

INVOCATION

Commissioner Pct. 3-James Strain, DeKalb, TX

PLEGE OF ALLEGIANCE

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COMMISSIONERS COURT MINUTES

MAY 22, 2023

BE IT REMEMBERED, that on the 22nd day of May, 2023, 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 19th day of May, 2023 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 Clerk Tina Petty
- County Legal Advisor Randle Smolarz

And the following staff member also present:

- County Auditor Assistant Brandon Allison

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 3: On this 22nd day of May, 2023, a motion was made by Commissioner Mike Carter and duly second by Commissioner James Strain to approve a Proclamation declaring May as Mental Health Awareness Month.

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

Motion carried.

- Item 4: On this 22nd day of May, 2023, a motion was made by Commissioner Tom Whitten and duly second by Commissioner James Strain to reappoint Cassie Raulston and to appoint Anthony Pinkham, Becky Reed and Kayla Simmons to the Bowie County Child Welfare Board. Motion was put to a vote and all Commissioners voted yes and none voted no. Motion carried.**
- Item 5: On this 22nd day of May, 2023, a motion was made by Commissioner Mike Carter and duly second by Commissioner James Strain to appoint Jared Rhodes to succeed Todd Reed as a Commissioner of the Bowie County Housing Authority. Motion was put to a vote and all Commissioners voted yes and none voted no. Motion carried.**
- Item 6: This item was passed-bring back to table acceptance of roads in Akin Ridge Subdivision.**
- Item 7: This item was passed-accept the roads in Akin Ridge Subdivision.**
- Item 8: On this 22nd day of May, 2023, a motion was made by Commissioner Mike Carter and duly second by Commissioner James Strain to approve the plat for Siloam Pines Subdivision in Precinct 4. Motion was put to a vote and all Commissioners voted yes and none voted no. Motion carried.**
- Item 9: On this 22nd day of May, 2023, a motion was made by Commissioner Sammy Stone and duly second by Commissioner Mike Carter to give permission to advertise for the purchase of one (1) 5-6 yard box dump truck for Commissioner Stone, Precinct 1. Motion was put to a vote and all Commissioners voted yes and none voted no. Motion carried.**
- Item 10: On this 22nd day of May, 2023, a motion was made by Commissioner Mike Carter and duly second by Commissioner James Strain to select three (3) public members and three (3) alternate members to serve on the Salary Grievance Committee pursuant to Local Government Code 152.014. Motion was put to a vote and all Commissioners voted yes and none voted no. Motion carried.**
- Item 11: On this 22nd day of May, 2023, a motion was made by Commissioner Tom Whitten and duly second by Commissioner James Strain to add Asset #3108-Case 590SM back to inventory for Precinct 2. Motion was put to a vote and all Commissioners voted yes and none voted no. Motion carried.**
- Item 12: On this 22nd day of May, 2023, a motion was made by Commissioner James Strain and duly second by Commissioner Tom Whitten to approve the Interlocal Cooperation Agreements between Bowie County and the cities of DeKalb, Hooks, Maud, Nash, Wake Village and Maud ISD, DeKalb ISD, Pleasant Grove ISD, Redwater ISD and Simms ISD for the housing of inmates. Motion was put to a vote and all Commissioners voted yes and none voted no. Motion carried.**

Item 13: On this 22nd day of May, 2023, a motion was made by Commissioner James Strain and duly second by Commissioner Mike Carter to approve Memorandum of Agreement between Red River Army Depot and Bowie County Sheriff's Office.

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

Item 14: On this 22nd day of May, 2023, a motion was made by Commissioner Mike Carter and duly second by Commissioner Sammy Stone to approve the Lease Agreement #450-9678856-003 between Vanco Systems Inc. and Bowie County Public Defender Office.

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

Item 15: On this 22nd day of May, 2023, a motion was made by Commissioner James Strain and duly second by Commissioner Mike Carter to approve the Treasurer's Monthly Report for April 2023.

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

Item 16: There were no budget adjustments (line item transfers).

Item 17: On this 22nd day of May, 2023, a motion was made by Commissioner Mike Carter and duly second by Commissioner James Strain to approve payment of accounts payable.

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

Item 18: On this 22nd day of May, 2023, 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 (May 8, 2023).

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

**Item 19: Court recessed at 9:22 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 9:36 A.M.**

Item 20: On this 22nd day of May, 2023, a motion was made by Commissioner Mike Carter and duly second by Commissioner Sammy Stone to authorize the County Judge or other authorized officials to execute the Settlement participation and release forms regarding settlement offers in the matter of Texas Opioid Multi-District Litigation for the County in the Matter of *County of Bowie vs. Purdue Pharma, L.P. et al.*

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

On this 22nd day of May, 2023, 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.**