

February 18, 1919.

Minutes of the Second and Adjourned Twenty-first Regular Monthly Session of the State Highway Commission, with the following members present:

Curtis Hancock, Chairman
 R. M. Hubbard, Commissioner of Construction
 C. S. Fowler, Commissioner of Registration
 Geo. A. Duren, State Highway Engineer.

The following business was transacted:

Motion by Mr. Fowler, seconded by Mr. Hubbard, that the matter of designation for Matagorda and Brazoria Counties be taken under consideration. Motion carried.

Motion by Mr. Hubbard, seconded by Mr. Fowler, that the designation for Goliad, Dewitt and Bee Counties be taken under advisement. Motion carried.

Motion by Mr. Fowler, seconded by Mr. Hubbard, that the application of DEWITT County for additional Federal Aid on Highway Number 29 be granted in the sum of \$5,174.44, making the sum total Federal Aid granted \$40,000, beginning at Cuero, thence to the Dewitt County line, not to exceed fifty per cent of the contract. Motion carried.

Motion by Mr. Hubbard, seconded by Mr. Fowler, that the petition of the County Judge of BRAZORIA County for designation of a road beginning at Rosenberg and extending south through Damon, West Columbia, Brazoria, Freeport and Quintana, be deferred for consideration. Motion carried.

Motion by Mr. Fowler, seconded by Mr. Hubbard, that the application for designation from Angleton, to Bay City, to Edna, be considered in connection with the application from Bay City. Motion carried.

Motion by Mr. Fowler, seconded by Mr. Hubbard, that the application for a designation of highway from Greenville to Terrell be taken under advisement. Motion carried.

Motion by Mr. Hubbard, seconded by Mr. Fowler, that the designation of the State Highway between Johnson City, Blanco and New Braunfels, be taken under consideration. Motion carried.

The Commission went into executive session and passed the following resolutions, each with the proviso that Congress shall make available additional Federal funds:-

Motion by Mr. Hubbard, seconded by Mr. Fowler, that the application of SAN PATRICIO County for Federal Aid on East and West branches of Highway Number Nine be granted not to exceed the sum of \$100,000, and not to exceed fifty per cent of the contract. Motion carried.

Motion by Mr. Fowler, seconded by Mr. Hubbard, that the application of BLANCO and COMAL Counties for a designation from Johnson City to New Braunfels be postponed for future action, and that the Engineer be requested to send a Division Engineer to make a report on the advisability of same. Motion carried.

Motion by Mr. Hubbard, seconded by Mr. Fowler, that the following resolution be passed:-

"WHEREAS, TRAVIS County, HAYES County, BLANCO County and GILLESPIE County, have made application to the Highway Commission for the purpose of financing the Austin-Gillespie Branch of Highway Number 3-A in various sums; and

"WHEREAS, the Highway Commission is desirous of assisting each of said counties in the construction of said highway as a unit by making allotments of Federal Aid funds to said counties on said highway;

"THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the State Highway Commission hereby allots to TRAVIS County on said highway out of Federal Aid the sum of \$18,000; to said HAYES County on said highway the sum of \$30,000; to BLANCO County on said highway the sum of \$50,000; and resolved further that out of the allotment of \$100,000, together with former allotments to GILLESPIE County amounting to the sum total of \$132,500, the sum of \$24,000 shall be considered allotted out of the general appropriation to Gillespie County heretofore granted, not to exceed the sum of \$24,000, and that the four counties named shall comprise one project to be divided into sections of said highway lying in each of said counties. Further conditioned that this money be not available to any of these projects until the four counties have the funds available for completing the projects; And it is further ordered by the Commission that this entire project is a unit, and that the failure of any one county to finance its portion of said project shall forfeit the appropriations to the other counties along said highway." Motion carried.

Motion by Mr. Fowler, seconded by Mr. Hubbard, that the application of WOOD County for Federal Aid on Highways Numbers 37 and 15 in said County be granted, not to exceed the sum of \$105,000, to be apportioned on said highways in the following manner, to wit: On Highway Number 37 in the sum of \$41,500, and on Highway Number 15 in the sum of \$63,500, and not to exceed fifty per cent of the contract, from county line to county line on each project. Motion carried.

Motion by Mr. Hubbard, seconded by Mr. Fowler, that the following resolution be passed:

"WHEREAS, SMITH County is now proposing a county wide bond issue in a sufficient amount, for the purpose of building a system of highways for the entire county, to be expended on state designated highways; and

"WHEREAS, the State Highway Commission is desirous of encouraging the further building of hard-surfaced roads on said state designated highways in Smith County;

"THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the State Highway Commission, that in consideration of the voters of Smith County authorizing the issuance of a county bond issue in a sufficient amount, the State Highway Commission allots and grants to Smith County Federal Aid in the sum of \$200,000, in lieu of all former grants heretofore made, conditioned, however, upon the Congress of the United States making available further Federal Aid as now proposed in measures pending in Congress." Motion carried.

Motion by Mr. Fowler, seconded by Mr. Hubbard, that the application of LEE County for Federal Aid on Highway Number 21 be granted not to exceed the sum of \$50,000. Motion carried.

Motion by Mr. Hubbard, seconded by Mr. Fowler, that the application of WICHITA County for Federal Aid be granted in the sum of \$200,000, including the unexpended balance of Federal Aid heretofore granted by the State Highway Commission. Motion carried.

Motion by Mr. Fowler, seconded by Mr. Hubbard, that all State Aid heretofore granted to WICHITA County be and the same is hereby cancelled. Motion carried.

Motion by Mr. Hubbard, seconded by Mr. Fowler, that Highway Number 19 be further designated, beginning at Angleton, thence to Bay City, thence to Midfield, thence to Palacios, to be known as Highway Number 19-A. Motion carried.

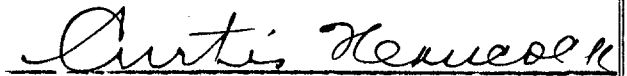
Motion by Mr. Fowler, seconded by Mr. Hubbard, that the application of COLLIN County for Federal Aid on Highway Number 5, from county line to county line be granted, not to exceed the sum of \$100,000, and not to exceed fifty per cent of the contract. Motion carried.

(Above grant being on Dallas Branch of Number 5)

Motion by Mr. Hubbard, seconded by Mr. Fowler, that the application for an additional designation of a highway from Cuero to Beeville, and from Cuero to Kenedy, be postponed for further consideration, and that the State Highway Engineer be requested to send a Division Engineer for an inspection of the respective routes, and make a report for the consideration of the Commission. Motion carried.

Motion by Mr. Fowler, seconded by Mr. Hubbard, that the Commission order 50,000 additional automobile seals. Motion carried.

The Commission adjourned until February 19th, 1919.


Chairman

Attest:


State Highway Engineer