

INVOCATION

Commissioner Pct. 3-James Strain, DeKalb, TX

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

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COMMISSIONERS COURT MINUTES

OCTOBER 25, 2021

BE IT REMEMBERED, that on this 25th day of October, 2021, 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 22nd day of October, 2021 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

ANNOUNCEMENTS

None

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: Public Comments were made by Amy Pope.

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

Item 3: On this 25th day of October, 2021, a motion was made by Commissioner Mike Carter and duly second by Commissioner James Strain to cast votes for Board of Directors for the Bowie Central Appraisal District for the 2022-2023 term (Tom Whitten-930 votes). Motion was put to a vote and all Commissioners voted yes and none voted no. Motion carried.

Item 5: On this 25th day of October, 2021, a motion was made by Commissioner Mike Carter and duly second by Commissioner Sammy Stone to establish guidelines and criteria governing tax abatement agreements and accept the Application for Tax Abatement from Ta Chen International and authorize setting date of December 6, 2021 for a public hearing and posting of notice for purposes of consideration of the guidelines and criteria and a tax abatement agreement to provide economic development within the County, and to take up for consideration an Application for Tax Abatement, deemed to be in due form and accepted, from Ta Chen International.

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

Motion carried.

Item 6: On this 25th day of October, 2021, a motion was made by Commissioner Tom Whitten and duly second by Commissioner Mike Carter to correct the labor table to reflect positions in the County Clerk's Office-Records Management that were omitted.

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- \$ 2,000.00

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

Motion carried.

Item 7: On this 25th day of October, 2021, a motion was made by Commissioner James Strain and duly second by Commissioner Mike Carter to approve final adjustments to the November 2, 2021, Presiding and Alternate Judges Appointments.

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

Motion carried.

Item 8: On this 25th day of October 2021, a motion was made by Commissioner Mike Carter and duly second by Commissioner Tom Whitten to approve the Barkman Bend Subdivision Final Plat in Pct. 2.

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

Motion carried.

Item 9: On this 25th day of October, 2021, a motion was made by Commissioner Tom Whitten and duly second by Commissioner Mike Carter to approve the 2021 Tax Roll.

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

Motion carried.

Item 10: On this 25th day of October, 2021, a motion was made by Commissioner Mike Carter and duly second by Commissioner James Strain to give permission to the City of DeKalb to demolish the building located at 301 Grizzly, DeKalb, Texas at no cost to Bowie County.

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

Motion carried.

Item 11: On this 25th day of October, 2021, a motion was made by Commissioner Sammy Stone and duly second by Commissioner Mike Carter to approve the Auditor's Monthly Report for September 2021.

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

Item 12: There were no budget adjustments (line item transfers).

Item 13: On this 25th day of October, 2021, a motion was made by Commissioner James Strain and duly second by Commissioner Mike Carter to approve payment of accounts payable and payroll.

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

Item 14: On this 25th day of October, 2021, a motion was made by Commissioner Tom Whitten and duly second by Commissioner Mike Carter to approve the minutes as an Order of the Court (October 12, 2021).

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

**Item 15: Court recessed at 9:30 A.M. to go into Executive Closed Session to discuss security matters, personnel matters and litigation as allowed in the Government Code, Section 551.0725.
Court reconvened at 9:40 A.M.**

Item 16: On this 25th day of October, 2021, a motion was made by Commissioner Tom Whitten and duly second by Commissioner James Strain to approve Judge Howell and/or District Attorney Jerry Rochelle to execute Opioid Settlement Agreement on behalf of Bowie County with National Prescription Opiate Litigation MDL2804.

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

Court recessed at 9:42 A.M.

Court reconvened at 10:11 A.M.

Item 11: On this 25th day of October, 2021, a motion was made by Commissioner James Strain and duly second by Commissioner Sammy Stone to approve and Order for Redistricting.

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

On this 25th day of October, 2021, 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.**