

**COMMISSIONERS COURT MINUTES
OCTOBER 27, 2014**

BE IT REMEMBERED, that on this 27th day of October, 2014, the **HONORABLE COMMISSIONERS COURT** of Bowie County, Texas met in **REGULAR SESSION** at the Courthouse of said County in New Boston, Texas after due notice had been posted on the 24th day of October, 2014, with the **HONORABLE JUDGE STERLING LACY** present and presiding with the following Commissioners being present.

Sammy Stone	Commissioner Pct. #1
Tom Whitten	Commissioner Pct. #2
Kelly Blackburn	Commissioner Pct. #3
Mike Carter	Commissioner Pct. #4

Also in attendance were the following County Officials: Auditor William Tye, County Clerk Tina Petty, County Legal Advisor Carol Dalby and the following staff members also present on this day: Purchasing Agent Chris Goodsell and Administrative Assistant Rachael Cherry.

INVOCATION

Sheriff James Prince

PLEDGE

Pledge of Allegiance to the United States of America

ANNOUNCEMENTS

None

REGULAR AGENDA ITEMS

Court convened at 10:11 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 Emily Sabo, Texarkana, TX; Toni Barron, Simms, TX; Tom Gary, Maud, TX; Glenn Johnson, Texarkana, TX and J.P. Welsh, Texarkana, TX.

Item 2: County Clerk Tina Petty and Commissioner Sammy Stone responded to public comments.

Item 3: On this 27th day of October, 2014, a motion was made by Judge Lacy and duly second by Commissioner Mike Carter to accept Judge Lacy's appointment of J.P. Stephen Young as Temporary Justice for J.P. Place 7.

Motion was put to a vote and all voted aye and none opposed.

Motion carried.

**Item 4: On this 27th day of October, 2014, a motion was made by Judge Lacy and duly second by Commissioner Tom Whitten to compensate the Temporary Justice of the Peace for J.P. Place 7, Stephen Young, in the amount of \$1,750 per a month.
Motion was put to a vote and all voted aye and none opposed.
Motion carried.**

**Item 5: On this 27th day of October, 2014, a motion was made by Commissioner Kelly Blackburn and duly second by Commissioner Sammy Stone to order the temporary transfer of J.P. Place 7 files and Bowie County office equipment to the Bowie County Courthouse and to request the Sheriff's office to deliver the files and office equipment to the Bowie County Courthouse by 5:00 P.M. Wednesday, October 29, 2014.
Motion was put to a vote and all voted aye and none opposed.
Motion carried.**

**Item 6: On this 27th day of October, 2014, a motion was made by Commissioner Kelly Blackburn and duly second by Commissioner Mike Carter to transfer the clerk/secretary for J.P. Place 7 to the Bowie County Courthouse to assist the Temporary Justice.
Motion was put to a vote and all voted aye and none opposed.
Motion carried.**

**Item 7: On this 27th day of October, 2014, a motion was made by Commissioner Kelly Blackburn and duly second by Commissioner Sammy Stone to suspend payment of all rent, any and all utilities, including telephone and/or cell phone service for J.P. Place 7 office space located in Hooks, Texas, and to cancel cell phone service for J.P. Place 7 effective October 27, 2014.
Motion was put to a vote and all voted aye and none opposed.
Motion carried.**

**Item 8: On this 27th day of October, 2014, a motion was made by Judge Lacy and duly second by Commissioner Tom Whitten to have Bowie County Commissioners Court proclaim November as Official Home Care and Hospice Month.
Motion was put to a vote and all voted aye and none opposed.
Motion carried.**

Item 9: On this 27th day of October, 2014, a motion was made by Judge Lacy and duly second by Commissioner Mike Carter to approve the nominees appointed by the Chairman of the Committee who are: Deborah Lann, Carol Dalby, Jack Pappas and Gabe Tarr and additionally we approve two (2) of the Commissioners Court members to be on the committee, Commissioner Sammy Stone, if you will accept it and Commissioner Mike Carter, if you will accept it.

Commissioner Mike Carter withdrew his second and the motion failed due to the lack of a second.

Item 10: On this 27th day of October, 2014, a motion was made by Commissioner Sammy Stone and duly second by Commissioner Kelly Blackburn to invite Ryan Durham back the first Regular Session in January (2015) to submit information for study to the Commissioners ahead of then (replacement of outdated and undersized Odyssey servers).

**Motion was put to a vote and all voted aye and none opposed.
Motion carried.**

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Item 11: There was no action taken regarding a presentation from Mr. Gabe Tarr, a member of the Committee for the protection of County employees confidential and personal information.

Item 12: On this 27th day of October, 2014, a motion was made by Commissioner Sammy Stone and duly second by Commissioner Kelly Blackburn to bring back to the table to approve the Boiler Lease for Bi-State Criminal Justice Center (expense previously approved by Commissioners Court).

**Motion was put to a vote and all voted aye and none opposed.
Motion carried.**

Item 13: On this 27th day of October, 2014, a motion was made by Commissioner Kelly Blackburn and duly second by Commissioner Tom Whitten to approve the Boiler Lease for Bi-State Criminal Justice Center.

**Motion was put to a vote and all voted aye and none opposed.
Motion carried.**

Item 14: On this 27th day of October, 2014, a motion was made by Commissioner Kelly Blackburn and duly second by Commissioner Mike Carter to declare surplus a 2008 F150 Ford Pickup, VIN#1FTPX12V78FA87087 for future sale at auction.

**Motion was put to a vote and all voted aye and none opposed.
Motion carried.**

Item 15: On this 27th day of October, 2014, a motion was made by Commissioner Kelly Blackburn and duly second by Commissioner Sammy Stone to bring back to the table to approve an Interlocal Agreement between the City of New Boston and Bowie County for Dispatch Services.

**Motion was put to a vote and all voted aye and none opposed.
Motion carried.**

Item 16: On this 27th day of October, 2014, a motion was made by Commissioner Sammy Stone and duly second by Commissioner Tom Whitten to approve an Interlocal Agreement between the City of New Boston and Bowie County for Dispatch Services pursuant to Interlocal Cooperation Act, V.A.T.S. Government Code 791.001 et. Seq. Bowie County will reimburse New Boston for such services in the amount of \$6,008.79 per month effective 10/1/2014.

**Motion was put to a vote and four (4) voted aye and one (1) Judge Lacy opposed.
Motion carried.**

Item 17: On this 27th day of October, 2014, a motion was made by Commissioner Mike Carter and duly second by Judge Lacy to consider and take action to go out for bids for an Auditing Firm to conduct the annual audit of Bowie County for 2013-2014 year end.

Commissioner Sammy Stone-yes

Commissioner Mike Carter-yes

Judge Lacy-yes

Commissioner Tom Whitten-yes

Commissioner Kelly Blackburn-yes

Motion was put to a vote and all voted aye and none opposed.

Motion carried.

Item 18: On this 27th day of October, 2014, a motion was made by Commissioner Sammy Stone and duly second by Commissioner Tom Whitten to approve budget adjustments (line item transfers).

Motion was put to a vote and all voted aye and none opposed.

Motion carried.

Item 19: On this 27th day of October, 2014, a motion was made by Judge Lacy and duly second by Commissioner Mike Carter to accept the payment of accounts payable list as presented with the exception that each volunteer fire department is to receive \$500 a month including Simms.

Motion was put to a vote and all voted aye and none opposed.

Motion carried.

Item 20: On this 27th day of October, 2014, a motion was made by Commissioner Mike Carter and duly second by Commissioner Kelly Blackburn to approve the minutes (October 14, 2014).

Motion was put to a vote and all voted aye and none opposed.

Motion carried.

On this 27th day of October, 2014, 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 voted aye and none opposed.

Motion carried.