

AGENDA ITEM 39

Discuss previous action concerning Rabies Control Officer and take any appropriate action.

Mahlon Arnett addressed the court with a request to be reinstated as the Rabies Control Authority for Williamson County. He said that he has always followed what the law says, and has often asked for the advice of Dr. Beverlee Nix, the head of the Health Department Zoonosis Control for this region.

Commissioner Limmer stated that some owners of domestic animals that had bitten someone were not confining their animals properly.

Sgt. Mike Gleason stated that the Sheriff's Office wanted to standardize the procedures so that they have the responsibility for picking up the animal, responsibility for dispensing information to the citizen, and responsibility for the outcome of the situation.

Mr. Arnett shared his concern that Animal Control may not be impounding the animals quickly enough, and feels that one disagreement in the last year does not constitute good reason to replace him as the Rabies Control Authority.

Judge Doerfler asked Commissioner Limmer to meet with Mr. Arnett and Sgt. Gleason to discuss the issue.

AGENDA ITEM 40

Discuss and consider setting date to receive bids for the Courts Annex Expansion.

No action was taken on this agenda item, which will be added to the September 3, 2002 agenda.

AGENDA ITEM 41

Discuss and take appropriate action on jail/courthouse annex expansion.

No action was taken on this agenda item.

AGENDA ITEM 42

Discuss and take appropriate action on the road bond program.

No action was taken on this agenda item.

AGENDA ITEM 43

Discuss and consider a resolution authorizing the County Judge to execute and submit a Petition of Travis and Williamson Counties for approval for a Regional Mobility Authority.

No action was taken on this agenda item, which will be added to the September 3, 2002 agenda.

AGENDA ITEM 44

Consider entering into a contract with Hickory Pass LP to purchase golden-cheeked warbler habitat from the Hickory Pass Ranch mitigation bank.

The contract with Hickory Pass is in the amount of \$582,500 for 116.5 acres of the mitigation bank. It will satisfy the requirements of the Endangered Species Act, and will cover the Farmer Lane Extension from Leander Road to SH 29.

Moved: Commissioner Hays

Seconded: Commissioner Heiligenstein

Motion: To approve a contract with Hickory Pass, L. P., to purchase golden-cheeked warbler habitat from the Hickory Pass Ranch mitigation bank.

Vote: 5 – 0