

Thursday, August 18, 1988, at 8:30 A. M., the Commissioners' Court of Sabine County held a Special Public Tax hearing in the County Courtroom, with the following members present:

Royce C. Smith	County Judge
R. E. Smith	Commissioner, Prct. # 1
Billy J. McGee	Commissioner, Prct. # 2
Eldridge Ellison	Commissioner, Prct. # 3
Chester Cox, Sr.	Commissioner, Prct. # 4
Nadine Gary	Clerk of the Court

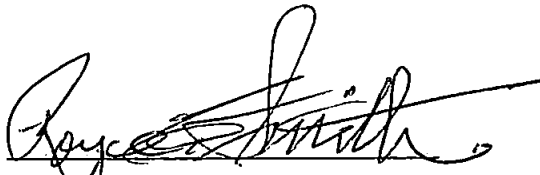
Meeting was called to order by Judge Smith. Judge Smith also led the opening prayer.


The proposed budget for 1988-1989 was discussed. The budget will be adopted at our meeting August 22.

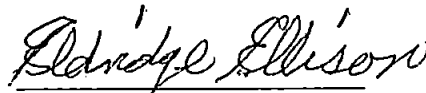
Judge Smith informed those in attendance the Forest Service check in December, 1988 will be approximately the same as before. He also said he would attend a meeting in Trinity concerning this this afternoon.

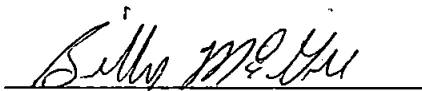
Judge Smith then explained the proposed budget, and Diane Husband, Tax Assessor-Collector, then explained the projected Tax Rate. A discussion followed from the floor. The attached exhibit lists those in attendance.

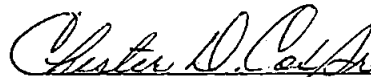
Meeting adjourned.

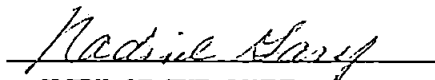

COUNTY JUDGE


COMMISSIONER, PRCT. # 1


COMMISSIONER, PRCT. # 3


COMMISSIONER, PRCT. # 2


COMMISSIONER, PRCT. # 4


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the GOOD ROADS AMENDMENT

Proposition 1

Whereas, Texans pay a 9¢ a gallon federal fuel tax into the Federal Highway Trust Fund, a user fee which is then apportioned to the state to acquire, construct and maintain their highways;

Whereas, Texas receives approximately \$800 million a year from the Federal Highway Trust Fund;

Whereas, these federal funds pay for building over half our Texas highways;

Whereas, since 1917 when federal highway funds were first given to the states, Texas has used 100% of these funds exclusively for its roads and bridges;

Whereas, federal highway funds are returned to reimburse us for spending constitutionally dedicated Texas state highway user fees;

Whereas, it has recently been suggested the federal highway reimbursements should be diverted to other unspecified purposes;

Whereas, such a diversion of dedicated highway funds would cripple the state's highway maintenance program, end its long-term planning, and cancel critical new road projects, including many in our area;

Whereas, using federal highway reimbursements for purposes other than our roads would violate the public trust by breaking the government's pledge that those who use the highways should pay for their construction and maintenance;

Whereas, protecting the substantial investment in our highways and improving them will help encourage economic growth and create jobs in Texas;

Whereas, Texas voters can guarantee this unnecessary raid on our dedicated highway funds never takes place by voting for Proposition 1, the GOOD ROADS AMENDMENT to the Texas Constitution, in this November's Presidential election;

Whereas, Proposition 1 appears at the end of the ballot as "The constitutional amendment and/or clarification providing that federal reimbursement of state highway dedicated funds are themselves dedicated for the purpose of acquiring rights-of-way and constructing, maintaining and policing public roadways."

Now, Therefore Be It Resolved, we support Proposition 1 to insure dedicated federal highway funds received by Texas are spent only for their intended purpose of improving our highways, and Be It Further Resolved, we call on all Texans to join us and every statewide elected Texas official in approving Proposition 1 and we pledge our best efforts in encouraging all Texans to vote "FOR" Proposition 1, the GOOD ROADS AMENDMENT.

Adopted this 22nd day of August, 1988, by

Sabine County, Texas

(Name of Organization)

Attested by:

Nadine Goss
County Clerk

Ray [Signature]
County Judge

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