

April 24th, 1919.

Minutes of the Third and Adjourned Twenty-Third Regular Monthly Meeting of the State Highway Commission, held in the State Office Building, with the following members present:

R. M. Hubbard, Chairman of the Commission,
C. N. Avery, Commissioner of Construction,
C. S. Fowler, Commissioner of Registration,
George A. Duren, State Highway Engineer.

The following business was transacted:

Motion by Mr. Avery, seconded by Mr. Fowler that State Highway No. 44 be designated, beginning at Giddings, thence to Rockdale, thence to Cameron, thence through Falls county to Waco, same to be known as "The Sap Route"; conditioned that no Aid shall be granted Falls county on said highway until said county provides for the reimbursement of the State Highway Department on Highway No. 2. Motion carried.

Motion by Mr. Fowler, seconded by Mr. Avery that the designation of a highway from Temple to Groesbeck, through Marlin be deferred. Motion carried.

Motion by Mr. Avery, seconded by Mr. Fowler that the application of Van Zandt county for additional Aid be deferred. Motion carried.

Motion by Mr. Fowler, seconded by Mr. Avery that \$165,000 Federal Aid be granted Camp county, making the total allotment of Federal Aid to said county \$200,000, not to exceed 40 per cent of the contract and conditioned upon the passage of the proposed bond issue of \$500,000. Motion carried.

Motion by Mr. Avery, seconded by Mr. Fowler that the application of Shelby county for designations be deferred. Motion carried.

Motion by Mr. Fowler, seconded by Mr. Avery that Shelby county be granted \$200,000 Federal Aid, conditioned upon the passage of a bond issue of \$950,000 and not to exceed 25 per cent of the contract. Motion carried.

Motion by Mr. Avery, seconded by Mr. Fowler that Taylor county be granted \$17,000 Federal Aid on Highway No. 7, not to exceed 33-1/3 per cent of the contract. Motion carried.

Motion by Mr. Fowler, seconded by Mr. Avery that Milan county be granted \$125,000 Federal Aid, not to exceed 25 per cent of the contract, and conditioned upon the passage of a bond issue of not less than \$355,000. Motion carried.

Motion by Mr. Avery, seconded by Mr. Fowler that all former grants to Webb county be canceled. Motion carried.

Motion by Mr. Fowler, seconded by Mr. Avery that Webb county be granted \$100,000 Federal Aid, conditioned upon the passage of a \$300,000 bond issue and not to exceed 25 per cent of the contract. Motion carried.

Motion by Mr. Avery, seconded by Mr. Fowler that the minutes of March 20th, 1919, granting \$50,000 on No. 20, in Llano county, from the Burnet county line to the Mason county line, 1/3 of contract, be amended so as to read not exceeding 50 per cent of the contract. Motion carried. (Federal Aid.)

Motion by Mr. Fowler, seconded by Mr. Avery that the following resolution be adopted:

WHEREAS, the supervision of State and Federal Aid necessitates the expenditure of funds allotted for highway construction; therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED, by the State Highway Commission of the State of Texas that pursuant to the Acts of Congress and of the Texas Legislature heretofore passed, the State Highway Commission hereby appropriates and allots out of each State and Federal Aid allotment an amount equivalent to two per cent of the total estimated cost of said projects, which sum is hereby declared deducted from all such allotments of State and Federal Aid for the purpose of covering necessary engineering supervision by the State Highway Department, its employes and representatives. The net amount of State and Federal Aid allotments, exclusive of engineering supervision shall be the balance of said apportionments after the deduction of said two per cent of the actual cost of construction.

The resolution was unanimously adopted.

Motion by Mr. Avery, seconded by Mr. Fowler that the following resolution be adopted:

WHEREAS, it has come to the attention of the State Highway Commission that certain road building materials are sold under trade agreements with territory restrictions and exclusive rights in said territories to favored contractors; therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED, by the State Highway Commission of the State of Texas that the Highway Commission is opposed to entering into contracts wherein materials are purchased under such agreement; and,

WHEREAS, it is earnestly desired by the State Highway Commission that open and free competition be secured; therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED, that contracts made in the execution of which materials are purchased in violation of the Laws of Texas and of the United States shall be declared void, and the State Highway Commission hereby warns persons and corporations that parties so offending will be vigorously prosecuted.

The resolution was unanimously adopted.

Motion by Mr. Fowler, seconded by Mr. Avery that the following resolution be adopted:

BE IT RESOLVED by the State Highway Commission of the State of Texas, that inasmuch as it is made to appear to the Highway Commission that the recommendation of the Commissioners' Court of Jefferson county proposes to let the contract on bids based on specifications not in conformity with those approved by the State Highway Department; therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED that the State Highway Commission does not approve the letting of contract and recommends readvertisement of a letting of said projects.

The resolution was unanimously adopted.

Motion by Mr. Avery, seconded by Mr. Fowler that Brazoria county be granted \$100,000 Federal Aid, not to exceed 25 per cent of the contract and conditioned upon the passage of the proposed bond issues. Motion carried.

Motion by Mr. Avery, seconded by Mr. Fowler that all former grants to Fort Bend county be canceled. Motion carried.

Motion by Mr. Fowler, seconded by Mr. Avery that Fort Bend county be granted \$200,000 Federal Aid, not to exceed 25 per cent of the contract and conditioned upon the passage of the proposed bond issues. Motion carried.

Motion by Mr. Avery, seconded by Mr. Fowler that Crane and Ector counties be granted \$30,000 State Aid for the construction of Highway No. 1, from the Ward county line through Crane and Ector counties, extending a distance of 4.8 miles northeast. Motion carried.

Motion by Mr. Fowler, seconded by Mr. Avery that 4.9 miles of Highway No. 1, in Ector county, beginning at a point 4.8 miles northeast of the Ward county line and extending to the east boundary line of Ector county be constructed by the State Highway Commission, from the automobile license fees, which are now retained by the county, the cost of construction not to exceed \$60,000. Motion carried.

motion by Mr. Avery, seconded by Mr. Fowler that the following resolution be adopted:

WHEREAS, it has been brought to the attention of the State Highway Commission that Dallas county is proposing a bond issue in the munificent sum of six and one-half million dollars for the purpose of constructing a uniform system of highways through that county, connecting up with other systems of highways in contiguous counties, and

WHEREAS, it is with pleasure that we recognize this as the most ambitious and well thought out scheme as a county-wide system yet proposed within this State and presents a model from which others may pattern; therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED, that the State Highway Commission hereby congratulates the Commissioners' Court of Dallas county in ordering this election and heartily commends the Board of Engineers who devised the plan and bespeaks for the progressive citizens of Dallas our very great interest in their laudable ambition and trust that the wisdom of the plan may appeal to the intelligence of the voters and that they shall ratify it at the polls in the coming election.

The resolution was unanimously adopted.

Motion by Mr. Avery, seconded by Mr. Fowler that the application of Grimes county for two highways be deferred and that the State Highway Engineer be requested to send a Division Engineer to make an inspection of these routes and report at the May meeting of the State Highway Commission. Motion carried.

Motion by Mr. Fowler, seconded by Mr. Avery that Menard county be granted \$60,000 Federal Aid, conditioned upon the passage of a \$165,000 bond issue and not to exceed 25 per cent of the contract. Motion carried.

Motion by Mr. Avery, seconded by Mr. Fowler that Federal Aid be granted Freestone county not to exceed \$800.00 on No. 32, from Fairfield south seven miles. Motion carried.

Motion by Mr. Hubbard, seconded by Mr. Fowler that the following changes be made in the pay roll:

Ethel Wood Roberdeau, Asst. Chief Clerk, reduced from \$105 to \$100, beginning May 1st, 1919.

Eloise Thatcher, File Clerk, increased from \$75.00 to \$80.00, beginning April 1st, 1919.

Ada Routt, Asst. Bookkeeper, increased from \$65.00 to \$80.00, beginning April 1st, 1919.

Howard Randolph, Cost Clerk at \$80.00 transferred to position of Mimeograph Clerk and increased from \$80.00 to \$90.00, beginning April 1st, 1919.

Lela Mann, Mail Clerk, increased from \$75.00 to \$80.00, beginning April 1st, 1919.

J. D. Randolph, Store Room Clerk, increased from \$65 to \$75, beginning April 1st, 1919.

N. K. Brown, Registration Clerk, increased from \$150.00 to \$175.00, beginning April 1st, 1919.

Eura Martin, Stenographer, increased from \$85 to \$90, beginning April 1st, 1919.

R. W. Buddington, Asst. Registration Clerk, increased from \$85 to \$90, beginning April 1st, 1919.

Verdi Caro, Asst. Cashier, increased from \$70 to \$75, beginning April 1st, 1919.

J. W. Cawfield, Clerk, increased from \$75 to \$85, beginning April 1st, 1919.

Erna Galbreath, Stenographer, increased from \$75 to \$80, beginning April 1st, 1919.

City Prewitt, Stenographer, increased from \$65 to \$70, beginning April 1st, 1919.

Francis Polhemus, Typist, increased from \$65 to \$70, beginning April 1st, 1919.

Thelma Davis, Typist, increased from \$65 to \$70, beginning April 1st, 1919.

Madaline Burland, Typist, increased from \$65, to \$70, beginning April 1st, 1919.

Mrs. M. H. Bradfield, Transfer Clerk, increased from \$75 to \$80, beginning April 1st, 1919.

Mrs. R. Petri, Asst. Cashier, increased from \$70 to \$80, beginning April 1st, 1919.

Katie Johnson, Clerk, increased from \$65 to \$70, beginning April 1st, 1919.

Mrs. M. McPherson, Clerk, increased from \$65 to \$70, beginning April 1st, 1919.

Mildred Davenport, Clerk, increased from \$65 to \$70, beginning April 1st, 1919.

Mrs. C. Sanford, Clerk, increased from \$65, to \$70, beginning April 1st, 1919.

Mrs. Ione Whitlock, Clerk, increased from \$65 to \$70, beginning April 1st, 1919.

Elizabeth Bishop, Clerk, increased from \$65 to \$70, beginning April 1st, 1919.

Vivian Franklin, Clerk, increased from \$65 to \$70, beginning April 1st, 1919.

Jonnie Moore, Clerk, increased from \$55 to \$65, beginning April 1st, 1919.

Mrs. H. Leberman, Clerk, increased from \$65 to \$70, beginning April 1st, 1919.

James P. Nash, Chief Office Engineer, increased from \$200 to \$225, beginning April 1st, 1919.

Wm. B. Logan, Draftsman, increased from \$125 to \$135, beginning April 1st, 1919.

R. C. Lunsford, Jr., increased from \$120 to \$125, beginning April 1st, 1919.

Mrs. Fay Powell, Checker, increased from \$70 to \$80, beginning April 1st, 1919.

E. C. Connor, Division Engineer, increased from \$200 to \$225, beginning April 1st, 1919.

W. M. Fooshee, Division Engineer, increased from \$200 to \$225, beginning April 1st, 1919.

Geo. G. Wickline, Bridge Engineer, increased from \$225 to \$250, beginning April 1st, 1919.

Willis Carson, Supt. S. & F. A. Projects, increased from \$150 to \$200, beginning April 1st, 1919.

Mae Hearn, Stenographer, increased from \$80 to \$90, beginning April 1st, 1919.

Bertha Johnson, Stenographer, increased from \$80 to \$90, beginning April 1st, 1919.

Agnes Sheldon, Stenographer, increased from \$65 to \$75, beginning April 1st, 1919.

A. G. Ruff, Checker, increased from \$75 to \$85, beginning April 1st, 1919.

J. S. Gresham, Draftsman, increased from \$75 to \$85, beginning April 1st, 1919.

Mrs. J. T. Robison, Jr. added to the pay roll, at \$65.

W. W. Stewart, Draftsman, added to the pay roll, beginning April 1st, at \$90.00.

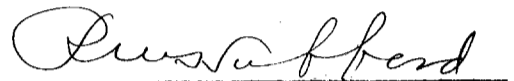
J. R. Abney, Division Engineer, added to the pay roll, beginning May 1st, at \$200.00.

W. A. Oberchain, Division Engineer, added to the pay roll, beginning May 1st, at \$200.00.

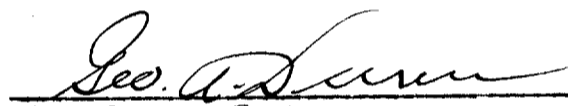
Jake Block, Division Engineer, added to the pay roll, beginning May 1st, at \$200.00.

- O. G. Beckman, Draftsman, added to the pay roll,
beginning April 2nd, at \$75.00.
J. D. Miller, Draftsman, transferred to the position of
Chief Draftsman and his salary increased from \$125
to \$150 per month.

There being no further business to come before the Commission,
adjournment was taken until the Regular Monthly Meeting in May.


Chairman

Attest:


State Highway Engineer .