

Fort Worth, Texas.

July 31st, 1925.

Minutes of the Board of Directors of Tarrant County Water Control and Improvement District No. 1, held at its office in the Courthouse of Tarrant County in Fort Worth, Texas on the 31st day of July, A. D. 1925 at 3 o'clock P. M.

Presiding, W. C. Weeks, Chairman: Present, W. E. Bideker, L. C. Abbott and A. L. Baker, when the following proceedings were had to-wit:

After the reading by Secretary Bideker of the minutes of the last meeting, which were considered and approved, the following bills and accounts accruing since July 15th, were duly allowed for payment:

Pay Roll:

K. Robey, Manager-Engineer - Salary 1/2 Mo. - - - - -	\$	200.00	
J. H. Bullock, Office Manager- " " " - - - - -	\$	100.00	
E. F. McMurtrey, Asst. Mgr. " " " & use of car -	\$	150.00	
Manvel Ervin, Engineering " " " draftsman - - -	\$	100.00	
C. E. Sperry, High level ditch work, 1/2 Mo. Salary & Exp	\$	87.50	
V. Orrill, 7 1/2 days work @ \$4.--Geologic work for Eng'r-	\$	30.00	
John Mead, Computer for Engineer, 1/2 Mo work - - - - -	\$	100.00	
J. E. Ethridge- 2 days work at \$4.00 per day Geologic --	\$	8.00	
Jack Ray, 6 1/2 days work, -at \$4.00, Geologic Section --	\$	26.00	
C. C. Stapp, 4 1/2 days work, at \$3.50, " "	\$	15.75	
Paul Seamster, High Level Ditch work, - & use of car - - -	\$	75.00	
W. E. Selby, High Level Ditch Work, and Exp. to Weatherfd	\$	72.73	
C. L. Wilson, Geologic Section work, (Major Hawley's man)	\$	109.21	
Jack Ray, Route No. 1, Grand Prairie, Gauge Observer - -	\$	7.00	
Samuel Hand Route No. 1, Kennedale, " "	\$	10.00	
Arthur N. Wilson, Draftsman, 12 days at \$150.00 per mo	\$	58.07	
T o t a l P a y R o l l		\$1,149.26	\$1,149.26
Western Union Telegraph, Bill for month of June - - - - -			4.44
North Texas Iron and Steel Company:			
Extra material used in installing stilling well on Clear Fork,			8.75
South West Builders Supply Co. 1 pc. channel Bar, 20 ft. long.			.42
Campbell Paint and Varnish Co. Paint for Village Cr. Staff Gauge			.87
T o t a l			\$1,163.74

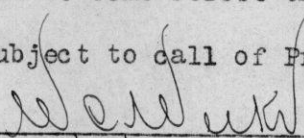
Mr. K. Robey, Manager-Engineer for the District read his semi-monthly progress report, deliniating design of spillways, height of contours of different lake sites, etc.

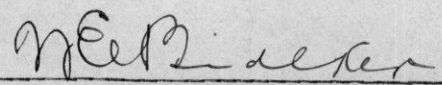
He stated that a geological section was begun, running between the 10 mile bridge core drill holes and the core drill holes at the Arlington lake site.

He stated that he had completed property ownership map with probably 5% error as to present owners and missing farms. He urged the employment of an expert farm value appraiser to go over the lists of ownerships at the various dam sites or lake sites and make report to the Directors, and also that the Directors each go over the lists, of lands and their appraised values and also make reports to the board, and then the average of these estimates will be used for the land item in the coming Bond Issue Campaign. Mr. Robey in his report offered several suggestions relative to an immediate campaign to educate the public with the view to carrying the Bond election.

A motion was made by A. L. Baker and seconded by W. E. Bideker that all Engineering work cease on the Benbrook Lake Project for the reason that at present it seems that the Plover Project will be the most feasable location for a Lake on the Clear Fork of the Trinity. Said motion carried with Director L. C. Abbott dissenting.

There being no further business to come before the board at this time adjournment was adopted to meet subject to call of President.

  
\_\_\_\_\_  
P r e s i d e n t .

Attést:  
  
\_\_\_\_\_  
Secretary.

# SUCCESS OF SETTLERS FIRST NEED IN PROGRAM OF FEDERAL RECLAMATION

Spending of Government's \$60,000,000 Appropriation for Irrigation Vital Issue—Address Before Annual Convention of American Society of Agricultural Engineers, June 25th, Lake Tahoe, Calif.

By DR. ELWOOD MEAD

Commissioner, Bureau of Reclamation, Department of the Interior

Congress during recent sessions has given marked attention to reclamation problems. Appropriations were made for seven new projects which will cost \$60,000,000. Appropriations for thirty others were sought. Action on these had to be deferred because money in the reclamation fund was lacking.

The discussion of these measures in Congress showed that its members believe that Federal reclamation must continue in order that the western desert may be peopled and the Nation's economic structure be completed. It also showed that Congress recognizes reclamation is undergoing an evolution. That policies and methods are required to enable it to meet the demands of more costly development and the changes in rural life and habits.

The engineering achievements of the bureau demonstrate it has had both the integrity and ability to carry out its complex and difficult task. In twenty-four years it has built over 16,000 miles of canals and ditches, constructed over 100 storage and diversion dams. These include the highest dam in the world at Arrowrock, Idaho. Other construction achievements are 106 tunnels, more than 1,000 miles of road, a dozen power plants, and 3,350 miles of telephone line.

## RESULTS OF IRRIGATION

More than 480,000 people live on the 37,000 farms irrigated by our Federal works. The crops grown in 1925 were worth \$77,608,880, an average of \$62.45 an acre. Government storage works supplied water to private projects which grew crops worth \$53,650,000, or a total addition to our national income of more than \$131,000,000.

A competent critic makes the following summary of its achievements: "Massive dams; great artificial rivers diverted over the deserts; cities, churches, schools, colleges, and farm homes built in what a generation ago was a desert. These are monuments to the vision and courage, which in the face of unforeseen obstacles, have in a single generation written a new chapter in

## DECLARATION OF FAITH

*I believe that the future of Federal reclamation depends on a well-defined settlement program, supplemented by financial aid to and direction of settlers by expert agricultural advisors, whether provided by the State, the Federal Government, or some private organization in the locality where a new project is located.*

*In other words, fully as much attention must be given to the social and economic aspects of irrigation development as has been given in the past to the problems of construction, if the nation is to reap the full advantage of this method of agricultural expansion and community growth.*

*Sincerely yours,*

ELWOOD MEAD,  
Commissioner.

lack of knowledge regarding the obstacles which would confront those who sought to change sagebrush deserts into farms, or the trials and hardships that would have to be endured. A happy optimism prevailed that the building of a canal would cause settlers to flock in and that once on the land they would in some way dig in and succeed. This happened in some localities where conditions were unusually favorable, and it tended to obscure what was taking place where the profits of agriculture were less and the costs of farm development greater.

When delayed development on some projects and the complaints of settlers caused the statement to be made, generally, that two settlers had to fail before one could succeed, the Nation did not realize the human tragedies that lay behind such a statement, or how unfair this was to the pioneers who had to lose their homes and the capital they brought with them, and had to go out into the world impoverished and embittered.

## SHALL SETTLERS BE NEGLECTED?

Recently a marked change in public opinion has taken place. Economic studies have disclosed the obstacles which confront settlement and farm development, and they have also shown the position which settlement and farm development should hold in any successful scheme of reclamation. Visitors to settlers' homes on new irrigation projects can not fail to realize the economic waste which results from leaving them to struggle without aid and direction to complete the unproductive work of clearing the land and preparing it for irrigation. The more carefully this is studied, the stronger is the conviction that much of the delay in repayment of construction costs, the trials and disappointments of settlers, can be averted by planning settlement and farm development as we have planned the building of irrigation works.

## INFLUENCES AFFECTING SETTLEMENT

When Federal reclamation began there were certain misconceptions

the history of the Nation and West."

The engineering of Federal reclamation has been a success because the Nation appreciated its importance. Its requirements were studied by the best experts obtainable. Its staff of designing engineers in the reclamation office in Denver is not surpassed by any similar organization in any country.

This study has not been given to the other side of reclamation, which is the development of farms and the creation of contented, rural communities under these projects. Both of these are fundamental requirements of reclamation. To secure them the same care in planning, the same research, the same expert direction as has been given to engineering is required. This has not been given and this shows in reclamation results, not only under Federal works but equally so under private works.

The reasons for this concentration of attention on one phase of reclamation and the neglect of the other are apparent to all students of our irrigation development. A quarter of a century ago there was a complete

regarding its requirements. One was regarding the cost of Federal irrigation works. The early estimates of construction costs were too low. Another was ignorance of what it would cost to clear and level the land. There were no estimates of this, but public opinion was far below the truth. Another misconception was that any clod could be an irrigation farmer. We now know that only intense culture will succeed under irrigation; that the farmer must be both skillful and thorough to succeed.

It was because of these misconceptions that reclamation had been in operation twenty-two years before a law was passed authorizing any inquiry into the settlers' qualifications, or requiring them to have either capital or experience. Reclamation began on the theory that the raw land could be changed into farms and the cost of the canal repaid in ten years. This theory was soon abandoned. The payment period was extended to twenty years, and now after twenty-four years' experience it has been extended to forty years.

It was realized that access to capital must be had to build the works, *but it is not yet realized that there is equal need for access to credit for the development of farms.* The land must be cleared and leveled, a house to shelter the family must be built. Farms must be fenced to protect crops from range stock. There must be implements to cultivate the land as irrigation requires.

#### DEFEAT FOR SETTLERS; THE REASON

Very few settlers have the accumulated capital needed for this. When they start without this capital they see what little money they have going out and nothing coming in, and when their money is exhausted we have provided nothing definite to help them complete the things needed to make the farm a going concern.

In this respect our reclamation policy is a quarter of a century behind that of other countries. Reclamation planning in India, Australia, South Africa, and Italy starts with the farm and the kind of agriculture needed to pay project costs. What this planning includes can be illustrated by what is done by the State of South Australia, and what South Australia does is done with slight variation in detail, by all of the six Australian states, by New Zealand, by South Africa, and all other countries where reclamation is a government policy.

In South Australia the Government builds canals, reservoirs, and pumping plants. It retains posses-

sion of these, only requiring the payment of interest on the cost. The commission which handles reclamation has power to clear, grade, and fence the farms. The settler must take over the obligation to repay this expense and to make a cash payment of not less than 15 per cent of its cost. This 15 per cent payment on fencing, clearing, and grading must be paid before the work begins, the payment being based on the commission's estimate. The commission is also empowered to make cash advances for all or any of the following purposes:

Erecting buildings and making other permanent improvements, the total amount to be advanced not to exceed \$3,200;

Purchasing implements, livestock, seeds, plants, and trees in any amount not to exceed \$1,000;

The total amount that may be advanced for farm development must not exceed \$3,200, or \$150 an acre for the irrigable part of the land, whichever of these sums is the greater.

The settler must pay interest for the first five years on all this expenditure, and after five years the amount advanced must be repaid in 70 equal, half-yearly payments, with interest on the balance remaining unpaid.

This program of aid and direction in farm development has been going on so long that it is no longer an experiment. On the contrary, in the countries which have adopted it, it is regarded as the corner stone of reclamation.

#### TREK AWAY FROM FARMS

Within the last few years a marked change has taken place in public opinion here, brought about by changes due to the Great War. The movement is now away from farms instead of toward them. Higher wages and shorter hours in city industries attract farm-born boys and girls. Farm seekers will no longer make a start in tents or sod houses. We have ceased to be a pioneer people and reclamation in the future must recognize that fact and create conditions on the farm that will help to stop the drift to the cities. A recent letter from an irrigation authority in Canada shows that that country is adopting this changed viewpoint. One sentence only will be quoted: "Our irrigation problems in Alberta are not so much engineering and construction as they are *settlement, operation, and maintenance.*"

The convention of the Oregon Irrigation Congress in 1925 was devoted mainly to a discussion of how to settle irrigation projects. One of the most constructive papers\*

contained the following statements:

1. "Oregon has found that settlement of land is not an automatic achievement. It never is with the right kind of settlers."

2. "Oregon must make some arrangement for settling her lands for which water is available."

3. "For the next five years at least, Oregon's irrigation work is one of settlement, not creation of new districts."

4. "Oregon can make her irrigation district credit one hundred cents on the dollar by keeping her irrigation management out of politics and formulating a definite land settlement and land development policy, the same as she has of her State highways and harbors."

#### FACING VERY PRACTICAL NEEDS

The projects for which Congress last winter made appropriations will provide water to irrigate 350,000 acres at an average cost of about \$120 an acre. This land is now un-leveled, uncleared sagebrush. Aside from the canal, everything needed to convert these deserts into farms remains to be done. Careful studies by experts familiar with local conditions fix the cost of changing 40 to 80 acres from sagebrush into a farm at from \$5,000 to \$10,000. That money must be spent before the settler can earn a living or make payments for water. If we are to build these costly canals we must work out plans for putting the water in use and getting a revenue from it. Preparing land for irrigation is not farming; on the contrary, it is an engineering operation. The implements used are not needed in farming and cost more than the beginning farmer can afford to pay.

#### WASTING HUMAN HOPES

To leave this work to the unaided uncoordinated efforts of beginners wastes the time and a large part of the settler's meagre capital. Not all men can level land. It requires a peculiar knack to do it well and cheaply. Poorly prepared fields reduce the value of crops. Preparing land for irrigation is therefore a part of construction and ought to be so regarded. Every argument in favor of the Government building canals supports a definite program for preparing the land for irrigation with aid from some source where the settler is unable to do it alone. Making farms ready for cultivation would attract more and better farmers to new projects. They could begin doing the things they understand. They would be earning a living almost at the outset. Now they have to risk their time

\*Credit and Its Influence on Irrigation Development, by J. D. Neale.



BOARD OF WATER ENGINEERS  
STATE OF TEXAS  
AUSTIN

JNO. A. NORTON, CHAIRMAN  
C. S. CLARK  
A. H. DUNLAP  
A. W. McDONALD  
SECRETARY

July 14, 1925.

Tarrant County Water Improve-  
ment District, No. 1,  
Court House, Fort Worth, Texas.

Attention Mr. W. E. Bideker, Sec'y.

Gentlemen:

I enclose herewith minute orders of the Board dated July 13, 1925, which are self-explanatory. Also return herewith check for \$1,000.00, same being refund for data filed under presentation.

Yours very truly,

*A. W. McDonald*

Secretary.

*- Extensions -*

July 13, 1925.

IN RE: PRESENTATION OF TARRANT COUNTY WATER IMPROVEMENT DISTRICT, NO. 1, FORT WORTH, TEXAS.

The Board on this day, a quorum being present, considered the presentation filed by the Tarrant County Water Improvement District, No. 1, of Fort Worth, Texas, in accordance with Section 16 of Chapter 136, Acts of the 39th Legislature, of its desire to investigate the feasibility of a certain project in Tarrant County, Texas, the location of the proposed dams being described in said presentation, and

Said presentation being in form and accompanied by the statutory fee of \$1,000.00, there being four presentations in one, and it appearing to the Board that the said Tarrant County Water Improvement District, No. 1 had arranged for an adequate engineering force, said presentation was ordered filed, as the law directs, same being in force and effect for six months from date of filing.

*Geo. A. Norris*  
Chairman.

Attest:

*A. N. McDonald*  
Secretary.

#2.

The Directors will meet Thursday Dec. 31st  
and prepare the formal application which will be sent  
you at that time.

With kindest regards, I am,

Cordially yours,

KR:B

G. E.,  
Manager-Engineer.

December 28th, 1925.

Hon. John A. Norris, Chairman,  
State Board Water Engineers,  
Austin, Texas.

Dear Friend Norris :-

We are sending under separate cover, Via,  
American Railway Express the following white prints, pur-  
suant to our application for extension for preliminary in-  
vestigation, another six months:

- 1 Farm Line Survey Map- Plover Lake No. 5.
- 1 " " " " - Benbrook Unit No. 9.
- 1 Eagle Mountain-Dido Headright Survey Map No. 1
- 1 " " " " " " " " 2
- 1 " " " " " " " " 3
- 1 Irrigation Ditch Map, showing balanced out section.
- 16 Lake Worth Canal Sections, being 1-A, 2-A, 3-A, 4-A, 5-A,  
6-A, 7-A, 8-A, 9-A, 10-A, 11-A, 12-A, 13-A, 14-A, 15-A, & 16-A.
- 1 Geologic Profile, From No. 3 West Port to No.1, Village Creek.
- 1 " " from East end Section A-3 to No. 1. Arlington
- 1 Ownership map, Bridgeport Lake, Wise County.
- 1 Lake Worth, Topographic Sheet No. 1.
- 1 Drainage Area Map. Upper Trinity River Basin.
- 1 Benbrook Lake Dam Section No. 4
- 1 Arlington Lake Dam Section No. 1
- 1 Eagle Mountain, Dido Dam Section No. A-3.
- 1 Eagle Mountain, Dido Dam Section No. 6.
- 1 No. 5, West Fork Geologic Section.
- 1 No. 1, Village Creek Geologic Section, of a total of  
33 maps.

You will note the especially valuable map showing Drainage  
Area, from actual surveys. This is a reduction from three larger maps  
of one half the scale, showing name and number of each headright.

The geologic maps are not fully completed. Two or three  
others are almost ready. Wise County Bridgeport Lake will be ready  
about February 1st, - about six maps.

Topographic maps of the Arlington Lake will be ready about  
March 1st. if work progresses normally.



July 13, 1925.

IN RE: PRESENTATION OF TARRANT COUNTY WATER CONSERVATION ASSOCIATION, FORT WORTH, TEXAS.

On July 12, 1924, the Tarrant County Water Conservation Association of Fort Worth, Texas, filed with the Board of Water Engineers a presentation under Section 16, Chapter 88, General Laws of the 35th Legislature of its desire to investigate the feasibility of a project in Tarrant County, Texas, on Denton Creek, Clear Fork of the Trinity River, and the West Fork of the Trinity River, the location of such proposed reservoirs being as described in said presentation, and

Said presentation being in form and accompanied by the statutory fee of \$1,000.00, there being four presentations in one, and the Board being satisfied that the said Tarrant County Water Conservation Association had arranged for an adequate engineering force, said presentation was ordered filed, as the law directs, and in force for a period of twelve months from date of filing, and

On this day, a quorum being present, considered the presentation filed by the said Tarrant County Water Conservation Association of Fort Worth, Texas, under Section 16, Chapter 88, General Laws of the 35th Legislature, as aforesaid, and

It appearing to the Board that the said Tarrant County Water Conservation Association elected not to apply for a permit to construct a dam at the locations described in its presentation, but desires to renew his presentation, and

It appearing to the Board that the said Tarrant County Water Conservation Association filed certain data of its investigation, it is the order of the Board that the fee of \$1,000.00 heretofore deposited with the Board of Water Engineers be returned to the said Tarrant County Water Conservation Association, same being considered by the Board equivalent in value for the information filed, and

It further appearing to the Board that the statutory time within which the said Tarrant County Water Conservation Association is required to file application under said presentation having expired on July 12, 1925, the filing of the said Tarrant County Water Conservation Association is declared to be of no further force and effect.

Attest:

A. N. M. Donald

Secretary.

J. A. Morris  
Chairman.

DIRECTORS

W. C. WEEKS, CHAIRMAN  
A. L. BAKER, VICE CHAIRMAN  
H. M. HIGHTOWER  
L. C. ABBOTT  
W. E. BIDEKER, SEC'Y

TARRANT COUNTY WATER CONTROL  
AND IMPROVEMENT DISTRICT No. 1

COURT HOUSE

FORT WORTH, TEXAS.

OFFICERS

K. ROBEY, MANAGER  
E. F. MCMURTRY, ASS'T MGR.  
J. H. BULLOCK, OFFICE MGR.  
JOHN B. HAWLEY,  
CONSULTING ENGINEER  
W. M. WINTON,  
CONSULTING GEOLOGIST

January 4th, 1926.

Hon. John A. Norris  
Chairman State Board of Water Engineers,  
Austin, Texas.

Dear Sir:-

I am herewith enclosing fromal application by the Board of Directors of Tarrant County Water Improvement District No. 1 for extension of time for preliminary investigation, which said application is accompanied by the usual check covering four projects of \$250.00 each or a total of \$1,000.00.

Under separate cover we are sending 33 maps showing a continuation of the investigation work since our last application last July 12th, 1925.

Appreciating the many favors extended to us by your department, and with best wishes, I am,

Yours sincerely,

Assistant Secretary.

P. S.

In order to avoid filing under the wrong name, the Board made the application in both the name of Tarrant County Water Improvement District No. 1, and also in the name of Tarrant County Water Control and Improvement District No. 1, as a bunch of citizens filed a protest of this District becoming operative under the new water control law, and the proposition will be determined by an election which will be held on the 12th day of this month.

JHB.

*5th Application, dated Jan. 4, 1926-*

APPLICATION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME  
IN WHICH TO MAKE PRELIMINARY INVESTIGATION FOR DISTRICT.

THE STATE OF TEXAS, )

COUNTY OF TRAVIS. )

KNOW ALL MEN BY THESE PRESENTS :

That, Whereas, the Tarrant County Water Control and Improvement District No. One, in Tarrant County, Texas, filed with the Board of Water Engineers for the State of Texas, on July 13, A. D. 1925, a presentation to investigate the feasibility of a project for the construction of impounding reservoirs and regulatory works, as follows:

The proposed dams and reservoirs and works to be located on Denton Creek, the Clear Fork of the Trinity River, and the West Fork of the Trinity River, one in the North-Eastern part of Tarrant County, one in the North-western part of Tarrant County, one in the South-western part of Tarrant County, and one near the East Central line of Tarrant County, the tentative locations to be further designated by Justice of the Peace Precincts, as follows: Precinct No. 1, Precinct No. 3, Precinct No. 3, Precinct No. 5, Precinct No. 6 and Precinct No. 7; the purpose of the said presentation being to determine the feasibility and practicability of constructing reservoirs designed for the purpose of controlling, storing, preserving and distributing water for irrigation, mining, milling, manufacturing, the development of power, and the construction and operation of water works for cities and towns, and for all other useful purposes, including the reclamation and irrigation of its arid and semi-arid and other lands in Tarrant County, Texas, needing irrigation and the reclamation and drainage of overflow lands and other lands in Tarrant County, Texas, needing drainage.

Whereas, the said Tarrant County Water Control and Improvement District No. One represents to the Board of Water Engineers that it has an organized Engineering force adequate to make the necessary investigations, but have been unable to complete same.

Therefore, the said Tarrant County Water Control and Improvement District No. one petitions the Board of Water Engineers for an extension of time within which to complete the necessary investigations, such time of extension not to exceed two and one-half (2-1/2) years from January 13, A. D. 1926.

In Witness whereof, the Tarrant County Water Control and Improvement District, No. 1, hereby sets its hand this the 13th day of January, A. D. 1926.

Tarrant County Water Control and  
Improvement District No. 1

By

Subscribed and sworn to before me this the 13th day of  
January, A. D. 1926.

Notary Public, Travis County, Texas.

whereas, Tarrant County, N & district was changed on 12th Jan 1926.

APPLICATION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME IN WHICH TO MAKE PRELIMINARY INVESTIGATION FOR DISTRICT.

10-10

John Dunning  
3228 pm Ave  
Denville

COUNTY OF TARRANT. )  
KNOW ALL MEN BY THESE PRESENTS :

That, Whereas, the Tarrant County Water Control and Improvement District No. 1, in Tarrant County, Texas, filed with the Board of Water Engineers for the State of Texas, on July 13, 1925, an application to investigate the feasibility of the construction of impounding reservoirs and distributaries as follows:

Pruegg Post Farming

Retreat in Okopie

13th. East Kemmerer

Enlin Farm

Normal, Naylor's

Car of Okopie

All Contributes and

amount, 1000.00

Land 4 by 5000

in 2000 - 10000

Water shed of 1000

Normal and 1000

20,000 Gen Fund

2000 Area Fund

Bill Curran 50  
Miles Books

1000.00

1000.00

1000.00

1000.00

1000.00

1000.00

1000.00

1000.00

1000.00

1000.00

1000.00

1000.00

1000.00

1000.00

1000.00

1000.00

1000.00

1000.00

1000.00

1000.00

Expenses Cash

50

230

90

85

50

1092

450

125

200

1408

1408

4718

Ja Dang

Henry Bell

10-15

10-30

10-30

10-30

10-30

10-30

10-30

10-30

10-30

APPLICATION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME  
IN WHICH TO MAKE PRELIMINARY INVESTIGATIONS FOR DISTRICT.

THE STATE OF TEXAS.)

COUNTY OF TARRANT. )

KNOW ALL MEN BY THESE PRESENTS:

That, Whereas, the Tarrant County Water Control and Improvement District, No. One, in Tarrant County, Texas, filed with the Board of Water Engineers for the State of Texas, on July 13th, A. D. 1925, a presentation to investigate the feasibility of a project for the construction of impounding reservoirs and regulatory works, as follows:

The proposed dams and reservoirs and works to be located on Denton Creek, the Clear Fork of the Trinity River, and the West Fork of the Trinity River, one in the North-Eastern part of Tarrant County; one in the Northwestern part of Tarrant County; one in the South-western part of Tarrant County, and one near the East Central line of Tarrant County, the tentative locations to be further designated by Justice of the Peace Precincts, as follows: Precinct No. 1, Precinct No. 2, Precinct No. 3, Precinct No. 5, Precinct No. 6 and Precinct No. 7; the purpose of the said presentation being to determine the feasibility and practicability of constructing reservoirs designed for the purpose of controlling, storing, preserving and distributing water for irrigation, mining, milling, manufacturing, the development of power, and the construction and operation of water works for cities and towns, and for all other useful purposes, including the reclamation and irrigation of its arid and semi-arid and other lands in Tarrant County, Texas, needing irrigation, and the reclamation and drainage of overflow lands and other lands in Tarrant County, Texas, needing drainage.

Whereas, the said Tarrant County Water Control and Improvement District No. One represents to the Board of Water Engineers that it has an organized engineering force, adequate to make the necessary investigations, and

Whereas, the said Tarrant County Water Control and Improvement District, No. One has filed with the Board of Water Engineers certain maps showing drainage area, geologic maps, topographic maps, certain exhibits and other data, all of which are now on file in the office of the Board of Water Engineers, but the time granted being insufficient to complete the work, and in order to further investigate the project, the said Tarrant County Water Control and Improvement District, No. one petitions the Board of Water Engineers for an extension of time within which to complete the necessary investigations, such time of extension not to exceed two and one-half (2-1/2) years from January 13th, A. D. 1926.

In witness whereof, the Tarrant County Water Control and Improvement District, No. 1, hereby sets its hand this the 13th day of January, A. D. 1926.

Tarrant County Water Control and  
Improvement District, No. 1.

By

Subscribed and sworn to before me this the 13th day of  
January, A. D. 1926.

Notary Public, Travis County, Texas.

THE STATE OF TEXAS,

COUNTY OF \_\_\_\_\_ KNOW ALL MEN BY THESE PRESENTS:

That \_\_\_\_\_

represents to the Board of Water Engineers for the State of Texas, that \_\_\_\_\_ desire to investigate the feasibility of a project hereinafter more definitely defined, having for \_\_\_\_\_ object the appropriation and beneficial use of water in quantities greater than twenty thousand acre-feet storage, or fifty second feet diversion, or for generation of two thousand hydro-electric horsepower, and represents and shows that \_\_\_\_\_ an organized engineering force, adequate to proceed in an expeditious manner with such investigation.

The said \_\_\_\_\_

further represents and shows to said Board that the proposed location of said proposed project is as follows:

We hereby make this presentation, and accompany same with a deposit of Two Hundred and Fifty (\$250.00) Dollars, in conformity with the requirements of Section 16, et. seq. Chapter 88, General Laws, Regular Session of the 35th Legislature of the State of Texas, 1917, as amended by Senate Bill No. 349, passed by the 39th Legislature, State of Texas, at its Regular Session, 1925, for the purpose of protecting \_\_\_\_\_ priority of rights.

Subscribed and sworn to before me this the \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_

A. D. 192\_\_.

Notary Public \_\_\_\_\_ County, Tex.

THE STATE OF TEXAS,

COUNTY OF \_\_\_\_\_ . KNOW ALL MEN BY THESE PRESENTS:

That \_\_\_\_\_  
represents to the Board of Water Engineers for the State of Texas,  
that \_\_\_\_\_ desire\_\_ to investigate the feasibility of a project  
hereinafter more definitely defined, having for \_\_\_\_\_ object the  
appropriation and beneficial use of water in quantities greater than  
twenty thousand acre-feet storage, or fifty second feet diversion,  
or for generation of two thousand hydro-electric horsepower, and  
represents and shows that \_\_\_\_\_ an organized engi-  
neering force, adequate to proceed in an expeditious manner with  
such investigation.

The said \_\_\_\_\_  
further represents and shows to said Board that the proposed  
location of said proposed project is as follows:

We hereby make this presentation, and accompany same with a  
deposit of Two Hundred and Fifty (\$250.00) Dollars, in conformity  
with the requirements of Section 16, et. seq. Chapter 88, General  
Laws, Regular Session of the 35th Legislature of the State of Texas,  
1917, as amended by Senate Bill No. 349, passed by the 39th Legis-  
lature, State of Texas, at its Regular Session, 1925, for the pur-  
pose of protecting \_\_\_\_\_ priority of rights.

Subscribed and sworn to before me this the \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_  
A. D. 192\_\_.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Notary Public \_\_\_\_\_ County, Tex.

STATE OF TEXAS )

COUNTY OF TARRANT )

WHEREAS, heretofore, to-wit, on the 3rd day of July, A. D. 1923, Gillis Johnson, Trustee for a proposed reclamation and conservation district which was to be created in Tarrant County, Texas, filed his presentation with the Board of Water Engineers for the State of Texas, at Austin, Texas, for the purpose of securing water rights and for the purpose of investigating the feasibility of a project for the construction of impounding reservoirs on Denton Creek, Village Creek, West Fork and Clear Fork of the Trinity River, which said application and presentment appears in terms and words as follows:

"TO THE BOARD OF WATER ENGINEERS, STATE OF TEXAS:

"STATE OF TEXAS )

) KNOW ALL MEN BY THESE PRESENTS:

"COUNTY OF TARRANT )

"That I, Gillis Johnson, Trustee for the proposed Reclamation and Conservation District to be created in Tarrant County, Texas, represents to the Board of Water Engineers for the State of Texas, that he desires to further investigate the feasibility of a project for the construction of impounding reservoirs on Denton Creek, Village Creek, Clear Fork and West Fork of the Trinity River, as hereinafter more definitely described, and further represents and shows that he has an organized engineering force, to-wit, Board of Engineers of Fort Worth, Texas, adequate to make such investigation. He represents to said Board that each of the proposed dams is for the purpose of impounding more than 5,000 acre feet of water and is located approximately in the northwest, southwest and eastner part of Tarrant County, Texas.

"The proposed dams will be situated in the following precincts, all in Tarrant County, Texas, or at the points determined to be most practical for such purpose:

*Copy of 1st Application made 1923 and renewed in 1924 - 1925*



"First, Second, Third, Fifth and Sixth Justice of the Peace Precincts.

"The purpose of this application is to determine the feasibility and practicability of constructing reservoirs for the impounding of the flood waters of the above streams for domestic, agricultural and commercial uses.

"The said Trustee hereby makes this presentation and accompanies the same with a deposit of \$1,000 in conformity with Section 16, Chapter 88 of the General Laws, Regular Session of the 35th Legislature of the State of Texas, 1917, for the purpose of protecting his priority rights while the investigation is being made.

"In witness whereof he has executed this presentment.

"Gillis Johnson, Trustee."

(Here follows acknowledgement in proper form by said Trustee.)

And on said date sent to the Honorable John A. Norris, Chairman of the Board of Water Engineers, a check for \$1,000 as a deposit in conformity with the provisions of Section 16, Chapter 88, General Laws of the Regular Session of the 35th Legislature, 1917; and

WHEREAS, on the 12th day of July, 1923 the said Board of Water Engineers considered the presentation made as aforesaid filed July 12th and ordered the same filed, making entry upon the minutes of said Board as follows:

"July 12, 1923

"IN RE: PRESENTATION OF GILLIS JOHNSON, TRUSTEE FOR PROPOSED RECLAMATION AND CONSERVATION DISTRICT TO BE CREATED IN TARRANT COUNTY, TEXAS.

"The Board on this day, a quorum being present, considered the presentation under Section 16, Chapter 88, General Laws of the 35th Legislature, filed by Gillis Johnson, Trustee for the proposed Reclamation and Conservation District to be created in Tarrant County, Texas, of his desire to investigate the feasibility of a project in Tarrant County, Texas, same being the construction of impounding reservoirs on Denton Creek, Village Creek, Clear Fork and West Fork of the Trinity River, each of the four dams being for the purpose of impounding more than 5,000 acre feet of water, to be located approxi-

mately in the northwest, southwest and eastern part of Tarrant County, Texas, situated in the following precincts, or at the points determined to be most practical for such purposes, to-wit: First, Second, Third, Fifth and Sixth Justice of the Peace Precincts, all in Tarrant County, Texas, and said presentations being accompanied by the statutory fee of \$250.00 each, and amounting to \$1,000, and it being the opinion that the said Gillis Johnson has arranged for an adequate engineering force, said presentation was ordered filed, as the law directs.

"Jno. A. Norris, Chairman.

"Attest:

"A. W. McDonald, Secretary."

limit

The time/of said presentation being originally set for expiration on July 12, 1924, thereafter during the years 1923 and 1924 the organized engineering force under the said trustee and proposed reclamation and conservation district proceeded to and did make adequate investigation into the feasibility of the projects aforesaid, including tests, surveys and the preparation of maps and plans necessary and valuable to the organization of such district, and submitted the same to the Board of Water Engineers for the State of Texas, and by such showing before said Board and as an allowance and in consideration for same, the said Board of Water Engineers of the State of Texas on or before July 12, 1924 extended the time of said presentation to July 12, 1925, and the same is now in full force and effect; and

WHEREAS, on the 31st day of July, 1924 a petition was filed by W. E. Bideker with the names of more than two hundred other persons with the Commissioners Court of Tarrant County, Texas praying for the establishment of

a water improvement district in Tarrant County, Texas to be known as "Tarrant County Water Improvement District No. 1" which said proposed district had boundaries coincident with the boundaries of said Tarrant County; and said Commissioners Court having duly examined the same and found it correct ordered that the same be set for hearing on September 2, 1924 and that proper notices be published of said hearing, and by such petition it was made to appear that the proposed cost of improvements to be made in said district was in the sum of \$1,000,000, and that the said land was proposed to be irrigated from lakes or reservoirs to be created by the construction of dams across the following streams at each of the sites named: Across Denton Creek north of Grapevine; across West Fork of the Trinity River north of Arlington; across Village Creek south of Handley; across Clear Fork of the Trinity River near Plover; across West Fork of the Trinity River between Greenwood Cemetery and Lake Worth; across the West Fork of the Trinity at Eagle Mountain near Ten Mile Bridge, or at such points found to be the most practical for the purpose of impounding flood waters for domestic, agricultural and commercial uses.

And on the 2nd day of September at said hearing, being duly considered, said Commissioners Court found said petition should be granted and that said procedure had been regularly had and ordered that an election be held within said proposed district on October 7, 1924 for the submission to the qualified voters, to-wit, the resident property taxpayers who were qualified voters in said district, of the question whether or not a water improvement district should be created and notes issued to the extent of fifteen percent of the proposed cost and for the election of five di-

rectors of said Water Improvement District and providing for the mode of said election; and

WHEREAS, on the 13th day of October, at a canvass of said election by the Commissioners Court, said court found that a majority of votes cast by those voting within the corporate limits of the town of Mansfield and Grapevine were against the formation and establishment of the said proposed district but that a majority of the votes cast within the corporate boundaries of the City of Fort Worth and within the City of Arlington were cast for the formation and establishment of the said proposed district and that a majority of all votes cast at said election within the boundaries of said Tarrant County, save and except the territory included within the corporate boundaries of Grapevine and Mansfield, were in favor of the formation of said district, and also for the issuance of said notes, and that at said election W. G. Turner, W. C. Weeks, H. M. Hightower, W. E. Austin and W. E. Bideker received the highest number of votes as directors, said court ordered that said district be established and created covering Tarrant County except the territory situated within the corporate boundaries of Grapevine and Mansfield to be known and designated as "Tarrant County Water Improvement District No. 1;" and further that said notes be issued in an aggregate sum not to exceed 15% of the said proposed cost of \$1,000,000 and providing for the payment of said notes; and

WHEREAS, said Tarrant County Water Improvement District No. 1 having been duly created as a body corporate and politic and the said individuals before mentioned having duly qualified and taken oath and given bond as directors

of said district on October 20, 1924; and

WHEREAS, it has now become desirable that all of the rights of the said Gillis Johnson as Trustee for the proposed Reclamation and Conservation District to be created in Tarrant County, Texas and the rights of the beneficiaries under said trust, to-wit, the City of Fort Worth, the City of Arlington and the Fort Worth Chamber of Commerce, be transferred, assigned and set over to the said Tarrant County Water Improvement District No. 1 created as aforesaid, and that the said Tarrant County Water Improvement District No. 1 attain, have and acquire all of the rights, title, interest and privileges under and pertaining to said presentation, filing and the extensions thereof for such use and disposition in accordance with law as may be deemed fit and desirable by the said Tarrant County Water Improvement District No. 1 and its duly elected and acting trustees as the officers and directors thereof, and the said Trustee and beneficiaries of the said proposed district desire to make such transfer and the said Tarrant County Water Improvement District No. 1, acting through its said Board of Trustees, wishes to accept and obtain the same; NOW, THEREFORE:

KNOW ALL MEN BY THESE PRESENTS: That we, Gillis Johnson, as Trustee for the proposed Reclamation and Conservation District of Tarrant County, Texas, the City of Fort Worth by its Mayor and City Secretary, acting under resolution of its Board of Commissioners of date March \_\_\_\_\_, A. D. 1925; the City of Arlington acting through its Mayor and City Secretary pursuant to a resolution duly enacted

by its Board of Commissioners on the \_\_\_\_\_ day of March,  
A. D. 1925; the Fort Worth Chamber of Commerce acting through  
its duly authorized officers and agents pursuant to a resolu-  
tion by its Board of Directors, for and in consideration of  
the sum of \$10.00 to us paid by the Tarrant County Water  
Improvement District No. 1, the receipt of which is hereby  
acknowledged, and other good and valuable consideration,  
have granted, assigned and set over and by these presents  
do grant, assign and set over unto the said Tarrant County,  
Water Improvement District No. 1, of said State and County,  
its successors and assigns, all of our right, title, in-  
terest and privileges to, in and under the said presenta-  
tion heretofore made to the Board of Water Engineers of  
the State of Texas as heretofore set out, together with  
the extensions thereof and any and all of our water and  
other rights in, upon and over the said streams and areas  
described in said presentment.

WITNESS our hands this the \_\_\_\_\_ day of March,  
A. D. 1925.

Trustee for Proposed Reclama-  
tion and Conservation District  
to be created in Tarrant County,  
Texas.

Attest;

Secretary

Attest:

Secretary

THE CITY OF FORT WORTH  
by

Mayor

THE CITY OF ARLINGTON  
by

Mayor

FORT WORTH CHAMBER OF COMMERCE  
by

Second Vice-president

STATE OF TEXAS     )  
                          )  
TARRANT COUNTY    )

Before me, the undersigned authority, on this day personally appeared Gillis Johnson, known to me to be the person whose name is subscribed to the foregoing instrument, and acknowledged to me that he executed the same for the purposes and consideration therein expressed and in the capacity therein stated.

Given under my hand and seal of office this \_\_\_\_\_ day of March, A. D. 1925.

Notary Public in and for  
Tarrant County, Texas.

STATE OF TEXAS     )  
                          )  
TARRANT COUNTY    )

Before me, the undersigned authority, on this day personally appeared Willard Burton, known to me to be the person whose name is subscribed to the foregoing instrument, and acknowledged to me that he executed the same for the purposes and consideration therein expressed and in the capacity therein stated.

Given under my hand and seal of office this \_\_\_\_\_ day of March, A. D. 1925.

Notary Public in and for  
Tarrant County, Texas.

STATE OF TEXAS     )  
                          )  
TARRANT COUNTY    )

Before me, the undersigned authority, on this day personally appeared Will Heitt, known to me to be the person whose name is subscribed to the foregoing instrument, and acknowledged to me that he executed the same for the purposes and consideration therein expressed and in the capacity therein stated.

Given under my hand and seal of office this \_\_\_\_\_ day of March, A. D. 1925.

Notary Public in and for  
Tarrant County, Texas.

STATE OF TEXAS     )  
                          )  
TARRANT COUNTY    )

Before me, the undersigned authority, on this day personally appeared W. S. Cooke, known to me to be the person whose name is subscribed to the foregoing instrument, and acknowledged to me that he executed the same for the purposes and consideration therein expressed and in the capacity therein stated.

Given under my hand and seal of office this \_\_\_\_\_ day of March, A. D. 1925.

Notary Public in and for  
Tarrant County, Texas.

STATE OF TEXAS     )  
                          )  
COUNTY OF TRAVIS  )

The above and foregoing assignment and transfer of all water and other rights arising under the presentation of Gillis Johnson, Trustees for the proposed Reclamation and Conservation District of Tarrant County, Texas and the beneficiaries thereunder, of original date July 12, 1924, as reflected by the minutes of the Board of Water Engineers of the State of Texas, at Austin, Texas, and all extensions thereof, by the said Trustee and beneficiaries to the Tarrant County Water Improvement District No. 1, has been this day examined and in all things fully approved and authorized by the Board of Water Engineers of the State of Texas duly assembled and acting for said purpose.

THE BOARD OF WATER ENGINEERS  
for the State of Texas  
by

Attest:

Secretary

\_\_\_\_\_  
Chairman



At a regular meeting of the Board of Commissioners of the City of Fort Worth held in the council chamber at the city hall in the City of Fort Worth, Texas on the \_\_\_\_\_ day of March, A. D. 1925, at which meeting were present Willard Burton, Mayor, John Alderman, Commissioner of Fire and Police and Acting Commissioner of Water and Sewers, and Chester Jones, Commissioner of Finance and Acting Commissioner of Streets, constituting the members of the Board and a quorum present at said meeting, the following proceedings among other things were had and done:

Commissioner Alderman, seconded by Commissioner Jones, moved the adoption of the following resolution:

\* \* \* \*

RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, heretofore, to-wit, on the 12th day of July, 1923, Gillis Johnson as Trustee for the Proposed Conservation and Reclamation District in Tarrant County, Texas, filed his presentation with the Board of Water Engineers of the State of Texas, at Austin, Texas, for the purpose of securing water rights on certain streams in Tarrant County, Texas, which said presentation was accepted by said Board and has been continued in effect by extensions from time to time, and the beneficiaries under which trust, among others, are the City of Fort Worth which has heretofore contributed the sum of \$375.00 toward the filing fee of \$1,000 necessary for

such presentment and the securing of the rights thereunder; and

WHEREAS, there has been duly and legally organized since the date of said original filing of said presentment a body corporate and politic known as Tarrant County Water Improvement District No. 1 in Tarrant County, Texas for the purposes of conservation, reclamation, irrigation and flood control in Tarrant County, Texas, as was contemplated at the time of such contribution and presentment, and such corporation has full authority to act in the premises and has a duly organized and acting Board of Trustees and staff for the furthering of said interests and proposals of the original conservation and reclamation committee, of which this city was a member; and

WHEREAS, it is the desire of the City of Fort Worth that the said Trustee, Gillis Johnson, transfer and assign all of the rights acquired under said presentments and extensions to the Tarrant County Water Improvement District No. 1 in order that it may have, acquire and exercise all the rights and privileges thereunder for the benefit of said district; and

WHEREAS, such plan and district will be highly beneficial and advantageous to the City of Fort Worth; NOW, THEREFORE:

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF THE CITY OF FORT WORTH:

That Gillis Johnson, as Trustee of the proposed

Reclamation and Conservation District of Tarrant County, Texas, be and he is hereby authorized and directed to execute and deliver a proper assignment to the said Tarrant County Water Improvement District No. 1, and that he shall have authority to transfer each and all of the rights of the said City of Fort Worth arising as a beneficiary under said trust, and that further the Mayor of the City of Fort Worth, Willard Burton, be and he is hereby authorized and directed to join in said assignment and transfer as the act of said City of Fort Worth, and that the Secretary of the City of Fort Worth be and he is hereby authorized and directed to attest the same and affix thereon the corporate seal of said city.

\* \* \* \*

And said resolution having been moved and seconded as aforesaid, same was put to a vote and all of the Commissioners and the Mayor voting aye and none voting no, said resolution was declared to be unanimously adopted and ordered spread upon the minutes of said city.

I, C. S. Snow, City Secretary of the City of Fort Worth, hereby certify that the foregoing resolution was adopted by the Board of Commissioners of the City of Fort Worth as above set out at a regular meeting of the said Board of Commissioners held at the City Hall on the \_\_\_\_\_ day of March, A. D. 1925 and has been spread upon the minutes appearing on Book \_\_\_\_\_ Page \_\_\_\_\_.

Approved:

\_\_\_\_\_  
City Secretary

Corporation Counsel.

At a regular meeting of the Board of Commissioners of the City of Arlington held in the council chamber at the city hall in the City of Arlington on the \_\_\_\_\_ day of March, A. D. 1925, at which meeting were present Will Heitt, Mayor, and \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_, Commissioners of said City, constituting the members of the Board present and a quorum at said meeting, the following proceedings amongs others were had and done:

Commissioner \_\_\_\_\_, seconded by Commissioner \_\_\_\_\_, moved the adoption of the following resolution:

\* \* \* \* \*

RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, heretofore, to-wit, on the 12th day of July, 1923, Gillis Johnson as Trustee for the Proposed Conservation and Reclamation District in Tarrant County, Texas, filed his presentation with the Board of Water Engineers of the State of Texas, at Austin, Texas, for the purpose of securing water rights on certain streams in Tarrant County, Texas, which said presentation was accepted by said Board and has been continued in effect by extensions from time to time and the beneficiaries under which trust among others are the City of Arlington which has heretofore contributed the sum of \$250.00 toward the filing fee of \$1,000 necessary for such

presentment and the securing of the rights thereunder; and

WHEREAS, there has been duly and legally organized since the date of said original filing of said presentment a body corporate and politic known as Tarrant County Water Improvement District No. 1 in Tarrant County, Texas for the purposes of conservation, reclamation, irrigation and flood control in Tarrant County, Texas, as was contemplated at the time of such contribution and presentment, and such corporation has full authority to act in the premises and has a duly organized and acting Board of Trustees and staff for the furthering of said interests and proposals of the original conservation and reclamation committee, of which this city was a member; and

WHEREAS, it is the desire of the City of Arlington that the said Trustee, Gillis Johnson, transfer and assign all of the rights acquired under said presentments and extensions to the Tarrant County Water Improvement District No. 1 in order that it may have, acquire and exercise all the rights and privileges thereunder for the benefit of said district; and

WHEREAS, such plan and district will be highly beneficial and advantageous to the City of Arlington; NOW THEREFORE:

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF THE CITY OF ARLINGTON:

That Gillis Johnson, as Trustee of the proposed

Reclamation and Conservation District of Tarrant County, Texas, be and he is hereby authorized and directed to execute and deliver a proper assignment to the said Tarrant County Water Improvement District No. 1, and that he shall have authority to transfer each and all of the rights of the said City of Arlington arising as a beneficiary under said trust, and that further the Mayor of the City of Arlington, Will Hiatt, be and he is hereby authorized and directed to join in said assignment and transfer as the act of said City of Arlington, and that the Secretary of the City of Arlington be and he is hereby authorized and directed to attest the same and affix thereon the corporate seal of said city.

\* \* \* \*

And said resolution having been moved and seconded as aforesaid, same was put to a vote and all of the Commissioners and the Mayor voting aye and none voting no, said resolution was declared to be unanimously adopted and ordered spread upon the minutes of said city.

I, Arch Fulkerson, City Secretary of the City of Arlington, hereby certify that the foregoing resolution was adopted by the Board of Commissioners of the City of Arlington as above set out at a regular meeting of the said Board of Commissioners held at the City Hall on the \_\_\_\_\_ day of March, A. D. 1925 and has been spread upon the minutes appearing in Book \_\_\_\_\_ Page \_\_\_\_\_.

Approved:

\_\_\_\_\_  
City Secretary

\_\_\_\_\_  
Corporation Counsel.

At a regular meeting of the Board of Directors of the Fort Worth Chamber of Commerce held at its offices in the City of Fort Worth, Texas on the \_\_\_\_ day of March, A. D. 1925, at which meeting were present \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ constituting the members of the Board present and a quorum at said meeting, the following proceedings among other things were had and done:

\_\_\_\_\_ seconded by \_\_\_\_\_

moved the adoption of the following resolution:

\* \* \* \* \*

RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, heretofore, to-wit, on the 12th day of July, 1923, Gillis Johnson as Trustee for the Proposed Conservation and Reclamation District in Tarrant County, Texas, filed his presentation with the Board of Water Engineers of the State of Texas, at Austin, Texas, for the purpose of securing water rights on certain streams in Tarrant County, Texas, which said presentation was accepted by said Board and has been continued in effect by extensions from time to time, and the beneficiaries under which trust among others are the Fort Worth Chamber of Commerce which has heretofore contributed the sum of \$375.00 toward the filing fee of \$1,000 necessary for

presentment and the securing of the rights thereunder; and

WHEREAS, there has been duly and legally organized since the date of said original filing of said presentment a body corporate and politic known as Tarrant County Water Improvement District No. 1 in Tarrant County, Texas for the purposes of conservation, reclamation, irrigation and flood control in Tarrant County, Texas, as was contemplated at the time of such contribution and presentment, and such corporation has full authority to act in the premises and has a duly organized and acting Board of Trustees and staff for the furthering of said interests and proposals of the original conservation and reclamation committee, of which the Fort Worth Chamber of Commerce was a member; and

WHEREAS, it is the desire of the Fort Worth Chamber of Commerce that the said Trustee, Gillis Johnson, transfer and assign all of the rights acquired under said presentments and extensions to the Tarrant County Water Improvement District No. 1 in order that it may have, acquire and exercise all the rights and privileges thereunder for the benefit of said district; and

WHEREAS, such plan and district will be highly beneficial and advantageous to the Fort Worth Chamber of Commerce; NOW, THEREFORE:

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS AS THE ACT OF THE SAID FORT WORTH CHAMBER OF COMMERCE:

That Gillis Johnson, as Trustee of the proposed



Reclamation and Conservation District of Tarrant County, Texas, be and he is hereby authorized and directed to execute and deliver a proper assignment to the said Tarrant County Water Improvement District No. 1, and that he shall have authority to transfer each and all of the rights of the said Fort Worth Chamber of Commerce arising as a beneficiary under said trust, and that further the Vice-president of the Fort Worth Chamber of Commerce, W. S. Cooke, be and he is hereby authorized and directed to join in said assignment and transfer as the act of said Fort Worth Chamber of Commerce, and that the Secretary of the Fort Worth Chamber of Commerce be and he is hereby authorized and directed to attest the same.

\* \* \* \*

And said resolution having been moved and seconded as aforesaid, same was put to a vote and all of the Directors voting aye and none voting no, said resolution was declared to be unanimously adopted and ordered spread upon the minutes of said city.

I, Ireland Hampton, Secretary of the Fort Worth Chamber of Commerce, hereby certify that the foregoing resolution was adopted by the Board of Directors of the Fort Worth Chamber of Commerce as above set out at a regular meeting of the said Board of Directors held on the \_\_\_\_\_ day of March, A. D. 1925 and has been spread upon the minutes appearing in Book \_\_\_\_\_ Page \_\_\_\_\_.

Approved:

\_\_\_\_\_  
Secretary