

STATE OF TEXAS

COMMISSIONERS' COURT
MEETING MINUTES

COUNTY OF COLLIN

JULY 27, 2015

On Monday, July 27, 2015, the Commissioners' Court of Collin County, Texas, met in Regular Session in the Commissioners' Courtroom, Jack Hatchell Collin County Administration Building, 4th Floor, 2300 Bloomdale Road, City of McKinney, Texas, with the following members present, and participating, to wit:

Judge Keith Self
Commissioner Susan Fletcher, Precinct 1
Commissioner Chris Hill, Precinct 3
Commissioner Duncan Webb, Precinct 4

Absent: Commissioner Cheryl Williams, Precinct 2

Commissioner Fletcher led the Invocation.
Judge Self led the Pledge of Allegiance.
Commissioner Hill led the Pledge of Allegiance to the Texas Flag.

1. Judge Self called to order the meeting of the Collin County Commissioners' Court at 1:30 p.m. and recessed the meeting at 3:10 p.m. The meeting was reconvened at 3:11 p.m. and immediately recessed into Executive Session. The meeting was reconvened at 3:36 p.m. and adjourned.

President Self called to order the meeting of the Collin County Health Care Foundation at 3:10 p.m. and adjourned the meeting at 3:10 p.m.

DECISIONS MANDATED BY LEGAL ENTITIES OUTSIDE OF COMMISSIONERS COURT AUTHORITY:

1. AI-40176 Amendment No. 2 to Psychological Evaluations, Juvenile (RFP No. 2013-200) with Spartan Psychological Consulting to extend the contract for one (1) year through and including September 30, 2016, Juvenile Probation.

FYI NOTIFICATION

1. AI-34688 Outstanding Agenda Items, Commissioners Court.

2. Addenda:

a. AI-40189 No. 1 to Services, Maintenance: HVAC Contractor (IFB No. 2015-141) to make various changes to the Invitation for Bid, Purchasing.

b. **AI-40175** No. 2 to Services: Grinding, Mulching, and Removal of Debris (IFB No. 2015-109) to extend the bid open date, Purchasing.

c. **AI-40187** No. 2 to Services, Inmate Health Care (RFP No. 2015-122) to make various changes to the Request for Proposal, Purchasing.

3. **AI-40174** Budget Amendment in the amount of \$545,327 to establish the budget for the FY2016 Public Health Emergency Preparedness (PHEP)/Hazards Program, Auditor.

2. Public Comments.

3. Presentation/Recognition.

4. **Consent agenda to approve:** Judge Self pulled item 4e1 and then asked for comments on the consent agenda. Hearing none, a motion was made to approve the remainder of the consent agenda. (Time: 2:59 p.m.)

Motion by: Commissioner Chris Hill

Second by: Commissioner Susan Fletcher

Vote: 4 – 0 Passed

a. **AI-40165** Disbursements for the period ending July 21, 2015, Auditor.

COURT ORDER NO. 2015-463-07-27

b. Advertisement(s):

1. **AI-40148** Testing: Postmortem Toxicology (IFB No. 2015-241), Medical Examiner.

COURT ORDER NO. 2015-464-07-27

2. **AI-40185** Services, Mowing and Trimming (IFB No. 2015-229), Public Works.

COURT ORDER NO. 2015-465-07-27

3. **AI-40180** Supplies: Fleet Repair Parts (IFB No. 2015-144), Public Works.

COURT ORDER NO. 2015-466-07-27

c. Award(s):

1. **AI-40192** Armored Car Services (IFB No. 2015-212) to Dunbar Armored, Inc., Auditor.

COURT ORDER NO. 2015-467-07-27

2. **AI-40161** Construction, Truck Canopy at Juvenile Detention (IFB No. 2015-190) to KC Construction Services and budget amendment in the amount of \$27,000, Construction & Projects.

COURT ORDER NO. 2015-468-07-27

3. **AI-40164** Audio Visual for Homeland Security (RFP No. 2015-115), Homeland Security.

COURT ORDER NO. 2015-469-07-27

4. **AI-40191** Network Infrastructure Expansion for Elections Office (RFP No. 2015-181), Information Technology.

COURT ORDER NO. 2015-470-07-27

d. Agreement(s):

1. **AI-40184** Interlocal Cooperation Agreement with the North Texas Municipal Water District (NTMWD) for placement of roll off recycling container, Public Works.

COURT ORDER NO. 2015-471-07-27

e. Amendment(s):

1. **AI-40064** No. 3 to Services: Travel Agency (RFP No. 06308-12) with ARTA Travel to extend the contract for one (1) year through and including September 30, 2016 and further authorize the Purchasing Agent to finalize and execute same, Auditor.

Judge Self asked to hold this item until a review of the benefits the County is receiving is completed. Jeff May, Auditor, said he does not have a good handle on the return on investment for the money that is paid to ARTA Travel. Commissioner Hill is not in favor of renewing the contract and has had discussions with other officials who would like the opportunity to book their travel outside of ARTA. Commissioner Hill had asked Mr. May why we need ARTA travel. Mr. May said the concern was there were unused tickets that were being lost but, after his audit, it was determined there were none lost. This was a solution to a problem that did not exist. Officials and employees are doing all the research for the flights and then have to call ARTA to book it. Judge Self asked Purchasing to use a zero-based budgeting on ARTA and asked why Purchasing would recommend we use it again. Commissioner Fletcher wants to make sure we are being good stewards of taxpayer dollars. Judge Self said there is also a wide discrepancy among the offices as to how much help they are getting from ARTA. (Time: 3:03 p.m.)

HELD

f. Change Order(s):

1. **AI-40193** No. 1 to Supplies: Jail and Personal Inmate (IFB No. 2014-122) with Amercare Products Inc. to extend the contract one (1) year through and including September 30, 2016 and further authorize the Purchasing Agent to finalize and execute same, Sheriff.

COURT ORDER NO. 2015-472-07-27

2. **AI-40186** No. 3 to Signs: Road, Parking and Custom (IFB No. 2013-043) with Vulcan Inc. dba Vulcan Signs to extend the contract one (1) year through and including September 30, 2016 and further authorize the Purchasing Agent to finalize and execute same, Public Works.

COURT ORDER NO. 2015-473-07-27

g. Ratification of the County Judge's prior approval:

1. **AI-40179** Discretionary exemption to the bid process per VTCA LGC 262.024(a)(3) "an item necessary because of unforeseen damage to public property", Construction & Projects.

COURT ORDER NO. 2015-474-07-27

h. Budget adjustment(s)/amendment(s):

1. **AI-40195** \$8,720 to establish the budget for furniture and equipment to set-up the County Court at Law No. 7, Budget.

COURT ORDER NO. 2015-475-07-27

i. Miscellaneous

1. **AI-40129** Scope and fee from Halff Associates, Inc. to design the Disaster Recovery Data Center at 920 Park Boulevard, Plano, TX for an amount NTE \$104,000 plus reimbursable expenses of \$650 and budget amendment in the amount of \$65,000 for same, Construction Projects.

COURT ORDER NO. 2015-476-07-27

2. **AI-40100** Re-designation of FM 543 and County Roads 208, 209, 210, 216 and 217 extending from the Weston City limit with associated address updates to match the City of Weston 9-1-1 address numbering, GIS/Rural Addressing.

Ben Giles, City of Weston, came forward to make a public comment. Mr. Giles said CR 209 was originally known as Redden Drive but was changed to CR 209 to be consistent with other roads in the County and to accommodate the 911 Emergency Telephone System. Now the road name is changing back from a number to a name but no consideration has been given to use the original name of Redden Drive. Many of the local residents still call it Redden Drive. Mr. Giles does not understand why the County would not keep the numbered roads because they are organized and fit in with other county roads and asked the Court to reject the City of Weston's proposal.

Tim Nolan, IT/GIS, said his group is responsible for the rural addressing in Collin County and coordinates with the cities to make sure that, as roads leave the cities, the county roads will be assigned the city's name for the road. This will alleviate address problems down the road. There is a Court Order from 1993 setting forth the guidelines to address from a city and extending a road into the rural areas of the County. Commissioner Webb asked if there have ever been any exceptions to this current policy. Mr. Nolan is not aware of any exceptions.

Judge Self asked where the street name of Bourland Bend came from. Patty Harrington, Mayor of Weston, came forward. Mayor Harrington said there is no objection to the portion of CR 209 which is not in the city of Weston being renamed Redden Drive. The Mayor explained Bourland Bend came from suggestions from the residents on CR 209 in Weston. The original plan was for CR 209, which runs east/west and then has a sharp 90 degree turn, to be called Bourland Bend. The Mayor cannot speak for the Council but personally has no objection if the north/south portion of CR 209 becomes Redden Drive.

Commissioner Hill asked if Weston's City Council would have objections. Mayor Harrington said since this is a county road and not within the city limits, it is up to the Court to decide. Commissioner Hill understands the historical significance of the proposed names and would like to defer to the city for the naming of the road. The Commissioner does not want to take the lead and name the road and then ask the city of Weston to match it. He would like the Mayor to ask the city council what they would like the name to be. He would like to see us match as per our policy and not drive the discussion.

A map of the road was reviewed and a brief discussion ensued regarding proposed names for the roads. It was determined that the only ordinance passed by Weston was naming all of CR 209 Bourland Bend. Since then, the city has accommodated the request from GIS to split CR 209 into two roads - the east/west portion and the north/south portion - but has not passed an ordinance naming the two roads. Commissioner Hill said the City should pass its ordinance as two different roads and then the County can pass its ordinance matching the City. The Commissioner said we have this policy to accommodate our decision makers on the city councils who are closest to the streets and the people and he does not want to get ahead of the City. The Mayor said she will put this item on their August meeting agenda.

Judge Self counted 15 addresses along Bourland Bend and asked what those residents would say. Mr. Nolan said they would do a mail out to let them know we are considering changing the name of the road and letting them know when the item would come before the court. The City of Weston did not canvas these people because they are county residents and there are no residents on the portion of that road within the City of Weston.

Judge Self said the Court should ask the Mayor to go back and see if they can accommodate these citizens' desires. The Judge also suggested the County do a survey of the 15 addresses on Bourland Bend that are in the county. Mr. Nolan said that can be done. He also suggested that portion of the road remain as CR 209 until a city annexes more of the road.

Commissioner Webb said if the city names its portion of the road, then under current policy the Court would move forward with the name. The Commissioner would like to see what the city would like to do with that portion thereby remaining consistent with our policy and he would like the residents on CR 209 to be surveyed.

There was a brief discussion regarding a situation where there are residents on the county portion of the road but no residents on the city portion, should the County continue with the policy to match or should the policy be revised. Mr. Nolan recommended not changing policy and let this remain as a unique case for the Court to make a decision on.

Mayor Harrington assured the Court that if Mr. Nolan's plan goes forward, the Weston City Council would vote in favor of whatever the majority opinion was on the naming of that portion of CR 209. Judge Self said the County will do a poll of the homeowners on CR 209, excluding owners of vacant land, and convey the results to the Mayor and the Weston City Council.

Commissioner Hill asked Mr. Nolan about the Cowan Road portion of CR 209 ending at the creek. This is not a natural delineation of an interchange, but it is where the Weston ETJ (Extraterritorial Jurisdiction) ends and the Anna ETJ begins. That is as far as Weston can extend their authority and the County has not heard from Anna requesting the road name to be something else. Therefore, the road would be Cowan Road west of the creek and CR 210 east of the creek. Mayor Harrington said Weston will be working in cooperation with the cities of Anna and Celina in naming the roads. Mr. Nolan said this could be a problem with the name changing at the creek and the County would have to come in and mitigate. Commissioner Webb said the Court is being put in a situation if the City of Anna decides it does not want the same name for CR 210. Judge Self said this will become an issue in the future.

Ramona Luster, GIS, came forward to explain this portion where the City of Weston is annexed does have city addresses and the City of Anna will probably not want to name the road until they have annexed which could be any time in the future. Mr. Nolan clarified there are approximately four addresses that would be affected on this east/west section. Commissioner Webb would like to see more communication between the cities. Judge Self said the transportation community calls it a termini which is a logical terminus for every road. This could be a policy change that will only go out as far to a logical terminus which could be an intersection or something else. The next intersection which is in the county is at FM 455 and could be a logical terminus. Mayor Harrington would be happy to approach the Anna City Manager and speak to him about that short section of road.

Commissioner Hill had the same question for where the Weston ETJ meets the McKinney ETJ on FM 543. Mr. Nolan said the same rule would apply since the road extends well into Weston so Weston would name it all the way to a logical terminus. Commissioner Hill made a motion to approve FM 543 to Weston Road; CR 208 to Rigsby Lane; CR 209 to Weston Road, CR 209 to Cowan Road; CR 210 to Cowan Road, CR 216 to Baker Road; and CR 217 to Eden Ridge. The County would then take a poll and when bringing it back for discussion, Mayor Harrington would advise the Court on what to do with the small section at the south end of CR 209. The Commissioner recommended excluding CR 209 to Bourland Bend and the remainder of FM 543 at this time and only adopting the name changes above. Commissioner Webb would like to address CR 210 to White Avenue when these exclusions are discussed in the future. With no further discussion, a motion was made to approve the above name changes. (Time: 2:58 p.m.)

Motion by: Commissioner Chris Hill
Second by: Commissioner Susan Fletcher
Vote: 4 – 0 Passed

COURT ORDER NO. 2015-477-07-27

3. **AI-40162** Acceptance of the FY2015 Sub-Recipient Award of the Emergency Management Performance Grant (EMPG) in the amount of \$44,771.77 with the Texas Division of Emergency Management, Texas Department of Public Safety, Homeland Security.

COURT ORDER NO. 2015-478-07-27

4. **AI-40209** Personnel Appointments, Human Resources.

COURT ORDER NO. 2015-479-07-27

5. **AI-40210** Personnel Changes, Human Resources.

COURT ORDER NO. 2015-480-07-27

GENERAL DISCUSSION

5. **AI-40167** Presentation regarding the creation of a Sister County Program with Hsinchu County, Administrative Services.

Judge Self introduced Dr. Charles Ku and Ms. Helene Lee from the GDTCC (Greater Dallas Taiwanese Chamber of Commerce). Ms. Lee gave a brief description of the Sister City Committee and the relationship between Taiwan and the Dallas Metroplex. Currently Dallas County and the cities of Dallas, Carrollton, Grand Prairie, Addison, Plano, Garland and McKinney have sister cities and counties in Taiwan. There are also ties between DART (Dallas Area Rapid Transit) and DFW International Airport with their Taiwanese counterparts as well as an International Student Exchange Program between sister cities.

Dr. Ku thanked the Court for the opportunity to present the proposal for Collin County to become a sister county with Taiwan's Hsinchu County. Members of the GDTCC visited Hsinchu County, met with Magistrate Chiu Ching-Chun whose position is similar to that of the County Judge and determined it would be a good match for Collin County.

Ting-Whai Lee, Vice President of GDTCC, came forward to present a PowerPoint presentation on Hsinchu County. Taiwan is an island of 23 million people with a democratic government and a culture similar to that of the United States. Mr. Lee described the location, population and industries of Hsinchu County. The benefits of the Sister City Agreement include mutual economic benefits, cultural exchange, education/student exchange, global vision and promoting tourism. Since the group visiting from Hsinchu will take care of their own airfare and hotel and GDTCC's Sister City Committee will take care of the local transportation, the cost to Collin County is very limited. The reasons why Collin County and Hsinchu County are a good match are 1) both have agriculture; 2) the emphasis on high-tech industry; 3) majority of residents are middle and high income; 4) both have an above average growth in population and economy and 5) both have a multi-cultural population.

Richard Rhoden, GDTCC Board member, came forward to share his impression of Hsinchu County. Mr. Rhoden has been traveling Asia since 1985 and said aligning with a sister city in Taiwan is good because we can relate more easily than with other Asian countries. Hsinchu County is a county of hope, progress and technology. Mr. Rhoden met with the Magistrate and found him a very impressive individual. They put a strong focus on education, exercise, social care and senior living.

Judge Self thanked the members of GDTCC for an excellent presentation and said the reason he brought this to the Court was more from the prospective of our country having a One-China Policy. While we don't have diplomatic relations with Taiwan, they are the democratic country in the Far East in the Chinese sphere. Also, the Judge said this would be very low cost, if any, to the County. It is optional and no one is required to travel to the Far East. There is a substantial Asian population in Collin County and this may help them. It would also show our support of democracy around the world.

Commissioner Fletcher asked if there was a term for the agreement. Judge Self said the agreement has not been drafted yet and it would be included should the Court pursue it. Commissioner Webb asked how long the Sister-City Agreement between Plano and Hsinchu has been in place. Ms. Lee said it has been in place since 2002 and Dr. Ku gave a brief description of that agreement.

Judge Self said this would be a ceremonial relationship for the reasons he outlined and asked for comments from the Court. Commissioner Webb said his precinct has a 21% to 24% Asian population and the Commissioner is supportive of this concept if it is primarily ceremonial in nature. This would send a good message to his constituents and he will do some research. Commissioner Fletcher agreed that it sends a great message with minimal to no impact on the budget. A motion was made to move forward with a draft agreement. (Time: 2:07 p.m.)

Motion by: Commissioner Duncan Webb
Second by: Commissioner Susan Fletcher
Vote: 4 – 0 Passed

COURT ORDER NO. 2015-481-07-27

6. AI-40154 Weather damage infrastructure update, Public Works.

Jon Kleinheksel, Public Works, came forward to brief the Court on the follow up from the July 6th Court. Public works finished all the inspections on the roads in the past three weeks since the initial presentation. Storm-related damage on roads increased from 92 to 98. There was also a cursory inspection of all of the bridges and major drainage features and there are 151 areas that require ditch work. Public Works is on task with the projected repair schedule which was provided at the last presentation. Half of the road repairs from storm damage are completed and by the new fiscal year all the storm damage road repairs should be complete. Some of the drainage feature repairs will take until the winter of 2015 to complete. Since the lake has gone down all roads are now open.

Estimated funding to make all storm damage repairs is approximately \$660,000 and they have enough money. They have recently kicked off the “50 Miles” Program and sent notifications out to all of the impacted stakeholders, landowners and homeowners. Notifications on the “50 Miles” Program and contract work were also sent to the ten cities we are working with and it has been added to our website. Public Works is ahead of schedule on making repairs and they do not need additional funds.

Judge Self said the estimate for the 19LE dam is still \$1.25 to \$1.5 million and Dr. Kelley Stone, Homeland Security, has identified a grant to help with that. The Judge signed the initial letter asking for the money which will lower our costs to approximately \$18,000. However, the Court does not think we are responsible. There will be an update at next week’s Court on this. Commissioner Hill asked whose responsibility that is. The Judge said Mr. Kleinheksel will give a briefing on this since he has gone over the agreements with the federal government in great detail. (Time: 3:09 p.m.)

NO ACTION TAKEN

7. Board/Committee Appointments, Commissioners Court:

a. AI-40181 North Texas Tollway Authority Board.

Judge Self said Bill Moore's appointment lapses in September and he has asked to be reappointed. With no further discussion, a motion was made to reappoint Bill Moore to the North Texas Tollway Authority Board of Directions. (Time: 3:09 p.m.)

Motion by: Commissioner Susan Fletcher

Seconded by: Commissioner Chris Hill

Vote: 4 – 0 Passed

COURT ORDER NO. 2015-463-07-27

8. Possible future agenda items by Commissioners Court without discussion.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Judge Self recessed the meeting into Executive Session at 3:10 p.m. in accordance with Chapter 551.072 of the Government Code to discuss the John Wesley Building, Frisco, Real Estate.

Judge Self reconvened Commissioners' Court at 3:36 p.m. Commissioner Webb was not present in the courtroom.

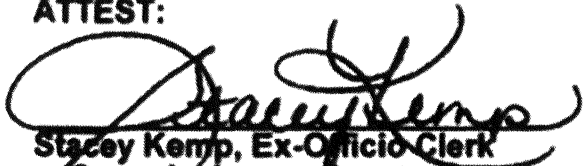
AI-40178 John Wesley Building, Frisco, Texas, Administrative Services.


NO ACTION TAKEN

There being no further business of the Court, Judge Self adjourned the meeting at 3:36 p.m.



ATTEST:


Stacey Kemp, Ex-Officio Clerk
Commissioners Court
Collin County, T E X A S



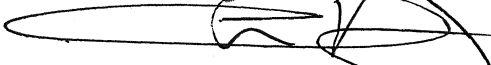
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