

INVOCATION

Commissioner Pct. 2-Tom Whitten, Texarkana, TX

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COMMISSIONERS COURT MINUTES

FEBRUARY 8, 2021

BE IT REMEMBERED, that on this 8th day of February, 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 5th day of February, 2021 with the **HONORABLE JUDGE BOBBY L. HOWELL** present and presiding with he 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

Judge Howell announced that Christus St. Michael will be a Hub for Covid-19 Vaccinations.

REGULAR AGENDA ITEMS

Court convened at 9:02 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 8th day of February, 2021, a motion was made by Commissioner Mike Carter and duly second by Commissioner James Strain to approve a Proclamation Honoring Retiring Bowie County Sheriff James Prince.

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

- Item 4: On this 8th day of February, 2021, a motion was made by Commissioner Sammy Stone and duly second by Commissioner Mike Carter to open bids for the Bowie County Depository. Motion was put to a vote and all Commissioners voted yes and none voted no. Motion carried.**
- Item 5: On this 8th day of February, 2021, a motion was made by Commissioner Mike Carter and duly second by Commissioner Tom Whitten to table the bids for the Bowie County Depository. There was also a committee appointed consisting of Judge Howell, Auditor Jennifer Beckett and Treasurer Donna Burns to review bids and report back to the Court with their recommendation. Motion was put to a vote and all Commissioners voted yes and none voted no. Motion carried.**
- Item 6: On this 8th day of February, 2021, a motion was made by Commissioner James Strain and duly second by Commissioner Mike Carter to approve the 2020-2021 Truancy Prevention and Intervention Grant Resolution. Motion was put to a vote and all Commissioners voted yes and none voted no. Motion carried.**
- Item 7: On this 8th day of February, 2021, a motion was made by Commissioner Mike Carter and duly second by Commissioner Sammy Stone to approve the Auditor's Monthly Report for December 2020 and January 2021. Motion was put to a vote and all Commissioners voted yes and none voted no. Motion carried.**
- Item 8: On this 8th day of February, 2021, a motion was made by Commissioner Mike Carter and duly second by Commissioner Tom Whitten to appoint Richmond White, Steve Petty and Alwin Smith to serve a two-year term for the Emergency Service District #4 Board. Motion was put to a vote and all Commissioners voted yes and none voted no. Motion carried.**
- Item 9: On this 8th day of February, 2021, a motion was made by Commissioner Mike Carter and duly second by Commissioner James Strain 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 10: On this 8th day of February, 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 11: On this 8th day of February, 2021, 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 (January 4, 2021-Special; January 11, 2021-Regular and January 25, 2021-Regular). Motion was put to a vote and all Commissioners voted yes and none voted no. Motion carried.**

Item 12: Court recessed at 9:29 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 10:14 A.M.

**Item 13: On this 8th day of February, 2021, a motion was made by Commissioner Tom Whitten and duly second by Commissioner Mike Carter to bring back to the table to approve updates to the Bowie County Personnel Policy regarding Comp-Time and clarification of Law Enforcement and Correctional Officers.
Motion was put to a vote and all Commissioners voted yes and none voted no.
Motion carried.**

**Item 14: On this 8th day of February, 2021, a motion was made by Commissioner Mike Carter and duly second by Commissioner Sammy Stone to approve updates to the Bowie County Personnel Policy regarding Comp-Time and clarification of Law Enforcement and Correctional Officers.
Motion was put to a vote and all Commissioners voted yes and none voted no.
Motion carried.**

**On this 8th day of February, 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.**