

Sharon Ferguson, Brown County Clerk

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By Deputy:

Notice is hereby given that a Regular Meeting of the Brown County Commissioner's Court shall be held at 9:00 a.m. on October 14th 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.
- V. TREASURER'S AND AUDITOR'S REPORT: Acceptance of Treasurer's/Auditor's Report
- IV. BURN BAN:Consider and take appropriate action regarding the county-wide burn ban.
- V. EMPLOYEE CHANGES: Elections Office
- VI. RESOLUTION AND PRESENTATIONS:
- VII. PUBLIC HEARINGS:
- VIII. BUSINESS TO BE DISCUSSED AND CONSIDERED FOR APPROVAL:
  - a. Consideration and possible acceptance of retirement letter from Ann Krpoun, County Treasurer.
  - b. Consideration and possible approval of equipment purchase for Precinct 4.
- 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 551.072- Deliberation Regarding Real Property Section 551.074- Personnel Matters

#### X. ACTION AS A RESULT OF EXECUTIVE SESSION

Consideration and possible approval authorizing the County Judge to enter into a contract for the purchase of 600 Fisk Ave., Brownwood, Texas.

#### XI. FINANCIAL:

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 6th of October, 2025 and said Notice was to remain so posted continuously for at least three business days preceding the scheduled time of said Meeting.

Dated the  $8^{\text{th}}$  day of October, 2025

Honorable Shane Britton

County Judge

Sharon Ferguson, Brown County Clerk

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# STATE OF TEXAS COUNTY OF BROWN

The Brown County Commissioners Court convened in a Regular meeting on October 14, 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 absent

COUNTY JUDGE

COMMISSIONER, PRECINCT NO. 1

COMMISSIONER, PRECINCT NO. 3

COMMISSIONER, PRECINCT NO. 4

# Also present:

SHARON FERGUSON COUNTY CLERK

JOSIE CONTRERAS ASSISTANT COUNTY AUDITOR

JENNIFER BROUGHTON COUNTY ATTORNEY

#### II. PRAYER

Judge Britton led the Court in the invocation.

### III. CITIZENS COMMENTS:

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

The Total Of Funds Under The Care & Custody Of Brown County Treasurer And Auditor's Report For September 2025 was approved after a motion by Commissioner Chastain and a second by Commissioner Reid. 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 #1)

V. BURN BAN: Consider and take appropriate action regarding the county-wide burn ban.

After discussion, no action was taken. The burn ban remains in effect.

# VI. EMPLOYEE CHANGES:

**Elections Office.** 

After discussion with Elections Administrator Brenda Arp, Commissioner Chastain moved that the Court authorize the following personnel change and salary in the Elections Department:

Maggie Hightower/Assistant Election Administrator/employed effective 10-01-2025

Taylor Scott/Assistant Election Administrator/discontinued effective 08-19-2025 (Exhibit #2)

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

# VII. RESOLUTIONS AND PRESENTATIONS:

None.

VIII. PUBLIC HEARINGS:

None.

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

A. Consideration and possible acceptance of retirement letter from Ann Krpoun, County Treasurer.

Commissioner Chastain moved that the Court accept the retirement of Brown County Treasurer Ann Krpoun effective December 31, 2025. Commissioner Kelton seconded the motion, and the Court voted 4-0 to approve. (Exhibit #3)

B. Consideration and possible approval of equipment purchase from Precinct 4.

Commissioner Chastain moved that the Court authorize Commissioner Traweek to trade in a 1998 Caterpillar 953-C and purchase a 2019 John Deere 624L Wheel Loader for use in Precinct #4. The purchase price of the new John Deere is \$100,000.00. The trade-in for the 1998 Caterpillar is \$22,000.00. The balance due, after trade-in, of \$78,000.00, will be paid from Precinct #4 funds. Commissioner Reid seconded the motion, and the Court voted 4-0 to approve. (Exhibit #4)

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

X. EXECUTIVE SESSION: The Commissioners' Court may convene into 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 551.072-Deliberation Regarding Real Property
Section 551.074-Personnel Matters

Judge Britton called the Regular Session back to order at 10:30 a.m.

## XI. Action as a result of the Executive Session.

Consideration and possible approval authorizing the County Judge to enter into a contract for the purchase of 600 Fisk Ave. Brownwood, Texas.

Commissioner Kelton moved that the Court authorize Judge Britton to sign a purchase contract for a formal offer on the Wenlee Broadcasting building on 600 Fisk Avenue, Brownwood, Texas. Commissioner Chastain seconded the motion, and the Court voted 4-0 to approve.

### XII. FINANCIAL

## A. Payment of bills.

Commissioner Kelton moved that the claims, as presented by Brown County Assistant County Auditor Josie Contreras, be paid. Commissioner Chastain seconded the motion, and the Court voted 4-0 to approve. (Exhibit #5)

# XIII. Adjournment

Judge Britton adjourned the Commissioners' Court at 10:33 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 October 14, 2025.

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