

MINUTES OF A 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
23RD DAY OF FEBRUARY, 1949, AT 1:30 P.M.

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

PRESENT

Joe B. Hogsett
Houston Hill
Dan H. Priest
W. L. Pier

ABSENT

Gaylord J. Stone

Also present were Sidney L. Samuels, General Attorney, and C. L.
McNair, General Manager.

Director Hogsett acted in his capacity as President, and
Director Priest acted in his capacity as Secretary, whereupon pro-
ceedings were had and done as follows:

1.

The Directors had previously received copies of a Regular
Meeting held on February 17, 1949, at 1:30 P.M. Having found no
objections thereto, it was ordered that they be approved, signed
and placed of record.

2.

The President, Mr. Joe B. Hogsett, opened the meeting by
directing the attention of the Directors, who were present, to a
communication from W. B. Howard, Captain (CEC) USN, District Public
Works Officer, dated at New Orleans, Louisiana, February 17, 1949,
addressed to Tarrant County Water Control and Improvement District
Number One, concerning the tract of land owned by the District
adjacent to Eagle Mountain Lake, in Tarrant County, Texas, which was

described as Tract No. 16 in the proceedings for condemnation instituted in the District Court of United States, for Northern District of Texas, Fort Worth Division, in Cause No. 432 Civil.

The communication above referred to (which is attached hereto and made a part of these Minutes) was one in which the author of the communication above mentioned, stated that in order to discuss all points connected with the revesting of title to the tract above mentioned in the District, an interview was sought with the Board of Directors of this District on the 24th of this month by the Commander of the Naval Air Bases and the District Public Works Officers of the Eighth Naval District of the United States in order to discuss the matter at length. The President further stated that on receipt of this communication, an air mail letter was immediately sent in reply to the effect that the Board of Directors of this District would assemble at 9:30 o'clock on the morning of the 24th of February, to await the officers mentioned in the communication, and to discuss with them the subject which was set forth in the communication aforesaid.

The President, Mr. Joe B. Hogsett, further revealed to the Board that searching the correspondence on the subject that had ensued between the Board on the one hand, and the Federal Authorities at Washington on the other hand, concerning this matter; that the Federal Government, acting by and through E. W. Litch, by Direction of Chief of Naval Operations at Washington, had addressed a letter to the Secretary of the Navy, in which, among other things, it was recited that: "It is recommended that the Bureau of Yards and Docks be directed to take the necessary action to revest clear title

to Tract No. 16, as stipulated in the decree of the District Court at Fort Worth, in which decree it was recited that the Court retain jurisdiction over the subject matter therein contained so that when the war had terminated between the United States and Germany and Japan, that the possession of said Tract No. 16, should be restored to the District, and all claim to the uses thereof by the Federal Government should cease and determine.

Continuing, the President called the attention of the Board, to a letter dated September 23, 1947, from the Secretary of the Navy of the United States to the Chief of the Bureau of Yards and Docks, in which it was stated that the restoration of the tract to the District was approved.

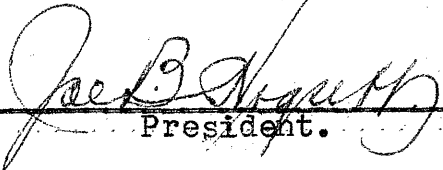
The President further observed to the Board that the Federal Authorities in Washington, notwithstanding their agreement to re-vest title in the tract in question to the District, had withheld such restoration in order to obtain a lease from the District to the Tract, and that in compliance with the effort of the Federal Government so to lease said tract, and in conformity with correspondence between Washington and this Board, a lease contract was prepared by the attorney of the District, a copy of which lease contract was in the file of the District in which the District proposed to lease the tract to the Federal Government on a year to year basis, with option to renew from year to year, on conditions therein named, for a period of time not to exceed Twenty (20) years from date of execution of lease contract. Four copies of said lease bearing the official signatures of the President and Secretary of the District, had been forwarded to New Orleans, Louisiana, to the Commandant Eighth Naval

District, as requested, which the Naval District, in turn, forwarded the leases to the Bureau of Yards and Docks in Washington. The President further stated that although such leases had been forwarded in the month of March, 1948, no satisfactory reply thereto had been received from the Secretary of the Navy, or from the Bureau of Yards and Docks.

With this outline of the subject, the President invited suggestions as to a way in which the matter should be handled when the two officers from New Orleans and their assistants should appear before the Board on Thursday morning, February 24, 1949.

Discussion ensued on the matter, and it was the unanimous consensus of the Board that the General Attorney should inform such visiting officers and their assistants that before the lease could again be considered, it was indispensable to the consideration by the Board that the Government of the United States re-vest all title and possession of the tract in question in the District, and that when this is done, the proposal of the lease by the Federal Government to the District would be entertained.

There being no further business before the Board, the meeting thereupon adjourned.



President.



Secretary.