# <u>NOTICE OF MEETING OF THE</u> <u>COMMISSIONER'S COURT OF BOWIE COUNTY, TEXAS</u>

Notice is hereby given that a regular meeting of the above named Commissioner's Court will be held on the 13th day of February 2012 at 10:00 A.M. in the County Courthouse, New Boston, Texas, at which time the following subjects will be discussed to-wit.

- I. Preliminaries
  - 1. Invocation
  - 2. Pledge of Allegiance
  - 3. Announcements

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II. Agenda

Call to Order

- 1. Public Comments public comments shall be limited to 3 minutes per presenter, who submitted a public participation form at least 15 minutes prior to the start of the meeting. Comments must be pertinent to an agenda item or an area for which the Court has jurisdiction. The total amount of time that is allocated is 30 minutes for all comments.
- 2. Commissioners Court response to Public Comments.
- 3. Consider and take action re: Amended Agreement with Community Education Centers, Inc.
- 4. Consider and take action regarding Mutual Aid Agreements between Bowie County Texas and Nash Volunteer Fire Dept., Hooks Volunteer Fire Dept., DeKalb Volunteer Fire Dept., C5 Volunteer Fire Dept., Pleasant Grove Volunteer Fire Dept. and Liberty Eylau Volunteer Fire Dept.
- 5. Consider and take action re: opening bids for sale of 5500 gallon fuel tank Kelly Blackburn, Commissioner Pct. 3
- 6. Consider and take action re: declaring surplus property (see attached list).
- Consider and take action re: Order approving request for destruction of unscheduled records by Central Records & Communications pursuant to Local Government Codes #202.002 and #202.003.
- 8. Discuss and take action requesting the County Clerk to re-sign and verify the written orders of the court invalidated by the former County Clerk.
- Discuss and take action to accept the resignation of James Sellers as Bowie County Veteran Services Officer and determine the procedure of hiring his replacement.
- 10. Consider and take action re: payment of accounts payable.

11. Consider and take action to approve or to amend minutes as an order of the court.

III. Adjournment

For COMMISSIONER'S COURT

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Chris Goodsell, Agenda Clerk

This notice of meeting was posted in the locked bulletin board located on the first floor of the west side of the Bowie County Courthouse and on the inside facing outward of the north window of the Bowie County Courthouse, readily accessible to the general public at all times, on the 10th day of February, 2012 at 10:00 A.M. and remained posted for at least 72 continuous hours preceding the scheduled time of said meeting.

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.

Dated the 10th day of February 2012

Chris Goodsell, Agenda Clerk, Bowie County

## COMMISSIONER'S COURT MINUTES FEBRUARY 13, 2012

BE IT REMEMBERED, that on this 13<sup>th</sup> day of February, 2012, the HONORABLE COMMISSIONER'S 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 10<sup>th</sup> day of February, 2012 with the HONORABLE JUDGE STERLING LACY present and presiding with the following Commissioners being present.

Jack Stone
John Addington
Kelly Blackburn
Pat McCoy

Commissioner Pct. #1 Commissioner Pct. #2 Commissioner Pct. #3 Commissioner Pct. #4

Also in attendance were the following County Officials: Auditor William Tye, County Clerk Denise Thornburg, County Attorney Carol Dalby and the following staff members also present on the dais: Administrative Assistant Rachael Cherry and Purchasing Agent Chris Goodsell.

#### PRELIMINARIES

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

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## INVOCATION

**Charles Vanderburg** 

## PLEDGE

Pledge of Allegiance to the United States of America

#### ANNOUNCEMENTS

Texas Department of Public Safety has announced that Severe Weather week is February 19-25, 2012. To establish an "Emergency Kit" the public can go to Ready.gov to get tips.

#### **REGULAR AGENDA ITEMS**

Court convened at 10:09 A.M. when the following ORDER, JUDGMENTS AND DECREE were had and ORDERED spread upon the minutes of the Court to-wit.

Item 1: There were no Public Comments.

Item 2: There were no Commissioners Court Responses to Public Comments.

- Item 3: On this 13<sup>th</sup> day of February, 2012, a motion was made by Commissioner Jack Stone and duly second by Commissioner John Addington to approve an Amended Agreement with Community Education Centers, Inc. Motion was put to a vote and all voted aye and none opposed. Motion carried.
- Item 4: On this 13<sup>th</sup> day of February, 2012, a motion was made by Commissioner Pat McCoy and duly second by Commissioner Kelly Blackburn to approve Mutual Aid Agreements between Bowie County Texas and Nash Volunteer Fire Dept., Hooks Volunteer Fire Dept., DeKalb Volunteer Fire Dept., C5 Volunteer Fire Dept., Pleasant Grove Volunteer Fire Dept., and Liberty Eylau Volunteer Fire Dept.

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

- Item 5: On this 13<sup>th</sup> day of February, 2012, a motion was made by Commissioner Kelly Blackburn and duly second by Commissioner Jack Stone to approve the opened bid of \$750 from Jimmy Pugh for the sale of a 5500 gallon fuel tank-Kelly Blackburn, Commissioner Pct. 3. Motion was put to a vote and all voted aye and none opposed. Motion carried.
- Item 6: On this 13<sup>th</sup> day of February, 2012, a motion was made by Commissioner Pat McCoy and duly second by Commissioner Kelly Blackburn to declare surplus property (see attached list). Motion was put to a vote and all voted aye and none opposed. Motion carried.
- Item 7: On this 13<sup>th</sup> day of February, 2012, a motion was made by Commissioner Jack Stone and duly second by Commissioner Pat McCoy regarding an Order approving request for destruction of unscheduled records by Central Records & Communications pursuant to Local Government Codes #202.002 and #202.003.

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

Item 8: On this 13<sup>th</sup> day of February, 2012, a motion was made by Commissioner Judge Sterling Lacy and duly second by Commissioner Jack Stone that we authorize current County Clerk Denise Thornburg to re-sign and attest to each and every document representing an Order of the Court or Resolution passed by this Court that the previous County Clerk Natalie Nichols or her representative refused to verify. Judge Lacy spoke to the Court in regards to Ms. Nichols using a stamp on several Orders and Resolutions which read "Attest to witnessing signature only. Document not prepared or verified by Bowie County Clerk". This stamp invalidated a Resolution which could have jeopardized the Highway 82 Project and ending up costing the County millions of dollars.

Motion was put to a vote and all voted aye and none opposed. Motion carried. Item 9: On this 13<sup>th</sup> day of February, 2012, a motion was made by Commissioner Pat McCoy and duly second by Commissioner Kelly Blackburn to accept the resignation of James Sellers as Bowie County Veteran Services Officer.

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

On this 13th day of February, 2012, a motion was made by Commissioner Kelly Blackburn and duly second by Commissioner John Addington to post notice, receive applications and interviews will be conducted by Commissioners Court to determine the hiring of Mr. Sellers replacement.

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

- Item 10: On this 13<sup>th</sup> day of February, 2012, a motion was made by Commissioner Pat McCoy and duly second by Commissioner John Addington to pay accounts payable. Motion was put to a vote and all voted aye and none opposed. Motion carried.
- Item 11: On this 13<sup>th</sup> day of February, 2012, a motion was made by Commissioner Pat McCoy and duly second by Commissioner John Addington to approve the January 23, 2012 minutes as an Order of the Court. Motion was put to a vote and all voted aye and none opposed. Motion carried.

On this 13<sup>th</sup> day of February, 2012, a motion was made by Commissioner Jack Stone and duly second by Commissioner Pat McCoy to adjourn (10:41 A.M.) Motion was put to a vote and all voted aye and none opposed. Motion carried.