

**AGENDA ITEM 75****Comments from commissioners.**

Commissioner Heiligenstein advised Julie Lyon Wolff returned with information on managing groundwater resources from the Groundwater Planning Workshop at CAPCO Regional Training Academy on July 7, 2000.

Commissioner Limmer discussed county participation with WCID for brush control for the 57 dams located in the Brushy Creek Watershed in Williamson County. WCID will donate one-half the cost of a van and the commissioner has purchased tools and a trailer from his travel money. He suggested a five (5) day a week crew of inmates supervised by one officer to work for WCID, Soil and Water Conservation District and Williamson County. He advised the Sheriff's office could provide eight (8) inmates per day five (5) days a week.

Commissioner Limmer also discussed the possibility of building a satellite jail using the pod system (48 inmates with one supervisor). County Road 478 will be completed with Alcoa's fly ash and pit run gravel from recently developed eastern Williamson County pit decreasing the hauling fees. Fly ash, a substitute for cement, is environmentally safe and is what is left after the burning of coal.

Commissioner Heiligenstein met Monday evening July 10, 2000, with TNRCC Commissioner Ralph Marquez who is "Very intense about air quality".

Judge Doerfler advised \$48M and 54 new employees have been requested for the 2000/2001 budget.

**COMMISSIONERS COURT ADJOURNED AT 11:50 A.M. ON TUESDAY, JULY 11, 2000**