MINUTES OF A MEETING OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF
TARRANT COUNTY WATER CONTROL AND IMPROVEMENT DISTRICT NUMBER ONE
HELD IN THE DISTRICT OFFICE AT FORT WORTH, TEXAS, ON
THE 1ST. DAY OF AUGUST, 1955, AT 1:30 P.M.

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

PRESENT

ABSENT

Joe B. Hogsett Houston Hill A. T. Seymour, Jr. Lacy Boggess W. L. Pier

Also present were Messrs. Sidney L. Samuels and William Brown, Counsel for the District and Ben F. Hickey, General Manager of the District.

Director Hogsett acted in his capacity as President, and Director Boggess acted in his capacity as Secretary, whereupon proceedings were had and done as follows:

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On motion duly made and seconded, the minutes of the meetings of July 20th. and 22nd., 1955 were read and approved by the Directors present and it was accordingly so ordered.

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On motion of Director Boggess, seconded by Director Hill, voucher-checks #6893 to #6899, inclusive, were approved, having theretofore received the approval and verification of Mr. J. M. Williams, County Auditor, who by virture of the Statutes is the Auditor of this District as well. All the Directors voted aye thereon.

At this time Mr. Joe B. Hogsett, President, presented to the Board, three (3) sealed bids for purchase of land, located along the Walnut Creek Area, being the same land as advertised on July 11th, and 18th, 1955, as prescribed by law.

Each of the following listed bids, when opened, were found to be attached to the necessary bid form, and with cashiers checks attached, in the required amounts:

- 1. MRS. J. P. LUMPKIN Bid on Tracts No. One (1) and Two (2) in the amount of \$22,961.00.
- 2. MR. G. L. HUCHINGSON Bid on Tract No. Two (2) only, in the amount of \$3,700.00.
- 3. MR. W. F. SESSIONS Bid on Tract No. One (1) only, in the amount of \$9,000.00.

After tabulating the above bids, it was found that MRS. J. P. LUMPKIN was the apparant high bidder; however, after much discussion, it was unanimously decided to await the next meeting, before deciding the disposition of said land.

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At a prior meeting of the Board there appeared before the Board of Directors, representing the City of Fort Worth, Mr. Uel Stephens, Water Commissioner of such City and Mr. Rinehart Rouer, City Attorney of said city, to present the acute conditions that have arisen with respect to adequate water supply to the City of Fort Worth and its inhabitants and the surburban communities immediately in the vicinity of Fort Worth, also to suggest cooperation between the said city as a municipality and the Tarrant County Water Control and Improvement District No. 1, in respect to means & methods for increasing such water supply

through a dam or dams to be erected on Richland Creek in Navarro, County, and for the pumping of the water therefrom to some point within, or in the neighborhood of the City of Fort Worth. At the conclusion of this presentation of the matter by the two gentlemen representing the City of Fort Worth, Mr. Hogsett the President of the Board announced that he would submit to Sidney L. Samuels, attorney for the Board, whether it was within the lawful powers of the District to go beyond its immediate water shed to procure water from sources lying quite outside this vicinity and in distant counties such as Navarro and the like which are situated approximately eighty-five or ninety miles beyond and outside the boundaries of this District, and that Mr. Samuels report at the next meeting on his opinion of the law with respect to the validity of such action in the event it should be desirable for the District to do so.

At this meeting (August 1st, 1955), Mr Hogsett presiding, inquired of Mr. Samuels if he was ready to make report on the question thus submitted. Mr. Samuels answered in the affirmative, and then proceeded to say: That in his opinion the exercise of such authority was permitted by the Statutes under which this District was created, and the fact that the source of the water supply lay beyond the boundaries of this District did not alter or take from the District the power to go beyond such boundaries to procure such water supply. Mr. Samuels added that in thus answering the question he was speaking primarily to the matter of power or authority under the law for the District to engage in such an extension or expansion of the water supply, but the means or methods

for doing this and the way in which such an enterprise should be financed and the extent to which the City of Fort Worth should cooperate and the feasibility of securing such water supply from Richland Creek were all matters for future consideration, and particularly would in the first instance require the report of expert engineers in full explanation of the source of supply and the way in such such waters could be conducted to the City of Fort Worth from such source. Mr. Samuels added that these were questions of which doubtless both the City and the District would be mindful and that the question also of Bond Issues both revenue bonds and tax bonds were questions for future debate.

The Chair then announced that futher consideration of the question would be taken up at some propitious time in the future and that the District would await further communications on the subject from the City of Fort Worth.

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

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Secretary.