

**COMMISSIONERS COURT MINUTES  
MAY 12, 2014**

**BE IT REMEMBERED**, that on this 12<sup>th</sup> day of May, 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 9<sup>th</sup> day of May, 2014 with the **HONORABLE JUDGE STERLING LACY** present and presiding with the following Commissioners being present.

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

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.

**PRELIMINARIES**

In accordance with the Bowie County official policy on meeting Invocations, County Judge Sterling Lacy read the following statement.

Any Invocation that may be offered before the official start of the meeting of the Court shall be the voluntary offering of a private citizen, to and for the benefit of the Court. The views or beliefs expressed by the Invocation speaker have not been previously reviewed or approved by the Court and do not necessarily represent the religious beliefs or views of the Court in part or as a whole. No member of the community is required to attend or participate in the Invocation and such decision will have no impact on their right to actively participate in the business of the Court.

**INVOCATION**

Sue Anderson, New Boston, TX

**PLEDGE**

Pledge of Allegiance to the United States of America

**ANNOUNCEMENTS**

None

**REGULAR AGENDA ITEMS**

Court convened at 10:04 A.M. when the following **ORDERS, JUDGMENTS and DECREES** were had and **ORDERED** spread upon the minutes of the Court to-wit.

**Item 1: Public Comments** were made by Emily Sabo, Texarkana, TX; Ann Mackey, Texarkana, TX; David Wood, Hooks, TX; and Michael Green Texarkana, TX. (Sid Strachan submitted a request but withdrew it.)

**Item 2: Commissioner Kelly Blackburn responded to Public Comments.**

**Item 3: There was a presentation by the Bowie County Extension office: "Building a Better Texas Extension Centennial Award."**

**Item 4: On this 12<sup>th</sup> day of May, 2014, a motion was made by Commissioner Tom Whitten and duly second by Commissioner Kelly Blackburn to have the material that has been determined to be a violation of County Policy, including but not limited to the New American magazine, be immediately and permanently removed from the County Judge's Office.**

**Commissioner Sammy Stone-yes**

**Commissioner Mike Carter-no**

**Judge Lacy-no**

**Commissioner Tom Whitten-yes**

**Commissioner Kelly Blackburn-yes**

**Motion was put to a vote and three (3) voted yes and two (2) voted no.**

**Motion carried.**

**Item 5: On this 12<sup>th</sup> day of May, 2014, a motion was made by Commissioner Sammy Stone and duly second by Commissioner Kelly Blackburn to authorize the resale of items explained in "Exhibit A" (Property acquired by the Bowie Central Appraisal District at a Delinquent Tax Sale).**

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

**Motion carried.**

**Item 6: On this 12<sup>th</sup> day of May, 2014, a motion was made by Commissioner Kelly Blackburn and duly second by Commissioner Tom Whitten to grant authorization to Commissioner Mike Carter as signature authority for the Hwy 82 Project.**

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

**Motion carried.**

**Item 7: On this 12<sup>th</sup> day of May, 2014, a motion was made by Judge Lacy and duly second by Commissioner Mike Carter to restore \$1000 to the Veteran's Service Office education line item.**

**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 yes and none opposed.**

**Motion carried.**

**Item 8: On this 12<sup>th</sup> day of May, 2014, a motion was made by Commissioner Mike Carter and duly second by Commissioner Sammy Stone to approve the Treasurer's Investment Report for the Quarter ending March 31, 2014.**

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

**Motion carried.**

**Item 9: On this 12<sup>th</sup> day of May, 2014, a motion was made by Commissioner Kelly Blackburn and duly second by Commissioner Mike Carter to table, until it can be looked into further (change**

credit card processing from Capital One to Certified Payments, Inc.).  
Motion was put to a vote and all voted aye and none opposed.  
Motion carried.

**Item 10:** On this 12<sup>th</sup> day of May, 2014, a motion was made by Commissioner Sammy Stone and duly second by Commissioner Mike Carter to take action for each Elected Official and Department Head to receive a previous month printout (of their departments' expenses and revenue within 7 days from month end).  
Motion was put to a vote and all voted aye and none opposed.  
Motion carried.

**Item 11:** On this 12<sup>th</sup> day of May, 2014, a motion was made by Commissioner Tom Whitten and duly second by Commissioner Mike Carter to accept the Interlocal Agreement (between Precinct 2 of Bowie County and the City of Red Lick, TX regarding minor repairs/maintenance to streets and roads).  
Motion was put to a vote and four (4) voted yes and one (1), Judge Lacy voted no.  
Motion carried.

**Item 12:** On this 12<sup>th</sup> day of May, 2014, a motion was made by Commissioner Sammy Stone and duly second by Commissioner Kelly Blackburn to approve the surplus property list.  
Motion was put to a vote and all voted aye and none opposed.  
Motion carried.

**Item 13:** On this 12<sup>th</sup> day of May, 2014, a motion was made by Commissioner Mike Carter and duly second by Commissioner Tom Whitten to approve budget adjustments as entered by the Auditor.  
Motion was put to a vote and all voted aye and none opposed.  
Motion carried.

**Item 14:** On this 12<sup>th</sup> day of May, 2014, a motion was made by Commissioner Mike Carter and duly second by Commissioner Kelly Blackburn to pay the payables with the amendment of 561 to 560 (change of payment to Productivity Center, instead of being coded for 561- Corrections, it should be coded for the Sheriff's Office 560).  
Motion was put to a vote and all voted aye and none opposed.  
Motion carried.

**Item 15:** On this 12<sup>th</sup> day of May, 2014, a motion was made by Commissioner Tom Whitten and duly second by Commissioner Mike Carter to approve the minutes as presented (April 28, 2014).  
Motion was put to a vote and all voted aye and none opposed.  
Motion carried.

On this 12<sup>th</sup> day of May, 2014, a motion was made by Commissioner Sammy Stone and duly second by Judge Lacy to adjourn.  
Motion was put to a vote and all voted aye and none opposed.  
Motion carried.