

Commissioners Court met in regular monthly session October the 11th. 1915
with the following members present-

J. B. Lewis, County Judge.

Geo. W. Nerren, Com. Beat No. 1.

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J. A. Hyden, Com. Beat No. 2.

L. T. Halbert, Com. Beat No. 3.

C. E. Bennett, Com. Beat No. 4.

Jas. G. Barker, Sheriff.

F. P. Adams, Clerk.

The Court was opened by the proclamation of the Sheriff.

The following matters together with others were had to wit:-

Accounts were allowed as per Accounts Allowed Ledger.

Upon motion of the Court the following order and resolution was passed.

RESOLUTION AND ORDER providing for the issuance of warrants of Sabine County, Texas in the sum of \$17,000 in payment of certain outstanding warrants of said County held by the First Nat'l. Bank of Hemphill, Texas.

WHEREAS, Sabine County, Texas, is indebted to the First Nat'l. Bank of Hemphill in the sum of \$17,000 evidenced by warrants heretofore issued in payment of sundry claims all of which warrants are now owned and held by said First Nat'l. Bank and are in its possession, and

WHEREAS, there were not sufficient funds in the County Treasury against which said warrants and claims have been registered to pay said warrants and claims at this time, and

WHEREAS, it is deemed for the best interest of said County that said county's finances be kept on a cash basis, and

WHEREAS, the First Nat'l. Bank has agreed to an extension of time of payment of said warrants and claims and has agreed to surrender its said warrants for cancellation and accept in exchange therefor new warrants of said County in a like amount due and payable in installments as hereinafter provided, and bearing interest at the rate of 6% per annum, payable semi-annually, and

WHEREAS, there is unappropriated cents on the \$100.00 valuation of the ad valorem tax of 25¢ on the \$100 valuation for permanent improvements authorized by Section 9 of Article 8 of the Constitution of Texas, and

WHEREAS, the First Nat'l. ^{Bank} has agreed to waive its right to present said warrants in payment for taxes and to extend the time of payment thereof in consideration of the agreement of said County to pay interest thereon at the rate of 6% per annum until ^{said} warrants are paid, now therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED AND ORDERED by the Commissioners Court of Sabine County, Texas that for the purpose above recited, there be issued new warrants of said County in the sum of \$17,000, said issue consisting of 34 warrants of the denomination of \$500 each, numbered consecutively from 1 to 34 inclusive, dated as of the 1st day of ~~July~~ 1916, due and payable \$1,000 April 1, 1917, \$1500 April 1, 1918, \$1500 April 1, 1919, \$1500 April 1, 1920, \$1500 April 1, 1921, \$2000 April 1, in each of the years 1922 to 1926 inclusive and bearing interest from date at the rate of 6% per annum, payable semi-annually on the 1st day of April and October in each year, the several installments of interest to be evidenced by coupons attached to said warrants and both principal and interest shall be payable at the Hanover Nat'l. Bank in the City of New York, State of New York.

Said warrants to be executed in substantially the following form:

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA

STATE OF TEXAS

SABINE COUNTY

Funding warrant

No. _____

\$500.00

KNOW ALL MEN BY THESE PRESENTS: That for value received the County of

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Sabine, in the State of Texas, is justly indebted to First Nat'l. Bank of Hemphill, Texas in the principal sum of FIVE HUNDRED DOLLARS which said County under and by virtue of a valid and subsisting contract has agreed and promises to pay to said First Nat'l. Bank on the 1st day of April 19__ and the Treasurer of said County is hereby authorized, ordered and directed to pay to said First Nat'l. Bank, its assigns or bearer, the said sum of Five Hundred Dollars on said date in full settlement of the sum heraby evidenced from the moneys belonging to the "Special Time Warrant Fund, Class No. 6" levied and created for that purpose on presentation and surrender of this warrant at the Hanover Nat'l Bank in the City of New York, State of New York. This warrant bears interest from date at the rate of 6% per annum, payable semi-annually as evidenced by the coupons hereto annexed and the Treasurer of said County is hereby authorized, ordered and directed to pay said interest from the above mentioned fund on presentation of said coupons by bearer at the time and place designated therein. Should there be insufficient money in such fund in the County Treasury for the payment of this warrant or the interest coupons when same shall be presented for payment, then this warrant and said interest coupons shall be payable out of any other moneys in the County Treasury not otherwise appropriated. If the sum of money represented by this warrant shall not be paid at maturity, the same shall thereafter bear interest at the lawful rate of 6% per annum until fully paid.

This warrant is one of a series of warrants of like date, tenor and effect, aggregating \$17,000 issued and delivered by said County to said First Nat'l. Bank in payment of claims heretofore incurred by said County and evidenced by County warrants heretofore issued and now held by said First Nat'l. Bank under and by virtue of a judgment, decree and order of the Commissioners Court of said County duly made and entered and composes one of the installments into which the amount due said First Nat'l. Bank on said outstanding warrants has been divided.

It is hereby certified, recited and declared that the claims of said First Nat'l. Bank evidenced by said warrants have been investigated and found to be just; that said County has received the benefit thereof; that said claims have been duly audited and allowed by the Commissioners Court of said County; that said County has no set-off or counterclaim against same and that the issuance and delivery of this warrant is conclusive proof of the validity of said claims represented by the amount of this warrant.

It is further certified, recited and declared that all conditions and things required by the Constitution and Laws of the State of Texas to be done precedent to and in the issuance of this warrant, have been properly done, have happened and have been performed in regular and due form and time as required by said Constitution and Laws and that sufficient and proper provision for the levy and collection of a Special Fund has been made, and which when collected shall be appropriated exclusively to the payment of this warrant and interest thereon as pledged in said contract and the Order of the Commissioners Court.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the County of Sabine, in the State of Texas, through its Commissioners Court has caused this warrant to be officially signed and sealed by its County Judge and attested and countersigned by the County Clerk all as of the 1st day of October A.D. 1915.

J.B. Lewis,
County Judge, Sabine County, Texas.

Attested and countersigned F.P. Adams,
County Clerk.

The interest coupons attached to said warrants shall be in substantially the following form:

INTEREST COUPON

No.1.

\$22.50

On the first day of April, 1916, Sabine County, Texas will be owing the First Nat'l Bank of Hemphill, Texas or bearer, the sum of Twenty-two and fifty one hundreds dollars interest on its Funding Warrant, dated October, 1st 1915, No. _____, and the Treasurer of said County is hereby authorized, ordered and directed to pay to said First Nat'l Bank, or bearer on said date, the said sum of \$22.50 from the moneys belonging to the "Special Time Warrant Fund, Class No. 6" on presentation of this coupon at the Hanover Nat'l, Bank in the City of New York, State of New York.

J.B. Lewis,
County Judge.

Attested and countersigned:

F.P. Adams,
County Clerk.

Across the face of each of said coupons shall be printed in red ink the following form:

REGISTER NO. _____.

REGISTERED This _____ day of _____, 191_____.

County Treasurer.

A fac-simile of the signatures of the County Judge and County Clerk shall be printed or lithographed on each of said interest coupons.

On the back of each of said principal warrants shall be printed the following blank assignment:

ASSIGNMENT

This is to certify that we have received the within principal warrant from Sabine County Texas and its County Judge and County, Clerk, and for value received, we hereby transfer, assigns, sell and deliver, without recourse, to bearer, all right, title and interest we have in and to the same, and also the proportionate part of the claims and the debt due us, by said County, which is represented by the amount called for by this principal warrant, and said bearer is hereby subrogated to all claims, liens, right or title, which we have in or to the same, and we hereby authorize the bearer hereof to collect the same, and give full receipt and acquittance thereof in our name.

WITNESS the signature of the undersigned:

Across the face of said warrants shall be printed in red ink the following form:

STATE OF TEXAS
SABINE COUNTY

REGISTERED.

REGISTERED NO. _____

OFFICE OF COUNTY TREASURER.

This warrant presented to me for registration against Sabine County, Texas, and the same has been numbered and registered by me against the "Special Time Warrant Fund, Class No. 6", in favor of First Nat'l. Bank of Hemphill, Texas on account of claims evidenced by County warrants heretofore issued, and held by said First Nat'l. Bank as provided by law.

WITNESS my official signature, registering this warrant this _____ day of _____, 1915.

County Treasurer, Sabine County, Texas.

The County Judge and County Clerk are hereby authorized and directed to execute said warrants as herein provided, and when executed, and registered by the County Treasurer, to deliver same to the First Nat'l. Bank in exchange for said old warrants held by said Bank, whereupon said old warrants shall be duly cancelled.

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That for the purpose of creating a fund for the payment of said warrants at maturity, and for the payment of the interest thereon as it accrues, there shall be and there hereby is levied and assessed a tax of six cents on the one hundred dollars valuation upon all the taxable property of said County, for the year 1916, and the same, or so much thereof as may be necessary for the purpose, for each year thereafter until all of said warrants, together with the interest thereon, have been fully paid, which tax when collected shall be placed in a special fund to be known as "Special Time Warrant Fund, Class No. 6", which fund is hereby appropriated and pledged for the payment of said warrants and the interest to accrue thereon.

A petition from the citizens of Bronson with the required number of signers asking for an election to vote on the question as to whether or not the town should be incorporated ~~came on~~ came on to be considered and the court granted the petition and ordered that an election be held October the 30th. 1915 and appointed W.T. Jones as presiding officer of said election.

A petition asking for a change to be made in the Milam and Bronson road at and near Conn's gin was presented to the Court and it was ordered that a road be opened up on the ground as petitioned with the understanding that it would not in anyway interfere with the present road.

The petition asking for a hog law election to be ordered in a sub-division of Sabine County signed by H. C. Conn and twenty others was presented to the Court and upon investigation it was found that the petition was defective and the Court refused to order the election.

The following petition, asking for an election to be held in School Dist. No. 12 to vote on the question of increase of school Tax from .20 cents on the \$100.00 valuation to .50 cents on the \$100.00 valuation was granted and the election was ordered to be held on November the 13th. 1915 at the School house in said School District.

PETITION FOR MAINTENANCE TAX ELECTION:

The State of Texas, :

County of Sabine. : TO THE HONORABLE COMMISSIONER'S COURT OF SABINE COUNTY:

We, the undersigned qualified property tax paying voters of Common School District No. 12 in Sabine County, Texas, represent to the Court that said School District now has a maintenance tax of 20¢ cents on the \$100 valuation of taxable property in said District, and deeming said maintenance insufficient for the proper maintenance of the school in said district, and desiring to further tax ourselves for the purpose of supplementing the state School Fund apportioned to said district; we hereby make application to the Honorable Commissioner's Court of Sabine County, Texas, for an order for an election to be held in said Common School District No. 12, in Sabine County, Texas, to determine whether or not a tax of and at the rate of 50 cents on the \$100 valuation of taxable property in said district shall be levied for said purpose.

Dated this 1 day of Oct. 1915.

W.E.ILES, E.B.Smith, H.L.Maund, S.H.Oliphint, J. Gomer, V.B.Youngblood, T.J.Felts, Lee Felts, J.M.Harper Jr. W.L.Anderson, W.W.Anderson, A.L.Harper, J.R.Morris, J.H.Oliphint, W.E.Felts, E.D.Youngblood, Joe Harper, F.B.Goodloe, S.H.Vickers, Albert Crowell, S.F.Crowell, Lee Lord, E.H.Robbins, L.B.Maund.

Filed October 1st. 1915.

F.P.Adams, Co. Clk.

A petition signed by a number of the tax paying voters of School Dist. No. 12 asking for a an election to subrogate the tax in said District was presented to the Court and upon investigation it was found that the petition was defective in as much as a number of the property tax paying voters had asked for an election increasing the tax had signed the said petition since signing this one, and said petition was refused by the Court.

The following petition asking for an election to be held in School Dist. No. 17 to vote on the question of increase of School Tax from .35 cents on the \$100 valuation to an amount to not exceed .50 cents on the \$100 valuation was granted and the election was ordered to be held November the 13th. 1915 at the school house in said School District.

PETITION FOR MAINTENANCE TAX ELECTION:

THE STATE OF TEXAS

COUNTY OF SABINE.

To the Honorable Commissioners Court of Sabine County:

We, the undersigned qualified property tax paying voters of Common School District No. 17 in Sabine county. Texas, represent of the Court that said school district now has a maintenance tax of 35 cents on the \$100 valuation of taxable property in said district and deeming said maintenance tax insufficient for the proper maintenance of the school in said district, and desiring to further tax ourselves for the purpose of suppling the State School Fund apportioned to said district; we hereby make application to the Honorable Commissioners Court of Sabine, Texas, for an order for an election to be held in said Common School District No 17 in Sabine County, Texas, to determine whether or not a tax of and at the rate of not to exceed 50 cents on the \$100 valuation of taxable property in said district shall be levied for said purpose.

Dated this 8 day of October 1915.

J.T. Fuller, S.A. Kerr, W.F. Fullen, W.H. Fullen, M.Wright, J.A.Fullen, A.J.Wilson, R.D. Birdwell, S.H. Hall, Z.L.Kellr, D.C.Edding, J.B.Hargroves D.C.Toms, M.Mitchell, E.H.Boyett, M.E.Balduree, C.G.Graham T.L.Hargroves James Fullen Charley Birdwell, Jessie Mitchell, E.C. Cobb,

The following petition asking for an election to be held in School Dist. No. 29 to vote on question of increase of School Tax from .20 cents on the \$100 valuation to not exceed .50 cents on the \$100 valuation was granted and the election ordered to be held on November the 13th. 1915 at the school house in said District.

PETITION FOR MAINTENANCE TAX ELECTION:

The State of Texas,

County of Sabine,

To the Honorable Commissioners Court of Sabine County:

We, the undersigned qualified property tax paying voters of Common School District No 29, in Sabine county, Texas, represent to the Court that said district now has a maintenance tax of 20 cents on the \$100 valuation of taxable property in said district, and deeming said maintenance tax insufficient for the proper maintenance of the school in said district, and desiring to further tax ourselves for the purpose of suppling the State Fund apportioned to said district; we hereby make application to the Honorable Commissioners Court of Sabine County, Texas, for an order for an election to be held in said Common School District No 29 in Sabine County, Texas, to determine whether or not a tax of and not exceed 50 cents on the \$100 valuation of taxable property in said district shall be levied for said purpose.

Dated this _____ day of _____ 191_____

W.J.McLaughton, S.H.Halbert, W.H.Boyd, A.F.Conn, C.W.Cousson, C.E.Cole, H.C.Carlton, Y.E. Buckley, F.C.Hogan, L.L.Huff, W.A.Buckley, W.F.Russell, C.H.Russell, W.W.Boyett, E.Keen, A.B. Russell, G.E.Smith, G.W.Conn, W.E.Buckley, D.P.Tatom, Dr. W. Spiegths, A.V.Spiegths.

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The following petition asking for an election to be held in School Dist. No. 20 to vote on question of increase of School Tax from .20 cents on the \$100 valuation to not exceed .50 cents on the \$100 valuation was granted and the election ordered to be held on November the 13th 1915 at the School House in said District.

PETITION FOR MAINTENANCE TAX ELECTION:

The State of Texas,
County of Sabine. To the Honorable Commissioners Court of Sabine:

We, the undersigned qualified property tax paying voters of Common School District No. 20, in Sabine county, Texas represent to the Court that said district now has a maintenance tax of 25 cents on the \$100 valuation of taxable property in said district, and deeming said maintenance tax insufficient for the proper maintenance of the school in said district, and desiring to further tax ourselves for the purpose of supplementing the State School Fund apportioned to said district; we hereby make application to the Honorable Commissioners Court of Sabine County, Texas, for an order for an election to be held in said Common School District No. 20, in Sabine County, Texas, to determine whether or not a tax of and at the rate of not exceeding 50 cents on the \$100 valuation of taxable property in said district shall be levied for said purpose.

Dated this ___ day of _____ 191__

J.M.Short, C.H.Vickers, W.C.Greer, A.J.Neal, A.R.Willsims, F.M.Williams, J.R.Bragg, J.P. Alford, C.M.Greer W.W.Heal, J.J.Vickers, T.S.Waller, T.B.Vickers, W.H.Mason, W.J.Lord, A.A.Morris, D.A.Alford, R.E.Harris, B.T.Alford, G.J.Neal.

The Court allowed Mrs. Sallie Currington \$10.00 as a County Pension.

The Court allowed Geo. W. Alford \$4.00 for taking care of Mrs. Ed Key.

The Court allowed Ed. Key \$50.00 for expenses in medical services given to his wife who was adjudged a Lunatic by the County Court.

Upon motion made by Herren and seconded by Hyden a vote was taken as to the distribution of the Road and Bridge Fund of the County according to the amount of taxes paid into each Commissioners Best and upon motion count it was found that Herren and Hyden for the motion and Halbert and Bennett voted against and Judge Lewis cast the tie vote in favor of a division of the Funds.

The matter of employing an Agriculture agent for another year came up and upon vote it was found that Herren favored the employing of an agent and Hyden, Halbert and Bennett were against the matter, it was therefore ordered that the Court do not employ an agriculture agent for the year.

Each officer was allowed his per diem.

There being no further business the Court adjourned to meet at next regular meeting.

Attest-
F.P.Adams, Clerk.

County Judge.

The State of Texas,
County of Sabine, WHEREAS, On the 11 day of October 1915, a petition was presented to the Commissioners Court for an election in Common School District No. 20 of this County on the question of authorizing a tax of and at the rate of (1) not exceeding fifty cents on the \$100 valuation of taxable property in said district for the purpose of supplementing the State School Fund appropriated to said district, said petition bearing the requisite number of signatures of property tax paying voters of said district, and being in every respect in conformity with law:

NOW, THEREFORE, I, J.B. Lewis in my capacity of County Judge of Sabine County, Texas, do hereby order that an election be held on the 13th day of November 1915, at (2) the

School House in said Common School District No. 20 of this County as established by order of the Commissioners Court of this County of date the 24 day of September 1906 which is recorded in Book I pages 435-434 of the minutes of said Court (3) to determine whether a majority of the legally qualified property taxpaying voters of that district desire to tax themselves for the purpose of supplementing the State School Fund appropriated to said district and to determine whether the Commissioners Court of this County shall be authorized to levy, assess and collect annually a tax of and at the rate of (1) not exceeding _____ cents of the \$100 valuation of taxable property in said district for said purpose.

J.M.Short is hereby appointed presiding officer for said election and he shall select two judges and two Clerks to assist him in holding the same, and he shall within five days after said election has been held, make due return thereof to the Commissioners Court of the County, as is required by law for holding a general election.

The ballots for said election shall have written or printed thereon the following:

"For School Tax"

"Against School Tax".

All persons who are legally qualified voters of this State and of this County and who are resident property taxpayers in said district shall be entitled to vote at said election.

The Sheriff of this County shall give notice of said election by posting three notices at three public places in the said district for three weeks before the election.

Dated 13th day of Oct, 1915.

J.B. Lewis County Judge
Sabine County, Texas.

The State of Texas, :

County of Sabine, : WHEREAS, On the 11 day of October 1915 a petition was presented to the Commissioners Court for an election in Common School District No. 12. of this County on the question of authorizing a tax of and at the rate of (1) _____ fifty cents on the \$100 valuation of taxable property in said district for the purpose of supplementing the State School Fund appropriated to said district said petition bearing the requisite number of signatures of property taxpaying voters of said district, and being in every respect in conformity with law:

NOW THEREFORE, I J.B. Lewis in my capacity of County Judge of Sabine County, Texas, do hereby order that an election be held on the 13th day of November 1915 at (2) the school house in said Common School District No. 12. of this County as established by order of the Commissioners Court of this County of date the 24 day of September which is recorded in Book I pages 436 of the minutes of said Court (5) to determine whether a majority of the legally qualified property taxpaying voters of that district desire to tax themselves for the purpose of supplementing the State School Fund appropriated to said district and to determine whether the Commissioners Court of this County shall be authorized to levy, assess and collect annually a tax of and at the rate of (1) fifty cents on the \$100 valuation of taxable property in said district for said purpose.

Josh Gomer is hereby appointed presiding officer for said election and he shall select two Judges and two clerks to assist him in holding the same and he shall, within five days after said election has been held, make due return thereof to the Commissioners Court of this County, as is required by law for holding a general election.

The ballots for said election shall have written or printed thereon the following:

"For School Tax."

"Against School Tax."

All persons who are legally qualified voters of this State and of this State and of this County and who are resident property taxpayers in said district shall be entitled to vote at said election.

The Sheriff of this County shall give notice of said election by pasting three notices at three public places in the said district for three weeks before the election.

Dated the 13th day of October 1915.

J.B. Lewis County Judge Sabine
County, Texas.

The State of Texas,

County of Sabine, WHEREAS, On the 11 day of October 1915, a petition was presented to the Commissioners Court for an election in Common School District No. 17, of this County on the question of authorizing a tax of and at the rate of (1) not exceeding fifty cents on the \$100 valuation of taxable property in said district for the purpose of supplementing the State School Fund appropriated to said district, said petition bearing the requisite number of signature of property taxpaying voters of said district, and being in every respect in conformity with law:

NOW, THEREFORE, I, J.B. Lewis in my capacity of County Judge of Sabine County, Texas, do hereby order that an election be held on the 13 day of November 1915 at (2) the school house in said Common School District No. 17 of this County as established by order of the Commissioners Court of this County of date the 15 day of April 1912 which is recorded in Book 1 pages 17 of the minutes of said Court (3) to determine whether a majority of the legally qualified property taxpaying voters of that district desire to tax themselves for the purpose of supplementing the State School Fund appropriated to said district and to determine whether the Commissioners Court of this County shall be authorized to levy, assess and collect annually a tax of and at the rate of (1) not exceeding fifty cents on the \$100 valuation of taxable property in said district for said purpose.

J.B. Hergroves is hereby appointed presiding officer for said election and he shall select two judges and two clerk to assist him in holding the same, and he shall within five days after said election has been held make due return thereof to the Commissioners Court of this County as is required by law for holding a general election.

The ballots for said election shall have written or printed thereon the following:

"For School Tax."

"Against School Tax."

All persons who are legally qualified voters of this State and this County and who are resident property taxpayers in said district shall be entitled to vote at said election.

The Sheriff of this County shall give notice of said election by posting three notices at three public places in the said district for three weeks before the election.

Dated the 13th day of October 1915.

J.B. Lewis County Judge Sabine
County, Texas.

The State of Texas,

County of Sabine,

WHEREAS, On the 11 day of October 1915 a petition was presented to the Commissioners Court for an election in Common School District No. 29, of this County on the question of authorizing a tax of and at the rate of (1) not exceeding fifty cents on the \$100 valuation of taxable property in said district for the purpose of supplementing the State School Fund appropriated to said district, said petition bearing the requisite number of signature of property taxpaying voters of said district and being in every respect in conformity with law:

NOW, THEREFORE, I, J.B. Lewis in my capacity of County Judge of Sabine County, Texas, do hereby order that an election be held on the 13 day of November 1915 at (2) the school

of said election, and is a qualified voter under the constitution and laws of the State, shall be entitled to vote at said election.

L.S. Witness my hand and seal of office this 13th day of October, A.D. 1915.

J. B. Lewis, County Judge, Sabine

County, Texas.