

Minutes of the Meeting of  
The Board of Directors of the  
Franklin County Water  
District

Held: August 4, 1969

THE STATE OF TEXAS

FRANKLIN COUNTY WATER DISTRICT

COUNTY OF FRANKLIN

On this 4th day of August, 1969, the Board of Directors of the Franklin County Water District convened in regular session at their regular meeting place in their office located in the courthouse, Mount Vernon, Texas, and the following members were present:

W. C. NEWSOME	PRESIDENT
LONDON RAMSAY	VICE PRESIDENT
A. J. LAWS	DIRECTOR
K. P. LESTER	DIRECTOR

and the following absent: HARRIS MORRIS.

Also present were Woodrow Edwards, Attorney for the District; L. J. Flanagan, Appraiser and Purchaser for the District; Walter F. Hicks, Jr., District Engineer; Charles Renner; and Messrs. Dan Dobson and Glen Morton, representatives of W. R. Boyd, Inc.

The President called the meeting to order, declared a quorum present, and that the meeting was duly convened and ready to transact business.

The reading of the Minutes was dispensed with due to the pre-construction conference to be held with the representatives of W. R. Boyd, Inc., the Contractor for the lake clearance, Contract No. 855.

Mr. Hicks stated that he had notified W. R. Boyd, Inc., by letter dated August 2, 1969 of the work order giving them the commencement date of on or before August 11, 1969, and completion date of April 18, 1970, being 250 consecutive calendar days. He stated that he had also notified them that the contract provides for assessment of the sum of \$50.00 as liquidated damages for each consecutive calendar day after the above established contract completion date that the work remains incomplete.

He further stated that all takes have been set on the Reservoir; that he and James T. Bass had flown over the lake basin area taking pictures from about 1500 feet; and that Mr. Charles Renner, and employee of Wisenbaker, Fix & Associates, will be here as Inspector to see that the clearing stays within the boundaries of the area designated.

Mr. Dobson stated that they wanted to begin work before the 11th and that one cutter would be brought in August 5, 1969, and then they would bring in one cutter a day until they have

four machines working between now and the 11th. He also stated that they would work 7 days per week, weather permitting. They plan to begin East of FM Hwy 115 and hope to have everything cleared East of said 115 within 6 weeks or two months. He outlined their method of cutting and piling the timber and brush, then burning it after it had been piled for a week.

Mr. Flanagan presented his appraisal of the B. B. Messimer 6.577 acres of land at \$160.00 per acre, being \$1,052.32. Mr. Messimer owns 11.215 in the Lacey Survey, Abst. No. 277. Mr. Flanagan reported that Mr. Messimer has agreed to sell the 6.577 acres for \$160.00 per acre if the Board approves.

Mr. Flanagan also reported that he had appraised Mr. E.M. Blackmon's land at \$160.00 per acre. Mr. Blackmon owns 157.751 acres and the take would be 125.475 acres, leaving him 32.276 acres on a hill. He also reported that Mr. Blackmon had a well-constructed barn and he has assessed his damages to the barn as being \$1,150.00; total appraisal being \$20,076.00 for the land and \$1,150.00 damages, being \$21,226.00.

Motion was made by K. P. LESTER, and duly seconded by LANDON RAMSAY to accept and approve the appraisals of the B. B. Messimer land and the E. M. Blackmon land. The question being put by the President, and discussion had thereon, the vote

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was as follows: All members present voted "AYE. None Opposed.

A check payable to B. B. Messimer in the amount of \$1,052.32 was executed by the President and Secretary for 6.577 acres of land @ \$160.00 per acre.

Mr. Edwards reported that service had not been had on some of the parties involved in the eminent domain proceedings.

Discussion was had in the matter of the damages awarded J. G. Majors et ux and Thelma Munn and Berl Munn, as follows:

J. G. Majors was awarded \$43,558.08, being \$160.00 per acre for 272.238 acres of land, and the money was placed in the registry of the Clerk July 28, 1969.

Thelma Munn and Berl Munn were awarded the sum of \$14,724.89, being \$185.00 per acre for 79.594 acres and the money was placed in the registry of the Clerk July 28, 1969.

A. J. Clinton, Orren L. Black and Jack Merrill were the Special Commissioners and they were paid \$10.00 for each of the four eminent domain proceedings, to-wit: J. G. Majors et ux; Thelma Munn and Berl Munn; G. D. Gilbert; and Lowell T. Miller. The sum of \$120.00 was placed in the registry of the Clerk July 28, 1969.

Also, a filing fee of \$25.00 was paid to L. E. Bryant July 28, 1969 in the eminent domain proceedings against Mary Mullinax Willett.

Confirmation was had from the Texas Water Development Board placing the Franklin County Water District Board on their agenda for the August 20th, meeting in Austin, Texas.

Motion was made by A. J. LAWS, and duly seconded by LANDON RAMSAY, to approve and pay the monthly bills. The question being put to a vote by the President, all members present voted "AYE". None opposed.

The bills are as follows:

Berniece E. Meek	July salary	\$ 256.30
First National Bank, Mt. Vernon	Withholding tax	43.70
Grau Flowers & Gifts	Flowers for Morris	5.20
United States Postoffice	stamps	10.00
Mt. Vernon Optic Herald	Legal notice to bidders \$38.78	
	Minute Book 20.95	59.73

Total Monthly bills      \$ 374.93

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned.

W. C. Newsome, President  
Franklin County Water District

Landon Ramsay, Vice President

A. J. Laws, Director

K. P. Lester, Director