

INVOCATION

Commissioner Pct. 3-James Strain, DeKalb, TX

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Pledge of Allegiance to the United States

COMMISSIONERS COURT MINUTES

MAY 27, 2025

BE IT REMEMBERED, that on this 27th day of May, 2025, 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 23rd day of May, 2025 with the HONORABLE JUDGE BOBBY L. HOWELL present and presiding with the following Commissioners being present.

Sammy Stone

Tom Whitten

James Strain

Mike Carter

Commissioner Pct. #1

Commissioner Pct. #2

Commissioner Pct. #3

Commissioner Pct. #4

Also in attendance were the following County Officials:

- County Auditor Jennifer Beckett
- County Clerk Tina Petty
- County Legal Advisor Samuel Brown

ANNOUNCEMENTS

None

REGULAR AGENDA ITEMS

Court convened at 9:01 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 Tracy and George Lee, Queen City, TX.

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

Item 3: On this 27th day of May, 2025, a motion was made by Commissioner James Strain and duly second by Commissioner Tom Whitten to authorize the County Judge to sign a Resolution Urging Congressional Support for Red River Army Depot (RRAD).
Motion was put to a vote and all Commissioners voted yes and none voted no.
Motion carried.

- Item 4: On this 27th day of May, 2025, a motion was made by Commissioner James Strain and duly second by Commissioner Mike Carter to open bids for request for proposals for Autopsy Transport in Bowie County, RFP #2025-09.
Motion was put to a vote and all Commissioners voted yes and none voted no.
Motion carried.**
- Item 5: On this 27th day of May, 2025, a motion was made by Commissioner Mike Carter and duly second by Commissioner James Strain to table the approval or rejection of bids and authorize the contract for request for proposals for Autopsy Transport in Bowie County, RFP #2025-09.
Motion was put to a vote and all Commissioners voted yes and none voted no.
Motion carried.**
- Item 6: On this 27th day of May, 2025, a motion was made by Commissioner James Strain and duly second by Commissioner Tom Whitten to bring back to the table bids for chipseal on County Road 2204 in Precinct 2, RFP #2025-07.
Motion was put to a vote and all Commissioners voted yes and none voted no.
Motion carried.**
- Item 7: On this 27th day of May, 2025, a motion was made by Commissioner Tom Whitten and duly second by Commissioner James Strain to approve the bid from HB Cavers (\$28,748.79) and authorize the contract for request for proposals for Chipseal on County Road 2204 in Precinct 2, RFP #2025-07.
Motion was put to a vote and all Commissioners voted yes and none voted no.
Motion carried.**
- Item 8: On this 27th day of May, 2025, a motion was made by Commissioner James Strain and duly second by Commissioner Tom Whitten to bring back to the table bids to reconstruct Copper Ridge Road in Precinct 2, RFP 2025-08.
Motion was put to a vote and all Commissioners voted yes and none voted no.
Motion carried.**
- Item 9: On this 27th day of May, 2025, a motion was made by Commissioner Tom Whitten and duly second by James Strain to approve the bid from Gibson Asphalt (\$91,766.00) and authorize the contract for request for proposals for reconstruct of Copper Ridge Road in Precinct 2.
Motion was put to a vote and all Commissioners voted yes and none voted no.
Motion carried.**
- Item 10: On this 27th day of May, 2025, a motion was made by Commissioner Mike Carter and duly second by Commissioner James Strain to approve the Treasurer's Monthly Report for April 2025.
Motion was put to a vote and all Commissioners voted yes and none voted no.
Motion carried.**
- Item 11: On this 27th day of May, 2025, a motion was made by Commissioner Mike Carter and duly second by Commissioner Sammy Stone 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 12: On this 27th day of May, 2025, a motion was made by Commissioner Mike Carter and duly second by Commissioner James Strain 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 13: On this 27th day of May, 2025, 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 (May 12, 2025). Motion was put to a vote and all Commissioners voted yes and none voted no. Motion carried.

Item 14: There was no Adjournment for Executive Session pursuant to the following Sections:

- a. Section 551.071 of the Texas Government code: Consultation with attorney regarding legal issue relating to pending or contemplated litigation.
- b. Section 551.072 of the Texas Government Code: Deliberation of the purchase, exchange, lease or value of real property.
- c. Section 551.074 of the Texas Government Code: Personnel Matters.
- d. Section 551.087 of the Texas Government Code: Deliberation regarding Economic Development Negotiations.

Item 15: There was no action to authorize the County Judge to execute settlement participation and release forms regarding confidential partial settlement matters in the Texas opioid multi-district litigation for Bowie County in the matter of *County of Bowie v. Purdue Pharma L.P. et al.*

On this 27th day of May, 2025, 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.