

**COMMISSIONERS COURT MINUTES  
JULY 22, 2013**

**BE IT REMEMBERED, that on this 22<sup>nd</sup> day of July, 2013 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 19<sup>th</sup> day of July, 2013 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>Pat McCoy</b>	<b>Commissioner Pct. #4</b>

**Also in attendance were the following County Officials: Auditor William Tye, County Clerk Tina Petty, 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, Judge 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**

**George Walker, New Boston, TX**

**PLEDGE**

**Pledge of Allegiance to the United States of America**

**ANNOUNCEMENTS**

- 1. On Wednesday, July 24, 2013, there is going to be a Mash Bash Blood Drive at the Courthouse in the rear parking lot, sign up in Judge's office.**
- 2. Cookbook fundraiser for Bowie County Child Welfare Board, available in Judge's office for \$5 each.**
- 3. Fans for the elderly and needy, courtesy of RSVP (Retired Senior Volunteer Partners). Applications are available in Judge's office.**

4. Judge Lacy thanked everyone for prayers regarding his son and also Commissioner Pat McCoy, who presided over the last Court session two weeks ago.

#### REGULAR AGENDA ITEMS

Court convened at 10:01 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 Jasmine Crockett, Texarkana, TX.

Item 2: There was no Commissioners Court response to Public Comments.

Item 3: On this 22<sup>nd</sup> day of July, 2013, a motion was made by Judge Lacy and duly second by Commissioner Pat McCoy to bring back to the table re: Bowie County's Procedure (past, present and future) for adding new employee positions by department heads. Motion was put to a vote and all voted aye and none opposed. Motion carried.

Item 4: On this 22<sup>nd</sup> day of July, 2013, there was no action taken on this item regarding Bowie County's Procedure (past, present and future) for adding new employee positions by department heads.

Item 5: On this 22<sup>nd</sup> day of July, 2013, a motion was made by Judge Lacy, but died for a lack of a second, to accept the Original Order to correct improperly created job (employee) positions in Bowie County. A motion was made by Commissioner Pat McCoy and duly second by Commissioner Sammy Stone to approve the Amended Order setting procedures for authorizing existing employee positions. Commissioner Sammy Stone-yes; Commissioner Pat McCoy-yes; Judge Lacy-yes; Commissioner Tom Whitten-yes; and Commissioner Kelly Blackburn-yes. Motion was put to a vote and all voted aye and none opposed. Motion carried.

Item 6: On this 22<sup>nd</sup> day of July, 2013, a motion was made by Judge Lacy and duly second by Commissioner Tom Whitten to approve a Proclamation proclaiming August 11, 2013 as "Spirit of '45 Day" Motion was put to a vote and all voted aye and none opposed. Motion carried.

Item 7: On this 22<sup>nd</sup> day of July, 2013, a motion was made by Sammy Stone and duly second by Commissioner Pat McCoy to bring back to table road material bids. Motion was put to a vote and all voted aye and none opposed. Motion carried.

Item 8: On this 22<sup>nd</sup> day of July, 2013, a motion was made by Commissioner Pat McCoy and duly second by Commissioner Sammy Stone to accept the lower bids on the road materials, all Pcts., and that we accept the next lower bid as a secondary source. Motion was put to a vote and all voted aye and none opposed.

**Motion carried.**

**Item 9: On this 22<sup>nd</sup> day of July, 2013, a motion was made by Judge Lacy and duly second by Commissioner Kelly Blackburn to approve payment of the list of accounts payable. Motion was put to a vote and all voted aye and none opposed. Motion carried.**

**Item 10: On this 22<sup>nd</sup> day of July, 2013, a motion was made by Commissioner Pat McCoy and duly second by Commissioner Kelly Blackburn to approve the minutes of the July 8, 2013 Commissioners Court. Motion was put to a vote and all voted aye and none opposed. Motion carried.**

**On this 22<sup>nd</sup> day of July, 2013, a motion was made by Commissioner Sammy Stone and duly second by Commissioner Tom Whitten to adjourn (11:05 A.M.). Motion was put to a vote and all voted aye and none opposed. Motion carried.**