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MAXIMUM JAIL TIME FOR FLASHER

On Thursday, June 27, 2013, Ollie Ray Hines, 26, of Red Oak, was sentenced to a maximum sentence of 180 days in county jail for two charges of indecent exposure. Hines entered a plea of, "Guilty," to both charges, and he requested that the Court assess punishment after a presentation of evidence from both the prosecution and the defense. Assistant County & District Attorney Seth McCloskey argued that the evidence supported a maximum sentence. Judge Gene Calvert, Ellis County Court at Law #2, sentenced Hines to six months in the Ellis County jail.

On two separate occasions, May 11, 2012, and June 26, 2012, Hines was driving in a Red Oak neighborhood and approached his victims while they were walking outside. Hines asked each of his victims for directions to a local grocery store. He then exposed his genitals to the women as they approached his vehicle. Both victims, who testified at the hearing, said they were deeply disturbed by Hines' behavior and they requested the court to render the maximum sentence. After the hearing, McCloskey said, "Every woman should feel safe in her own neighborhood and not have to worry about this sort of thing happening to them. Today's sentence is an excellent reminder that we will not tolerate this behavior in our community."



Hines