

Special Session Commissioners' Court

Monday, October 9, 2000 8:30 a.m.

Members of the Court present:

Jack Leath	County Judge
Keith Clark	Commissioner Pct. #1
Lynn Smith	Commissioner Pct. #2
Doyle Dickerson	Commissioner Pct. #3
Gene Nethery	Commissioner Pct. #4
Janice McDaniel	County Clerk

Judge Leath called the meeting to order at 8:50 a.m.

Agenda item #1-Public Hearing-Affirmation of Stringtown Road AKA
Bradshaw Road as a Public Road

Marjorie Williams said she is the only one that this will affect 365 days a year and she would like for it to stay closed. She said that right now the road is closed with a fence that has been there between 25 and 30 years.

Commissioner Smith said he is not aware of a fence on the road.

Mrs. Williams said the fence is on the edge of the James Brewster property not too far from her house.

Marcus Beard with the U. S. Forest Service said that their concern is there is already access to this property and there are 3 major creeks on this road that would have to be crossed if the road is opened all the way to highway 96. There are 2 endangered species that have habitats near this area.

Judge Leath said we received a letter from Jimmy Woods stating that he does not want the road opened unless there is a clear benefit to justify the cost. It seems it will benefit only a few people (hunters). He asked if Mr. Woods owns property on the road in question.

Mrs. Williams said he owns land on the road in question.

Louis Brewster said he is a property owner in the area. He said the fence she is talking about has been taken down and the dirt mound is gone. The last loggers that hauled out of there put a mound of dirt there. He said we cross Bradshaw property to get to our property and now his granddaughter wants to cross our property and we say no. She can not get across the creek bottom to get to her place but she can drive a pickup across our property and drive to her property. He said

he feels that if we can cross her property then she should be able to cross our property. He said the Bradshaw road is the road that we went in and out on since about 1935. When we got ready to rebuild the road, we went to Mr. Bradshaw about a right-of-way and he said sure. Now we are telling his granddaughter no. He said that this is wrong. He said the fence was put up by his brother who is now deceased and his sister-in-law.

Mrs. Thelma Brewster said she is for the right-of-way. She was not for someone taking the fence down without her knowledge.

Judge Leath said we are talking about Stringtown road and it runs west off of the Marjorie Williams road.

Mr. Brewster said this is correct.

Commissioner Smith asked if you could get from the Marjorie Williams road to Susan Dunmire's property without getting on Forest Service land?

Mr. Brewster said no.

Commissioner Clark said it is his understanding that if a road is fenced for 20 years or more then it is considered abandoned and we have no right on it.

Mr. Brewster said the fence that the loggers used was up for a while and down for a while.

Commissioner Dickerson said he agrees with Commissioner Clark.

Commissioner Smith said the key point is whether it was up continuously for a period of 20 years.

Mr. Brewster said the loggers would leave the fence down and his brother and sister-in-law would put it back up when they got around to it. Same thing as with the gate we went through last time. Looks like to him is the only thing would be about it being opened or closed would be the National Forest. He said he and his sister-in-law are for it being a public road.

Commissioner Dickerson said the first property to cross would be Jimmy Wood's property and his letter says he is against it being opened.

Mr. Brewster said on the hearing for the Marjorie Williams road, he was for all roads being opened. It looks like someone changed his mind.

Two representatives of the Texas Parks and Wildlife said the little bit of Forest Service road in question is not going to effect much the wildlife management unless it is continued past the Bradshaw property.

The Court decided that this issue needs to be taken up on the actual road so that everyone gets a clear idea exactly where it is.

Vol HH Pg 513

This item is tabled until October 16 at 10:00 a.m. at which time a special meeting is to be scheduled. The meeting will convene at the intersection of highway 96 and the Marjorie Williams road.

This special session is adjourned.

Jack Rutz COUNTY JUDGE

Keith Clark COMMISSIONER PCT. #1

Lynn Smith COMMISSIONER PCT. #2

Doyle Dickerson COMMISSIONER PCT. #3

R. Grotting COMMISSIONER PCT. #4

ATTEST:

Janice McDaniel COUNTY CLERK

PUBLIC NOTICE

A public hearing of the Sabine County Commissioners' Court has been called by Jack Leath, Judge, Sabine County, Texas to hear testimony for and against the affirmation of "Stringtown Road" aka "Bradshaw Road" as a public road. The hearing is scheduled for October 9, 2000 at 8:30 a.m. All interested parties are requested to file a public participation form with the County Clerk before the scheduled hearing.

**Janice McDaniel
Sabine County Clerk of Court**

vol HH pg 515

J. G. Woods
100 Beech Dr.
Lumberton, TX 77657
(409) 755-4119

September 27, 2000

Janice McDaniel
County Clerk - Sabine County
P. O. Drawer 580
Hemphill, TX 75948-0580

Ref: Public Hearing on Stringtown Road aka Bradshaw Road

I will be unable to attend the October 9, 2000 hearing.

In general, I am against connecting the Bradshaw Road with Williams Road unless there is a clear benefit to justify the cost. It seems that connecting these roads will only benefit a few people (hunters).

Regards,

Jimmy Woods
Jimmy Woods

vol HH pg 516



County of Sabine

P.O. Box 720
Hemphill, Texas 75948

Jack H. Leath, County Judge

Commissioners

Keth Clark	Precinct #1
Lynn Smith	Precinct #2
Doyle Dickerson	Precinct #3
Gene Netbery	Precinct #4

SABINE COUNTY COMMISSIONERS' COURT

Public Participation Form

Instructions: Fill out all appropriate blanks. Please print or write legibly.

NAME: Susan Dunmire

HOME ADDRESS: Brooke Land Post Office
Sabine Co., TEXAS 75931

HOME TELEPHONE: 698-2604

PLACE OF EMPLOYMENT: Diamond and a Half Enterprises

EMPLOYMENT TELEPHONE: 698-2604 for 698-2222

Do you represent any particular group or organization? NO

If you do represent a group or organization, please state the name, address and telephone number of such group or organization.

Which agenda item (or items) do you wish to address? Affirmation of "Stonytown Rd" a.k.a. "Bradshaw Road" as of a public road.

In general, are you for or against such agenda item (or items)?

in general, I am for the affirmation

Signature: Susan Dunmire

NOTE: This Public Participation Form must be presented to the County Clerk prior to the time that the agenda item (or items) you wish to address are discussed before the Court.

PHONE (409) 787-3643

FAX (409) 787-2044

vol HH pg 517



County of Sabine
 P.O. Box 720
 Hemphill, Texas 75948

Jack H. Leath, County Judge

Commissioners
 Keith Clark Precinct #1
 Lynn Smith Precinct #2
 Doyle Dickerson Precinct #3
 Gene Nethery Precinct #4

SABINE COUNTY COMMISSIONERS' COURT

Public Participation Form

Instructions: Fill out all appropriate blanks. Please print or write legibly.

NAME: Marjorie Williams

HOME ADDRESS: Box 337

Pineland, Tex

HOME TELEPHONE: 584-2104

PLACE OF EMPLOYMENT: —

EMPLOYMENT TELEPHONE: —

Do you represent any particular group or organization? No

If you do represent a group or organization, please state the name, address and telephone number of such group or organization.

Which agenda item (or items) do you wish to address? —

Bradshaw road

In general, are you for or against such agenda item (or items)?

Against opening road

Signature: Marjorie Williams

NOTE: This Public Participation Form must be presented to the County Clerk prior to the time that the agenda item (or items) you wish to address are discussed before the Court.

PHONE (409) 787-3543

Vol HH Pg 518

FAX (409) 787-2044



County of Sabine

P.O. Box 720
Hemphill, Texas 75948

Jack H. Leath, County Judge

Commissioners

Keith Clark	Precinct #1
Lynn Smith	Precinct #2
Doyle Dickerson	Precinct #3
Gene Nethery	Precinct #4

SABINE COUNTY COMMISSIONERS' COURT

Public Participation Form

Instructions: Fill out all appropriate blanks. Please print or write legibly.

NAME: Marcus Beard

HOME ADDRESS: P.O. Box 227
Hemphill, TX 75948

HOME TELEPHONE: 409-787-3870

PLACE OF EMPLOYMENT: U.S. Forest Service

EMPLOYMENT TELEPHONE: 409-787-3870

Do you represent any particular group or organization? Yes

If you do represent a group or organization, please state the name, address and telephone number of such group or organization.

U.S. Forest Service; P.O. Box 227, Hemphill, TX, 409-787-3870

Which agenda item (or items) do you wish to address? _____

Asphaltation of Stearns Road aka Bondshaw Road

In general, are you for or against such agenda item (or items)?

Undecided - depends on which section(s) of the road

Signature: Marcus Beard

NOTE: This Public Participation Form must be presented to the County Clerk prior to the time that the agenda item (or items) you wish to address are discussed before the Court.

PHONE (409) 787-3543

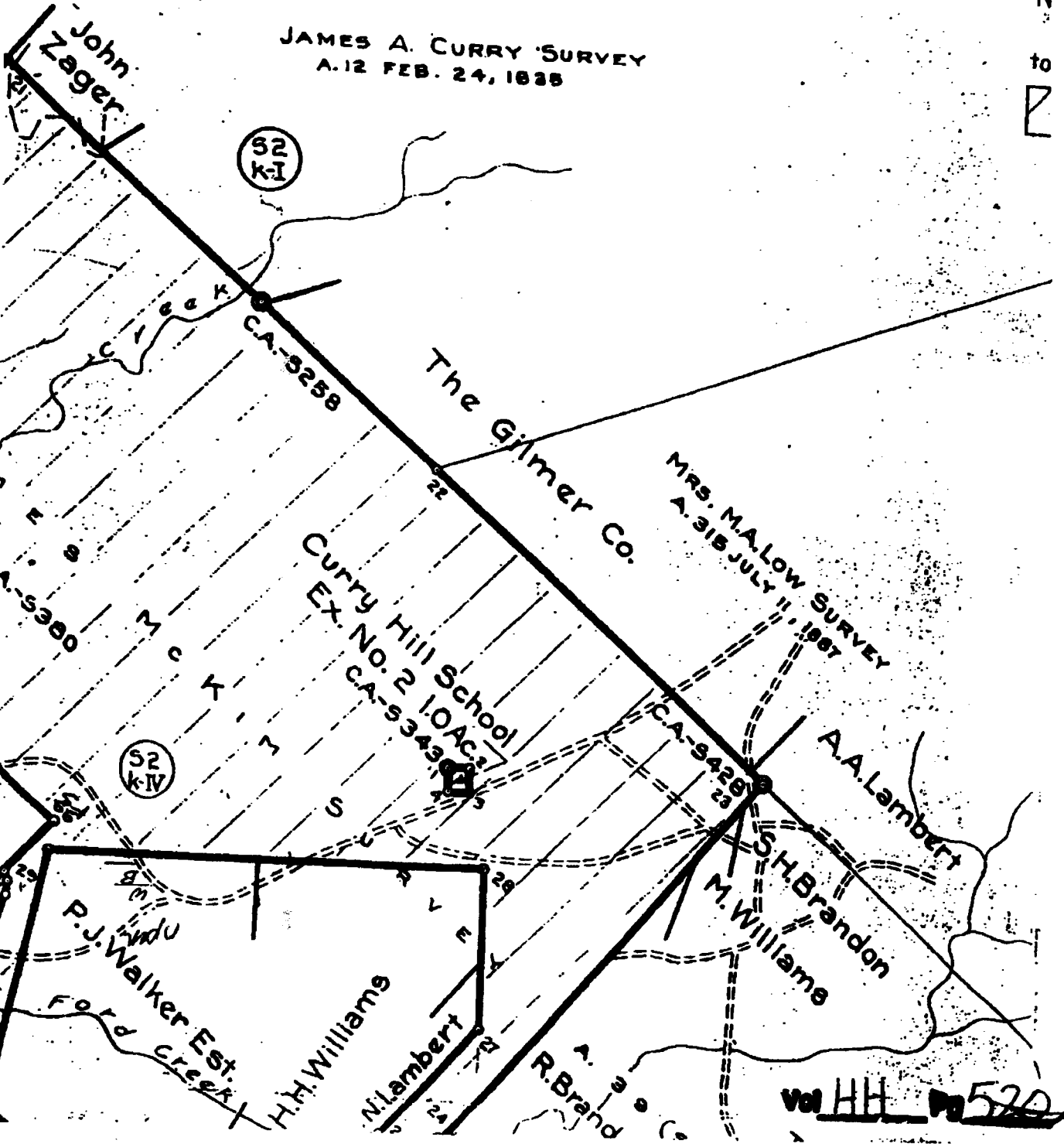
FAX (409) 787-204

Vol HH Pg 519

br. Co.
Acres.

JAMES A. CURRY SURVEY
A. 12 FEB. 24, 1835

N
to



Vol HH Pg 520

Vol HH Pg 521

The State Of Texas
County Of Sabine

I HEREBY CERTIFY THAT THESE DOCUMENTS WERE FILED AND
DULY RECORDED IN THE COMMISSIONER COURT MINUTES OF SABINE
COUNTY, TEXAS.

VOL. HH PAGE 512
JANICE MEDANTE, COUNTY CLERK

BY Nicole Corley
Deputy

