

December 15, 1919.

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

R. M. Hubbard, Chairman,
C. N. Avery, Commissioner of Construction,
C. S. Fowler, Commissioner of Registration,
Rollen J. Windrow, State Highway Engineer.

The following business was transacted:

Motion by Mr. Fowler, seconded by Mr. Avery that the \$5,691.03 State aid granted Jasper county on Highway No. 8, August 19th, 1919 be transferred to Highway No. 7, from the city limits of Jasper, thence east one mile to the Santa Fe Depot. Motion carried.

Motion by Mr. Avery, seconded by Mr. Fowler that the motion of May 20th, 1919, granting \$6,000 State aid to Harris county on 4-1/4 miles of No. 12, not to exceed 25 per cent, be changed to read \$10,259.23 on No. 12, not to exceed 25 per cent of the cost of construction, leaving a balance of \$4,740.00 unapportioned. Motion carried.

Motion by Mr. Avery, seconded by Mr. Fowler that \$3,087.70 of the \$15,000 State aid granted Harris county November 19th, 1917 on No. 12 be made to apply on that portion between the Southern Pacific Railroad and the Port Bend county line, leaving a balance of \$1653.07 unapportioned. Motion carried.

Motion by Mr. Fowler, seconded by Mr. Avery that the \$1,653.07 State aid on Highway No. 12, in Harris county, which is unapportioned be allotted to Highway No. 3, on 3.12 miles between Sheldon and Cross Roads. Motion carried.

Motion by Mr. Avery, seconded by Mr. Fowler that \$1,082.29 of the \$35,000 State aid granted on No. 3, March 18th, 1918 be transferred to 3.12 miles of No. 3, between Sheldon and Cross Roads, making the total allotment to this portion of State Highway No. 3 \$2,736.36. Motion carried.

Motion by Mr. Avery, seconded by Mr. Fowler that Falls county be granted \$5,000 Federal aid on 1-1/2 miles of No. 2, the Galveston Branch, Big Creek bottom, between Marlin and Reagan. Motion carried.

Motion by Mr. Fowler, seconded by Mr. Avery that the \$200,000 Federal aid previously granted Limestone county be apportioned as follows: \$92,600 to Highway No. 7, from the McLennan county line to the Freestone county line, excluding the sections of this highway that lie within the town of Mexia and also between Stations 237 and 402 in Road District No. 4; \$48,000 to Highway No. 14 between the south bank of the Navasota River to the Freestone county line, excluding that portion of the road that lies within the city limits of Mexia; the balance of \$59,400 to Highway No. 14, beginning at the south bank of the Navasota River and extending to the Falls county line. The above allotments of aid to be divided among the various sections of these highways as indicated on the map now on file in the office of the State Highway Department. Motion carried.

Motion by Mr. Hubbard, seconded by Mr. Fowler that the recommendation of the Engineers be adopted and the Southern Route for Highway No. 11 in Harrison county be selected. Motion carried, Mr. Hubbard and Mr. Fowler voting for the recommendation of the Engineers and Mr. Avery against.

Motion by Mr. Fowler, seconded by Mr. Avery that the \$50,000 State aid previously granted Aransas county for the construction of a causeway across Copano Bay be canceled and \$50,000 Federal aid, not to exceed 50 per cent be granted on Highway No. 12, from Rockport to Bayside. Motion carried.

Motion by Mr. Avery, seconded by Mr. Fowler that the \$200,000 Federal aid heretofore granted Orange county be definitely allotted to that portion of Highway No. 3, beginning at the west city limits of the city of Orange and extending west as far as the sum of \$400,000 will construct a concrete paved road sixteen feet in width, with the provision that the Commissioners' Court of Orange county enter into an agreement to set aside the sum of \$200,000 in addition to the \$200,000 that is required to pay one-half of the cost of construction of the above mentioned section of road, for the purpose of constructing the balance of the Highway in Orange county of the same type after more funds become available for allotment to Orange county by the State Highway Commission and after the said allotment has been made by the said Commission to said county. Motion carried.

Motion by Mr. Fowler, seconded by Mr. Avery that Milan county be granted \$14,500 on State Highway No. 44, not to exceed 25 per cent, to be deducted from the \$80,000 allotment of Jan. 18, 1919, from Cameron to the Falls county line north. Motion carried. (F. A.)

Motion by Mr. Avery, seconded by Mr. Fowler that Milan county be granted additional Federal aid on FAP No. 103, Highway No. 36-a, to the amount of \$6,892.77, making a total of \$26,892.77, not to exceed fifty per cent of the contract, and that said \$6,892.77 be deducted from grant of \$80,000. Motion carried.

Motion by Mr. Fowler, seconded by Mr. Avery that the 25 per cent clause be eliminated from the minutes of April 22, 1919, and that the \$200,000 Federal aid be applied to Highway No. 1, in Parker county, from county line to county line, provided that the county will finance the construction of Highway No. 10 should said highway be definitely located through Parker county. Motion carried.

Motion by Mr. Avery, seconded by Mr. Fowler that the 25 per cent clause be eliminated from the minutes of March 19th, 1919, Kaufman county, and that \$62,000 Federal aid be applied on Highway No. 15, in Precinct No. 3, from the Van Landt county line to Big Brushy Creek, said \$62,000 to be deducted from grant of \$200,000. Motion carried.

Motion by Mr. Fowler, seconded by Mr. Avery that the following order of procedure in the construction of State Highway No. 12, in Cameron county be carried out: Beginning at the north city limits of Brownsville construct as many miles in the direction of Harlingen of a permanent type of road, approved by the State Highway Department, as can be constructed with \$113,000.00; beginning at the south city limits of Harlingen construct the same type of road in the direction of Brownsville, costing the same amount of money; the money used to consist of the \$113,333.33 State and Federal aid granted by the State Highway Commission and the same amount of county funds; conditioned that the uncompleted portion of the road between the above stretches and from Harlingen to the Hidalgo line be graded by the local commission out of the road and bridge fund of the county; and that the

remaining portion of county bond funds needed for the completion of said highway be placed in the bank until more Federal or State aid is available to assist in its construction. Motion carried.

Motion by Mr. Avery, seconded by Mr. Fowler that the Federal aid on Highway No. 2 in Comal county be increased from \$52,559.77 to \$56,584.77, not to exceed 50 per cent.

Motion by Mr. Fowler, seconded by Mr. Avery that State aid on Highway No. 2 in Comal county be increased from \$26,279.88 to \$28,292.14, not to exceed 25 per cent and conditioned that the amount of this entire appropriation shall be deducted from any future allotments to Comal county.

There being no further business to come before the Commission, adjournment was taken until Tuesday morning, December 16th.

Chairman

Attest:

State Highway Engineer.