

AGENDA:

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WILLIAMSON COUNTY COMMISSIONERS COURT MEETING

August 12, 1997

THE STATE OF TEXAS) (

COUNTY OF WILLIAMSON) (BE IT REMEMBERED that at 9:30 a.m. on this the 12th day of August A.D., 1997, there was begun and holden a REGULAR SESSION of the Commissioners Court of Williamson County, Texas, the following members being present, to-wit:

JOHN C. DOERFLER, County Judge
MICHAEL L. HEILIGENSTEIN, Commissioner, Precinct 1
GREGORY W. BOATRIGHT, Commissioner, Precinct 2
DAVID S. HAYS, Commissioner, Precinct 3
JERRY L. MEHEVEC, Commissioner, Precinct 4
EUGENE D. TAYLOR, County Attorney
ELAINE BIZZELL, County Clerk
DAVID U. FLORES, County Auditor

AGENDA ITEM # 1

August 12, 1997

Hear any interested persons, consider forming the next agenda, or adding any emergency items to today's agenda.

Boyd Henry addressed the court advising of flooding and other problems involved with the development of Silver Creek Subdivision in the County Road 279 area. His property has been flooded numerous times due to changes of the natural flow of water.

The TACT Safety Coordinator presented the 1996 Safety Award to Williamson County resulting in a \$960,000.00 savings to the county for workmen's compensation.

FOR INFORMATION: CONTACT:
Rod Gibbs or Mike Strawn @ 1-800-456-5974

WILLIAMSON COUNTY EARNS
COUNTY SAFETY AWARD

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

WILLIAMSON COUNTY — has been awarded a 1996 Safety Award by the Texas Association of Counties (TAC), which administers a Workers' Compensation self-insurance pool for counties and other local governments. .

The award was presented to Williamson County by Rod Gibbs, the Texas Association of Counties Safety Specialist for Williamson County.

The award was earned for the County's record of involvement and commitment to safety in the workplace, as well as for controlling their Workers' Compensation claims.

The honor means that Williamson County, which participates in the counties' pool through TAC, is obtaining substantial savings for their taxpayers as a result of their TAC Workers' Comp coverage. Premiums are reduced for public entities that have lowered their claims rates and participate in other coverages through the self-insurance pools administered by TAC.

Williamson County saved approximately \$964,103.00 in Workers' Compensation costs in 1996 compared to the manual rates for Workers' Compensation published by the State of Texas.

To qualify for this honor, the entity must have a safety program rated in the top 15 percent of approximately 350 governmental entities that collectively self-insure their Workers' Compensation in this pool. Only 38 entities were honored this year.

These programs are evaluated by the Texas Association of Counties Safety Specialists who work with each pool member to develop loss control and safety programs.

In the evaluation of the program, the following criteria are considered:

- Safety program elements in place;
- Activity and success of program in the 1996 calendar year;
- Support for the program by the upper management, governing board or commission that directs the operations of the entity;
- Recent loss history; and
- Improvement in the safety program since 1995.

The TAC Safety Awards are presented annually.

AGENDA ITEM # 2

August 12, 1997

Read and approve the minutes of the last meeting.

Moved: Commissioner Mehevec

Seconded: Commissioner Boatright

Motion: To approve the minutes of the meeting of August 5, 1997.

Vote: Motion carried 5 - 0

AGENDA ITEM # 3

August 12, 1997

Hear County Auditor concerning invoices and bills, including addendum, submitted for payment and take appropriate action including but not limited to approval for payment provided said items are found by the County Auditor to be legal obligations of the county.

Moved: Commissioner Mehevec

Seconded: Judge Doerfler

Motion: To authorize the payment of \$301,457.41 in computer print-out and include the addendum of bills, from the proper line items, if found by the County Auditor to be legal expenses as appropriated in the 1996/97 County Budget.

Vote: Motion carried 5 - 0

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