

THE STATE OF TEXAS
COUNTY OF SABINE

On this the 25th day of March, 1974, the Honorable Commissioners' Court met in regular session with the following members present, to-wit:

Charlie Forse	County Judge
R. E. Smith	Commissioner, Precinct No. 1
G. W. Russell, Jr.	Commissioner, Precinct No. 2
Paul Lout	Commissioner, Precinct No. 3
H. E. Wilburn	Commissioner, Precinct No. 4
W. W. Cavender	Clerk of the Court

Frank Mears, County Agent appeared before the Court and requested a part-time secretary for three days a week due to the fuel allocation program which has been given to his office. He also asked for an increase in his expense account because of the advance in gasoline prices.

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A motion by Commissioner R. E. Smith, seconded by Commissioner Paul Lout and with all voting "AYE", the Court authorized the County Agent to employ a temporary secretary for 3 days each week at \$12.00 per day, whose salary will be paid out of Federal Revenue Sharing Fund.

No action was taken on the County Agents request for increase in expense account.

Frank Miears and Oscar P. Pate also told the Court of a survey they had made concerning storm damages resulting from tornadic winds on Wednesday evening March 20, 1974. Their survey shows damages of approximately \$225,000 to the forests, \$50,000 to public property and \$175,000 to private property, making a total of approximately \$450,000 damages. They recommended that the Court declare Sabine County a major disaster area and that the County Judge notify the Governor of Texas immediately of the Courts action, in order that affected persons could qualify for Farm Home Administration loans at reduced rates of interest.

Motion by Commissioner G. W. Russell, Jr., seconded by Commissioner R. E. Smith and by unanimous vote, the Court passed a Resolution declaring Sabine County a major disaster area and requested the County Judge to advise the Governor of Texas of its action.

The County Clerk presented the petitions to call election for Abolition of Office of County School Superintendent which were submitted to the Court at its previous regular meeting and declared there were 249 legal signatures on the petitions.

The County Attorney advised the Court that under Section 17.42 Texas Educational Code, the statutory requirements for call an election for Abolition of Office of County School Superintendent had not been met and that under these conditions, an election was not possible.

Bids were opened as advertised on the two trucks. Hemphill Motor Company, Inc. bid was \$9,232.00 and Vickers Chevrolet bid was \$9,400.00.

Motion by Commissioner R. E. Smith, seconded by Commissioner G. W. Russell, Jr. and with all voting "AYE" the Court accepted the bid of the Hemphill Motor Company, Inc. for the two trucks.

Accounts were allowed and made payable.

There being no further business, the Court adjourned.

R. E. Smith
COMMISSIONER, PRECINCT NO. 1

G. W. Russell
COMMISSIONER, PRECINCT NO. 2

Charlie Fore
COUNTY JUDGE

Paul Lout
COMMISSIONER, PRECINCT NO. 3

H. E. Wilburn
COMMISSIONER, PRECINCT NO. 4

R. B. Saunders
CLERK OF THE COURT