

Notice is hereby given that a meeting of the Brown County Commissioner's Court shall be held at 9:00 a.m. on December 26th, 2023, in the Brown County Courthouse at 200 South Broadway, Brownwood Texas, 76801 and shall continue thereafter until such business of the Court has been completed in accordance with Article 81.005 of the Local Government Code of the State of Texas. The following items of business will be discussed, to-wit:

- I. DECLARE A QUORUM AND CALL MEETING TO ORDER
- II. PRAYER Jay Fraze, Pastor at First United Methodist Church
- 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 five (5) minute time limit. Multiple person groups will be limited to one speaker.
- IV. MINUTES OF MEETINGS:
  - A. Approval of the agenda minutes from the previous regular meeting held on 12/18/2023.
- V. TREASURER'S AND AUDITOR'S REPORT
  - A. Acceptance of Treasurer's/Auditor's Report.
- VI. BURN BAN: Consider and take appropriate action to reinstate a county-wide burn ban.
- VII. EMPLOYEE CHANGES:
  - A. District Attorney's Office (Texas Rural Prosecutors Assistance Grant)
- VIII. RESOLUTION AND PRESENTATIONS:
  - A. Texas Rural Prosecutors Assistance Grant.
- IX. PUBLIC HEARINGS:
- X. BUSINESS TO BE DISCUSSED AND CONSIDERED FOR APPROVAL:
  - A. Consideration and possible approval of budgeted routine expenditures and disbursements. Commissioner Gary Worley Pct.1.
  - B. Consideration and possible action to join TEX-21 regarding the highway 377 corridor. Commissioner Gary Worley Pct.1.

# XI. FINANCIAL

A. Payment of bills.

## XII. ADJOURMENT

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, Shane Britton, County Judge of Brown County Texas, do certify that the above Notice of Meeting of the above named Commissioners' Court, is a true and correct copy of said notice, and that I posted said Notice on the bulletin board by the Courthouse door of Brown County, Texas, at a place readily accessible to the general public at all times on this day 21st of December, 2023 and said Notice was to remain so posted continuously for at least 72 hours preceding the scheduled time of said Meeting.

Dated this 21st day of December 2023

Shane Britton

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# STATE OF TEXAS COUNTY OF BROWN

The Brown County Commissioners Court convened in a Special meeting on December 26, 2023, 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 was not recorded today.

Judge Pro-Tem Kelton declared a Quorum and called the meeting to order.

**Members of the Court present were:** 

SHANE BRITTON	absent	COUNTY JUDGE
<b>GARY WORLEY</b>	absent	COMMISSIONER, PRECINCT NO. 1
JOEL KELTON		COMMISSIONER, PRECINCT NO. 2
<b>WAYNE SHAW</b>		COMMISSIONER, PRECINCT NO. 3
LARRY TRAWEEK		COMMISSIONER, PRECINCT NO. 4

## Also present:

SHARON FERGUSON	COUNTY CLERK
JOSIE CONTRERAS	<b>ASSISTANT COUNTY AUDITOR</b>
JENNIFER BROUGHTON	COUNTY ATTORNEY absent

#### II. PRAYER

Sharon Ferguson, Brown County Clerk, led the Court in the invocation.

#### III. CITIZENS COMMENTS:

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There were no citizen comments.

## **IV. MINUTES OF MEETINGS:**

A. Approval of the agenda minutes from the previous regular meeting held on 12-18-2023.

Commissioner Shaw moved that the minutes of the December 18, 2023, Commissioners Court meeting be approved, as presented by County Clerk Sharon Ferguson. Commissioner Traweek seconded the motion and the Court voted 3-0 to approve.

## V. TREASURER'S AND AUDITOR'S REPORT

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

The December 26, 2023, 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. District Attorney's Office (Texas Rural Prosecutors Assistance Grant).

Commissioner Traweek moved that the following personnel and salary be approved in the District Attorney's Office:

David Stewart/D.A. Investigator/employed effective 01-16-2024 (Exhibit #2)

This salary, and fringes, will be paid for by the Texas Rural Prosecutors Assistance Grant for two years. Commissioner Shaw seconded the motion and the Court voted 3-0 to approve.

#### **VIII. RESOLUTIONS AND PRESENTATIONS:**

A. Texas Rural Prosecutors Assistance Grant.

After discussion, with District Attorney Micheal Murray, Commissioner Shaw moved that the Court adopt a Resolution certifying that no funds provided to the 35<sup>th</sup> Judicial District Attorney's Office will be reduced because of an award of funds from the Texas Rural Prosecutors Assistance Grant. Commissioner Traweek seconded the motion and the Court voted 3-0 to approve. (Exhibit #3)

#### IX. PUBLIC HEARINGS:

None.

#### X. BUSINESS TO BE DISCUSSED AND CONSIDERED FOR APPROVAL:

- A. Consideration and possible approval of budgeted routine expenditures and disbursements. Commissioner Gary Worley Pct. 1.

  Commissioner Shaw moved that the Court approve an Order For Disbursement Of Salaries And Routine Office Expenses that allows the Brown County Treasurer to disburse payments, for expenses, upon submission of all necessary payroll information by the appropriate department head or supervisor, approved by the Auditor, before approval by Commissioners Court. Commissioner Traweek seconded the motion and the Court voted 3-0 to approve. (Exhibit #4)
- B. Consideration and possible action to join TEX-21 regarding the highway 377 corridor. Commissioner Gary Worley Pct. 1.
  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 Shaw seconded the motion and the Court voted 3-0 to approve. (Exhibit #5)

## XII. ADJOURNMENT

Judge Pro-Tem Kelton adjourned the Brown County Commissioners

Court at 9:26 a.m.

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Submitted on the

8th day of January, 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 December 26, 2023.

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