State of Texas 

Court Order
Collin County

Commissioners Court Special Session

Court Order

2019-485-06-24

An order of the Commissioners Court approving the filing of the June 3, 2019 minutes.

On Monday, June 3, 2019, the Commissioners Court of Collin County, Texas, met in Special Session in the Russell A. Steindam Courthouse, 1<sup>st</sup> Floor, 2100 Bloomdale Road, McKinney, Texas, with the following members present, and participating, to wit:

Judge Chris Hill Commissioner Susan Fletcher, Precinct 1 Commissioner Darrell Hale, Precinct 3 Commissioner Duncan Webb, Precinct 4

Absent: Commissioner Cheryl Williams, Precinct 2

Clark Gullette led the Invocation.

Joe Cordina led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Colin Kimball led the Pledge of Allegiance to the Texas Flag.

- 1. Judge Hill called to order the Special Session meeting of the Collin County Commissioners Court at 11:00 a.m. and adjourned the meeting at 11:18 p.m.
- 2. Public Comments.
- **3. Consent agenda to approve:** Judge Hill asked for a motion to accept the donation of the portraits of the six Collin County Fallen Warriors. A motion was made to accept the donation. (Time: 11:18 p.m.)

Motion by: Commissioner Susan Fletcher Second by: Commissioner Duncan Webb

Vote: 4 - 0 Passed

a. AI-46647 Accept the donation of portraits of Collin County heroes, Commissioners Court.

Judge Hill said this is one of the most special programs we have in Collin County. Liberty, democracy and freedom are precious, fragile and sometimes fleeting. The most precious gift that a generation can give to the generation after it is the preservation of liberty. It always comes at a great cost. We have come together to honor those men in our community who made the ultimate sacrifice and laid down their lives to preserve freedom and liberty for their generation and ours.

R. D. Foster, Vietnam Veteran, came forward to present six portraits of Collin County heroes to be put on permanent display in the "Hall of Heroes" at the Russell A. Steindam Courts Building. The portraits were created by McKinney artist and US Air Force Veteran, Colin Kimball, who donates his time and talents to this historic project. The following are the six heroes being honored.

Albert E. Stelzer, 24 Celina, Cpl. US Army, Headquarters Plt. Co A. 359<sup>th</sup> Inf. Reg. 90<sup>th</sup> Div. Died 5 Aug. 1918 in WWI of pneumonia, in Recy, France. *The first Collin County boy to die in the war zone*. Buried at St. Mihiel American Cemetery, Thiaucourt, France.

Glenn Hubbard Stevens, 22 Anna, Tech 4, US Army, 507<sup>th</sup> Parachute Infantry Reg. 82<sup>nd</sup> Airborne, Paratrooper. KIA in WWII during the Normandy invasion of France on D-Day, 6 June 1944, when dropped behind enemy lines. Awarded the Bronze Star. Buried at Leonard, Texas.

Jack Kirby, 21, McKinney High School Class of 1942, Cpl. USMC, 28<sup>th</sup> Marines, 5<sup>th</sup> Marine Div. Paratrooper and Machine Gunner. KIA 28 Feb. 1945 at the Battle of Iwo Jima in WWII. Marines of his unit placed the flag atop Mt. Suribachi, for the historic Iwo Jima photograph.

**Evans O. Estep**, 22, Anna, Private, US Army. Entered the Army during the War in Korea, died 10 May 1951, at Fort Belvoir, Virginia, while in training. One of three Esteps on the Wall of Honor. Buried at Cottage Hill Cemetery, Celina.

**Darrel U. "George" Mahan**, 20, McKinney, Cpl, USMC, G Co. 2<sup>nd</sup> Bn. 1<sup>st</sup> Marine Regt. 1<sup>st</sup> Maine Div. KIA 19 Aug. 1967 when ambushed by Viet Cong near Chu Lai, South Vietnam. Buried at Ridgeview Memorial Park.

Joe S. Huston, 20, Plano, Sgt. US Army, A Co. 2<sup>nd</sup> Bn. 1<sup>st</sup> Inf. Reg. 196<sup>th</sup> Light Inf. Brigade, Americal Div. KIA 19 Mar. 1969 during an ambush on the Ho Chi Minh Trail, Vietnam. In complete disregard for his life he went to the aid of wounded comrades who were lying in an open area completely exposed to enemy machine guns. He was cut down after picking up one of those men and carrying him back to safety. Awarded the Silver Star. Buried at Restland Memorial Park, Dallas.

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The Court did not recess into Executive Session. There being no further business of the Court, Judge Hill adjourned the meeting at 11:18 p.m.

Chris Hill, County Judge

Susan Fletcher, Commissioner, Pct 1

Cheryl Whiams, Commissioner, Pct 2



Darrell Hale, Commissioner, Pct 3

Duncan Webb, Commissioner, Pct 4

ATTEST: Stacey Kemp, County Clerk