

**COMMISSIONERS COURT MINUTES
OCTOBER 8, 2012**

BE IT REMEMBERED, that on this 8th day of October, 2012, 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 5th day of October, with the **HONORABLE JUDGE STERLING LACY** present and presiding with the following Commissioners being present.

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| Jack Stone | Commissioner Pct. #1 |
| Pete Snow | Commissioner Pct. #2 |
| Kelly Blackburn | Commissioner Pct. #3 |
| Pat McCoy | Commissioner Pct. #4 |

Also in attendance were the following County Officials: Auditor William Tye, County Clerk Denise Thornburg, County Legal Advisor Carol Dalby and the following staff members also present on the dais: Administrative Assistant Rachael Cherry.

PRELIMINARIES

In accordance with the Bowie County official policy on meeting Invocations, County Judge Sterling 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

Steve Oglesby

PLEDGE

Pledge of Allegiance to the United States of America

ANNOUNCEMENTS

1. The burn ban has been lifted.
2. The Courthouse has been asked to participate in Pink Out Day which is Friday, October, 12, 2012. Various businesses, groups and schools have been asked to do this in support of Breast Cancer Awareness Month.
3. The Budget Advisory Committee will hold a meeting on Monday, October 15, 2012 at 6:15 P.M. at the Public Meeting room at Gander Mountain, which is located at the northwest

corner of University Ave. and I-30. Judge Lacy has added to the Committee: Dana Birmingham, David Wood and Jet Tiraphatna.

REGULAR AGENDA ITEMS

Court convened at 10:10 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 were no Public Comments.

Item 2. There were no Commissioners response to Public Comments.

Item 3. Mr. John Nichols and Ms. Cindy White spoke to the Court and gave an update regarding Bowie County's compliance with future narrowband requirements. The Fire Departments should be completely narrow banded by the end of October. The Police Departments and Sheriff's Department should be narrow banded by the end of November. The cost to move the West-End Fire Repeater to the Branson Tower and also to reprogram radios is provided through a Homeland Security Grant. The deadline for the conversion is January 1, 2013. This is mandated by the State and will allow all Emergency Response Departments to communicate with each other, County wide.

Item 4: On this 8th day of October, 2012, a motion was made by Commissioner Pat McCoy and duly second by Commissioner Jack Stone to approve the Budget for Bi-State Criminal Justice Center approved September 26, 2012 by the Intergovernmental Advisory Committee-Judge Lacy. Mr. Shawn Vaughn gave a presentation to the Court. The Statement of Revenue that the County has committed to is about \$200,000 less than what we have budgeted for in the past.

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

Motion carried.

Item 5: On this 8th day of October, 2012, a motion was made by Commissioner Pat McCoy and duly second by Commissioner Kelly Blackburn to approve the reappointment of Judge Lacy and Commissioner Pete Snow to the Intergovernmental Advisory Committee of the Bi-State Criminal Justice Center-Judge Lacy. Commissioner Pat McCoy suggested that a Commissioner should be appointed to the Committee after Commissioner Snow's interim term as Commissioner is up.

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

Motion carried.

Item 6: On this 8th day of October, 2012, a motion was made by Judge Lacy and duly second by Commissioner Kelly Blackburn to approve the release of the general fund Precinct 4's share (30%) of the Farm-to-Market and Lateral Road Fund. There is \$346,147 in the fund and 30% of that is \$103,844.

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

Motion carried.

Item 7: On this 8th day of October, 2012, a motion was made by Commissioner Kelly Blackburn and

duly second by Commissioner Pat McCoy to approve a Resolution authorizing the submission of an application to the Texas Department of Agriculture for a TXCDBG grant on behalf of the Oak Grove Water Supply-William Tye. This is to apply for another grant (approximately \$275,000) to do some more improvements to the water district. Mr. Charles Edwards of Resource Management also spoke to the Court and explained that the grant money would be used to replace about two miles of dilapidated water lines.

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

Motion carried.

Item 8: On this 8th day of October, 2012, a motion was made by Commissioner Pat McCoy and duly second by Commissioner Pete Snow to approve a Project Agreement between Oak Grove Water Supply and Bowie County-William Tye. This agreement will start the application for the grant.

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

Motion carried.

Item 9: On this 8th day of October, 2012, a motion was made by Commissioner Jack Stone and duly second by Commissioner Pete Snow to approve the Bowie County Investment Policy-Treasurer. There were a few changes made after consulting with our Bonding Company who made the suggestions.

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

Motion carried.

Item 10: On this 8th day of October, 2012, there were no budget amendments for FY2012-2013.

Item 11: On this 8th day of October, 2012, a motion was made by Commissioner Pat McCoy and duly second by Commissioner Pete Snow to pay accounts payable.

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

Motion carried.

Item 12: On this 8th day of October, 2012, a motion was made by Commissioner Pete Snow and duly second by Commissioner Jack Stone to approve the September 24, 2012 minutes as an Order of the Court.

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

Motion carried.

On this 8th day of October, 2012, a motion was made by Commissioner Jack Stone and duly second by Commissioner Kelly Blackburn to adjourn (11:47 A.M.).