

The Commissioners Court met in regular monthly meeting March the 12th 1917 with the following members present and presiding:-

W. R. Cousins-----County Judge.
D. A. Easley-----Com. Beat No. 1.
J. A. Hyden-----Com. Beat No. 2.
J. B. Hargrove-----Com. Beat No. 3.
C. M. Bennett-----Com. Beat No. 4.
C. B. Bright-----Sheriff and F. P. Adams, Clerk.

The Court was opened by proclamation of the sheriff.

The following matter together with others were had to wit:

Accounts were allowed as per Accounts Allowed Ledger.

The Court ordered that the County Attorney file at once a delinquent Tax Suit on 1912 Taxes against J. O. Payne for delinquent taxes in Sabine County on his property.

The Court ordered that R. J. Travis be allowed to make a change in the lower Bronson and Hemphill road through his own property so that he might include the Spring that is on his property under fence.

The Court ordered that the Geneva Stock Law subdivision be so extended as to include R. H. Horn's place that is situated on the J. I. Pirfimo survey in said subdivision.

The Court ordered that the County Officers be paid their salaries monthly.

The Court ordered that the County Attorney immediately file suit and prosecute same to judgement on all delinquent taxes now due and owing Sabine County.

The Court ordered that Jno. Harper, County School Supt. pay to Jas. G. Barker Ex-Tax Collector any amounts that may be due him for commissions that he failed to hold out while Tax Collector and also to collect from Jas. G. Barker, Ex-Taxcollector any amounts that he may owe different School Districts on account of having taken out too much as commissions.

The Court ordered that Lee Avenue Street in the town of Bronson be opened up through the Stansberg property or near the Stansberg home in the town of Bronson.

Upon the returns of a Special School Tax Election held in Ridge Co. Line School Dist. No. 33 to determine whether or not a tax of and at the rate of .50 cents on the \$100.00 valuation shall be levied in said district the following results were declared by the Court-

For School Tax-----6 votes.

Against School Tax-----0 votes.

It is therefore ordered by the Court that a tax of and at the rate of .50 cents on the \$100.00 valuation be levied, assessed and collected on all taxable property in said District for the maintenance of said school.

The Court ordered that the following change be made in the old Homer road upon petition of the road hands-

Begin at Watsons Mill and intersect the road that runs from Knox's mill to W. R. Davidson's place.

The Court allowed Mrs. Dowdy \$10.00 as County Help.

The First National Bank of Hemphill, Texas, presented the following bonds to the Court as County Depository and the same were approved-

The State of Texas,

County of Sabine: Know all men by these presents: That we, The First National Bank of Hemphill, Texas, as Principal and A.M. Jones, G. E. Pratt, J. A. Watson, W. F. Goodrich as sureties are held and firmly bound unto W.R. Cousins, County Judge of Sabine County, Texas, and his successors in office in the sum of Twenty thousand, (\$20,000.00) Dollars, for the payment of which we hereby bind ourselves and our heirs, executors and administrators, jointly and severally by these presents.

The condition of the above obligation is such, that whereas the above Bounded First National Bank offered the highest bid of interest on daily balances, (3 per cent) and was on February the 12th 1917 chosen by the Commissioners Court as Depository of the funds of Sabine County, including School Funds, for the term of Two years, beginning Feby 12th 1917.

Now therefore if the First National Bank of Hemphill, Texas, shall safely keep and faithfully disburse the school fund according to law, and pay such warrants as may be drawn on said funds by competent authority, and shall account for them together with the interest thereon, at the rate of three per cent per annum, calculated on daily balances to the Commissioners Court of said County and to the State Supt. of Public Instructions, as required by law, then this obligation shall be void, but otherwise it shall remain in full force and effect.

In testimony whereof witness our hands this the 12th day of February 1917.

First National Bank

By A.M. Jones, Cashier.

A.M. Jones.

G.E. Pratt.

J.A. Watson.

W.F. Goodrich.

Approved this March 12th. 1917.

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The condition of the above obligation is such, that whereas the above bounded First National Bank, offered the highest bid on daily balances, and was on the 12th day of February 1917, chosen by the Commissioners Court as County Depository of the funds of Sabine County, for the term of two years beginning February the 12th 1917.

Now therefore if the said First National Bank of Hemphill, shall safely keep and faithfully disburse the county funds according to law, and shall only pay such checks as are properly drawn by the proper authority, and shall account for the same to the Commissioners Court of said County, as required by law, then this obligation shall be void but otherwise it shall remain in full force and effect.

In testimony whereof, witness our hands this the 12th day of February 1917.

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W. H. Cousins, County Judge, Sabine County, Texas.

The Clerk was ordered to issue each officer his per diem.

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

Attest- F. P. Adams, Clerk.

County Judge,