

MINUTES OF A CALLED MEETING OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF  
TARRANT COUNTY WATER CONTROL AND IMPROVEMENT DISTRICT NUMBER ONE  
HELD IN THE DISTRICT OFFICE, IN FORT WORTH, TEXAS, ON THE  
20TH DAY OF FEBRUARY, 1937, AT 2:00 P.M.

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The call of the roll disclosed the presence, or absence of Directors, as follows, viz:

C. A. Hickman	Joe B. Hogsett
E. E. Bewley	W. S. Cooke
W. K. Stripling	

At this meeting C. A. Hickman, President, presided; and Director Stripling acted in his capacity as Secretary, whereupon proceedings were had and done, as follows:

1.

Minutes of the meeting held on February 10, 1937, were read, approved and ordered of record.

2.

Mr. S. W. Freese, of the Engineers, presented the details of his plan to provide a drainage ditch to pass near the foot of the new levee, from a point of low elevation near the southeasterly corner of the Panther Ball Park and to follow the meanders of the levee to the location of the flood gates provided in the levee at a point just north of the right angle bend of the levee, located northwest of the Panther Park. It was explained that this drain-way would hasten drainage from the Wortham Field Park and would provide for Panther Park better drainage than had existed prior to the construction of the new levee. It further was explained that studies of the problem had made it apparent that it was not practical to reverse the flow of storm waters from its present easterly course to a westerly course, in order to conduct it to a drain-way west of the two ball parks (as have been tentatively considered): This was found to be impracticable. The cost of the drain-way was estimated to be \$600.00. It was explained that it was proposed to have the work done under a force-account order

to the present levee contractors, due to the fact that they being on the ground would be able to do the work at less cost than would prevail under a separate contractor, who would be forced to bear the expense of moving in and moving out.

He further presented the plans of the engineers to construct a wire fence to have connection with the northerly fence of Panther Park; to cross over the levee and to run adjacent to the easterly toe of the levee to a point which would permit again crossing over the levee and attaching the new fence to the southerly fence of Panther Park. It was explained that this fence was to be substantially of the same type as the net-wire fence now running between the Ball Park and the new levee. It was explained that this fence was required in order to prevent the new levee from being used as a station from which persons could watch the progress of ball games and thereby avoid paying admission fees. It further was explained that in the absence of the suggested ditch, the relocation of the levee would much increase the flooding trouble at Panther Park and that in the absence of the suggested fence, the gate receipts at the park would be much decreased. It further was explained that the relocated levee would occupy approximately 1.10 acre of the land forming part of the property of the Ball Club Corporation; and that the remainder of the property, in the absence of these suggested improvements, would be injured and that it had been agreed by the officers of the Ball Club Corporation that the District would be relieved from any claim for damages, provided the suggested improvements were made; upon further condition, however, that the District pay to the corporation as consideration for the stated 1.10 acre the sum of \$330.00 which is estimated to be the average price paid by the District for similar lands on Section "B" of its levee work. After full consideration of this matter, and having had advice of the engineers and attorneys for the District, Director Bewley made a motion, that the officers and other appropriate agents of the District proceed to fulfill the proposed agreement made with the officers and agents of the Ball Club Corporation; provided, that: (1) The cost of the suggested drainage ditch would not exceed \$600.00;

(2) A proposed wire fence shall be provided after receipt of invited (not published) bids thereon and approval thereof by President Hickman; (3) Further that the engineers be instructed to accomplish the suggested work with all possible dispatch, due to the near approach of the season for ball games. The motion was seconded by Director Hogsett. Upon a vote being taken, the motion was unanimously carried and it was so ordered.

3.

President Hickman presented to the Directors a letter from the Park Board of the City of Fort Worth, dated February 10, 1937, relating to providing drainage in Trinity Park of such nature as will overcome flooding conditions produced by the new levee in the park, which letter will be marked as Exhibit "A" to these minutes. There was full consideration of this matter, whereupon Director Stripling made a motion, seconded by Director Cooke, that President Hickman be authorized to make an agreement with the Park Board on the basis of the stated letter, upon condition that compliance with the terms of the letter absolutely will end any liability or responsibility of this District for any claim growing out of the placement of the new levee in, near and across Trinity Park. Upon a vote being taken, the motion was carried and it was so ordered.

4.

President Hickman and Director Hogsett made a report of their visit to a meeting of the Lion's Club of Bridgeport on February 19, 1937. They explained the desire of the Club to carry forward a civic enterprise, not to result in any commercial income, under a plan of the club to improve and well maintain a public park on the District's Mitchum Tract of land, located immediately to the north of the District's Bridgeport Dam. It was explained that this would be a strip of land approximately 100 feet in width and running from the northerly-southerly road on the easterly side of Lake Bridgeport, in a westerly direction to the beach of the lake and to extend into the shallow water adjacent to the

shore line on the Mitchum Tract. It was explained that it was their desire to beautify the ground, to provide space for parking automobiles and to provide for the public free use of this facility for recreation. It further was explained that there is not now any other ground adjoining that lake which is open for recreational uses by the public. Upon recommendation by Directors Hickman and Hogsett, Director Cooke made a motion, seconded by Director Bewley, that the suggested permission be given to the Lion's Club of the City of Bridgeport, subject to such limitations or conditions as may be deemed necessary by President Hickman and counsel for the District. Upon a vote being taken, the motion was carried, and it was so ordered.

5.

Director Bewley, in his capacity as Chairman of the Committee on Finance and as Custodian of the Depository Pledges, presented a multiple-reciprocal receipt executed as between the Continental National Bank, the District's depository, and by him, as an officer of the District, on February 17, 1937, giving description of the bonds of the Fort Worth Independent School Districts, having aggregate par value of \$75,000.00, received into his possession for account of the District, and now contained in the District's strong box at the Fort Worth National Bank. He explained that this additional security was required by the increase of deposits through the collection of taxes. He stated that in his opinion the listed securities afforded the District adequate protection for the increase of deposits. He recommended that the transaction be approved as of February 17, 1937. Upon consideration of this matter, Director Cooke made a motion, seconded by Director Stripling, that the stated security be approved as good and sufficient security and that the transaction be established as the act and deed of the District, effective on the stated 17th day of February, 1937. Further that one of the multiple receipts be attached to the minutes of this meeting as Exhibit "B" and that another thereof be attached to the bank's depository bond, as Exhibit #23 thereto, as is provided by the terms of the bond. Upon the tak-

ing of a vote, the motion carried unanimously and it was so ordered.

6.

It was explained to the Directors that there had been committed certain trespasses upon lands of the District, as follows:

(1) By John I. Burgess by moving over a division fence so that the fence instead of being upon the division line between the land of Mr. Burgess and the land of the District (the Stock Yards National Tract) now encroached upon the District's land an approximate distance of 60 feet. It further was explained that Mr. Burgess was proceeding to appropriate this strip of land to use as a roadway to lead down to the water's edge at Lake Eagle Mountain.

(2) That a man named Sellars had placed between the new levee and the river in Section "B" of the levee system, in the area just to the east of the Paddock Viaduct, a fence which would enable him to appropriate and use a pasture in the District's floodway. Director Hogsett made a motion, seconded by Director Stripling that the attorneys for the District be requested to promptly procure abandonment of the District's lands by these two trespassers, or failing to do so, that they file suit or take such other lawful steps as may be deemed by them necessary promptly to relieve the District's property from trespass.

7.

There was presented to the Directors a proposed deed which had been presented to Mr. Adams of the Park Board, whereby the District had sought conveyance of approximately 1.6 acres of land off the east end of Herman Park, now owned by the City and now under service to this District by having upon it the relocated levee of Section "B" or serving as part of the floodway of the levee. Particular attention was called to that part of the deed which stated in substance that the conveyance was subject to the reversed right of the City (through its Park Board) to make use of the land hereby conveyed for park-drive-ways or other usual park purposes. It was explained that the Park Board, in lieu of

that provision, would desire as consideration for the deed the right to place, provide and maintain a park-drive-way on and over all land now owned by the District in fee simple and situated in the floodway adjacent to Section "B" of the levee, in that part thereof extending from North Third Street in the City of Fort Worth in a northerly direction to a point which would reach the northwesterly corner of the originally platted (now abandoned) Block #247 of North Fort Worth. It further was explained that Mr. Collett of the Park Board had stated that the Board would be willing to include in the deed the stipulation that if the District at any time prior to the actual commencement and reasonably pursued construction and completion of a roadway over the suggested right-of-way, should sell or otherwise part with the fee simple title (now held by this District) the right-of-way privileges to be granted to the city's Park Board should be immediately extinguished without liability on the part of this District by reason thereof. Upon consideration of this matter, Director Hogsett made a motion, seconded by Director Bewley, that a deed be made to conform to the suggested conditions and tendered to the Park Board, in order that it may procure actual execution of the deed by the city. The motion was unanimously carried and it was so ordered.

8.

President Hickman presented the oral request of Mrs. Richardson that the District enter into a ninety-nine (99) year lease with the Young Women's Christian Association to lease a portion of the Younger Tract of land. It was the sense of the Directors that the Board should not be considered to have the authority to execute a lease of this character and the request should be denied. It was so ordered.

9.

No further business was presented and the meeting was adjourned.

ATTEST:

C. S. Dickerson  
AS President

W. T. Dimples  
As Secretary

EXHIBIT "A"  
2/20/37 2:00 P.M.

# Board of Park Commissioners

## COMMISSIONERS

MORRIS E. BERNEY, PRESIDENT  
ED K. COLLETT, VICE-PRESIDENT  
MARGARET MCLEAN, SECRETARY  
MRS. WILL F. LAKE  
HARRY D. VINNEDGE

EXECUTIVE OFFICES, ROTARY PARK

HARRY J. ADAMS  
SUPERINTENDENT  
E. B. MAXON  
ASST. SUPERINTENDENT  
R. C. MORRISON  
CITY FORESTER

FORT WORTH, TEXAS

February 10, 1937.

Dr. C.A. Hickman  
Tarrant County Water Control Board  
Capps Building  
Fort Worth, Texas

In re: Unfinished Work in Trinity Park

Dear Sir:

As per our several conversations with you and other members of your board and Mr. Freese, your engineer, we have submitted our W.P.A. application on the development of Trinity Park, and as per your request we have included in this application the drainage and other unfinished work which the Water Board was obligated to do. The figure submitted to us by your engineer as an estimate on the cost of this work is: \$744.60.

In case this application is approved by the W.P.A. authorities, it is our understanding that the Park Department will be reimbursed by the Tarrant County Water Control and Improvement District No. 1 to this amount.

It is, of course, definitely understood between us that the Park Department is not releasing the Water Control Board from this obligation, but are perfectly willing to handle this matter in this way as per your request and in order that the unfinished work may be completed at the same time the other park development is being done.

In order that this matter may be of record, we ask that you furnish us with a letter verifying these facts.

Yours very truly,

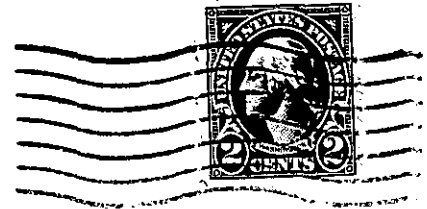


H.J. Adams,  
Superintendent of Parks.

HJA:BB

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BOARD OF PARK COMMISSIONERS  
ROTARY PARK  
FORT WORTH, TEXAS



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8:45 A.M.

This was opened and  
read to Dr. Hickman  
as per his request.

*Dr. Hickman*

Dr. C.A. Hickman  
Tarrant County Water Control Board  
Capps Building  
Fort Worth, Texas



(To be attached to Bond of CONTINENTAL NATIONAL BANK OF FORT WORTH, Texas, to secure deposits of TARRANT COUNTY WATER CONTROL AND IMPROVEMENT DISTRICT NUMBER ONE, as "Exhibit No. 23")

The following is a descriptive list of securities delivered by the CONTINENTAL NATIONAL BANK OF FORT WORTH pledged to secure deposits of TARRANT COUNTY WATER CONTROL AND IMPROVEMENT DISTRICT NUMBER ONE, on this the 17th day of February, 1937:

Fort Worth Independent School District 4% serial bonds with August 1, 1937, and subsequent coupons attached:

<u>Maturing February 1, 1945</u>	
Nos. 455-475, inclusive @ \$1M each . . . . .	\$10,000.00
<u>Maturing February 1, 1946</u>	
Nos. 571-590 inclusive @ \$1M each . . . . .	20,000.00
<u>Maturing February 1, 1947</u>	
Nos. 646-665 inclusive @ \$1M each . . . . .	20,000.00
<u>Maturing February 1, 1948</u>	
Nos. 681-705 inclusive @ \$1M each . . . . .	<u>25,000.00</u>
	\$75,000.00

(SEVENTY FIVE THOUSAND DOLLARS)

The foregoing securities, aggregating \$75,000.00, are pledged under the Bond of CONTINENTAL NATIONAL BANK OF FORT WORTH, as District Depository of funds of TARRANT COUNTY WATER CONTROL AND IMPROVEMENT DISTRICT NUMBER ONE; Bond dated May 14, 1936.

WITNESS OUR HANDS on this the 17th day of February, 1936.

CONTINENTAL NATIONAL BANK OF FORT WORTH

By *K. K. [Signature]*  
As President

ATTEST:

*[Signature]*  
As Ass't Vice President

THE ABOVE DESCRIBED SECURITIES RECEIVED  
BY TARRANT COUNTY WATER CONTROL AND  
IMPROVEMENT DISTRICT NUMBER ONE.

By *[Signature]*  
As Custodian of Pledges