

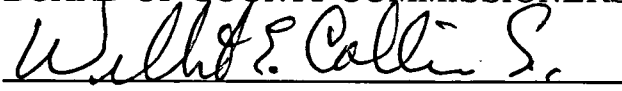
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without repeated incidences of problems with the dogs undergoing training. He reported that he had observed the training for two hours on the prior Saturday and found everything, including the dogs, under extreme control. He had received no complaints but had received many emails in support of the organization. Dick asked Bales how many complaints he had received who responded three or four during the last 18 years, only one prior to January 2003. That incident related to a Parks Maintenance person who was nipped by a dog as he was performing his duties. Dick expressed that he was concerned as to what has transpired to now create a problem. He has gathered that a different person now resides in the vicinity. He stated that Oklahoma has no dog leash law and that Tulsa County has left decisions regarding this kind of activity to the discretion of the Parks Director. He recommended that a policy be issued with some specificity as to what the process would be when groups like this organization request use of a County Park. Miller reported that she has received three complaints. She is curious as to why signs are in the park stating that dogs must remain on leashes and certain groups are exempt from this requirement. Miller encouraged Collins and Dick to hear from the complaining parties since they've only heard from the supporting side prior to issuing a policy. Collins requested the public hearing scheduled for the BOCC June 16 agenda be deferred until he and Dick had spoken with the Park neighbors who are complaining. Collins requested Bales to convene meetings for him and Dick to hear from the complaining parties. Wilkening stated he will not draft any policy until receiving further direction from the Chair.

Crowe reported on the "4-to-Fix the County" projects. The financial side is still in good condition on sales tax yield versus bond required payments. The following road construction start dates have been projected: construction E. 76 Street N - September 2003; W. 51 Street S - *revised* September 2003; E. 131 Street S - *revised* September 2003; S. Peoria Avenue - September 2003; W. 41 Street S - December 2003; W. 91 Street S - *revised* August 2003; E. 121 Street S - September 2003; S. Garnett Road South Phase - *revised* February 2004; S. 193 E. Ave - November 2003. Parks projects progress includes: LaFortune Championship Golf Course is scheduled for reopening in mid-July. Flood mitigation project progress includes: the Corps of Engineers continues to make significant progress and the study remains on schedule; Jordan presented a draft letter to join the FEMA Cooperating Technical Partner program, this program would put the County more in control of its own flood plains rather than FEMA. The letter will be finalized and sent by the Chairman to FEMA. No report was given on Expo Square projects.

The meeting adjourned at 11:03 a.m.

BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS


Wilbert E. Collins, Sr., Chairman

ATTEST:


Earlene Wilson, County Clerk

(DETAILS OF THE ABOVE ARE AVAILABLE IN THE OFFICE OF THE COUNTY CLERK.)