 2025, Public Budget Workshop be approved, as presented by County Clerk Sharon Ferguson. Commissioner Chastain seconded the motion, and the Court voted unanimously to approve.

V. TREASURER'S AND AUDITOR'S REPORT

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

The July 21, 2025, Combined Statement Of Cash Position was presented by the Brown County Treasurer's Office, for filing.

(Exhibit #1)

The Total Of Funds Under The Care & Custody Of Brown County Treasurer And Auditor's Report For June 2025 was approved after a motion by Commissioner Kelton and a second by Commissioner Reid. The Court voted 5-0 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:

None.

VIII. RESOLUTIONS AND PRESENTATIONS:

None.

IX. PUBLIC HEARINGS:

None.

X. BUSINESS TO BE DISCUSSED AND CONSIDERED FOR APPROVAL:

A. Consideration and possible approval for the purchase of a mobile radio and portable radio from LCRA. Presented by James Stroope, Chief Deputy Brown County Sheriff's Department.

After discussion with Chief Deputy Sheriff James Stroope, Commissioner Kelton moved that the Court authorize the Sheriff's Department to purchase a Harris XL-200M mobile radio, from LCRA, for \$8,330.00 and a Harris XL-185P handheld radio, from LCRA, for 4,556.00. Commissioner Traweek seconded the motion, and the Court voted 5-0 to approve. This expenditure will be paid from the Sheriff Department's Grant Equipment Fund. ([Exhibit #3](#) and [Exhibit #4](#))

The Texas Commission On Jail Standards Jail Population Report was presented by the Sheriff's Department, for filing. ([Exhibit #5](#))

B. Consideration and possible action regarding Bart Johnson as County Insurance Agent of Record. Presented by Commissioner Kirk Chastain, Pct. 1.

After discussion, Commissioner Chastain moved the Court approve the appointment of Bart Johnson as the Brown County Insurance Agent of Record. Commissioner Reid seconded the motion, and the Court voted 4-0 to approve.

Judge Britton recessed the Regular Session at 9:15 a.m. to convene into Executive Session.

XI. EXECUTIVE SESSION: The Commissioners' Court may convene into closed executive session in the Commissioners' Courtroom, pursuant to Section 551.071 and 551.0724 of the Texas Government Code and may discuss the following:

Item 1: Discussion with Attorney and Deliberation Regarding Real Property.

No action was taken.

Judge Britton recessed the Executive Session and called the Regular Session back to order at 9:42 a.m.

XII. FINANCIAL

A. Payment of bills.

Commissioner Traweck moved that the claims, as presented by Assistant Brown County Auditor Josie Contreras, be paid. Commissioner Reid seconded the motion, and the Court voted 5-0 to approve. ([Exhibit #6](#))

XXI. Adjournment

Judge Britton adjourned the Brown County Commissioners' Court at 9:42 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.

I, Sharon Ferguson, Brown County Clerk, attest that the foregoing is a true and accurate accounting of the Commissioners Court's authorized proceedings for July 21, 2025.

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