

Notice is hereby given that a Regular Meeting of the Brown County Commissioner's Court shall be held at 9:00 a.m. on September 2nd, 2025, 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 -
- 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. BURN BAN: Consider and take appropriate action regarding the county-wide burn ban.
- V. EMPLOYEE CHANGES:
- VI. RESOLUTION AND PRESENTATIONS:
- VII. PUBLIC HEARINGS:
- VIII. BUSINESS TO BE DISCUSSED AND CONSIDERED FOR APPROVAL:
 - A. Consideration and possible approval of the Knowlnk Proposal for Elections. Presented by Brenda Arp, Elections Administrator.
 - B. Consideration and possible approval of Application to install a private line on County Road 132 by Brookesmith SUD. Presented by Commissioner Larry Traweek. Pct 4.
 - C. Consideration and possible approval of Application to install a private line on County Road 136 by Brookesmith SUD. Presented by Commissioner Larry Traweek. Pct 4.
 - D. Consideration and possible approval of Application to install a private line on County Road 136 by Oncor. Presented by Commissioner Larry Traweek, Pct 4.

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- E. Consideration and possible approval of Application to install a private line on County Road 533 by Brookesmith SUD. Presented by Commissioner Kirk Chastain. Pct 1.
- F. Consideration and possible approval to open bids for the Brown County Sheriff's Department Inmate Telephone System. Presented by Les Karnes.
- G. Discussion and possible approval of accepting a bid for the Brown County Sheriff's Department Inmate Telephone System. Presented by Les Karnes.
- IX. EXECUTIVE SESSION: The Commissioners Court may convene into a closed executive session in the Commissioners Courtroom, pursuant to provisions of the Open Meetings Law, Chapter 551, Government Code, in accordance with the authority contained in the following sections:

Section 551.071 – Consultation with Attorney Section 551.074 – Personnel Matters

X. Action as a result of the Executive Session

Court may take any action deemed necessary as a result of the Executive Session

XI. FINANCIAL

Payment of bills.

XXI. 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 29th of August, 2025 and said Notice was to remain so posted continuously for at least 72 hours preceding the scheduled time of said Meeting.

Dated 29th of August, 2025

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Time 7:00m.

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STATE OF TEXAS COUNTY OF BROWN

The Brown County Commissioners Court convened in a Regular meeting on September 2, 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
KIRK CHASTAIN
JOEL KELTON
DAVID REID
LARRY TRAWEEK

COUNTY JUDGE
COMMISSIONER, PRECINCT NO. 1
COMMISSIONER, PRECINCT NO. 2
COMMISSIONER, PRECINCT NO. 3
COMMISSIONER, PRECINCT NO. 4

Also present:

SHARON FERGUSON
JENNIFER ROBISON
JENNIFER BROUGHTON

COUNTY CLERK
COUNTY AUDITOR
COUNTY ATTORNEY

II. PRAYER

Charlie Tienaar, Pastor of Victory Life Church, Brownwood, TX, 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.

IV. BURN BAN: Consider and take appropriate action in regards to the county-wide burn ban.

After discussion, the Commissioner's Court finds that circumstances present in all or parts of the unincorporated area of the county create a public safety hazard that would be exacerbated by outdoor burning. Judge Britton signed an Order Prohibiting Outdoor Burning in the unincorporated area of the county for 90 days unless the restrictions are terminated earlier based on a determination made by the Commissioners Court or the County Judge based on a determination that the circumstances that required the Order no longer exist. (Exhibit #1)

V. EMPLOYEE CHANGES:

None.

VI. RESOLUTIONS AND PRESENTATIONS:

None.

VII. PUBLIC HEARINGS:

None.

VIII. BUSINESS TO BE DISCUSSED AND CONSIDERED FOR APPROVAL:

- A. Consideration and possible approval of the Knowlnk Proposal for Elections. Presented by Brenda Arp, Elections Administrator.

 After discussion with Brown County Election's Administrator Brenda Arp, Commissioner Chastain moved that the Court approve the purchase of election support hardware/software from KNOWiNK and HART Intercivic for the Elections Office. Commissioner Kelton seconded the motion, and the Court voted 5-0 to approve.

 (Exhibit #2 and Exhibit #3)
 - B. Consideration and possible approval of Application to install a private line on County Road 132 by Brookesmith SUD. Presented by Commissioner Larry Traweek, Pct. 4.

Commissioner Traweek moved that the Court approve an application made by Brookesmith SUD to install a buried water line within the right-of-way of County Road #132, in Precinct #4, subject to Brown County specifications. Commissioner Reid seconded the motion, and the Court voted 5-0 to approve. (Exhibit #4)

C. Consideration and possible approval of Application to install a private line on County Road 136 by Brookesmith SUD. Presented by Commissioner Larry Traweek, Pct. 4.

Commissioner Traweek moved that the Court approve an application made by Brookesmith SUD to install a buried water line within the right-of-way of County Road #136, in Precinct #4, subject to Brown County specifications for boring a road. Commissioner Reid seconded the motion, and the Court voted 5-0 to approve.

(Exhibit #5)

D. Consideration and possible approval of Application to install a private line on County Road 136 by Oncor. Presented by Larry Traweek, Pct. 4.

Commissioner Traweek moved that the Court approve an application made by Oncor Power Delivery to install a buried line within the right-of-way of County Road #136, in Precinct #4, subject to Brown County specifications for boring a road. Commissioner Reid seconded the motion, and the Court voted 5-0 to approve.

(Exhibit #6)

E. Consideration and possible approval of Application to install a private line on County Road 533 by Brookesmith SUD. Presented by Commissioner Kirk Chastain, Pct. 1.

Commissioner Chastain moved that the Court approve an application made by Brookesmith SUD to install a buried water line within the right-of-way of County Road #533, in Precinct #1, subject to Brown County specifications for cutting a road. Commissioner Traweek seconded the motion, and the Court voted 5-0 to approve.

(Exhibit #7)

F. Consideration and possible approval to open bids for the Brown County Sheriff's Department Inmate Telephone System.

Presented by Les Karnes.

Captain Les Karnes opened six bids for the Brown County Sheriff's Inmate Telephone System. The bids were from:

- 1. Prodigy Solutions (Exhibit #8)
- 2. Crown Correctional Telephone (Exhibit #9)
- 3. ICSolutions (Exhibit #10)
- 4. Smart Communications (Exhibit #11)
- 5. City-Tele-Coin aka CTC (Exhibit #12)
- 6. NCIC Correctional Services (Exhibit #13)

G. Discussion and possible approval of accepting a bid for the Brown County Sheriff's Department Inmate Telephone System. Presented by Les Karnes.

After discussion, no action was taken.

Judge Britton recessed the Regular Session to convene into Executive Session at 9:35 a.m.

IX. 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:

Section 551.071-Consultation with Attorney
Section 551.074-Personnel Matters

X. Action as a result of the Executive Session.

Court may take any action necessary as a result of the Executive Session.

No action was taken.

Judge Britton recessed the Executive Session to reconvene the Regular Session at 9:55 a.m.

XI. FINANCIAL

A. Payment of bills.

No action.

XXI. Adjournment

Judge Britton adjourned the Commissioners Court at 9:56 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 **September 2**, **2025.**

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