

June 9 - 1930

The Commissioners' Court met in regular session, at the regular place of meeting, thereof, in the Court House, with all members present, to-wit: H. A. Dent, County Judge, E. J. McGown, Commissioner of Prec. No. 1, J. A. Hyden, Comm. Prec. No. 2, J. D. Edgar, Comm. Prec. No. 3, J. E. Minton, Comm. Prec. No. 4, Mrs. Berta Harper, County Clerk, and E. B. Smith, Sheriff.

The following business was had: The resignation of W. H. Pratt, of Justice of the Peace of Precinct No. 1, was presented to the court. On Motion of J. D. Edgar, second by J. A. Hyden, and duly carried, said resignation was accepted.

The application of W. H. Davidson, for appointment to fill the vacancy created in the office in the Justice of Peace, Precinct No. 1, occasioned by the resignation of Mr. W. H.

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Pratt, was presented to the court, also a petition of R. L. Allen, containing thirty six names, of qualified voters and responsible persons, asking that Mr. R. L. Allen, be appointed to fill said vacancy.

On motion of J. A. Hyden, second by J. D. Edgar, W. H. Davidson, was appointed to fill such vacancy. Full consideration having been given both applications.

The Application of J. F. Eveto, and Abb. Alford, each requesting appointment for the office of Constable of Precinct No. 1, was presented to the court and the following action had thereon. It was the opinion of the Commissioners, all members concurring, that an appointment was not necessary at this time, in as much as Mr. Alford, was already appointed as Deputy Constable for this term, and until a successor of H. D. Bickley, is elected or appointed, and until the appointment of Alford as Deputy Constable is rescinded, this matter is deferred until the special session June 23rd, at which time it will be reconsidered.

The Bond of W. H. Davidson, as the Justice of Peace, Precinct No. 1, was presented to the Court, and on motion by E. J. McGown, second by J. E. Minton, the bond was approved.

The returns of election of Addell Common School District No. 17, was canvassed by the court, said election being for the purpose of determining whether or not a majority of the qualified voters of said district desire to consolidate with Sand Hill Common School District, No. 30, of San Augustine County, the result of said election was found to be: For Consolidation 17 votes, against Consolidation no votes. Therefore, the proposition for consolidation is declared to be adopted, as regards said Common School District No. 17, of Sabine County.

The County Clerk, is authorized to issue two dollars each, against the General County Fund, to the following, persons, W. T. Horn, W. R. Mobley, T. M. Wright, S. A. Kerr, and W. F. Fullen, for holding said election.

The following resolutions were adopted by the court: Whereas, information has come to the court that Z. B. Brown, Justice of the Peace, of Precinct No. 6, including the town of Bronson, has left said town, and precinct and has gone away to pursue another vocation and whereas it appears, that the said Z. B. Brown, has been absent from his precinct more than twenty days, during which time due administration of the law has been handicapped and hindered in said town, and precinct, by virtue of his failing to function in the capacity of Justice of the Peace, of said Precinct, therefore, be it ordered, by the court, that said office of Justice of Peace of Precinct No. 6, of Bronson, Texas, be, and the same is hereby declared vacant. A. Deans, is appointed to fill said vacancy, as soon as he shall have qualified by making bond and taking the required oath.

Whereas, there is outstanding and unpaid, something over eight thousand dollars worth of General County Script and whereas, the First National Bank of Hemphill, County Depository, has refused to carry any more of said script at any discount or otherwise, and whereas, County officers, in particular, and others in general, are extremely handicapped, and injured by virtue of not being able to cash said script, even at a discount, and whereas, the Magnolia Gas Company, or Magnolia Pipe Line Company, sees no objection to their taking some three thousand dollars worth of this script at 7% discount, and whereas, the Commissioners court of Sabine County, Texas, are this day passing and incorporating in this resolution that the Tax Collector, of Sabine County, Texas, be directed and ordered to receive said General County Script, at par, in payment of so much of the County Ad Valorem Taxes, for services rendered, to Sabine County, Texas.

Therefore be it ordered by the Commissioner's court of Sabine County, Texas, that the Tax Collector of said County receive script carried by Magnolia Gas Company, or Magnolia Pipe Line Company.

Whereas, Ruford Daniel and George Harris, each purchased 100 acres of land, each from Mrs. B. M. Anox, on which there was due Road District Taxes, from 1922 to 1926, and whereas

a condition of this purchase was that Mrs. Knox was to pay such R. D. Taxes, and whereas she pleaded and gained limitation by virtue of court decision and by said plea evaded said tax. Therefore, as an equitable proportion and from an equitable viewpoint be it ordered by the Court that the Tax Collector, J. J. Gamback, be authorized and ordered to refund to each of said parties the amount of taxes for the years above set forth, amounting to \$38.00 or thereabout.

It is ordered by the court that General County Script Warrant No. \_\_\_\_\_, in the amount of \$1.00 issued to C. A. Bell, of Plainview, School District be cancelled and a like amount be issued to him out of the same fund on account of his representation that the script issued to him on the \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, No. \_\_\_\_\_, has been lost.

It is also ordered by the court that General County Script Warrant No. 2980, be cancelled, and that it be re-issued out of the permanent improvement fund for the same amount. It being a warranty, that was issued to H. J. Donahoe, in the amount of twenty eight dollars, on the general county fund.

Be it ordered by the court, that there is hereby levied for the year 1930, the following taxes:

Road and Bridge fund:	\$ .15
Jury fund.	.12
General County fund.	.24
Permanent Improvement	.24
County Bond Sinking.	1.00
Total.	<u>\$1.75.</u>
Road District # 1.	----- 1.00 ----- \$
" " 2.	----- .75 -----
" " 3.	----- .50 -----
" " 4.	----- 1.00 -----
" " 5.	----- 2.00 -----
" " 6.	----- .50 -----
" " 7.	----- 2.00 -----
" " 8.	----- 1.00 -----
" " 9.	----- 1.00 -----
" " 10.	----- .75 -----
" " 12.	----- .75 -----
" " 13.	----- 1.00 -----

6 2/3% respectively of the 15% road and bridge levy of 1930, be set aside by the County Treasurer, to the credit of the road and bridge funding warrants funds, or as much thereof, as may be necessary to care for maturing warrants and accrued interest for the current year. This means to the credit of road and bridge funding warrant funds, class No. 3 and 4.

That 6% and 5% respectively of the 24% General County Levy of 1930, be set aside to the credit of the General County funding warrant fund, class 4, by the County Treasurer or as much thereof as may be necessary to care for maturing warrants and interest for the current year.

That 2 1/2% of the 15% Road and Bridge levy of 1930, be set aside to the credit of the Bridge Repair Bond, fund by the County Treasurer, or as much thereof, as is necessary to care for maturing warrants and accrued interest for the current year.

There is hereby levied for the year 1930, on all taxable property in Common School District Nos. 12, 19, 23, 24 & 28, of this County on the first day of January of the Current year the following taxes: An ad Valorem tax of and at the rate of \$.50% on the \$100. valuation in said Districts to supplement the State School funds apportioned to said Districts, for the support and maintenance of Public Schools.

That there is hereby levied for the year 1930, on all taxable property in Common School

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Districts Nos. 2, 5, 8, 9, 11, 14, 15, 16, 20, 25, 26, 27, 31, 32, 33, 34, 35, 36 & 37 of this County on the first of the current year the following taxes: An ad Valorem tax of and at the rate of 75¢ on the One Hundred Dollar Valuation in said Districts, to supplement the State School apportioned to said Districts by the Support and maintenance of the Public Schools.

That there is hereby levied for the year 1930, on all taxable property in Common School Districts Nos. 3, 6, 17, 29, 30 & 33, of this County on the first day of January of the current year the following taxes. An Ad Valorem tax of and at the rate of One Dollar on the One Hundred Dollar valuation in said Districts to supplement the State School Fund apportioned to said District for the support and maintenance of public schools.

That there is hereby levied for the year 1930, on all taxable property in Common School Districts Nos. 14, 16, 17, 20 & 31, of this County, an Ad Valorem tax of and at the rate of 10, 30, 32, 40, 43, 45, 52 & 65 cents, respectively, on the one hundred valuation in said District, to pay current interest on and provided for one years sinking fund for the bonds of said District.

That there is hereby levied a county occupation tax for the year 1930, at one-half ( $\frac{1}{2}$ ) of the amount of occupation levied by the State of Texas, upon all the occupation as named in Article No. 7047, Civil Statute 1925, and provided further any provisions of this law shall not be deemed to affect the provisions of any law specially authorizing the Commissioners Court to levy a different rate of tax.

TO HON. R. H. DENT, COUNTY JUDGE, SABINE COUNTY, TEXAS:

We, the undersigned citizens of Justice Precinct No. 1, Sabine County, Texas, having been informed that the present Justice of the Peace will place his resignation with you within a very short time, respectfully ask that after said resignation has been placed with you, that you Mr. R. L. Allen, to fill the unexpired term of office, having been made vacant by said resignation;

D. E. Pratt.  
Jim Parker.  
C. F. Smith. J  
W. G. Ball.  
H. C. Tutler.  
H. H. Howard.  
J. H. Mattox.  
L. Low.  
O. P. Tate.  
G. F. Cole.  
A. J. Howard.  
Ed Lawhorn.

F. B. Wilson.  
E. G. Fuller.  
J. S. Fuller.  
J. G. Coussons.  
W. E. Lipton.  
H. P. Cole.  
J. M. Harris.  
E. E. Phelps.  
I. H. Whitehead.  
O. B. Holder.  
H. H. Minton.  
A. M. Jones.  
W. C. Rice.

W. E. Coussons.  
F. W. Thedford.  
P. P. Candy.  
A. P. Ener.  
H. J. Donahoe.  
Gailand Dias.  
O. H. Smith, Jr.  
E. J. Alford.  
J. D. Fuller.  
E. H. Murphree.

No further business, court adjourned.

County Clerk, Sabine County, Texas.