

The Commissioners' court in and for Sabine County, Texas, met in regular session March 13, 1933 at the regular meeting place thereof, with the following members presents: Edward Harper, County Judge, H.E. White, Commr. Prec. No. 1, P.H. McGown, Commr. Prec. No. 3, E.C. Smith, Commr. Prec. No. 2, R.W. Chapman, Commr. Prec. 4, Zeda Davidson, County Clerk, and George W. Russell, Sheriff. and transacted business as follows:

On motion by Robert Chapman, second by P.H. McGown, vote unanimous, is ordered by the court that the following petition be, and the same is hereby approved;

To the Commissioners' court, Sabine County, Texas:

We, the undersigned citizens of Sabine County, Texas, do respectfully petition to the Court to grant us the authority to change the route of the Sexton and East Hamilton public road crossing the County line near East Hamilton. The present route climbing one of the steepest hills in the County, the proposed route will be of average encline and possible in all kinds of

weather, and near 3/4 mile further. Change to be made between the old Carpenter field and Morting Bayou. Signed.

W.B. Palmer.  
V.R. Wiggins.  
W.J. Parker.  
E.E. Ellington.  
L.C. Cox.  
Frank Brown.  
Sam Nichols.  
Allen Nichols.  
Dan Nichols.  
W.T. Pate.  
J.L. Holder.  
J.W. Clifton.  
J.C. Ballard.  
D.B. Polley.  
W.V. Polley.

C.E. Arnold.  
Jessie Milhamson.  
P.G. Palmer.  
F.M. Gray.  
S.S. Clifton.  
J.A. Clifton.  
J.M. Wiggins.  
W.H. Wiggins.  
J.H. Cox.  
M.N. Nichols.  
W.A. Nichols.  
S.R. Latham.  
Lee Sanford.  
V.E. Latham.

We, the Commissioners' court of Sabine County, certify that we have this day inspected the County Jail and have found it in a fairly sanitary condition. Dated this the 13th day of March, A. D. 1933.

On motion by P.H. McGown, second by H.E. White, that Script # 344, issued to V.F. Williams for holding General Election in 1932, be cancelled and script in lieu thereof, be issued in the same amount, in the same fund and for the same purpose, the original scrip having been lost.

On motion by P.H. McGown, second by H.E. White, vote unanimous, it is ordered that the following contracts, between E.P. Padgett, and Sabine County, be and the same is hereby in all things excepted.

The State of Texas )  
County of Sabine ) Know all men by these presents, that whereas, Edward Harper, County Judge, H. E. White, Commissioner Precinct # 1; Ernest Smith Commissioner Precinct # 2; P.H. McGown, Commissioner Precinct # 3; and R.W. Chapman, Commissioner Precinct # 4, parties of the first part, for and in consideration of the sum and consideration hereinafter mentioned do by these presents, lease, and convey to E. P. Padgett, party of the second part, and for and in consideration of the sum of Seven and 50/100 (\$7.50) dollars to be paid to the County of Sabine, every three months during the term of this lease and in consideration of the above stated amount. The County of Sabine hereby grants, lease and conveys to the said E.P. Padgett, the following: The room adjoining on the East side of the office of the County Agent, on the second floor of the court house.

The term of this lease is for one year. During said one year said room the control and occupancy of said room shall be and belong to the party of the second part who shall have absolute control and management of same.

Therefore hereinafter witness my hand and seal of the office, this the 13th day of March A.D. 1933. Edward Harper, County Judge in and for Sabine County, Texas.

Whereas it becomes necessary under the acts of the 40th Legislature First Called Session page 194, that in order to establish the price of \$1.00 per day as an allowance for convicts in the payment of fine by remaining in jail or to work on public roads or poor farm for the County to have and exercise control over land designated a poor farm and

Whereas, without a poor farm the County would be governed by Article 793 of the Code of Criminal Procedure providing \$3.00 per day and providing further that unless the County owned or controlled a tract of land designated as a poor farm there would be no authority on the part of the Commissioners' court to work convicts in payment of fine.

Therefore, be it resolved by the Commissioners' court in regular session assembled that a contract be entered into wherein Sabine County by and through its Commissioners' court leases from E. P. Padgett a certain tract of land, and designated same as a County poor farm which is described in contract of this date for the period of one year, or longer if necessary and providing the terms and conditions under which said land is secured and controlled.

It is therefore ordered by the court that the sheriff of Sabine County is hereby authorized and directed to place guards over all convicts who have unpaid misdemeanor, fines and have them perform manual labor under the direction of the Commissioners' court. The amount allowed for guard duty is \$2.00 per day. For each guard provided that more than one is employed and provided that further that if a guard carried convicts in a vehicle furnished by himself, he shall be allowed reasonable expenses for such a vehicle.

There being no further business, court adjourned.

Attest:

Zedra Davidson  
County Clerk.

Rich Harper  
County Judge.

H. E. White  
Commr. Prec. No. 1.

R. Smith  
Commr. Prec. No. 2.

C. H. McLean  
Commr. Prec. No. 3.

R. W. Johnson  
Commr. Prec. No. 4.