

The Honorable Commissioners Court met on June 14, 1937, in Hemphill, Sabine County Texas, with the following members present, to-wit: O. A. Beauchamp, Judge, D. B. Speights, Commissioner Precinct #1, R. H. Solley, Commissioner, Precinct #2, G. B. Carter, Commr. Precinct #3, A. L. Harvill, Commr. Precinct #4, A. J. Alford, Constable and J. O. Wright, Clerk.

Accounts were were allowed as are shown on the minutes of Accounts Allowed.

The Report of Russell O. Watson was approved.

On motion duly had and carried, J. H. Ener was appointed county Surveyor.

It is ordered by the Court that the Clerk issue the salary warrants of John Morgan and Abb Alford semi-monthly hereafter on the first and fifteenth of each month instead of monthly as heretofore.

Be it ordered by the Commissioners Court of Sabine County, Texas, drawn on Gen. Co. Fund, in favor of D. E. McNaughten, for \$3.00-Reg. #2298--Issue #1058, be cancelled and that script

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Duplicate issued in lieu thereof.

It is ordered by the Court that Harris, McClure Tractor & Machinery Co., be paid Two Hundred Nine Dollars and Ten Cents (\$209.10) out of the Road and Bridge Special Fund to continue lease agreement on the purchase of two tractors from above named Company on Nov. 25, 1935 and recorded in Book "N" page 306-7, Minutes of Commissioner's Court.

And it is hereby ordered that the balance of \$864.25 due the above named Company on herein described lease agreement be continued to April 15, 1938 and shall draw interest at 6% per annum from April 1st 1937 until paid.

#1--\$79.55

3-- 64.78

4-- 64.77

The matter of the valuation of certain lands situated in Sabine County, Texas, owned by the estate of John H. Kirby, Bank-rupt, described as follows: Being 160 acres of the Wm. S. Smith headright survey, Abstract No. 190, having been presented to the Court, and it appearing that said tract of land has been entered for assessment for State and County taxes for the years 1920 to 1935, inclusive, at from \$6.00 to \$12.00 per acre, as "Unrendered" or "Unknown", and that such valuation is excessive as compared with valuations placed on lands of the same character in the vicinity of such lands, and adjoining same;

It is considered by the Court that a valuation of Four Dollars (\$4.00) per acre is a fair valuation for state and county tax purposes on said tract of land, and it is ordered that the valuation thereon be placed at \$4.00 per acre, and that the Tax Collector of Sabine County, Texas, be instructed to issue a receipt to the owner of such land upon the payment of such taxes based on said valuation.

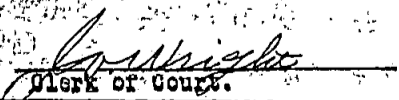
The County Treasurer is hereby authorized to pay any of the past due bonds of the Permanent Improvement Fund directly from the Permanent Improvement Fund if monies are not available in the Sinking Funds for these bonds. Such direct payments however are not to exceed \$1000.00 Dollars.

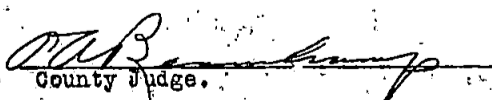
The Court then qualified as a Board of Equalization by subscribing to the following oath:

"I, _____ (County Judge or Commissioner) a member of the board of Equalization of _____ County, for the year, A. D. 19__ hereby solemnly swear that in the performance of my duties as a member of such board for said year, I will not vote to allow any taxable property to stand assessed on the tax rolls of said county for said year at any sum which I believe to be less than its true market value, or if it has no market value, then its real value; that I will faithfully endeavor and as a member of said board, will move to have each item of taxable property which I believe to be assessed for said year at less than its true market value or real value, raised on the tax rolls to what I believe to be its true cash market value, if it has a market value, if not, then to its real value and that I will faithfully endeavor to have the assessed valuation of all property subject to taxation within said County stand upon the tax rolls of said County for said year at its true cash market value, then its real value; I further solemnly swear that I have read and understand the provisions contained in the constitution and laws of this State relative to the valuation of taxable property, and that I will faithfully perform all the duties required of me under the constitution and laws of this State, so help me God."

The Court then adjourned to meet June 21, 1937, or as a Board of Equalization.

Attest:


Clerk of Court.


County Judge.

Charles Sprague
Commr. Precinct #1

B. H. Sully
Commr. Precinct #2

H. B. Carter
Commr. Precinct #3

A. S. Harwill
Commr. Precinct #4