

INVOCATION

Commissioner Pct. 2-Tom Whitten, Texarkana, TX

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

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COMMISSIONERS COURT MINUTES

OCTOBER 24, 2022

BE IT REMEMBERED, that on this 24th day of October, 2022, the **HONORABLE COMMISSIONERS COURT** of Bowie County, Texas met in **REGULAR SESSION** at the Courthouse in New Boston, Texas after due notice had been posted on the 21st day of October, 2022 with the **HONORABLE JUDGE BOBBY L. HOWELL** present and presiding with the following Commissioners being present.

Sammy Stone	Commissioner Pct. #1
Tom Whitten	Commissioner Pct. #2
James Strain	Commissioner Pct. #3
Mike Carter	Commissioner Pct. #4

Also in attendance were the following County Officials:

- County Auditor Jennifer Beckett
- County Clerk Tina Petty
- County Legal Advisor Randle Smolarz

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Judge Howell spoke regarding the unemployment rate being down.

REGULAR AGENDA ITEMS

Court convened at 9:03 A.M. when the following **ORDERS, JUDGMENTS and DECREES** were had and **ORDERED** spread upon the minutes of the Court to-wit.

Item 1: There was no Public Comments.

Item 2: There was no Commissioners Court response to Public Comments.

Item 3: On this 24th day of October, 2022, a motion was made by Commissioner Mike Carter and duly second by Commissioner James Strain to approve the Expenditure Request for Budget Amendment, Order Number 10-24-2022.

**Motion was put to a vote and all Commissioners voted yes and none voted no.
Motion carried.**

- Item 4: On this 24th day of October, 2022, a motion was made by Commissioner James Strain and duly second by Commissioner Mike Carter to approve specifications for dump trucks and authorize purchasing to solicit for bids and advertise.
Motion was put to a vote and all Commissioners voted yes and none voted no.
Motion carried.**
- Item 5: On this 24th day of October, 2022, a motion was made by Commissioner Mike Carter and duly second by Commissioner Tom Whitten to decrease the ARPA budget for Precinct 2 dump trucks to \$282,300 and increase the budget for a backhoe to \$155,200.
Motion was put to a vote and all Commissioners voted yes and none voted no.
Motion carried.**
- Item 6: On this 24th day of October, 2022, a motion was made by Commissioner Tom Whitten and duly second by Commissioner Mike Carter to purchase a backhoe loader from Holt Cat, Sourcewell Contract #032119-CAT, in the amount of \$155,200 to be paid from ARPA Funds.
Motion was put to a vote and all Commissioners voted yes and none voted no.
Motion carried.**
- Item 7: On this 24th day of October, 2022, a motion was made by Commissioner James Strain and duly second by Commissioner Mike Carter to approve an Interlocal Agreement between the City of Texarkana, Texas and Bowie County for the 2022 Byrne Justice Assistance Grant (JAG) Program Award.
Motion was put to a vote and all Commissioners vote yes and none voted no.
Motion carried.**
- Item 8: On this 24th day of October, 2022, a motion was made by Commissioner James Strain and duly second by Commissioner Mike Carter to approve an order to pay authorized expenses of office within the budget as allowed under Section 154.0235, Local Government Code.
Motion was put to a vote and all Commissioners voted yes and none voted no.
Motion carried.**
- Item 9: On this 24th day of October, 2022, a motion was made by Commissioner Sammy Stone and duly second by Commissioner Mike Carter to approve cellular phone reimbursement for Bowie County District Attorney employee Jason Haak.
Motion was put to a vote and all Commissioners voted yes and none voted no.
Motion carried.**
- Item 10: On this 24th day of October, 2022, a motion was made by Commissioner Mike Carter and duly second by Commissioner Tom Whitten to approve the 2022 Tax Roll.
Motion was put to a vote and all Commissioners voted yes and none voted no.
Motion carried.**
- Item 11: On this 24th day of October, 2022, a motion was made by Commissioner Mike Carter and duly second by Commissioner James Strain to approve the Bowie County Investment policy.
Motion was put to a vote and all Commissioners voted yes and none voted no.
Motion carried.**

Item 12: On this 24th day of October, 2022, a motion was made by Commissioner James Strain and duly second by Commissioner Mike Carter to approve the Treasurer's Investment Report as of September 30, 2022.

**Motion was put to a vote and all Commissioners voted yes and none voted no.
Motion carried.**

Item 13: On this 24th day of October, 2022, a motion was made by Commissioner James Strain and duly second by Commissioner Mike Carter to approve the Treasurer's Monthly Report for September, 2022.

**Motion was put to a vote and all Commissioners voted yes and none voted no.
Motion carried.**

Item 14: On this 24th day of October, 2022, a motion was made by Commissioner Sammy Stone and duly second by Commissioner Mike Carter to approve budget adjustments (line item transfers).

**Motion was put to a vote and all Commissioners voted yes and none voted no.
Motion carried.**

Item 15: On this 24th day of October, 2022, a motion was made by Commissioner Mike Carter and duly second by Commissioner James Strain to approve payments of accounts payable and payroll.

**Motion was put to a vote and all Commissioners voted yes and none voted no.
Motion carried.**

Item 16: On this 24th day of October, 2022, a motion was made by Commissioner Tom Whitten and duly second by Commissioner James Strain to approve the minutes as an Order of the Court (October 11, 2022).

**Motion was put to a vote and all Commissioners voted yes and none voted no.
Motion carried.**

Item 17: There was no Executive Closed Session to discuss security matters, personnel matters and litigation as allowed in the Government Code, Section 551.0725.

On this 24th day of October, 2022, a motion was made by Commissioner Sammy Stone and duly second by Commissioner Mike Carter to adjourn.

**Motion was put to a vote and all Commissioners voted yes and none voted no.
Motion carried.**