

**COMMISSIONERS COURT MINUTES
OCTOBER 14, 2014**

BE IT REMEMBERED, that on this 14th day of October, 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 10th day of October, 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 also present on this day: Purchasing Agent Chris Goodsell and 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

Pastor Ron Humphries-New Covenant Life Church, New Boston, TX

PLEDGE

Pledge of Allegiance to the United States of America

ANNOUNCEMENTS

None

REGULAR AGENDA ITEMS

Court convened at 10:09 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 Emily Sabo, Texarkana, TX; Gabe Tarr, New Boston, TX; Toni Barron, Simms, TX and J.P. Welsh, Texarkana, TX.

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

Item 3: On this 14th day of October, 2014, a motion was made by Judge Lacy and duly second by Commissioner Kelly Blackburn to amend the budget for the Highway Patrol Department, which is Department 580 and the Line Item 103, Salary & Wages-Deputy Assistant be raised by \$2891.32 and the increase that will cause in taxes and retirement, and that we also amend Line Item 580-420, Telephone, by an initial \$128.00 and this money be taken out of the Fund Balance that we reported on the Summary Expense Sheet.

Motion was put to a vote and four (4) voted aye and one (1) Commissioner Sammy Stone opposed.

Motion carried.

Item 4: On this 14th day of October, 2014, there was no action taken regarding the update received on the Hwy 82 project from Mr. John Goodwin of Lochner.

Item 5: On this 14th day of October, 2014, a motion was made by Commissioner Sammy Stone and duly second by Commissioner Mike Carter to approve the Quarterly Report from Robbie Caudle, Precinct 5 Constable.

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

Motion carried.

Item 6: On this 14th day of October, 2014, a motion was made by Commissioner Sammy Stone and duly second by Commissioner Mike Carter to table, until the next Commissioners Court meeting to give our Legal Counsel time to review (Boiler Lease for Bi-State Criminal Justice Center-expense previously approved by Commissioners Court).

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

Motion carried.

Item 7: On this 14th day of October, 2014, there was no action taken to approve Sheriff Prince's request for payment of the \$1000 insurance deductible for repairs to Deputy Gibson's car.

Item 8: On this 14th day of October, 2014, a motion was made by Commissioner Sammy Stone and duly second by Commissioner Tom Whitten to approve the Bowie County Investment Policy as submitted.

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

Motion carried.

Item 9: On this 14th day of October, 2014, a motion was made by Commissioner Sammy Stone and duly second by Commissioner Mike Carter to bring back to the table to approve an Interlocal Agreement between the City of New Boston and Bowie County for Dispatch Services.

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

Motion carried.

- Item 10: On this 14th day of October, 2014, a motion was made by Commissioner Sammy Stone and duly second by Commissioner Mike Carter to table agenda Item #10 (approve an Interlocal Agreement between the City of New Boston and Bowie County for Dispatch Services).
Commissioner Sammy Stone-yes
Commissioner Mike Carter-yes
Judge Lacy-yes
Commissioner Tom Whitten-no
Commissioner Kelly Blackburn-no
Motion was put to a vote and three (3) voted yes and two (2) voted no.
Motion carried.**
- Item 11: On this 14th day of October, 2014, a motion was made by Commissioner Kelly Blackburn and duly second by Commissioner Tom Whitten to approve an Interlocal Agreement between the City of New Boston and Bowie County for Volunteer Fire Dept. Services.
Motion was put to a vote and all voted aye and none opposed.
Motion carried.**
- Item 12: On this 14th day of October, 2014, a motion was made by Commissioner Kelly Blackburn and duly second by Commissioner Tom Whitten to approve to pay for the flu shots for all County employees.
Motion was put to a vote and four (4) voted aye and one (1) Judge Lacy opposed.
Motion carried.**
- Item 13: On this 14th day of October, 2014, a motion was made by Commissioner Sammy Stone and duly second by Commissioner Kelly Blackburn to give Mr. Tye the authority to appoint a committee to develop guidelines and data information to protect the personnel employees from identity theft.
Motion was put to a vote and all voted aye and none opposed.
Motion carried.**
- Item 14: On this 14th day of October, 2014, a motion was made by Commissioner Mike Carter and duly second by Commissioner Sammy Stone to reappoint Michael Burke for a two (2) year term to the Bowie County Housing Authority which basically covers the 27 unit complex in Wake Village.
Motion was put to a vote and all voted aye and none opposed.
Motion carried.**
- Item 15: On this 14th day of October, 2014, a motion was made by Commissioner Kelly Blackburn and duly second by Commissioner Mike Carter to approve the budget adjustments (line item transfers).
Motion was put to a vote and all voted aye and none opposed.
Motion carried.**
- Item 16: On this 14th day of October, 2014, a motion was made by Commissioner Sammy Stone and duly second by Commissioner Tom Whitten to approve the payment of accounts payable list as submitted by the Auditor.
Motion was put to a vote and all voted aye and none opposed.
Motion carried.**

Item 17: On this 14th day of October, 2014, a motion was made by Commissioner Mike Carter and duly second by Commissioner Kelly Blackburn to approve Commissioners Court minutes (September 22, 2014).

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

Motion carried.

On this 14th day of October, 2014, 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 voted aye and none opposed.

Motion carried.