

AGENDA ITEM 17

Hear presentation from Paul Linehan regarding the Williamson County Regional Park.

Paul Linehan stated that the dedication of the park has been postponed from February 22, 2003 until March 29, 2003.

No action was taken on this agenda item.

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Consider allocating money from Tobacco Fund for Lawnmower Exchange Program in Williamson County.

Commissioner Heiligenstein stated that this was a community outreach program that has been utilized in other counties. He suggested since this program relates to air quality, that using allocated money from the Tobacco Fund to support Williamson County's participation in this program would be appropriate. He mentioned that one hour of using a gas powered lawnmower is equal to sixty miles of driving a car.

The program cost of \$8,000 would provide for the lawn mower discount, advertising and all costs associated with the event, which would be held at Home Depot in Round Rock. Scott Johnson from Environmental Strategies would be the person contracted to stage the event. A citizen who wanted to trade in a gas powered lawn mower for an electric lawnmower would receive a rebate from Home Depot.

Moved: **Commissioner Heiligenstein**

Seconded: **Commissioner Boatright**

Motion: To approve allocating \$8,000 from the Tobacco Fund for a Lawnmower Exchange Program in Williamson County.

Vote: 4 – 0. **Commissioner Hays** was absent from the dais.

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