

**INVOCATION**

Commissioner Pct. 2-Tom Whitten, Texarkana, TX

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

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**COMMISSIONERS COURT MINUTES  
SEPTEMBER 27, 2021**

**BE IT REMEMBERED**, that on this 27<sup>th</sup> day of September, 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 24<sup>th</sup> day of September, 2021 with the **HONORABLE JUDGE BOBBY L. HOWELL** 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 Carol Dalby

**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 Kenny Mitchell, New Boston, TX; Jacob Garrett, Texarkana, TX; Kevin Coleman; Amy Pope, Simms, TX and Sarah Jackson, Avery, TX

**Item 2: Judge Howell** responded to Public Comments.

- Item 3: On this 27<sup>th</sup> day of September, 2021, a motion was made by Commissioner Tom Whitten and duly second by Commissioner Mike Carter to approve the 2022 County Health renewal by Texas Association of Counties Health and Employees Benefit Pool.  
Motion was put to a vote and all Commissioners voted yes and none voted no.  
Motion carried.**
- Item 4: On this 27<sup>th</sup> day of September, 2021, a motion was made by Commissioner Mike Carter and duly second by Commissioner Sammy Stone to accept two (2) donations from Private Citizens to Bowie County.  
Motion was put to a vote and all Commissioners voted yes and none voted no.  
Motion carried.**
- Item 5: On this 27<sup>th</sup> day of September, 2021, a motion was made by Commissioner Sammy Stone and duly second by Commissioner Mike Carter to approve Proclamations to recognize Carol Dalby and Jill Harrington for their years of service to Bowie County.  
Motion was put to a vote and all Commissioners voted yes and none voted no.  
Motion carried.**
- Item 6: On this 27<sup>th</sup> day of September, 2021, a motion was made by Commissioner Mike Carter and duly second by Commissioner Sammy Stone to set the dates for 2021-2022 Commissioners Court.  
Motion was put to a vote and all Commissioners voted yes and none voted no.  
Motion carried.**
- Item 7: On this 27<sup>th</sup> day of September, 2021, a motion was made by Commissioner James Strain and duly second by Commissioner Tom Whitten to approve the appointment of Presiding and Alternate Election Judges for the November 2, 2021 General and Special Election.  
Motion was put to a vote and all Commissioners voted yes and none voted no.  
Motion carried.**
- Item 8: On this 27<sup>th</sup> day of September, 2021, a motion was made by Commissioner James Strain and duly second by Commissioner Mike Carter to approve a Cooperative Agreement between Texas A&M AgriLife Services and Bowie County.  
Motion was put to a vote and all Commissioners voted yes and none voted no.  
Motion carried.**
- Item 9: On this 27<sup>th</sup> day of September, 2021, a motion was made by Commissioner Mike Carter and duly second by Commissioner Sammy Stone to approve the Auditor's Monthly Report for August 2021.  
Motion was put to a vote and all Commissioners voted yes and none voted no.  
Motion carried.**
- Item 10: On this 27<sup>th</sup> day of September, 2021, 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 11: On this 27<sup>th</sup> day of September, 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 12: On this 27<sup>th</sup> day of September, 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 (September 13, 2021).**

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

**Motion carried.**

**Item 13: Court recessed at 9:33 A.M. to go into Executive Closed Session to discuss security matters, personnel matters and litigation as allowed in the Government Code, Section 551.072.**

**Court reconvened at 10:00 A.M.**

**Item 14: On this 27<sup>th</sup> day of September, 2021, a motion was made by Commissioner Mike Carter and duly second by Commissioner Tom Whitten to approve the Motorola Solutions Central Records Communications (CRC) Public Safety System Contract (5 years, \$1.7 million).**

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

**Motion carried.**

**Item 15: On this 27<sup>th</sup> day of September, 2021, a motion was made by Commissioner Tom Whitten and duly second by Commissioner James Strain to approve a Retainer Agreement with Allison, Bass & Magee L.L.P. for legal services.**

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

**Motion carried.**

**On this 27<sup>th</sup> day of September, 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.**