

**INVOCATION**

Commissioner Pct. 4-Mike Carter, New Boston, TX

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

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**COMMISSIONERS COURT MINUTES**

**FEBRUARY 14, 2022**

**BE IT REMEMBERED**, that on this 14<sup>th</sup> day of February, 2022, 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 11<sup>th</sup> day of February, 2022 with the **HONORABLE JUDGE 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 Randle Smolarz

**ANNOUNCEMENTS**

None

**REGULAR AGENDA ITEMS**

Court convened at 9:01 A.M. when the following **ORDERS, JUDGMENTS and DECREES** were had and **ORDERED** spread upon the minutes of the Court to-wit.

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

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

**Item 9: On this 14<sup>th</sup> day of February, 2022, a motion was made by Commissioner James Strain and duly second by Commissioner Tom Whitten to appoint a Presiding Judge for the March 2022 Primary.**

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

**Motion carried.**

**Item 3: There was a presentation given by Charles Edwards regarding Section 3 requirements for the TxCDBG Project 7220051.**

**Item 4: On this 14<sup>th</sup> day of February, 2022, a motion was made by Commissioner James Strain and duly second by Commissioner Mike Carter to award contract to RBIS-LLC for Oak Grove WSC Waterline Improvements on County Road 4328 and County Road 3306-TDA #7220051 & HEI #134004.**

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

**Item 5: On this 14<sup>th</sup> day of February, 2022, a motion was made by Commissioner Mike Carter and duly second by Commissioner James Strain to declare that Bowie County is taking the Standard allowance of \$10 million in loss revenue under ARP.**

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

**Item 6: On this 14<sup>th</sup> day of February, 2022, a motion was made by Commissioner Mike Carter and duly second by Commissioner James Strain to approve payments to TCI for the replacement of the Bowie County Annex Jail roof in the amount of \$450,055.00 from the ARP funding. Using the responding to the public health emergency category.**

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

**Item 7: On this 14<sup>th</sup> day of February, 2022, a motion was made by Commissioner Mike Carter and duly second by Commissioner Sammy Stone to approve the purchase of 39 mobile radios and 53 portable radios for the Bowie County Sheriff's Office, Constables and Office of Emergency Management. The funding of this purchase will come from ARP funding under the responding to public health emergencies category. These are being purchased under the Texas DIR Contract 22918.**

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

**Item 8: On this 14<sup>th</sup> day of February, 2022, a motion was made by Commissioner Mike Carter and duly second by Commissioner James Strain to approve the 2022-2023 Truancy Prevention and Intervention Grant Resolution.**

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

**Item 10: On this 14<sup>th</sup> day of February, 2022, a motion was made by Commissioner Tom Whitten and duly second by Commissioner Mike Carter to accept Bent Tree Road as a County Road with the 3 year maintenance period.**

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

**Item 11: On this 14<sup>th</sup> day of February, 2022, a motion was made by Commissioner Sammy Stone and duly second by Commissioner Mike Carter to accept the Racial Profiling Report for the Bowie County District Attorney's Office.**

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

**Item 12: On this 14<sup>th</sup> day of February, 2022, a motion was made by Commissioner Mike Carter and duly second by Commissioner Sammy Stone to accept the Racial Profiling/Traffic Stop Data for the Bowie County Sheriff's Office.**

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

**Item 13: On this 14<sup>th</sup> day of February, 2022, a motion was made by Commissioner Mike Carter and duly second by Commissioner James Strain to approve the Auditor's Monthly Report for January, 2022.**

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

**Item 14: On this 14<sup>th</sup> day of February, 2022, a motion was made by Commissioner Tom Whitten 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 15: On this 14<sup>th</sup> day of February, 2022, 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 16: On this 14<sup>th</sup> day of February, 2022, a motion was made by Commissioner Tom Whitten and duly second by Commissioner Mike Carter to approve the Minutes as an Order of the Court (January 24-Regular and January 28-Special).**

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

**Item 17: Court recessed at 9:20 A.M. to go into Executive Closed Session to discuss security matters, personnel matters and litigation as allowed in the Government Code, Section 551.0725.  
Court reconvened at 9:47 A.M.**

**Item 18: On this 14<sup>th</sup> day of February, 2022, a motion was made by Commissioner James Strain and duly second by Commissioner Mike Carter to authorize the County Judge to execute an Order regarding the settlement offers in the matter of Texas Opioid Multi-District litigation for the County in the Matter of *County of Bowie V. Purdue Pharma, Inc., et al.*, MDL PRETRIAL CAUSE NO 2018-63587, in the 152<sup>nd</sup> District Court of Harris County, Texas, removed to MDL 2804, N.D.OH.**

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

**On this 14<sup>th</sup> day of February, 2022, 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.**