COURT ORDER NO. 2009- 267 -04-06

THE STATE OF TEXAS **COMMISSIONERS COURT SPECIAL SESSION MINUTES**

COUNTY OF COLLIN **MARCH 16, 2009**

On Monday, March 16, 2009, the Commissioners Court of Collin County, Texas, met in Special Session at Frisco City Hall, 6101 Frisco Square Boulevard, City of Frisco, Texas, at 6:00 p.m., with the following members present, and participating, to wit:

Judge Keith Self
Commissioner Prct 1 Matt Shaheen
Commissioner Prct 2 Jerry Hoagland
Commissioner Prct 3 Joe Jaynes
Commissioner Prct 4 Kathy Ward

ITEM NO. 1 Judge Self convened the **Collin County Commissioners Court Special Session** meeting at 6:00 p.m.

ITEM NO. 2 Public Comments. Public comment was heard on Item No. 5.

GENERAL DISCUSSION

Presentation, update or discussion regarding:

ITEM NO. 3 AI-29863 Central Appraisal District. Bo Daffin, Chief Appraiser, Central Appraisal District, came forward with a Power Point presentation entitled "Appraisal District Overview", which gave an overview of the Appraisal District's calendar, statistics and history. Kenneth Maun, Tax Assessor/Collector, came forward to address property tax questions. Mr. Daffin next discussed building permits and foreclosures and answered questions from the Court. Commissioner Hoagland complimented Mr. Daffin and his predecessor, Jimmy Honea, for doing an outstanding job. (Time: 6:52 p.m.)

ITEM NO. 4 AI-29750 LifePath Systems. Rick Crawford, Chairman, LifePath Systems, came forward to update the Court with a Power Point presentation entitled "LifePath Systems Annual Report and Update". A copy of the presentation was handed out to the Court. Randy Routan, Chief Executive Officer, LifePath Systems, continued the Power Point presentation, highlighting three specific areas: Early Childhood Intervention Division, Intellectual and Developmental Disabilities Division, and Behavioral Healthcare Division. Mr.

Routan stated currently individuals can be on a waiting list for up to eight years before receiving services and Collin County receives less state funding than most other counties. The Power Point presentation continued, with Mr. Routan answering questions from the Court. Mr. Routan concluded by inviting the Court to visit LifePath's new website: www.lifepathsystems.org and thanked them for their support. Commissioner Ward commended LifePath for their hard work. Bill Bilyeu, Administrative Services, stated NorthStar would appear before the Court in April with their update. (Time: 7:32 p.m.)

ITEM NO. 5 AI-29747 Texas Commission on Environmental Quality (TCEQ) letter on Natural Resources Conservation Service (NRCS) Dams, Public Works. Jon Kleinheksel, Public Works, presented the Court with a map entitled "Collin County Dams with Expired Evaluated Life" as requested in a prior court. Marvin Wilson, Celina, Texas, came forward to address a letter sent to the Court by NRCS. Discussion followed. Judge Self stated letters would have to be sent to owners of land on which there are dams. Commissioner Jaynes wanted a clearer understanding of the situation before sending letters to property owners. He also wanted it known that this is a federal decision; not a county decision. Commissioner Hoagland wanted this item brought back to the next Court. (Time: 7:46 p.m.)

ITEM NO. 6 AI-29864 FY2009 Budget. Bill Bilyeu, Administrative Services, showed the Court a Power Point presentation which touched upon some of Bo Daffin's (Central Appraisal District) presentation points, but also addressed such things as unemployment, home values and tax revenues. Kenneth Maun, Tax Assessor/Collector, came forward to answer questions from the Court. Mr. Bilyeu stated the adopted combined budget was $269 million, and broke that out for the Court in a pie chart. The Court discussed the possibility of a flat budget and looked at the budget picture for FY1020. The discussion continued between the Court and Mr. Bilyeu. Commissioner Hoagland asked Mr. Bilyeu to bring this item back on the March 23rd, 2009, Court. (Time: 8:30 p.m.)

Judge Self recessed Commissioners Court at 8:30 p.m. and reconvened the meeting at 8:38 p.m.

ITEM NO. 7 Discussion and any action regarding active 81st Legislative Bills HB9, HB1480, HB1105 HB2334, SB855, SB882 Commissioners Court. Judge Self stated he was headed to Austin on Wednesday to testify on SB855. Commissioner Shaheen spoke in opposition to SB855 because it did not give citizens an option to vote for a tax decrease. Commissioner Shaheen was in favor of rail and mass transit. Commissioner Hoagland wanted to know how rail would be provided. Discussion followed on the pros and cons of rail service and the various legislative bills. (Time: 9:03 p.m.)

ITEM NO. 8 Possible future agenda items by Commissioners Court without discussion. Commissioner Hoagland wanted HB1105 on the next agenda. Commissioner Jaynes wanted a resolution to unfunded mandates to counties. (Time: 9:03 p.m.)

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Judge Self stated the request for Legal Executive Session in accordance with Chapter 551.071 of the Government Code had been pulled; therefore, the Commissioners Court Special Session Meeting was adjourned at 9:15 p.m.

Legal 551.071

AI-29865 Collin County v. County Auditor

Keith Self, County Judge

Matt Shaheen, Commissioner, Pct. 1

Jerry Hoagland, Commissioner, Pct. 2

Joe Jaynes, Commissioner, Pct. 3

Kathy Ward, Commissioner, Pct. 4

COMMISSIONERS COURT COLLIN COUNTY TEXAS

ATTEST:

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