

**COMMISSIONERS COURT MINUTES
NOVEMBER 24, 2014**

BE IT REMEMBERED, that on this 24th day of November, 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 21st day of November, 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:

- Purchasing Agent Chris Goodsell
- Administrative Assistant Rachael Cherry

INVOCATION

Mr. Charles Vanderburg, Texarkana, TX

PLEDGE

Pledge of Allegiance to the United States of America

ANNOUNCEMENTS

None

REGULAR AGENDA ITEMS

Court convened at 10:03 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:

- Billy Fox, New Boston, TX
- J.P. Welsh, Texarkana, TX

Item 2: Commissioner Tom Whitten responded to Public Comments.

Item 3: On this 24th day of November, 2014, a motion was made by Commissioner Kelly Blackburn and duly second by Commissioner Sammy Stone to be able to post it (update) at least once a month and then on an “as needed” basis to our County Website Manager (to establish a plan for regular updates on the Bowie County Website regarding progress of the Hwy 82 Project).

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

Motion carried.

Item 4: On this 24th day of November, 2014, a motion was made by Judge Lacy and duly second by Commissioner Kelly Blackburn to adopt the resolution for the Indigent Defense Formula Grant Program as presented.

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

Motion carried.

Item 5: On this 24th day of November, 2014, a motion was made by Commissioner Kelly Blackburn and duly second by Commissioner Tom Whitten to transfer position of Agenda Clerk to the County Clerk’s Office.

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

Motion carried.

Item 6: On this 24th day of November, 2014, a motion was made by Commissioner Kelly Blackburn and duly second by Commissioner Sammy Stone to transfer County Website Manager position to the County Clerk’s Office.

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

Motion carried.

Item 7: On this 24th day of November, 2014, a motion was made by Commissioner Mike Carter and duly second by Commissioner Sammy Stone to award the bid to Patillo, Brown & Hill (Independent Auditor for Bowie County).

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

Motion carried.

Item 8: On this 24th day of November, 2014, a motion was made by Commissioner Sammy Stone and duly second by Commissioner Kelly Blackburn to find that the Bowie County Judge violated Texas Local Government Code, Section 151.001.

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 9: On this 24th day of November, 2014, a motion was made by Commissioner Tom Whitten and duly second by Commissioner Sammy Stone to eliminate, by Court Order, the two part-time receptionist positions recently hired for Bowie County Courthouse.

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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 10: There was no action taken to approve budget amendments (line item transfers).

Item 11: On this 24th day of November, 2014, a motion was made by Commissioner Kelly Blackburn and duly second by Commissioner Sammy Stone to approve the list of accounts payable.

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

Motion carried.

Item 12: On this 24th day of November, 2014, a motion was made by Commissioner Sammy Stone and duly second by Commissioner Kelly Blackburn to approve the minutes (Regular Session November 10, 2014 and Special Session November 13, 2014).

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

Motion carried.

On this 24th day of November, 2014, a motion was made by Commissioner Sammy Stone and duly second by Commissioner Tom Whitten to adjourn.

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

Motion carried.