

INVOCATION

Commissioner Pct. 2-Tom Whitten, Texarkana, TX

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**COMMISSIONERS COURT MINUTES
SEPTEMBER 28, 2020**

BE IT REMEMBERED, that on this 28th day of September, 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 25th day of September, 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

And the following staff member also present:

- Administrative Assistant Miranda Smith

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Judge Howell introduced his new Administrative Assistant Miranda Smith.

Judge Howell discussed the current COVID-19 situation regarding the increase in cases.

REGULAR AGENDA ITEMS

Court convened at 9:04 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: Cherrie Curtis of the Bowie County Extension Office gave a presentation to the Court.

- Item 4: On this 28th day of September, 2020, a motion was made by Commissioner James Strain and duly second by Commissioner Mike Carter to declare October 4-10, 2020 as National 4-H Week.
Motion was put to a vote and all Commissioners voted yes and none voted no.
Motion carried.**
- Item 5: On this 28th day of September, 2020, a motion was made by Commissioner Mike Carter and duly second by Commissioner James Strain to approve hazard pay for Bowie County Sheriff's Patrol Deputies and Courthouse Security pursuant to the Cares Act Funding.
Motion was put to a vote and all Commissioners voted yes and none voted no.
Motion carried.**
- Item 6: On this 28th day of September, 2020, a motion was made by Commissioner Sammy Stone and duly second by Commissioner Tom Whitten to accept the salaries for the Auditor, Auditor Staff and the Court Reporters as set by the District Judges.
Motion was put to a vote and all Commissioners voted yes and none voted no.
Motion carried.**
- Item 7: On this 28th day of September, 2020, a motion was made by Commissioner Mike Carter and duly second by Commissioner James Strain to transfer \$1,000,000.00 from the 040-101-101 Operating to the 010-101-101 Operating.
Motion was put to a vote and all Commissioners voted yes and none voted no.
Motion carried.**
- Item 8: Mr. Todd Kisel gave a presentation to the Court regarding Texas Association of Counties Property and Casualty Insurance.**
- Item 9: On this 28th day of September, 2020, a motion was made by Commissioner Sammy Stone and duly second by Commissioner James Strain to table, until next Court, the proposal for Bowie County Property and Casualty Insurance.
Motion was put to a vote and all Commissioners voted yes and none voted no.
Motion carried.**
- Item 10: On this 28th day of September, 2020, a motion was made by Commissioner Tom Whitten and duly second by Commissioner Mike Carter to accept and approve the FY2021 Continued Multi Year Improvement Grant from Texas Indigent Defense Commission.
Motion was put to a vote and all Commissioners voted yes and none voted no.
Motion carried.**
- Item 11: On this 28th day of September, 2020, a motion was made by Commissioner Sammy Stone and duly second by Commissioner Mike Carter to Vacate the Northern Pines Subdivision.
Motion was put to a vote and all Commissioners voted yes and none voted no.
Motion carried.**
- Item 12: Judge Howell removed this agenda item (to approve and accept a grant from the Center for Tech and Civic Life in the amount of \$62,095.50 for the public purpose of planning and operationalizing safe and secure election administration in Bowie County in 2020).**

- Item 13: On this 28th day of September, 2020, a motion was made by Commissioner James Strain and duly second by Commissioner Tom Whitten 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 14: On this 28th day of September, 2020, a motion was made by Commissioner Sammy Stone and duly second by Commissioner Tom Whitten to approve the Bowie County Provided Cellular Telephone Request and the Bowie County Cellular Telephone Reimbursement Request Form.
Motion was put to a vote and all Commissioners voted yes and none voted no.
Motion carried.**
- Item 15: On this 28th day of September, 2020, a motion was made by Commissioner Mike Carter and duly second by Commissioner James Strain to accept the Proclamation Honoring Retiring New Boston, Texas Mayor Johnny Branson.
Motion was put to a vote and all Commissioners voted yes and none voted no.
Motion carried.**
- Item 16: On this 28th day of September, 2020, a motion was made by Commissioner Sammy Stone and duly second by Commissioner Mike Carter to table the action to amend and update the On-Site Sewage Facility Order for Bowie County.
Motion was put to a vote and all Commissioners voted yes and none voted no.
Motion carried.**
- Item 17: On this 28th day of September, 2020, a motion was made by Commissioner Mike Carter and duly second by Commissioner Tom Whitten to table the approval of the contract for Designed Representative Services for On-Site Sewage Facilities Inspection.
Motion was put to a vote and all Commissioners voted yes and none voted no.
Motion carried.**
- Item 18: On this 28th day of September, 2020, a motion was made by Commissioner Mike Carter and duly second by Commissioner James Strain to table the action to set fees for On-Site Sewage Facility Inspection and Health Inspection Fees.
Motion was put to a vote and all Commissioners voted yes and none voted no.
Motion carried.**
- Item 19: On this 28th day of September, 2020, a motion was made by Commissioner Sammy Stone and duly second by Commissioner Mike Carter to set the meeting dates for the 2020-2021 Bowie County Commissioners Court.
Motion was put to a vote and all Commissioners voted yes and none voted no.
Motion carried.**
- Item 20: On this 28th day of September, 2020, 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 21: On this 28th day of September, 2020, a motion was made by Commissioner James Strain and duly second by Commissioner Mike Carter to approve the payment of accounts payable and payroll.

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

Motion carried.

Item 22: On this 28th day of September, 2020, 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 (September 14, 2020).

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

Motion carried.

On this 28th day of September, 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.