

***There was a Public Hearing regarding the 2020-2021 County Clerk's Archive Plan; 2020-2021 District Clerk's Technology/Archive Fund and the 2020 JUSTICE ASSISTANCE GRANT (JAG). Everyone in attendance was asked to sign a sign-in sheet and after discussion, the hearing was closed.***

**INVOCATION**

Commissioner Pct. 3-James Strain, DeKalb, TX

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

Pledge of Allegiance to the United States

**COMMISSIONERS COURT MINUTES  
AUGUST 24, 2020**

**BE IT REMEMBERED**, that on this 24<sup>th</sup> day of August, 2020, 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 21<sup>st</sup> day of August, 2020 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**

Judge Howell made an announcement that our unemployment numbers continue to improve. A report from the Texas Workforce Commission, for the period ending July 31, 2020, showed the unemployment rate was at 7.3%.

Also, the sales tax continues to improve, in July we were up over \$110,00 from last year.

**REGULAR AGEND 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 24<sup>th</sup> day of August, 2020, a motion was made by Commissioner Mike Carter and duly second by Commissioner James Strain to approve the County Clerk's Archive Plan for the 2020-2021 Budget Year.**

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

**Item 4: On this 24<sup>th</sup> day of August, 2020, a motion was made by Commissioner James Strain and duly second by Commissioner Mike Carter to approve the District Clerk's Technology/Archive Plan for the 2020-2021 Budget Year.**

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

**Item 5: On this 24<sup>th</sup> day of August, 2020, a motion was made by Commissioner James Strain and duly second by Commissioner Mike Carter to approve the proposal for the 2020 Justice Assistance Grant (JAG).**

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

**Item 6: On this 24<sup>th</sup> day of August, 2020, a motion was made by Commissioner Mike Carter and duly second by Commissioner Tom Whitten to approve an Order for an Emergency Amendment of the FY2020 Original Budget.**

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

**Item 7: On this 24<sup>th</sup> day of August, 2020 a motion was made by Commissioner Mike Carter and duly second by Commissioner Sammy Stone to approve the Orders for political signage as defined under Section 61.00.a.1 of the Texas Election Code.**

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

**Item 8: On this 24<sup>th</sup> day of August, 2020, a motion was made by Commissioner Mike Carter and duly second by Commissioner Tom Whitten to approve and to appoint the Presiding and Alternate Judges for Election Day, Early Voting, Central Count and Early Voting Ballot Board as presented with the exception of the Alternate Judge for 2D/4A/5B otherwise known as the Texarkana College voting location.**

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

**Item 9: On this 24<sup>th</sup> day of August, 2020, a motion was made by Commissioner Mike Carter and duly second by Commissioner Tom Whitten to approve Voting Locations for the November 3, 2020 General Election as submitted except for adding Voting Location 29, otherwise known as Wards Creek. Crossroads Community Center would serve as 28 and Wards Creek would serve as 29.**

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

**Item 10: On this 24<sup>th</sup> day of August, 2020, a motion was made by Commissioner Mike Carter and duly second by Commissioner Tom Whitten to declare surplus of the Inventory Disposals of All Departments List as provided.**

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

**Motion carried.**

**Item 11: On this 24<sup>th</sup> day of August, 2020, a motion was made by Commissioner Sammy Stone and duly second by Commissioner Mike Carter to approve the Treasurer's Monthly Report for July 2020.**

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

**Motion carried.**

**Item 12: On this 24<sup>th</sup> day of August, 2020, a motion was made by Commissioner James Strain 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 13: On this 24<sup>th</sup> day of August, 2020, 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 24<sup>th</sup> day of August, 2020, 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 (August 10, 2020 and August 18, 2020-Special Session).**

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

**Motion carried.**

**On this 24<sup>th</sup> day of August, 2020, 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.**