

of the

WILLIAMSON COUNTY COMMISSIONERS COURT MEETING

October 13, 1998

THE STATE OF TEXAS ) (

COUNTY OF WILLIAMSON ) ( BE IT REMEMBERED that at 9:30 a.m. on this the 13th day of October A.D., 1998, 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  
Absent.....DAVID S. HAYS, Commissioner, Precinct 3  
JERRY L. MEHEVEC, Commissioner, Precinct 4  
EUGENE D. TAYLOR, County Attorney  
NANCY E. RISTER, County Clerk  
DAVID U. FLORES, County Auditor

AGENDA ITEM # 1

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Hear any interested person and consider forming the next agenda or adding items to today's agenda.

Ken Snyder addressed the court requesting Williamson County trench out a 15' public utility easement in Northridge Acres Subdivision. He felt a drainage problem caused by a water meter leak and contamination could be alleviated with the water flowing to a drainage ditch.

County Engineer Joe England reported originally a ditch did run along the rear lot lines leading out to our roadside ditch but landscaping over the years has blocked the drainage. Opening the ditch would not require a significant amount of time and work by Williamson County Unified Road System.

First Assistant County Attorney Dale Rye advised drainage work could not be accomplished by the county in a public utility easement unless it has been dedicated as a drainage easement. The county cannot go out to cure a private flooding problem. If the problem falls within a health and safety issue, the county could perform the task and bill the individual for the work.

Williamson County and Cities Health Department Environmental Division Director Paulo Pinto reported two on site visits to the problem area by his department but due to a spring being located on this property his department could not confirm the problem as a public health issue. He offered to take another look but if it is a water meter leak it will be difficult to prove a public health nuisance. Mr. Pinto suggested the water leak be repaired.

Commissioner Heiligenstein requested County Engineer Joe England contact ECO Resources, Inc. (335-7580) 9511 Ranch Road 620 North, Austin, Texas 78726, regarding water leak repair. ECO Resources, Inc. provides water to the Northridge Acres subdivision.

Tim Worthy of Coupland addressed the court requesting Williamson County build handicapped ramps with access to Coupland State Bank, United States Post Office and Old Coupland Inn Dance Hall and Tavern. First Assistant County Attorney Dale Rye brought pictures of the downtown Coupland area and advised someone was supposed to have performed a survey in Coupland to confirm the edge of county right-of-way. Coupland is platted but like Jarrell the location of the streets sometime does not comply absolutely with the dedication on the plat. The sidewalk is really not a sidewalk but a way of traveling from point "a" to point "b".