

AGENDA ITEM # 18May 25, 1999Consider approving rural fire protection contract for Thrall.

Moved: Commissioner Hays

Seconded: Judge Doerfler

Motion: To approve rural fire protection contract for Thrall.

Vote: Motion carried 4 - 0 with Commissioner Heiligenstein absent from the dais.

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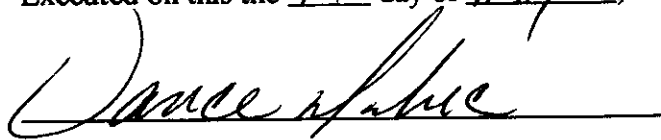
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COUNTY OF WILLIAMSON

THAT Williamson County, Texas (County), and the Thrall Volunteer Fire Department (Department), an incorporated volunteer fire department as describes in V.A.T.C., LOCAL GOVERNMENT CODE, 352.001(c), have entered into the following

AGREEMENT

1. Pursuant to its power to provide financial assistance for fire protection in and for Williamson County, and its duty to protect the public health and welfare, the County agrees to pay to the Department the sum of \$ 25,781.00, in two (2) payments. The first payment being made within the county has received a signed agreement accompanied by a detailed accounting of the past year's expenditures of the county allotment. The second payment will be disbursed on or before September 30, 1999. All funds are to be used to defray the cost of equipment and labor required to provide the services described in Paragraph 2.
2. The Department agrees to provide fire protection services in any area in the County when requested by any other fire company, or when dispatched by the County, and shall expend all of the amount set forth in Paragraph 1 for only these purposes during calendar year 1999.
3. It is understood by the City that the County cannot commit funds for any future fiscal year, and that this Agreement does not, and cannot, commit the County to renew or repeat this Agreement unless approved by future action of the Williamson County Commissioners' Court.
4. It is understood and agreed that the County has no power to control or supervise the manner and means chosen by the Department to carry out the services specified in Paragraph 2, and that the County shall have no liability for any intentional acts of the Department which are not related to the provision of said services. The Department further agrees to indemnify the County for any loss or expense (including but not limited to attorneys' fees) incurred as a result of any claim against the County by any person or entity, should such claim be based upon any intentional act or omission by the Department which is not related to the provision of the services described in Paragraph 2.

Executed on this the 14 day of MAY, 1999.


 5-25-99
Williamson County, Texas by
John C. Doerfler, by authority of
Williamson County

Thrall Volunteer Fire Dept.

P.O. Box 386
Thrall, Texas 76578



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*Any Questions Please Call
Willie Heizer (512) 898-2468
or
Vance Dubec (512) 898-2041
Thank You.*

Fire Chief
Vance Dubec

Fire Hall
(512) 898-5150

President
Terry Rohlack

Truck Fund

Oct 1st 1997 Balance

\$ 4989.91

Income:

Winson, Co. 2nd Payment of 1997 12,890.50
 For Fire Protection

Disbursements - Oct.

Devereaux Ent - Wet Water 512.76
 Hwy 99 Tire - 28.95

Nov

No Income:

Disbursements: Nov.

Gaugels - WH on Unit 603 342.72
 Hunt Ford Chem. 262.75

Dec.

No Income:

Disbursements:

Ins For Truck Units 955.00

Jan. 1998

No Income:

Disbursements Jan

Red Door Electronics	913.00
for Pagers	

Wayne Ireland - Supp.	180.00
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Gangels - Power-PK	204.00
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Feb. 1998

No Income:

Disbursements: Feb.

GT Sign w/ Hyper-1/2/p	269.50
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Mar. 1998

No Income:

Disbursements: Mar.

Gangels - W Hon Water Hauler	355.92
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Red Door Electronics -

Phone to for ^{unit} 600-603-602	900.00
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Rileys Tire - Batt dol	92.99
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ATT Phone Hook-ups ^{unit} 600-603	208.00
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Pro-Medic - Pulse Meter	606.02
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April 1998

No Income:

Disbursements - April

G.T. Distributors

Lites + Signs

3475.00

Red Door Elec. 450

456.50

Morris Radio

May 1998

No Income:

Disbursements: May

Taylor Fire - Extinguisher 65.00

G.T. Distributors -

Truck Equip

2345.58

June 1998

No Income:

Disbursements: June

Insurance for Truck Units 955.00

July 1998

Income:

12840.50

Wmsow Co. 1st payment of 1998
 For Fire Protection

Disbursements: July

ATT Wireless	193.84
Hartford Chem.	437.60
Car. Quest - Wipers	20.50

August 1998

No Income:

Disbursements: Aug.

Wileys Tire - Flats	57.40
Hicman Inc. Hydrant Wrench	154.75
Mik-H T Equip - 1 pr Bunkies	
Bats	75.00

Sept 1998
No Income:

Disbursements

Reunion Ins.	747.50
Initial Payment	
on New Pompano	
Truck	\$ 16,000.00

Balance and Income	30,720.91
Oct. 1 st 1997 - Thru	
Sept. 30 th 1998	

Disbursements Oct. 1 st 1997	30,815.61
Thru Sept. 30 th 1998	

Balance Sept 30 th 1998	-94.70
Truck Fund	

Statement Prepared by
Willie Hager Jr. - Treas.
Thall Vol. Fire Dept

AGENDA ITEM # 19**May 25, 1999**

Discuss and take any appropriate action on request from Texas Department of Health to refund portion of tobacco money to City of Austin.

Moved: Commissioner Boatright

Seconded: Judge Doerfler

Motion: To table this agenda item for one (1) week.

Vote: Motion carried 5 - 0

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William R. Archer III, M.D.
Commissioner of Health

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Patti J. Patterson, M.D., M.P.H.
Executive Deputy Commissioner

May 3, 1999

The Honorable John C. Doerfler
County Judge, Williamson County
710 Main Street
Georgetown, Texas 78626

Re: Tobacco Settlement Distribution

Dear Judge Doerfler:

The letter concerns the excess payment of \$43,163.66 that Williamson County received in January 1999 from the tobacco settlement proceeds. My correspondence to you dated February 11, 1999, included an explanation of the overpayment along with a request that Williamson County contact the Texas Department of Health (TDH) to arrange a refund.

Your check from the State of Texas included payment for 2,444 residents of Williamson County who also resided in the City of Austin, according to the 1990 federal census. TDH should have incorporated these individuals in the city's population for the tobacco settlement distribution.

The tobacco settlement specifies that political subdivisions with responsibility for providing health care to the general public are eligible for a share of the proceeds. Chapter 61 of the Texas Health and Safety Code makes public hospitals responsible for providing indigent care to the population within their boundaries. Since the City of Austin owns a public hospital, the 2,444 residents were the responsibility of the city, rather than the county.

Please be aware that the State of Texas will withhold the above overpayment from the next distribution of proceeds to Williamson County in April 2000, unless you have refunded this amount by that date. Feel free to have a member of your staff contact Mr. Joe Walton at (512) 458-7261 in the Bureau of State Health Data and Policy Analysis to discuss this matter.

Sincerely,

Susan K. Steeg

Susan K. Steeg
General Counsel

cc: The Honorable Kirk Watson
Mayor of Austin

Jesus Garza, City Manager
City of Austin

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