

AGENDA ITEM 32**Discuss and take appropriate action on issuance of tax anticipation notes.**

Dan Wegmiller addressed the court concerning the issuance of tax anticipation notes. He stated that the main difference between tax anticipation notes and certificates of obligation is that tax anticipation notes have to be paid off within seven years.

General discussion followed on a list of possible items to be funded with tax anticipation notes. (See attached list.)

Moved: **Commissioner Heiligenstein**

Motion: To table the agenda item until an explanation of each item can be obtained and reviewed.

Motion died for lack of a second.

Moved: **Commissioner Boatright**

Motion: To table this item until the court has a good number on the cost to finish out the jail.

Motion died for lack of second.

Human Resources Director John Willingham addressed the court concerning the issuance of tax anticipation notes in the amount of \$1,000,000 for payroll software. He stated that the need to commit funds for new software instead of support for the current software is unclear. He said that, although the current software has not always functioned at an acceptable level, he believes that it can be attributed to the underfunded and poorly managed initial implementation, a lack of database support, and a lack of interdepartmental cooperation. He said that he believes that the implementation of new software will be a long and complex process with major shortcomings and failures, as is common with a project of this magnitude.

Judge Doerfler stated that he had discussed the new payroll software with IT Director Jay Schade, and that Jay is comfortable with the new package, as well as with the projected cost of implementation.

County Auditor David Flores said that he does not agree that the current payroll software is working well. He stated that the ideal would be a fully integrated system, and noted that the outside auditors had made a note of some accounting problems with the payroll software.

County Treasurer Vivian Wood stated that Williamson County has been attempting to make the current software work for a period of four years. She said that money is being inappropriately processed due to problems with the Highline payroll system.

Moved: **Judge Doerfler**

Seconded: **Commissioner Boatright**

Motion: To adopt the schedule with the addition of \$860,000 to finish jail/courts annex building line for a total of \$8,860,000 for the jail/courts project, and a total issuance of \$25,000,000.

Judge Doerfler withdrew his motion.

Moved: **Judge Doerfler**

Seconded: **Commissioner Boatright**

Motion: To adopt the schedule as listed with the addition of \$860,000 to finish jail/courts annex building line for a total of \$8,860,000 for the jail/courts project, and a total issuance of \$25,000,000.

Vote: 4 – 1. **Commissioner Heiligenstein voted against the motion.**

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The following is a list of possible items to be included in any issuance of Tax Anticipation Notes

ISSUANCE OF TAX ANTICIPATION NOTES

1)	Finish Jail, Courts Annex, ect... Project	\$ 8,000,000.00
2)	Simulcast	\$ 6,000,000.00
3)	House of Hatten Property	\$ 3,250,000.00
4)	Remodeling of storage and additional office space, House of Hatten	\$ 1,500,000.00
5)	Completion of Farmers State Bank Building	\$ 350,000.00
6)	Correct air problems at Courts Annex	\$ 500,000.00
7)	Acquisition of Hewlett Property	\$ 725,000.00
8)	Acquisition of Granger facility	\$ 1,200,000.00
9)	Repairs to Granger facility	\$ 200,000.00 ?
10)	Additional money for completion of Phase 1, Regional Park	\$ 1,000,000.00 ?
11)	Oracle upgrade	\$ 200,000.00
12)	Oracle Payroll System implementation	\$ 1,000,000.00
13)	Kronos Payroll Upgrade (time clocks)	\$ 215,000.00

TOTAL

8,860,000 *jud*
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860
 25,000,000 *jud*

25,000,000⁰⁰

approved 5-21-02

John C. Doerflinger

AGENDA ITEM 33

Consider approving grant funds proposal for Bone Cave Harvestman habitat preserve.

Alan Glen addressed the court concerning the grant application. He stated that this grant application would offset a portion of the cost of the acquisition of the Mayfield Park and to provide a permanent karst preserve on the parkland of 70 to 100 acres. This would include permanent operation and maintenance of the preserve. The grant amount would be \$750,000 with a \$250,000 match from the county.

Moved: Commissioner Hays

Seconded: Commissioner Limmer

Motion: To approve grant funds proposal for the Bone Cave Harvestman habitat preserve.

Vote: 5 - 0

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