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Minutes of the Ninety-eighth Regular Meeting of the State Highway Commission, held in the State Office Building, with the following members present:

Hal Moseley, Chairman  
John M. Cage, Member

Motion by Mr. Cage, seconded by Mr. Moseley that the Highway Engineer be instructed to advertise for bids on F.A.P. 52-D, Highway No. 1, between Baird and Clyde, in Callahan County. Motion carried.

Motion by Mr. Cage, seconded by Mr. Moseley that the State Highway Engineer be instructed to advertise for bids on Job 96-A, in Hale County, consisting of a bridge on Highway No. 9 between Hale Center and Plainview. Motion carried.

Motion by Mr. Cage, seconded by Mr. Moseley that the State Highway Engineer be instructed to work out with Judge A. G. Wynnee, of Kaufman, Texas, satisfactory franchise for location of poles and power lines along and across the highways of Kaufman County. Motion carried.

Motion by Mr. Cage, seconded by Mr. Moseley that Lubbock County be granted \$8,141.99 aid to be used for paving .452 miles of Highway No. 7 in the town of Slaton, provided Federal Aid at the rate of fifteen thousand dollars per mile can be secured. This aid is granted anticipating that Lubbock County will improve this road to a high type in the immediate future and this will be a link in the highway. Motion carried.

Motion by Mr. Cage, seconded by Mr. Moseley that the State Highway Engineer be instructed to write the Division Engineer that as soon as the designation from Mabelle in Baylor County to Vernon, in Wilbarger County complies with the requirements that this office be notified and for him to include in his 1927 maintenance budget the maintenance of this road. Motion carried.

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Motion by Mr. Cage, seconded by Mr. Moseley that Liberty County be granted \$56,000.00 or not to exceed 50% aid for the construction of Highway No. 61 from Devers to the Chambers County line, and that the county be given credit for the expenditures previously made, the aid to be available in 1927. Motion carried.

Motion by Mr. Cage, seconded by Mr. Moseley that \$20,000.00 per mile in aid be granted to Tarrant County for the construction of each of the highways No. 1 and No. 10 from the east end of F.A.P. 42 eastward towards the city of Fort Worth, a total distance of approximately 2.8 miles. If Tarrant County so desires this may be applied to one location and the road made proportionately wider as they may determine. This contemplates a total allotment of \$112,000.00 aid, to be available in 1927. Motion carried.

Motion by Mr. Cage, seconded by Mr. Moseley that Cass County be granted \$57,000.00 aid for the construction of six miles of Highway No. 48 from a point five miles west of Atlanta to Linden. Motion carried.

Motion by Mr. Cage, seconded by Mr. Moseley that Highway No. 77 be extended from Douglasville to Atlanta, in Cass County, subject to the usual designation requirements. Motion carried.

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Motion by Mr. Cage, seconded by Mr. Moseley that Marion County be granted \$15,655.89 additional aid to be applied to the construction on Sections A, B, C & D of Highway No. 8, contracts for which are this day approved. Motion carried.

Motion by Mr. Cage, seconded by Mr. Moseley that the action of the Commissioners' Court of Marion County in awarding contracts to the low bidder, J. F. Dexter, on F.A.P. 306-C, Highway No. 8, consisting of 7.67 miles bituminous surfacing, at \$80,013.33; on F.A.P. 306-A, Unit 11, consisting of 3.56 miles bituminous surfacing on Highway No. 8, at \$39,574.83; and on F.A.P. 306-B, Unit 11, consisting of .09 miles bituminous surfacing on Highway No. 8, at \$784.00, be approved by the Commission. This action recommended by the State Highway Engineer and concurred in by P. H. Everett, of the Bureau of Public Roads. This award is made with the understanding that no State Aid will be available until 1927. Motion carried.

Motion by Mr. Cage, seconded by Mr. Moseley that the action of the Commissioners' Court of Marion County in awarding contract on S.A.P. 338-D, consisting of 1.22 miles bituminous surfacing on Highway No. 8 to the low bidder, J. F. Dexter, at \$12,729.40 be approved by the Commission, upon the recommendation of the State Highway Engineer, and with the understanding that no State funds will be available during 1926. Motion carried.

Motion by Mr. Cage, seconded by Mr. Moseley that the Commission approve the award of contract as made by the Commissioners' Court of Trinity County on S.A.P. 697-A, consisting of 9.773 miles grading and bridges on Highway No. 106, to the low bidder, J. S. Moore and Sons, Lufkin, Texas, at \$44,707.11, upon the recommendation of the State Highway Engineer, and with the understanding that no State Aid will be paid during 1926. Motion carried.

Motion by Mr. Cage, seconded by Mr. Moseley that the award of contract as made by the Commissioners' Court of Trinity County on S.A.P. 697-B, consisting of grading and bridges on 9.349 miles Highway No. 106 to the low bidder, J. S. Moore and Sons, at \$38,677.61, be approved, upon the recommendation of the State Highway Engineer, and with the understanding that no State Aid will be paid during 1926. Motion carried.

Motion by Mr. Cage, seconded by Mr. Moseley that in order to have another connected road entirely across the State the following designations are made for extensions and additions to Highway No. 10: beginning at Sherman in Grayson County, thence to an intersection with Highway No. 10 at Denton in Denton County. The present designation of No. 10 then passes through Fort Worth, in Tarrant County, Granberry, in Hood County, Stephenville in Erath County, Comanche, in Comanche County, Brownwood, in Brown County, to Brady, in McGulloch County. That from Brady a designation be made ending at Del Rio in Val Verde County. The location of that part of the new designation between Sherman and Denton and between Brady and Del Rio is to be determined after a full investigation and report from the various Division Engineers affected, and

That the new designations are made subject to the usual designation conditions adopted July 12, 1926, and as shown on page No. 169 of the Commission Minutes. These designations are made with the understanding that they are not to be taken over for maintenance until January 1, 1928 and not then unless the income of the Highway Department for the maintenance and construction of highways has been materially increased over that for 1926. Provided further that the above new designations are to receive no allotment of aid until they fully comply with the designation requirements and have been accepted for maintenance. Motion carried.

Motion by Mr. Cage, seconded by Mr. Moseley that contract be awarded to the low bidder, Frank Purvis, on F.A.P. 487-E, Units 1 and 11, same being \$43,975.18 on Unit 1 and \$32,544.90 on Unit 11, a total of \$76,520.08, this work consisting of 8.765 miles grading and bridges on Highway No. 6 Ellis County, upon the recommendation of the State Highway Engineer, provided Ellis County finances its portion from other than district bond funds, and concurred in by Mr. A. R. Losh, of the

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Bureau of Public Roads, provided satisfactory evidence of the source of the money can be provided by Ellis County, showing funds to be other than district bond money. Motion carried.

Motion by Mr. Cage, seconded by Mr. Moseley that the Highway Engineer be instructed to advertise for bids on F.A.P. 358, Unit 11, consisting of 18.21 miles concrete paving on Highway No. 36, Washington County. Motion carried.

Motion by Mr. Cage, seconded by Mr. Moseley that a highway be designated from New Waverly in Walker County, through Old Waverly, Maynard and Evergreen, to Cold Springs, in San Jacinto County, subject to the usual designation requirements. Motion carried.

Motion by Mr. Cage, seconded by Mr. Moseley that Fannin County be granted aid for the construction of 3.55 miles of concrete road just east of Bonham on Highway No. 5 with the understanding that the county is to do the grading and as soon as this is in proper shape for surfacing, the State will finish the project, and the State Highway Engineer is directed to request a route inspection from the Bureau of Public Roads. Motion carried.

Motion by Mr. Cage, seconded by Mr. Moseley that Carson County be granted \$1,000,000.00, or not to exceed 50% aid for the construction of all designated highways in the county including Highway No. 5 entirely across the county, same to include the \$545,156.62 allotted to Carson County on August 17, 1926; and to be worked out by the State Highway Engineer with Carson County officials to cover a five year construction period. Motion carried.

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Motion by Mr. Cage, seconded by Mr. Moseley that, an examination of the records does not disclose the fact that a road has been designated from Orange in Orange County leading in a southwesterly direction across the Neches River at Old River Cove and thence to an intersection with Highway No. 8 between Beaumont and Port Arthur, but that a previous Commission has allotted not to exceed \$65,000.00 or sufficient to complete a trestle bridge across Old River Cove, which money has been paid and the bridge constructed, and in as much as it was the evident intention as shown by the records of this office, this Commission recognizes this designation, and the State Highway Engineer is instructed to so inform the interested parties. This designation will be taken over for maintenance on January 1, 1927. Motion carried.

Highway No. 87

Motion by Mr. Cage, seconded by Mr. Moseley that a highway be designated from Port Arthur, in Jefferson County, to an intersection with the beach and thence along the beach through Jefferson, Chambers and Galveston Counties, with the provision that a ferry is to be installed across Galveston Bay from Bolivar Point to Galveston, franchise for same to be subject to the approval of the Highway Commission. This designation is made subject to the usual conditions adopted July 12, 1926, as shown on Page No. 169 of the Commission Minutes, and is made with the understanding that it is not to be taken over for maintenance until July 1, 1927, and not then unless it has been found that the road can be safely taken over for maintenance within the present income of the Department. Provided further that the above designation receive no allotment of aid until it fully complies with the designation requirements and has been accepted for maintenance. Motion carried.

Motion by Mr. Cage, seconded by Mr. Moseley that the bid of George M. Smith Company for ten concrete mixers be accepted, subject to the approval of the Board of Control. Motion carried.

In the construction of F.A.P. 35-B in Guadalupe County in order to prepare the subgrade for the application of the asphalt top, it was found necessary to add considerable gravel due to the fact that it was practically worn out in places. This work was done under the direct

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control of the State and the additional material could not be dispensed with. This caused an overrun of \$4,482.98 in the construction of the job. The State Highway Engineer recommends that this additional amount be granted for this job. Motion by Mr. Cage, seconded by Mr. Moseley that same be granted. Motion carried.

Motion by Mr. Cage, seconded by Mr. Moseley that a designation be made from San Augustine, in San Augustine County, by the way of Broadus, crossing the Angelina River at the Iron Bridge, and intersecting Highway No. 63 at Zavalla, Angelina County, conditioned on the usual requirements governing new designations. Motion carried.

Motion by Mr. Cage, seconded by Mr. Moseley that a highway be designated from Yorktown, in DeWitt County, to Victoria in Victoria, by way of Meyersville, in DeWitt County, on the condition that all requirements governing new designations be met, and not to be taken over for maintenance until July 1927. Motion carried.

APPROVED:

*H. Lane*  
State Highway Engineer.

*Hub. Moseley*  
Chairman

*John M. Cage*  
Member

*Eugene T. Smith*  
Secretary