

State of Texas	§	Court Order
Collin County	§	2021-077-01-25
Commissioners Court	§	

An order of the Commissioners Court approving the filing of the December 14, 2020 minutes.

On Monday, December 14, 2020, 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 Chris Hill
Commissioner Susan Fletcher, Precinct 1
Commissioner Cheryl Williams, Precinct 2
Commissioner Darrell Hale, Precinct 3
Commissioner Duncan Webb, Precinct 4

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

Judge Hill called to order the meeting of the Collin County Commissioners Court at 1:30 p.m. The Judge recessed into Executive Session at 3:35 p.m. Judge Hill reconvened Commissioners Court at 3:53 p.m. and adjourned the meeting at 4:28 p.m.

President Hill called to order the meeting of the Collin County Health Care Foundation at 4:29 p.m. and adjourned the meeting at 4:36 p.m.

DECISIONS MANDATED BY LEGAL ENTITIES OUTSIDE OF COMMISSIONERS COURT AUTHORITY:

1. AI-49564 Personnel Appointments, Human Resources.

FYI NOTIFICATION

1. AI-49548 Intra-County account transfers transmitted on November 24, 2020, Auditor.

2. AI-49556 Change Order No. 1 to Negative Pressure Systems for Multiple Collin County Facilities (Quote No. 2020-345) with The Brandt Companies, LLC to add to the scope of work, Construction & Projects.

3. AI-49559 County overtime for the pay period ended November 29, 2020, Human Resources.

4. **Notification of budget adjustment(s)/amendment(s), Auditor:**

a. AI-49549 \$255,123.44 to establish the budget for FY2021 Urban Area Security Initiative grant, Auditor.

b. AI-49552 \$2,000,000 for CARES Act Funds, Auditor.

2. **Public Comments.**

Lee Miller, City of Anna Mayor Pro-Tem, said he would like to table item A1-49572. There has not been an opportunity to talk to the City of Van Alstyne to go over the merits of the case, and this agreement could present issues.

Ray Isom, City of Anna Fire Chief, said the Risland Van Alstyne Interlocal agreement is lacking in several areas. Chief Isom asked for the Court to table this item until the Cities of Anna and Van Alstyne have an opportunity to discuss it further. There are several aspects that will present significant challenges for the community of Anna. The current staffing for the fire department in Van Alstyne is inadequate. The City of Anna fire department is of mutual aid to the City of Van Alstyne, so the Anna fire department would be burdened with helping protect a district Van Alstyne has an agreement with. The 911 system would cause problems as far as redrawing the lines. The agreement does include funding to build a second fire station in Van Alstyne, but there is no mechanism to staff the station.

Dan Wood, City of Anna Assistant Fire Chief, said their department provides fire and EMS (Emergency Medical Services) with one engine which requires a minimum of six personnel. Van Alstyne currently staffs two people per day, and they are in the process of adding a third person. Anna incurs the burden of providing a fire engine response to all motor vehicle accidents that occur in Van Alstyne because of this understaffing. The mutual aid response between Anna and Van Alstyne is lopsided. This is all based on the current response volume. The contract as presented has no indication of Van Alstyne increasing their staffing, and the increased workload will fall onto the Anna.

Dean Habel, City Of Anna Police Chief, said the 911 answering point is going to create complications with jurisdictional boundaries. Currently, Anna is the first line of response for Van Alstyne PD (Police Department). In the previous 12 months, Anna PD has responded to 35 assist calls in Van Alstyne, and in

that same time frame Van Alstyne has not assisted Anna PD. If this agreement passes, the mutual aid agreement will skew even further.

William McLaughlin, Allen, said he is a member and safety officer of the RRCC (Richardson Radio Control Club). The RRCC will put in place a sound detonation policy to reduce the sound levels by fifty percent. Mr. McLaughlin said he is in favor of item A1-49500.

Curtis Simmons, Garland, said he is the current secretary and incoming 2021 president of the RRCC. Mr. Simmons said he supports the twenty-five year sublease with Collin County.

Lawrence Harville, Hurst, said he is the AMA (Academy of Model Aeronautics) Vice President and supports the RRCC and the lease renewal.

Harold Walsh II, Allen, said he is the current president of the RRCC and asked for the Court's support for renewing the sublease for item number A1-49500. Mr. Walsh said he wrote a letter of recommendation for a member of RRCC to attend the University Of Texas Aeronautical School Of Engineering. Through the RRCC training program, this member became engaged and very involved with the club. The club has been a great community benefit for him and his family. Another special story is of Maida Sanchez who wants to go to the Airforce Academy. RRCC is going to build an airplane with her to support her interest in flying modern airplanes and her long term goal in aviation.

Yoram Solomon, Plano, asked the Court to approve the renewal of the lease agreement with the US Army Corp of Engineers and the sublease agreement with the RRCC. Mr. Solomon started his radio control airplane hobby in 2009 and, through the RRCC, he got the confidence he needed to continue the hobby. Since then he has built more than forty airplanes. Mr. Solomon said much sweat, effort, and money has been put into this club. RRCC interacts with the Collin County community closely. The club acknowledges the concerns from neighbors and is committed to reducing the sound levels by half. This is the only club of this type in Collin County and an important part of the community.

Bryan Case, Princeton, said he is against the lease renewal because of the noise and other factors. Mr. Case said he is across the street from Bratonia Park and the planes proximity has been scary. There have been accidents where planes hit the road and power lines. The noise is constant and has disturbed the kids' naps at times. The members park on driveways or the side of the road to retrieve planes. The road is two lanes with not much room making this a dangerous situation. There have been instances when plane parts land in our yard, and there have been several crashes close to the road.

Rett Lambert, McKinney, said he is in favor of item A1-49500. Mr. Lambert said he has been flying in the club for five years. Before then he didn't have much going for him and now competes in large scale aerobatics competitions. Mr. Lambert said he has competed in the world championship and in over thirty

competitions. He has met thousands of fantastic people who have all changed his life. There are hundreds of other kids like him that fly at the RRCC.

John Lambert, McKinney, said the Court just heard from his son Rhett and would like to reiterate some of what he said. Five years ago Rhett was not in a good place, he didn't like school and was very withdrawn. He loved aviation and physics but didn't have much going for him because of the outside world. They met Ed Crans and their lives changed completely. Rhett is no longer withdrawn and loves school. He will be going to Colorado to get his commercial airline license and private license. Rhett is only one of numerous kids that graduated and are now pursuing avionics or aviation.

Tim Bennett, Princeton, said he is there to speak against the lease renewal. Mr. Bennett said he has owned the property across the field for twenty years. Since that time there has been a subdivision built and now he has developed an R/V park. The planes are very loud and constantly fly over the park. Mr. Bennett presented a petition with forty signatures against the renewal of the lease. The land is public property and the club has no rights unless granted by the Commissioners. The citizens would like for the property to become a park and to get rid of the nuisance that is constantly annoying the residents. The planes are dangerous and they have crashed on private property several times. Mr. Bennett said he understands this is an important hobby but unfortunately it is very disturbing and pleaded with the Court to deny the renewal of the lease.

Michael Hughes, Lucas, said he supports the lease renewal. Mr. Hughes has been involved with this hobby since the late sixties and has never been involved in any serious accidents. He encouraged the Court to vote in favor of this lease in order to continue to let our youth have another option.

Chris Quinn, McKinney, said he is in favor of item A1-49500. Mr. Quinn read a statement prepared by his son about the positive impact the RRCC has had on his life.

Philip Voigt, Lucas, said he is in favor of the lease extension for the flying field at Bratonia Park. This is on the property of the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, and it is their intention for Collin County to sublease the property for a flying field. This is the intended use and in fact it is common around the country for the Corps to partner with flying fields. Mr. Voigt asked the Court to approve this and to not take away the best, safest, and fully-insured place to fly model airplanes in Collin County.

Chris Gracy, Melissa, said he is favor of the lease renewal. Everyone that flies at Bratonia Park is a member of AMA and adheres to a strict code of conduct and safety. The RRCC has a club safety officer who oversees the safety of the aircrafts. In the years the RRCC has flown at Bratonia Park, the number of airplanes that have fallen is less than the number of real airplanes that have fallen under the FAA (Federal Aviation Administration). The RRCC has open invites for the public to experience the joys of aircraft modeling. The RRCC provides for an untold amount of educational activities throughout Collin County.

Several citizens appeared in Court regarding this item but chose not to speak. The following citizens were in favor of renewing the lease: Norman Johnston, Anna; William Gosney, Lucas; Allen Delger, McKinney; Rodney Herson, Dallas; Dennis Summers, Melissa; Mike Gentile, Allen; Steve Davidson, Allen; Ed Acklin, Plano; Charles Shaffer, Frisco; Michael Summers, Allen. Thomas Fraser, Allen, and Terry Bryant, Princeton, opposed the renewal of the lease.

Hearing no further comments, Judge Hill closed the public comments session. (Time: 2:19 p.m.)

3. Presentation/Recognition.

4. **Consent agenda to approve:** Judge Hill pulled item number 4e1 and asked for comments on the consent agenda. Commissioner Webb Pulled item number 4l3. Hearing no other comments, a motion was made to approve the remainder of the consent agenda. (Time: 2:20 p.m.)

Motion by: Commissioner Cheryl Williams

Second by: Commissioner Duncan Webb

Vote: 5 – 0 Passed

a. AI-49546 Disbursements for the period ending December 8, 2020, Auditor.

COURT ORDER NO. 2020-1197-12-14

b. AI-49547 Indigent Defense Disbursements, Auditor.

COURT ORDER NO. 2020-1198-12-14

c. **Advertisement(s):**

1. AI-49528 Uninterruptible Power Supply Replacement (IFB No. 2021-094), Facilities.

COURT ORDER NO. 2020-1199-12-14

2. AI-49534 Construction, Road: County Road 317 (Orr Road) from Stacy Road to South NTMWD Driveway (IFB No. 2021-084), Public Works.

COURT ORDER NO. 2020-2000-12-14

3. AI-49560 Extractor and Scanner for Tax Office (IFB No. 2021-120), Tax Assessor-Collector.

COURT ORDER NO. 2020-2001-12-14

d. **Award(s):**

1. AI-49532 Vehicles, Ford F-150s (Contract No. 2021-115) to Silsbee Ford, Inc. through Goodbuy Cooperative Contract No. 20-8F000, Public Works.

COURT ORDER NO. 2020-2002-12-14

2. AI-49533 Vehicles, Ford F-250s (Contract No. 2021-051) to Caldwell Country Ford, LLC d/b/a Rockdale Country Ford through Buyboard Cooperative Contract No. 601-19, Public Works.

COURT ORDER NO. 2020-2003-12-14

e. **Agreement(s):**

1. AI-49537 Interlocal Agreement for Animal Control and Animal Shelter Services with the City of Van Alstyne Municipal Utility District No. 2 effective October 1, 2020 through and including September 30, 2021, Development Services.

Judge Hill said this agreement is between Collin County Animal Control Services and the Van Alstyne Municipal Utility District No. 2. However, it is posted as the “City” of Van Alstyne and for clarification this item will be reposted next week without the “City” reference. (Time: 2:21 p.m.)

HELD

2. Tax Collection Services Agreement between the Collin County Tax Assessor-Collector and the City of Lavon for Property Tax, Tax Assessor-Collector:

a. AI-49510 Heritage Zone 1 Public Improvement District.

COURT ORDER NO. 2020-2004-12-14

b. AI-49511 Heritage Zone 2 Public Improvement District.

COURT ORDER NO. 2020-2005-12-14

c. AI-49513 Heritage Zone 3 Public Improvement District.

COURT ORDER NO. 2020-2006-12-14

d. AI-49514 Heritage Zone 4 Public Improvement District.

COURT ORDER NO. 2020-2007-12-14

e. AI-49515 LakePointe Public Improvement District Area No. 1.

COURT ORDER NO. 2020-2008-12-14

f. AI-49516 LakePointe Public Improvement District Major Improvement Area.

COURT ORDER NO. 2020-2009-12-14

f. **Amendment(s):**

1. AI-49526 No. 1 to Services: Cafeteria Management (RFP No. 2019-327) with The Vitasek Leasing Co., Inc. d/b/a Collin County Courthouse Cafe to extend the contract for one (1) year through and including December 31, 2021, and further authorize the Purchasing Agent to finalize and execute same, Development Services.

COURT ORDER NO. 2020-2010-12-14

2. AI-49476 No. 1 to Group Benefit/Insurance, Medical, Pharmacy, Dental, Vision, Cobra, FSA, Retiree health, and Stop Loss (RFP No. 2019-267) with United Healthcare Services, Inc. to make various changes to the contract, and further authorize the Purchasing Agent to finalize and execute same, Human Resources.

COURT ORDER NO. 2020-2011-12-14

3. AI-49536 No. 14 to Interlocal Agreement for Animal Control Services (Agreement No. 10111-09) with the City of Melissa to extend the contract for one (1) year through and including September 30, 2021, set the rate for FY2021, and further authorize the Purchasing Agent to finalize and execute same, Development Services.

COURT ORDER NO. 2020-2012-12-14

4. AI-49538 No. 14 to Interlocal Agreement for Animal Control Services (Agreement No. 10095-09) with the City of Lucas to extend the contract for one (1) year through and including September 30, 2021, set the rate for FY2021, and further authorize the Purchasing Agent to finalize and execute same, Development Service.

COURT ORDER NO. 2020-2013-12-14

g. **Change Order(s):**

1. AI-49557 No. 1 to Safety Wear (IFB No. 2020-186) with Nardis Public Safety to add various line items to the contract, and further authorize the Purchasing Agent to finalize and execute same, Purchasing.

COURT ORDER NO. 2020-2014-12-14

2. AI-49558 No. 1 to Safety Wear (IFB No. 2020-186) with Municipal Emergency Services, Inc. to add a line item to the contract, and further authorize the Purchasing Agent to finalize and execute same, Purchasing.

COURT ORDER NO. 2020-2015-12-14

3. AI-49520 No. 1 to Jail and Personal Inmate Supplies (IFB No. 2019-188) with Victory Supply LLC to add various line items to the contract, and further authorize the Purchasing Agent to finalize and execute same, Sheriff.

COURT ORDER NO. 2020-2016-12-14

4. AI-49521 No. 1 to Jail and Personal Inmate Supplies (IFB No. 2019-188) with ICS Jail Supplies Inc. to add various line items to the contract, and further authorize the Purchasing Agent to finalize and execute same, Sheriff.

COURT ORDER NO. 2020-2017-12-14

5. AI-49522 No. 1 to Jail and Personal Inmate Supplies (IFB No. 2019-188) with Bob Barker Company Inc. to add various line items to the contract, and further authorize the Purchasing Agent to finalize and execute same, Sheriff.

COURT ORDER NO. 2020-2018-12-14

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

1. AI-49535 Acceptance of the FY2020 Elections Cybersecurity Grant through the Office of the Governor, Homeland Security Grants Division, Auditor.

COURT ORDER NO. 2020-2019-12-14

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

1. AI-49539 \$4,529 to reallocate funds for the Spay/Neuter Program, Development Services.

COURT ORDER NO. 2020-2020-12-14

j. Receive and File, Auditor:

1. AI-49540 Justice of the Peace, Precinct 3-2 (1st, 2nd, 3rd, & 4th Quarter FY2019).

COURT ORDER NO. 2020-2021-12-14

k. Filing of the Minute(s), County Clerk:

1. AI-49523 November 16, 2020.

COURT ORDER NO. 2020-2022-12-14

2. AI-49544 November 23, 2020.

COURT ORDER NO. 2020-2023-12-14

1. Miscellaneous

1. AI-49499 Acceptance of the FY2020 Bulletproof Vest Partnership grant through the U.S. Department of Justice, Office of Justice Programs, Bureau of Justice Assistance, and budget amendment in the amount of \$11,796.26 to establish the budget for same, Auditor.

COURT ORDER NO. 2020-2024-12-14

2. AI-49541 Indemnification for Justice of the Peace, Precinct 3-2, Auditor.

COURT ORDER NO. 2020-2025-12-14

3. AI-49527 Final plat for Bridgewater Phase 5, Engineering.

Commissioner Webb said the submission by the Engineering Department asked for a conditional approval of the final plat. The Court order doesn't provide for the conditional approval, and it will need to be modified in order to include it. The Commissioner made a motion to give a conditional approval of the final plat of Bridgewater Phase 5 as detailed in the attached documentation. Commissioner Williams said the Court will need to ensure they are not past the thirty days on the plat. Clarence Daugherty, Engineering, said this was conditional because there is more that needs to be done, and they are within the thirty days. Commissioner Williams said she is not sure the Court can legally do this, and it needs to be confirmed that conditions can be placed on a plat approvals.

Judge Hill said the alternative is to deny the plat to resolve the items. Mr. Daugherty said, if the Court denies the plat, they would need to reapply. Judge Hill asked if the Court is able to deny a plat after sixty days if conditions have not been met. Mr. Daugherty said the statute provides the ability to approve, deny or approve with conditions. In most cases, the County does not have the time to look at the drainage and get them done in thirty days. If it appears the plat should be good, it is recommended to the Court and later the drainage is evaluated. Once evaluated, if additional easements are required, the developer would be informed. Commissioner Williams said the legislature reduced the shot clock in order to tighten the county's time frame and to not give an extended period of time. The Commissioner said this is her concern with conditional approval of plats, and she questioned whether the County is in compliance. Judge Hill asked if the Court has an administrative duty to approve a plat if it meets all the standards, or is the Court able to deny a plat at its discretion. Mr. Daugherty said the only basis the Court would have for denying a plat is if it doesn't meet the standards. In this case, Judge Hill said the issue is the County has not had enough time to review the plat in order to decide whether or not they have met the standards. Judge Hill said he is not sure the Court can conditionally approve a plat in order to buy time, and perhaps the County needs more staffing capacity. Mr. Daugherty said, if the plat is denied, they would have to reapply and start the clock over. The developer could challenge the Court on its decision.

Commissioner Williams said this is a ministerial duty, and she would be unable to deny approval without having an actual reason. Commissioner Webb said he will not approve anything that may have risks of significant drainage issues. Judge Hill said, if drainage issues are discovered after the plat has been approved, those issues would be passed onto the homeowners. Mr. Daugherty said, if an additional easement is needed for drainage, the developer would be expected to add it to the plat. Commissioner Williams said the Court will need to find a way to fix this because they cannot continue to do it this way. With no further discussion, a motion was made to approve the item. (Time: 2:36 p.m.)

Motion by: Commissioner Duncan Webb

Second by: Commissioner Susan Fletcher

Vote: 5 – 0 Passed

COURT ORDER NO. 2020-2026-12-14

4. AI-49502 Redesignation of County Road 400 to Myrick Lane, GIS/Rural Addressing.

COURT ORDER NO. 2020-2027-12-14

5. AI-49565 Personnel Appointments, Human Resources.

COURT ORDER NO. 2020-2028-12-14

6. AI-49566 Personnel Changes, Human Resources.

COURT ORDER NO. 2020-2029-12-14

GENERAL DISCUSSION

5. AI-49572 Confirm the creation of Van Alstyne Municipal Utility District No. 2, Administrative Services.

Bill Bilyeu, County Administrator, said the developer and their attorney have a presentation for the Court. Michael Hench, Risland US Holdings, said they have entered into police and fire ILA'S (Interlocal Agreement) with the City of Van Alstyne to cover the ETJ (Extraterritorial Jurisdiction) portion of this project. During the past year, extensive research was done regarding personnel needs, costs, facilities and equipment. All of the items are adequately covered through the ILA'S. The first phase of development is under way, and the county line goes through the bottom sixteen lots. The mass majority of the development in the first three phases takes place in Grayson County MUD (Municipal Utility District) No. 1. Realistically, it will take approximately four years before phase four begins which would be south of the county line. During the four years, there should be enough time to evaluate the radio and communication issues mentioned. Mr. Hench gave a brief presentation on the current progress of the development.

Mindy Koehne, Attorney for Risland, said in 2018 they requested the Court's support of a bill to create Van Alstyne MUD (Municipal Utility District) No. 2 which is located in Collin County. The Court did agree to support the bill, and in exchange they asked for the developer to enter into contracts for police, fire, EMS and animal control services. They have been negotiating with the town of Van Alstyne for those services for the past two years. The developer will be paying \$3.2 million for a fire station, and construction will begin no later than the issuance of the 400th permit and is to be completed within one year of that. The developer will fund up to \$1.3 million for no more than four firefighting and EMS vehicles and pay its fair share of the expenses related to the fire station including staffing. The developer will pay \$300 per permit for additional firefighting and EMS equipment and police services. Prior to the issuance of the 50th building permit, the developer will pay \$150,000 for police equipment and do the same for every 400th building permit. They will also pay their share of the expenses associated with the police department. As the Court can see, they have complied with the Court's requests. This doesn't take effect until January 2021, and much of the work the City of Anna discussed will be done by then.

Commissioner Fletcher said one of the concerns was staffing, and currently there are no residents so there would be no reason to have the staffing in place yet. Commissioner Fletcher asked if anyone from the City of Anna has reached out regarding the plan. Ms. Koehne said no communication has been received from the City. Commissioner Williams said, as the County, the Court is obligated to support this once all of the conditions have been met. Mutual aid imbalance is a different discussion and separate from the approval of this MUD. Commissioner Hale asked if there were any concerns regarding the timeline of when additional people will be staffed. Ms. Koehne said the timeline is appropriate, and the city attorney, city manager and fire chief are all confident they will be able to provide service. Judge Hill said the developer has done what they were asked to do, and the Court has a ministerial duty to uphold their part. Perhaps the developer could voluntarily table the item to allow further conversation. Ms. Koehne said MUDs are required to get the approval of the plan from the Texas Commissions on Environmental Quality, and this agreement cannot take effect until the Court has approved it. Mr. Hench said they do need to discuss outstanding concerns. They have a lineup of high quality builders that are coming into the development next month, and this agreement needs to be in place. Judge Hill asked if any tickets and their revenue issued south of the county line would be given to Collin County. Mr. Hench said that was correct and Van Alstyne is fully aware of that. With no further comments, a motion was made to approve the item. (Time: 2:57 p.m.)

Motion by: Commissioner Cheryl Williams

Second by: Commissioner Duncan Webb

Vote: 5 – 0 Passed

COURT ORDER NO. 2020-2030-12-14

6. **AI-49500** Lease Agreement with the Department of the Army to non-state governmental agencies for public park and recreational purposes, Collin County Radio Control Airfield, Bratonia Park at Lavon Lake, TX, for a twenty-five-year period through and including July 21, 2045, and Sublease Agreement with Richardson Radio Control Club for Collin County Radio Control Airfield, Bratonia Park, Lavon Lake, TX, Engineering.

Bill Bilyeu, County Administrator, said this item involves a park on U.S. Army Corps of Engineers' land. The RRCC (Richardson Radio Control Club) made a PowerPoint presentation to the Court. Larry Mowatt, Allen, said he has been a part of the RRCC since 1995, and in that time he has served multiple terms. The club has been at Bratonia Park since 1997 and is located on the shore of Lake Lavon. RRCC has invested over \$100,000 in developing the park into a premier radio control flying field. The club has contributed over \$12,000 to charities, and more than 700 Collin County families are directly associated with the club. Mr. Mowatt said the club has an exemplary safety record with no incidents affecting neighbors in 22 years of continuous operation. The Open Space Committee identified Bratonia Park as a radio control flying field in 1990. The RRCC is responsible for maintaining the entire 83 acres at an annual cost of \$7,200. There are 155 members with the majority being Collin County residents. A lot of time and effort is put into making this hobby known to students. The club is involved with the McKinney High School Aviation Academy, Plano Academy STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering, and Math), and the Young Eagles EAA (Experimental Aircraft Association) at the McKinney Airport. There is a sound policy in place, restrictive boundaries, fuel safety officers, and all members are required to carry the AMA (Academy of Model Aeronautics) insurance. Mr. Mowatt asked for the Court's support on renewing the lease for continued use.

Commissioner Hale said there is a love for the club and what they do. He can relate because his father was a radio control competitive flyer. However, the rights granted by renewing the lease will be disturbing their neighbors, and the Court will need to have more discussion on this. The Open Space Board needs to review the property use and decide if Collin County will grant rights to the RRCC. Commissioner Williams said she has spent much time at the airfield flying airplanes with her father. This is a club that has done a lot of outreach in the community and provides important public education. It is not something that can be easily moved, and it is very valuable to have a place in Collin County for this activity. It would be unfair to ask existing activities to leave because new people have moved in. Commissioner Webb said he agreed, and the development was built after the RRCC had already been established. Commissioner Fletcher also agreed.

Commissioner Hale said, if the RRCC owned the property, the Court would not be having this discussion. The Court is granting rights to public property, and the Commissioner suggested the Open Space Committee could look at it to work through the issues. Commissioner Fletcher said the person that organized the petition is on the Open Space Committee, and there would be a conflict of interest.

Commissioner Hale said the committee member is willing to recuse himself and offered to get off the committee.

Judge Hill asked how the noise would be reduced. William McLaughlin, RRCC Safety Officer, said the club has a maximum decibel level that is measured at twenty-five feet. The decibel level is a measure of sound pressure and, when brought down a few levels, the noise can be reduced. The noise is not continuous because they don't fly on rainy days, when it is dark, and if it is too hot or cold. Judge Hill asked if the club is restricted by law from flying over private properties. Harold Walsh, RRCC President, said it is voluntary because the club abides by the safety rules of AMA. After a brief discussion, a motion was made to approve the item. (Time: 3:27 p.m.)

Motion by: Commissioner Cheryl Williams

Second by: Commissioner Duncan Webb

Vote: 4 – 1 Passed

Nay: Commissioner Darrell Hale

COURT ORDER NO. 2020-2031-12-14

7. AI-49554 2021 Employee Reclassifications and Retitles, Human Resources.

Cynthia Jacobson, Human Resources, said the reclassification request for FY 2021 has been submitted and asked for the Court's approval. All of the reclassifications have been discussed with the appropriate department heads or elected officials. A motion was made to approve the HR Recommends and the HR Recommends Alternative on the reclassification request. (Time: 3:29 p.m.)

Motion by: Commissioner Duncan Webb

Second by: Commissioner Cheryl Williams

Vote: 5 – 0 Passed

COURT ORDER NO. 2020-2032-12-14

8. AI-49609 Deputy Sheriff new hire salary, Sheriff.

Jim Skinner, Sheriff, said he is asking the Court to reconsider the decision regarding Christopher Campbell. The Court had approved a salary of \$70,490 per year for position 556 as deputy sheriff. Sheriff Skinner asked the Court to consider hiring him at \$75,000 per year in light of his experience, training and qualifications. Mr. Campbell is currently a sergeant with the Rockwall Police Department and his salary is approximately \$79,000. In FY2018 the size and skill set of the patrol section was increased. Four teams and two platoons were created and placed on twelve hour shifts with nine deputies, one sergeant, one corporal, a K9 handler and a designated marksman on each team. This was done in order to patrol the county territory and to have a quick reaction force.

Seasoned officers are hard to come by, and the County currently has a number of inexperienced deputies. Of the 57 patrol officers, 41 have less than seven years of experience. Seven years is important because it is the industry standard which defines a seasoned officer. Typically, the Sheriff's Office tries to have fifty percent above the seven-year mark and the other fifty percent below. Mr. Campbell has been a law enforcement officer for 18 years with both the Rockwall Police Department and the United States Airforce Security Police. He has also served as a trained field officer, patrol sergeant and tactical officer

Judge Hill recessed Commissioners Court into Executive Session at 3:35 p.m. under Chapter 551.074 to deliberate the appointment of a public officer or employee.

Judge Hill reconvened Commissioners Court at 3:53 p.m.

Commissioner Williams made a motion to approve this item. (Time: 3:54 p.m.)

Motion by: Commissioner Cheryl Williams

Second by: Commissioner Darrell Hale

Vote: 5 – 0 Passed

COURT ORDER NO. 2020-2033-12-14

9. **AI-49574** Boards & Commissions Appointments, Commissioners Court:

a. Child Protective Services Board.

b. Historical Commission.

c. LifePath Systems Board.

d. Parks Foundation Advisory Board.

e. Planning Board.

Commissioner Williams appointed Ginger Herrick to the Child Protective Services Board and Joy Gough to the Historical Commission.

Commissioner Webb appointed Janet Stovall, Dorthy Culham, Janet Thatcher, and Candace Fountoulakis to the Historical Commission; Sammy (Shan Min) Yang and Douglas Reece to the Planning Board; Carson Underwood to the Parks Foundation Advisory Board; and Matt Duncan to the LifePath Systems Board.

Commissioner Fletcher appointed Deanna Kuykendall and Dianne McCall to the Child Protective Services Board.

Commissioner Hale appointed Kacie Braxley to the Child Protective Services Board, Paula Ross to the Historical Commission, and Doug Kowalski and Anne Bramlett to the LifePath System Board.

Judge Hill made a motion to approve all of the above appointments and reappointments. (Time: 3:56 p.m.)

Motion by: Judge Chris Hill

Second by: Commissioner Susan Fletcher

Vote: 5 – 0 Passed

COURT ORDER NO. 2020-2034-12-14

10. **AI-48410** COVID-19 Update, Administrative Services.

Bill Bilyeu, County Administrator, said there are approximately 6,000 providers signed up to administer the COVID-19 vaccine. Two hospitals in Collin County have received vaccines for their staff. The term for the temporary employees who have been cleaning the buildings and those stationed outside of the JP (Justice of the Peace) offices will expire December 16, 2020. Those duties will need to be picked up by employees in those departments. The Court had requested a survey of other employers regarding their plans once the FFCRA (Family First Coronavirus Response Act) ends. Most every county surveyed responded saying they were unaware that the program was ending and they had no plan. Cynthia Jacobson, Human Resources, said the private sector had the same response. Tarrant, Travis and Hidalgo Counties will soon be putting a program in place after the FFCRA expires. (Time: 3:59 p.m.)

NO ACTION

11. **AI-48414** Utilization of CARES funding, Commissioners Court.

Bill Bilyeu, County Administrator, said December 30, 2020, is the deadline and all programs have been closed down. The City of Josephine has requested reimbursement for a sign at the cost of \$20,804.99. The City House has requested a reimbursement of \$158.13 for PPE (Personal Protection Equipment). The City of Blue Ridge is requesting reimbursement for payroll in response to COVID restricting their hours and also some computers. The City of New Hope has requested reimbursement for Zoom costs and attorney costs to write up orders to move elections because of COVID-19.

With no further discussion, a motion was made to approve the requests. (Time: 4:03 p.m.)

Motion by: Commissioner Cheryl Williams

Second by: Commissioner Darrell Hale

Vote: 5 – 0 Passed

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Mr. Bilyeu said a group of ISDs (Independent School Districts) have submitted their PPE cost which totaled \$11.8 million. The County reached out to charter and private schools as well but they did not provide their PPE costs. Judge Hill asked if the Court had enough time to postpone the ISD's request in order to gather more information. Mr. Bilyeu said it would be a difficult process in such a short period of time. It would be easier to enter into agreements with cities since we already have agreements with them. There was a brief discussion regarding the distribution of CARES (Coronavirus Aide, Relief and Economic Security) Act funds to all the schools in Collin County.

A motion was made to approve the direct service payment as presented with the caveat of Commissioners Court authorizing reapportionment by population if any city cannot use their funds. This would include the agreement presented in the packet amended to include city marshals after police officers and to include inter-fund transfer. (Time: 4:23 p.m.)

Motion by: Judge Chris Hill

Second by: Commissioner Darrell Hale

Vote: 5 – 0 Passed

COURT ORDER NO. 2020-2036-12-14

12. **AI-33858** Regional Transportation Council monthly update, Commissioner, Precinct 4.

Commissioner Webb said a vote was taken for the approval of state targets for bridge and highway repair goals.

The Metroplex is a nonattainment area, and there is a possibility the area will go from serious to severe air quality. This would dramatically change some of the responsibilities in terms of what can be approved. One would have thought, with travel going down, the air quality would have gotten better. This suggests it is not regionally based, and ozone issues are coming from outside the Metroplex. The RTC (Regional Transportation Council) is going to engage analysis to figure out what is driving the ozone and contest this classification.

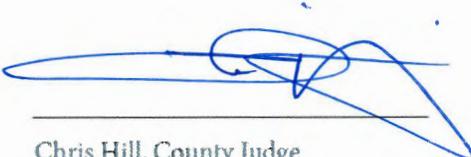
Collin County was in compliance with a report that is required to be submitted every two years to the State Energy Conservation Office. Commissioner Webb said very few entities in the Metroplex that complied.

The Commissioner commended Clarence Daugherty, Engineering, and his department for getting this report submitted. (Time: 4:28 p.m.)

NO ACTION

EXECUTIVE SESSION

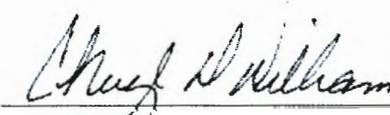
The Court did not recess into Executive Session. There being no further business of the Court, Judge Hill adjourned the meeting at 4:28 p.m.



Chris Hill, County Judge

Not Present

Susan Fletcher, Commissioner, Pct 1

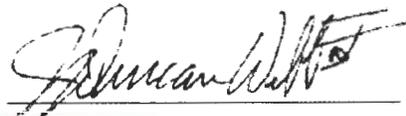


Cheryl Williams, Commissioner, Pct 2

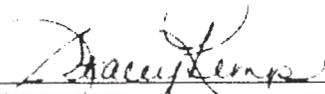




Darrell Hale, Commissioner, Pct 3



Duncan Webb, Commissioner, Pct 4



ATTEST: Stacey Kemp, County Clerk