

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

Held: July 7, 1969

THE STATE OF TEXAS

FRANKLIN COUNTY WATER DISTRICT

COUNTY OF FRANKLIN

On this 7th day of July, 1969, the Board of Directors of the Franklin County Water District met in regular session at the regular meeting place in their office located in the courthouse, Mount Vernon, Texas, with the following members present:

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

and with the following absent: HARRIS MORRIS.

Messrs. Woodrow Edwards, Attorney for the District, L. J. Flanagan., Appraiser and Purchaser for the District., and Walter F. Hicks, Jr., District Engineer, were also present.

Mr. Hicks reported that work has been resumed on the pouring of concrete for the service spillway, and that Vilbig Construction Company will probably move in equipment and resume dirt work on the dam in about two weeks.

He also discussed his 90 day projection which was mailed to the Texas Water Development Board in Austin. A RESOLUTION was made asking for 50% of the Texas Water Development Board's participation in this 90 day period of July 1, 1969 through September 30, 1969. MOTION was made by A. J. LAWS and duly seconded by LONDON RAMSAY to accept Mr. Hick's 90 day projection and adopt the Resolution. Upon the question being put by the President, all members present voted "AYE". None opposed. The Resolution is attached to these Minutes and made a part thereof.

Mr. Hicks also discussed bids for clearing the lake basin, which bids will be opened next Tuesday, July 15th at 2 o'clock PM in the courthouse at Mount Vernon, Texas.

Mr. Edwards reported that Traylor Russell, Attorney at Mount Pleasant, and W. R. Shaw., Superintendent of American Petrofina Pipe Line Company, are requesting a meeting with the Engineer and the Board of Directors to discuss the pipe line that will be in the basin of the lake. Mr. Hicks stated that he will contact Mr. Cowan., the Surveyor, and they will establish the water line and then set a date for the meeting.

Messrs. Newsome, Ramsay and Edwards gave a report of their trip to Austin on June 30th when a delegation appeared with the Commissioners Court before the Texas Highway Commission seeking a Farm to Market road across the dam and other FM roads in the county. They also visited with Mr. Howard Boswell, Executive Director, and Mr. Danny Burger, Development Fund Manager, Texas Water Development Board, to discuss progress being made on land purchases and construction work. Mr. Edwards stated that, in his opinion, it was the most beneficial meeting they have had with the Texas Water Development Board. Messrs. Newsome,

Ramsay and Edwards requested an August meeting to discuss receiving additional money from the Texas Water Development Board to complete the reservoir construction. Additional money will be needed due to the rise in the cost of materials, supplies and labor.

Mr. Newsome gave a report of the visit to this office of C. R. Marks, Vice President, and A. C. Burkhalter, Jr., P.E., Head of Hydraulics Department of the firm of Lockwood, Andrews & Newnam., Inc., Consulting Engineers, Houston., Texas. They were representing EDA and were wanting information regarding, the lake.

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Mr. Edwards discussed the four Eminent Domain Proceedings which are to be heard July 8th, 1969, to-wit: Frank Sloan, Methodist Home Foundation., Ruth G. Wood, and Ennis D. Christenberry.

MOTION was made by A. J. LAWS., and duly seconded by LANDON RAMSAY, that the President, W. C. Newsome., and the Secretary, Horris Morris, be authorized to put up the award money in the registry of the court as soon as the Special Commissioners announce the amount in the condemnation suits. The question being put by the President, all members present voted "AYE". None opposed.

Mr. Edwards reported that the Farmers Home Administration had a lien against the Christenberry land and their agent, Jack Pope, had made recommendation to the FHA that the Christenberrys take the amount offered them by the Appraiser and Purchaser, Mr. Flanagan. Up to this date he had not heard from the FHA.

Mr. Flanagan reported that the Methodist Home Foundation had agreed to take the amount offered, to-wit: \$3,982.00 and that it will not be necessary to proceed with the condemnation suit on July 8th as he had secured a deed and had placed it on file. A check was signed for that amount by the President and Secretary to the Methodist Home Foundation.

Mr. Flanagan also reported that Mr. Frank Sloan will sell his land for \$2,235.09, being \$154.00 more than his land had been appraised by Mr. Flanagan, which appraisal was approved by the Board heretofore.

MOTION was made by K. P. LESTER, and duly seconded by A. J. LAWS, to pay Mr. Sloan the sum of \$2,235.09 for his 17.193 acres of land. The question was put by the President, and after discussion, all members present voted "AYE". None voted "NO".

Mr. Flanagan gave a report of his visit with Mr. Jesse Majors, attempting to purchase his land. Mr. Majors declined the offer and stated that the Franklin County Water District would have to employ eminent domain proceedings against him and his step-son, Lowell T. Miller, who owns 54.776 acres of the land. The said 54.776 acres of land had heretofore been surveyed and appraised as all being the Jesse Majors land.

After separating the tracts of land, Mr. Flanagan appraised the 54.776 acres as being worth \$165.00 per acre, being \$9,038.04.

MOTION was made by K. P. LESTER, and duly seconded by A. J. LAWS, to accept and approve the appraisal of the Lowell T. Miller tract of land., being 54.776 acres @\$165.00

per acre, \$9,038.04. The question being put by the President, and discussion had thereon, the vote was as follows: All members present voted "AYE". None opposed.

After deducting the 54.776 acres of land belonging to Lowell T. Miller, the Majors tract contains 272.238 acres which Mr. Flanagan has appraised as being worth \$175.00 per acre.

MOTION was made by LANDON RAMSAY and duly seconded by K. P. LESTER to accept the appraisal made by Mr. Flanagan of the Jesse Majors land. After discussion, the President put the motion to a vote and all members present voted "AYE". None opposed.

A RESOLUTION to employ eminent domain proceedings against J. G. Majors et ux; Thelma Munn and Berl Munn; Lowell T. Miller; and G. D. Gilbert, was made this 7th day of July, 1969 and is attached hereto and made a part of these Minutes.

Mr. Newsome reported that he had been served with papers in the J. Solon King et al and Tom King matter notifying him that they are appealing the Eminent Domain Proceedings to the District Court.

Mr. Flanagan reported that an Internal Revenue Service Agent had called on him asking for some comparable sales in regard to the J. Solon King matter. The Board authorized him to furnish the Agent with the list of comparable sales because it is all on record in the county clerk's office, open to everyone.

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The Board also authorized Mr. Flanagan to have a conference With Charles Lowry in regard to purchasing the Mullinax land on which the M & W Recreation have an option to purchase.

Motion was made by K. P. LESTER, and duly seconded by A. J. LAWS, 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:

W. C. Newsome,	reimbursement for Austin expenses-June 29-30	\$ 52.47	
Landon Ramsay	reimbursement for automobile expenses	60.00	
Mt. Vernon Optic-Herald -	Office supplies	10.22	
Mt. Vernon Public Schools -	Underwood Typewriter	250.00	
Berniece E. Meek -	salary for May and June	512.60	
Internal Revenue Service-	withholding tax -(Berniece E. Meek)	87.40	
Trinity Engineering Testing	Corporation-soil testing-June	400.00	
Texas Contractor-publishing	NOTICE TO BIDDERS,6-24;7-1	46.55	
L. E. Bryant,	36 zerox copies @ 25¢ copy	9.00	
L. E. Bryant,	Recording Frank Sloan deed		4.50
L. E. Bryant,	Recording Methodist Home Foundation deed		4.50
L. E. Bryant,	Filing fee for 4 Eminent Domain Proceedings, towit:		
G. Majors et ux; Thelma Munn and Berl Munn,			
Lowell T. Miller; G. D. Gilbert		100.00	
Texas Contractor-publishing	NOTICE TO BIDDERS 7-8-69	23.28	

(Sub total) Total Monthly Bills \$1,560.52

The following checks were approved July 7, 1969:

Methodist Home Foundation-purchase of 40.22 acres of land	\$3,982.00
Frank Sloan and Mary Sloan-purchase of 17.193 acres of land	2,235.09
Grand Total of all checks dated July 7, 1969	\$7,777.61

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned.

MINUTES APPROVED, this 7th day of July, 1969.

W. C. Newsome, President  
Board of Directors, Franklin  
County Water District

Landon Ramsay, Vice President

Horris Morris, Secretary

A. J. Laws, Director

K. P. Lester, Director