

MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF
THE BOARD OF DIRECTOR OF THE
FRANKLIN COUNTY WATER DISTRICT
HELD: April 20, 1970

THE STATE OF TEXAS

FRANKLIN COUNTY WATER DISTRICT

COUNTY OF FRANKLIN

ON this the 20th day of April, 1970, the Board of Directors of the Franklin County Water District convened in regular session at their regular meeting place thereof in their office located in the Courthouse at Mount Vernon, Texas, with the following members present:

W. C. NEWSOME	PRESIDENT
LANDON RAMSAY	VICE PRESIDENT
HORRIS MORRIS	SECRETARY
A. J. LAWS	DIRECTOR
K. P. LESTER	DIRECTOR

and with the following members absent: NONE.

Also present were Messrs, Woodrow Edwards, Attorney for the District; L. J. Flanagan and Jim Flanagan of Palestine, Texas; Richard Austin of Richardson, Texas; M. D. Carlock of Winnsboro, Texas and Clyde Elliott, Jr., attorneys representing Jessie Majors; Sam Harvey and Nix Simons, representing the M & W Recreational Facility.

The President of the Board called the meeting to order, declared a quorum present and announced the Board was ready to transact business.

The reading of the Minutes was dispensed with the Board considered the business at hand.

The President recognized and welcomed the visitors, whereupon Mr. Edwards introduced Mr. Carlock and Mr. Elliott and stated that they were here representing Jesse Majors.

Mr. Carlock reported to the Board that Mr. Majors would not agree to the same type of settlement as made with the King family and submitted the following proposition: Mr. Majors would agree to accept the amount of money the Special Commissioners' awarded to him, which was less than the appraisal approved by the Board, if the Franklin County Water District would not take any area of his land above flood stage.

The President announced that he would entertain a motion to accept the proposition submitted by the Attorney for Mr. Jesse Majors. No motion was offered and the president announced for the second and third times that he would entertain a motion to accept the proposition submitted by the Attorneys for Mr. Jessie Majors. There being no motion, the President of the Board then announced that the proposition had died from LACK OF A MOTION.

Whereupon, the Attorney for Mr. Majors then asked for the right to take the depositions of all the members of the Board on Friday, May 1, 1970, beginning at 10 o'clock A. M. All members agreed to be present for the taking of the depositions on that date.

Mr. Edwards requested that he be allowed to take the deposition of Mr. Jessie Majors at 3 o'clock P. M. the same date. The Attorney stated that Mr. Majors would be present at that time.

Nix Simons and Sam Harvey, representing the M & W Recreational Facility appeared before the Board and requested a Resolution granting the M & W Recreational Facility the right to erect a pump and all facilities pertinent and necessary thereto to supply that facility with irrigation water in accordance with the previous agreement between Franklin County Water District and M & W Recreation Facility.

MOTION was made by LANDON RAMSAY, and duly seconded by HORRIS MORRIS, to accept and adopt the Resolution. The Resolution is attached to these Minutes and made a part thereof.

Mr. Simon and Mr. Harvey left a copy of their blue prints of the M & W Recreational Facility with the Board of Directors and stated that they hope to let the bids for the club house, pools and manager's quarters about the 1st of May. They stated that the boathouse will not be at contract bid.

Mr. Edwards talked with Mr. Homer Tanner, Lake O' The Pines, and they set a meeting date for out Board members, Engineer and Attorney to meet with their Engineer, Attorney and Board members at Daingerfield on Monday, April 27, 1970 at 2:30 P. M.

Mr. Edwards announced that Eminent Domain Proceedings will be heard Friday, April 24th for the following: Joe Bob Stephens et ux, Claude Ray Stafford, Wylie J. Costlow, et ux, and Jim Long et ux.

MOTION was made by LANDON RAMSAY, and duly seconded by A. J. Laws, that payment of the Special Commissioners Award be made to the County Clerk in each of the above cases when the awards are determined. After discussion and deliberation, the question was put by the President. All members present voted "AYE". None opposed.

Mr. L. J. Flanagan introduced his son, Jim Flanagan, who is a licensed Real Estate Agent and a members of his firm; and Mr. Richard Austin, who is a City Planner for the City of Richardson, Texas. Mr. Flanagan stated that his firm and Mr. Austin are interested in planning the LAKE FRANKLIN COUNTY area and requested permission to present their plans and ideas for the Board to consider. Whereupon he called upon Mr. Austin to present his portion of the plans.

Mr. Austin gave a review of his professional background which included parks and city planning for different locations, and then presented the Master Plan and method of planning this lake area. He classified the lake and its surrounding area as being a large extraurban recreational facility. He described a large extraurban recreational facility as one that is located outside the major urban growth area. It serves the primary purpose of preserving as much of the natural beauty of the region as possible as well as providing major recreational activities for an area within a one-hundred mile radius. He described the activities of a large extraurban recreational facility as being boating, fishing, camping, swimming, picnicking, horseback riding, and nature study.

He also described the basic area data as follows: Population in excess of 2,500,000 persons as shown by the 1960 census and stated that it will probably around 4,000,000 persons when the 1970 census is completed. Access is by major federal, state, and county arterials which makes for easy access to the lake site from all major points of population. Location of the lake site is approximately 100 miles from Dallas, 90 miles from Sherman, 50 miles from Tyler, and 70 miles from Texarkana.

Mr. Austin stated that the Master Plan at this time included two marinas, commercial and residential property development, public and private camping, and commercial concessions. A map prepared by Mr. Austin was on display during the presentation.

Mr. Jim Flanagan then presented his portion of the presentation, dealing mainly with the real estate handling of the lake property and statistics thereto.

The Board thanked the Flanagans and Mr. Austin for presenting their well-planned Master Plan. No action was taken by the Board in the matter of employing a Planner.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned.

MINUTES APPROVED this 20th day of April, 1970.

W. C. Newsome, President

Landon Ramsay, Vice-President

Horris Morris, Secretary

A. J. Laws, Director

K. P. Lester, Director