

**INVOCATION**

Commissioner Pct. 3-James Strain, DeKalb, TX

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

Pledge of Allegiance to the United States

**COMMISSIONERS COURT MINUTES**  
**OCTOBER 27, 2025**

**BE IT REMEMBERED**, that on this 27<sup>th</sup> day of October, 2025 the HONORABLE COMMISSIONERS COURT of Bowie County, Texas met in REGULAR SESSION at the Courthouse in New Boston, Texas after due notice had been posted on the 21<sup>st</sup> day of October, 2025 with the HONORABLE BOBBY L. HOWELL present and presiding with the following Commissioners being present.

Sammy Stone	Commissioner Pct. #1
Tom Whitten	Commissioner Pct. #2
James Strain	Commissioner Pct. #3
Mike Carter	Commissioner Pct. #4

Also in attendance were the following County Officials:

- County Auditor Jennifer Beckett
- County Clerk Tina Petty
- County Legal Advisor Samuel Brown

**ANNOUNCEMENTS**

None

**REGULAR AGENDA ITEMS**

Court convened at 9:00 A.M. when the following ORDERS, JUDGMENTS and DECREES were had and ORDERED spread upon the minutes of the Court to-wit.

**Item 1:** There was no Public Comments.

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

**Item 3:** On this 27<sup>th</sup> day of October, 2025, a motion was made by Commissioner Mike Carter and duly second by Commissioner Sammy Stone to revise Bowie County Election Precincts as necessary to comply with the changes in Congressional District boundaries under H.B. 4, Second Called Session, 89<sup>th</sup> Texas Legislature.

Motion was put to a vote and all Commissioners voted yes and none voted no.  
Motion carried.

**Item 4:** On this 27<sup>th</sup> day of October, 2025, a motion was made by Commissioner James Strain and duly second by Commissioner Tom Whitten to approve the following Intercounty and External Contracts for Bowie County Juvenile Probation for September 1, 2025 through August 31, 2026: Angelina County, Bell County, Bexar County, Dallas County, Denton County, Garza County Grayson County, Gregg County, Guadalupe County, Harrison County, Hays County, Lubbock County, Midland County, Montgomery County, Randall County, Smith County, Taylor County, Tom Green County, Van Zandt County, Victoria County, Youth-Opportunities-Rockdale, Gulf Coast Trade Center, Pegasus Schools, Inc., and Rite of Passage.

Motion was put to a vote and all Commissioners voted yes and none voted no.

Motion carried.

**Item 5:** On this 27<sup>th</sup> day of October, 2025, a motion was made by Commissioner Mike Carter and duly second by Commissioner James Strain to approve budget adjustments (line-item transfers).

Motion was put to a vote and all Commissioners voted yes and none voted no.

Motion carried.

**Item 6:** On this 27<sup>th</sup> day of October, 2025, a motion was made by Commissioner James Strain and duly second by Commissioner Tom Whitten to approve payment of accounts payable and payroll.

Motion was put to a vote and all Commissioners voted yes and none voted no.

Motion carried.

**Item 7:** On this 27<sup>th</sup> day of October, 2025, a motion was made by Commissioner Tom Whitten and duly second by Commissioner James Strain to approve the minutes as an Order of the Court (October 14, 2025).

Motion was put to a vote and all Commissioners voted yes and none voted no.

Motion carried.

**Item 8:** Court recessed at 9:12 A.M. to go into Executive Closed Session pursuant to the following Sections:

- a. Section 551.071 of the Texas Government Code; Consultation with an attorney regarding legal issues relating to pending or contemplated litigation.
- b. Section 551.072 of the Texas Government Code; Deliberation of the purchase, exchange, lease or value of real property.
- c. Section 551.074 of the Texas Government Code; Personnel Matters.
- d. Section 551.087 of the Texas Government Code; Deliberation regarding Economic Development Negotiations.

Court reconvened at 9:29 A.M.

**Item 9:** There was no action to authorize the County Judge to execute settlement participation and release forms regarding confidential partial settlement matters in the Texas opioid multi-district litigation for Bowie County in the matter of *County of Bowie v. Purdue Pharma L.P. et al.*

On this 27<sup>th</sup> day of October, 2025, 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 Commissioners voted yes and none voted no.

Motion carried.