

The Commissioners Court, in and for Sabine County, Texas, met in regular session, September 10th, 1928, in the regular meeting place thereof, in the court house, with all members being present to-wit:

- R. H. Dent, County Judge.
- E. J. McGown, Com. Prec. No. 1.
- J. A. Huden, Com. Prec. No. 2.
- J. D. Edgar, Com. Prec. No. 3.
- R. C. Travis, Com. Prec. No. 4.

The following business was transacted:

Ordered by the Court that the Road extending from J. W. McAnials, to Vessie Lowe, as discontinued at the August Term of the Court, be reinstated, and that the order discontinuing same be reconsidered.

That Sheriff S. H. Hall, be authorized to appoint Rich Martin & Lewis Williams each Deputy Sheriff.

The following agreement was made by the Commissioners Court:

IN THE MATTER OF THE COLLECTION OF DELINQUENT TAXES DUE THE STATE OF TEXAS AND SABINE COUNTY FOR ALL PURPOSES AND OF EMPLOYING COMPETENT ASSISTANCE FOR SAID PURPOSES.) In the Commissioner's Court of Sabine County Texas

This the 10th day of September A. D. 1928, came on to be considered the matter of collection of the delinquent taxes due the state of Texas, and Sabine County, for the years delinquent for 1927, and also came on to be considered the matter of the employment of this court of capable and competent counsel to assist the County Attorney of this County in bringing such suits and in the matters generally incident to the proper handling of such suits as may be necessary in the collection thereof, and of all such the matters incident to the collection of same, and the Commissioners Court, having considered said matters and Zed Bridges, an attorney, of Sabine County, Texas, at Center, Texas, having made an appropriate and advantageous offer, as hereinafter show, and the court having decided that it would be for the best interest of all the County to employ such an attorney in order that proper proceedings be instituted looking to the collection of all such taxes due said State and County, and there being at this time a large amount of money due said State and County of Sabine, it is accordingly ordered that said Court, do and it does hereby for and in behalf of said County, contract with said Zed Bridges to bring all such suits as may be necessary for the collection of all such delinquent taxes in accordance with the following agreement to-wit:

The State of Texas)
County of Sabine) This instrument of writing and indenture entered into, on the 10th day of September A. D. 1928, by and between the Commissioners Court of Sabine County, acting for and in behalf of Sabine County, Texas, and the State of Texas, hereinafter called party of the first part and Zed Bridges of Center, Shelby County Texas, hereinafter called party of the second part:

Witnesseth:

Whereas, there is due and owing The State of Texas, and Sabine County, including its various municipal subdivisions, large amounts as taxes delinquent for the year 1927, which are uncollected and have not been collected but remain as valid charges on the property situated in Sabine County, and

Whereas, due to the fact that the duties of the office of the County Attorney of Sabine County, is sick and renders such officer unable to properly handle and efficiently bring suits necessary for the collection of said delinquent taxes, and renders it imperative and necessary to employ capable assistance and an attorney for that purpose, and

Whereas, Zed Bridges, an attorney-at-law, of Center, Texas, has proposed in consideration of the payment of him of 25% (Twenty-five Per cent), of all delinquent taxes collected

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and as due and payable to said County, ^{and State} of the various sources for which said taxes are due, including school districts, oth. common and Independent County ad Velbrun, all County Bonds Roads and otherwise, and all other County sources ^{and State Taxes} as are now due and delinquent for said years to comence and undertake the collection of such delinquent taxes as are due said County and State for said years as may be necessary.

It is therefore agreed by and between the parties hereto as follows:

1. That the proposition to undertake the collection of said taxes as are delinquent as afore- said be, and the same is hereby accepted by said Commissioner's Court of Sabine County.

2. That the fees to be allowed said Attorney for the undertaking shall be Twenty-five per cent of all taxes of every source ~~and this Commission shall include Twenty-five Per Cent of all amounts collect d by suit or otherwise of every taxable source as may be due said County or any political sub- division thereof for said years delinquent.~~

3. It is further agreed that the second party hereto will actively begin and commence the undertaking and of rendering notices and commence the filing of suits on or by the Fifteen- th of September A. D. 1928, and that such undertaking shall be prosecute with reasonable diligence until finally completed;

4. It is agreed and it is hereby ordered and directed that the Commissioners to b paid and payable hereunder are to be paid over to Second party or his constituted agent out of the funds collected on the 1st of each and every month by the Tax Collection of said County.

5. It is agreed that second aparty may at his own cost and expense use the prosecution hereof such assistance as may be deemed necessary, but at his own cost and expense. That this contract shall not be revoked by either party hereto, but for the faithful performance here- of, each party hereby binds itself and subscribed in triplicate this the 10th day of Septem- ber, A. D. 1928.

This contract is in force for two years or longer if necessary.

E. J. McGown, Commr. No. 1.
J. D. Edgar, Commr. No. 3
No. 2.
R. C. Travis, Commr. No. 4.

R. H. Dent, County Judge Sabine County Texas.

Zed Bridges, Party of Second Part.

It is further ordered that applicate originals of such agreement be, and they are here- by signed by the County Judge of Sabine County, as the act and deed of the Commissioner's Court, of said County, for and in behalf of said County of Sabine, Texas.

PETITION FOR ELECTION FOR
ISSUANCE OF BONDS IN RUDELL COM-
MON SCHOOL DISTRICT No. 17, IN
SABINE COUNTY, TEXAS.

The State of Texas }
County of Sabine }

TO THE HONORABLE COUNTY JUDGE OF SABINE COUNTY:

We, the undersigned qualified property taxpaying voters of Common School District No. 17, in Sabine County, Texas, pray that an election be ordered to be held in said District to determine whether a majority of the legally qualified property taxpaying voters of said district desire the issuance of bonds, numbered consecutively from One to 3, both inclusive of the denomination of \$800.00 each, aggregating \$2400.00 to bear interest at the rate of six (6) per cent per annum, payable annually on the 10th day of April of each year, said bonds to be payable 20 years from their date, with option of redemption after ten 10 years, on the faith and credit of said Common School District, to provide funds to be expended for the purpose of construction and equipping addition of wood to the present school building of said Ruddell Common School District, and to determine whether the Commissioner's Court of said County shall be authorized to levy, assess and collect annually while said bonds, or any of them, are outstanding, a tax upon all taxable property within said District sufficient to pay the current interest on said bonds and provided a sinking fund sufficient to pay the principal at maturity.

Dated this the 9 day of April A. D. 1928.

A. J. Edgar,
W. H. Garlington,
T. M. Wright,
W. T. Horn,
E. J. Boyett,
W. F. Fullen,
J. F. Hargrove.

W. E. Becton.
T. D. Chambers.
W. E. P. Burns.
S. A. Kerr.
J. L. Coon.
J. D. Edgar.
W. W. Parmer.

J. O. Boyett.
Denton Kerr
J. T. Fuller.
E. R. Fuller.
W. J. Wright.
W. H. Fuller.

Statement of Indebtedness:

The State of Texas }
County of Sabine }

Common School District No. 17.

I, Walter Horn, Secretary of the District Trustees of Common School District No. 17 of said County, hereby certify:

That the outstanding indebtedness of said District is as follows: Schoolhouse bonds in the sum of Two Thousand & No/100 (\$2000.) Dollars, bearing 6 per cent interest, running for 10 years, redeemable any time after 5 years, and which bonds are dated on the 10 day of April, 1926.

Dated this the 9 day of April 1928.

Secretary of
District Trustees of Common School
District No. ___ of Sabine County Texas

I, Maggie B. Weatherred, County Superintendent of Sabine County, Texas, do hereby certify that the above and foregoing instrument is true and correct according to the records of my office.

dated this the 9 day of April, 1928.

Maggie B. Weatherred County Superintend-
ent. of Sabine County, Texas.

TAX ASSESSORS CERTIFICATE.

The State of Texas }
County of Sabine }

I, C. M. Bennett, Tax assessor of Sabine County, Texas, respect-

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ecyfully represent:

1. That I have carefully examined the latest approved tax rolls of said County to ascertain the amount of taxable property of Common School District No. 17, of said County.

2. That I find and so certify that according to the tax rolls of said county for the year 1927, which are the latest approved tax rolls of the county the total assessed valuation of real property situated and personal in said district is as follows:

Real Property -----	\$150,515.
Personal property -----	9,485.
Total -----	\$160,000.

3. And I further certify that no intangible, rolling stock or other properties not authorized by law to be taxed for district purposes are included in this statement.

Dated this the 9th day of May, 1928.

C. M. Bennett, Tax Assessor,
Sabine County, Texas.

I, Maggie . Weatherred, county Superintendent, of Sabine County, Texas; certify that there is on file in my office an abstract of taxable property for Common School District No. 17, of Sabine County, Texas, and that it shows the facts as follows:

Real Property -----	\$150,515.
Personal Property -----	9,485.
Total -----	\$160,000.

And I further certify that there is authorized in said district 68 cents tax rate for maintenance purposes, and 32 cents tax rate for bond purposes.

Maggie E. Weatherred, County Super-
intendent Sabine County, Texas.

COUNTY SUPERINTENDENT'S CERTIFICATE.

The State of Texas }
County of Sabine }

To the Honorable Commissioners Court of Sabine County:

I, Maggie J. Weatherred, County Superintendent, of Sabine County, do hereby certify:

1. That at a meeting of the district Trustees of Common School District No. 17, in said County on the 9 day of April, 1928, in which meeting I was present and participated, it was shown that the valuation of taxable property in said district according to the latest tax rolls of said County was \$16,000 and,

2. That an issue of bonds for said district in the amount of \$4000, running 20 years and bearing 6 per cent interest, would require an annual tax of and at the rate of 32 cents on the \$100.00 valuation of taxation property of said district to pay interest on said bonds and provide a sinking fund sufficient to pay the principal at maturity.

Dated the 6 day of April, 1928:

Maggie B. Weatherred, County Superin-
Tendent, of Sabine Co. Texas.

COUNTY JUDGE S ORDER:

The State of Texas }
County of Sabine }

Whereas, on the 9th day of April, 1928, a petition was presented to me for an election in common school district No. 17, of this county on the question of issuing bonds for the purpose of constructing and equipping an

addition of wood material to the wood public free school building of said district and authorizing a tax upon all taxable property within said district, sufficient to pay the current interest on said bonds and to provide a sinking fund sufficient to pay the principal at maturity; and

It appearing that said petition bears the requisite number of signatures of qualified property tax paying voters of said district and is in every respect in conformity with the law; and

It further appearing that Sabine County contains a population of 12,299, according to the last United States Census; and

It further appearing that said district as so established contains an area of 22.64 square miles and that no other district has been reduced in the area below 9 square miles by reason of the creation of this district; and

It further appearing that said district does not embrace any territory that was taken from any other school district either common, or independent, that had an outstanding issue of bonds at the date of such inclusion in this district;

Now, therefore, I. R. H. Dent, in my capacity as County Judge, of Sabine County, Texas, do hereby order that an election be held on the 5th day of May, 1928 at the school house in said common school district No. 17, to determine whether a majority of the legally qualified property tax paying voters of that district desire the issuance of bonds on the faith and credit of said common school district in the amount of \$2400.00 the bonds to be of the denominations of \$800.00 each, numbered consecutively from 1 to 3, both inclusive, payable 20 years from that date, with option of redemption after 10 years, from their date, and bearing 6 percent interest per annum, payable annually on the 10th day of April, of each year, for the purpose of constructing and equipping an addition of wood to the public free school building of said common school district, and to determine whether the commissioners' Court of this County shall be authorized to levy, assess, and collect annually, while said bonds or any of them, are outstanding, a tax upon all taxable property, within said district sufficient to pay the current interest on said bonds and provide a sinking fund sufficient to pay the principal at maturity.

J. L. Coon, 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 made due returns thereof to the commissioners' court of this county as is required by law, for holding a general election.

All persons who are legally qualified voters of this state, and of this County and who are residents property tax payers in said district shall be entitled to vote at said election and all voters desiring to support the proposition to issue bond shall have written or printed on their ballots the words: For the issuance of Bonds, and the levying of the tax in payment thereof." And those opposed shall have written or printed on their ballots the words "against the bonds and levying of the tax in payment thereof."

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

Dated the 9th day of April 1928.

R. H. Dent, County Judge,
Sabine county, Texas.

SHERIFF'S NOTICE OF ELECTION
FOR ISSUANCE OF SCHOOL BONDS.

THE STATE OF TEXAS
County of Sabine

Notice is hereby given that an election will be held on the

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5th day of May, 1928, at the School House in Common School District No. 17, of this County, to determine whether a majority of the legally qualified property taxpaying voters of said district desire the issuance of bonds on the faith and credit of said Common School District in the amount of \$2400.00, to become due and payable Twenty Years from date with option of redemption after 10 years from their date and bearing 6 per cent per annum payable annually on the 10th day of April of each year for constructing and equipping an addition of wood to the wood public free school building of said Common School district and to determine whether the Commissioner's Court of this County shall be authorized to levy, assess and collect annually white said bonds, or any of them, are outstanding, a tax upon all taxable property within said district sufficient to pay the current interest on said bonds, and to provide a sinking fund sufficient to pay the principal at maturity.

All persons who are legally qualified voters of this State and County, and who are resident property taxpayers in said district, shall be entitled to vote at said election, and all voters desiring to support the proposition to issue the bonds shall have written or printed on their ballots, the words: "For the issuance of bonds and the levying of the tax in payment thereof;" and those opposed shall have written or printed on their ballots, the words: "Against the issuance of bonds and the levying of the tax in payment thereof."

J. L. Coon has been 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 commissioner's court of this county, as is required by law for holding a general election.

Said election was ordered by the County Judge of this county by order made on the 9th day of April 1928, and this notice is given in pursuance of said order dated the 9th day of April 1928.

S. H. Hall, Sheriff,
Sabine County, Texas.

Return, Sheriff's Affidavit of Posting
Election Notice.

The State of Texas)
County of Sabine) Before me, the undersigned authority, on this day personally appeared S. H. Hall, known to me to be the Sheriff, of Sabine County Texas, and who, after being by me first duly sworn, upon his oath, said: And that he posted a true copy of said notice in three public places in said district, to wit: One at Holiness Church; one at J. A. Balldre; one at Rosevine School House, on the 14th day of April 1928, which was not less than twenty one full days before the date of said election.

S. H. Hall, Sheriff,
Sabine County, Texas.

Sworn to and subscribed before me, by --- on this the 9 day of April 1928.

R. H. Dent, County Judge,
Sabine County, Texas.

The State of Texas)
County of Sabine) To the Honorable Commissioner's Court of said County:

We, the undersigned officers, holding an election on the 5 day of May, 1928, in Common School District No. 17, of said County, upon the question of issuing \$2400.00 of schoolhouse bonds for said district, payable twenty years after date with option of redemption after 10

years and bearing 6 per cent interest, and levying a tax on all taxable property in said District sufficient to pay the current interest on said bonds, and provide a sinking fund sufficient to pay the principal at maturity, hereby certify that at said election there were cast 60 votes, of which number there were cast: For the issuance of Bonds and the levying of the Tax in payment thereof 44 votes. Against the issuance of Bonds and the levying of the tax in payment thereof; 16 votes. A majority for the issuance of bonds and the levying of the tax in payment thereof, 28 votes. We herewith enclose poll list and tally sheet of said election. signed this the 5th day of May, 1928.

J. L. Coon, Presiding officer,
 Managers of S. A. Carr, Judge.
 Election, J. O. Boyett, Clerk.
 D. G. Eddings, Clerk.

ORDER DECLARING RESULTS OF ELECTION:

On this day came on to be considered the returns of an election held on the 5 day of May, 1928, in Common School District No. 17, of this County upon the question of issuing \$2400. of Schoolhouse bonds for said District, running 20 years, and bearing 6 per cent interest, and levying a tax on all taxable property of said District sufficient to pay the current interest on said bonds and provide a sinking fund sufficient to pay the principal at maturity and it appearing that said election was in all respects legally held and that said returns were duly and legally made and that there were cast at said election 59 votes, of which number there were cast: for the bonds 44 votes. Against the bonds 15 votes.

And it appearing to the court from said returns that a majority of the qualified property tax paying voters of said District, voting at said election, voted in favor of issuing said bonds, the Court does hereby declare the proposition for the issuance of said bonds to have been adopted, and that this court is authorized to issue said bonds and to levy and have assessed and collected said tax.

R. H. Dent, County Judge.
 E. J. McGown, Comm #1.
 J. A. Huden, " " 2.
 J. D. Edgar, " " 3.
 R. C. Travis, " " 4.