

Fort Worth, Texas.
August 31st, 1925.

M I N U T E S 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 August A. D. 1925 at 3 O'clock P. M.

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

After the reading of the Minutes of last meeting by Secretary W. E. Bideker, which were duly considered and approved, the meeting was declared open by President Weeks for such other business as might come before it.

The following pay roll of employes of the District was checked and vouchers for same ordered to be issued viz:

K. Robey 1/2 Mo. Salary as Manager Engineer	- - - - -	\$ 200.00
J. H. Bullock, Office Manager etc. 1/2 Mo.	-- - - - -	\$ 100.00
E. F. McMurtrey, Assistant Manager-Eng'r. & Car 1/2 Mo.	- - - - -	\$ 150.00
Manvel Ervin, Chief Draftsman 1/2 Mo.	- - - - -	\$ 100.00
C. L. Wilson, Office Engineering Work 1/2 Mo	- - - - -	\$ 87.50
A. N. Wilson 10 days drafting at \$150.00 per mo	- - - - -	\$ 48.39
John Mead 1/2 Mo. as Chief Office Computer	- - - - -	\$ 100.00
Jack Key, Route No. 1, Grand Prairie, River Observer 1 Mo.		\$ 7.00
Samuel Hand R. # 1., Kennedale, River Observer, Village Cr.		\$ 10.00
Paul Seamster- Use of Car- 9 days on drainage Survey,	- - - - -	\$ 18.00

T o t a l - - - - - \$ 820.89

The matter of Assessing and Collecting Taxes for the District again came up for consideration, and it being known that County Tax Assessor L. A. Freeman and County Tax Collector John Pengilly had each heretofore, on to-wit, May 22nd, 1925, filed with the Board written applications for said respective positions, they were each requested to be present at this meeting, and, complying with said request were present with revised propositions for said services, which are as follows, to-wit:

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Mr. J. H. Bullock, Asst. Secretary,
Tarrant County Water Improvement Dist. #. 1.
Fort Worth, Texas.

Dear Sir;

Reference to our conversation and various letters of various dates will say that I will make the assessments and place on the rolls for collections all all lands in this District for the afore-mentioned sum of Two Thousand (\$2,000.00) same to be paid to me by the Tax Collector as he collects same during the months of October, November and December 1925 and January, 1926.

Yours Truly,

L. A. Freeman, Tax Collector. "

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Mr. J. H. Bullock, Assistant Secretary,
Tarrant County Water Improvement Dist. # 1.
Fort Worth, Texas.

Dear Sir:-

Replying to your letter of May 19th, and confirming verbal agreement made with Mr. W. C. Weeks and H. M. Hightower, wish to advise that I will make tax Collections for the Tarrant County Water Control and Improvement District No. 1, for a fee of \$2,000.00 per year, beginning October 1st. 1925. This compensation to be deducted from collections made during the months of October, November December and January.

Sincerely yours,

John Pengilly,

County Tax Collector. "

And, this Board of Directors, after due deliberation, accepted the propositions of said Tax Assessor L. A. Freeman and Tax Collector John Pengilly, as Section No. 33, Page No. 94 of the General Laws of Texas, passed by the thirty-ninth Legislature in Regular Session, permits Water Control and Improvement Districts to so employ County Assessors and Collectors to do this work, and to pay them terefor, a "Reasonable Compensation to be agreed upon, which shall not be subject to the fee bill" .And, this Board believing that \$2,000.00 to be paid L. A. Freeman and \$2,000.00 to be paid John Pengilly, for said Assessing and Collect - ing the District's taxes is a reasonable fee for such services, chose to have said taxes collected in this manner instead of appointing a special Assessor and Collector as is provided by Sec. 54, page 100 of the General Laws of the State of Texas, as passed by the Thirty-ninth Legislature, pertaining to said Water Control and Improvement Districts. and, it was further agreed that said tax assessor and tax collector shall be paid monthly during the months of October, November, December and January next, in proportion to the amount of taxes collected for these months.

A general outline of procedure of the engineering work of the District was submitted to the Board of directors by K. Robey, after same had been approved by the State Board of Water Engineers of Austin, and after same had been read and commented upon by the Board and Major John B. Hawley, who was present by invitation, said outline was ordered filed by the Secretary without any action being taken on same.

Major Hawley, after discussing different phases of the engineering work with the Board, made the following written recommendation, to-wit:

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Board of Directors,
Tarrant County Water
Improvement Dist. # 1.
Fort Worth, Texas.

Gentlemen;-

After recent studies by Mr. Freese and myself, I am of the opinion that preliminary canal lines should be run down the West Fork Valley, from Lake Worth, to near the Dallas County line.

Mr. Robey's offices are well organized for such survey work, and I recommend that it be undertaken at once.

Data for head levels will be furnished by my office and either Mr. Freese or myself will gladly assist in the field.

Very Respectfully,

John B. Hawley,

JBH:MC

Consulting Engineer. "

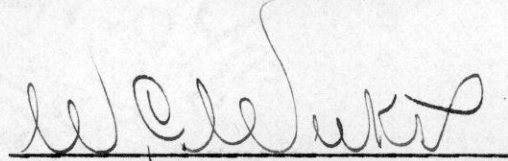
whereupon, the Board, upon motion made by W. E. Bideker, and seconded by L. C. Abbott, ordered E. F. McMurtrey, Assistant Manager-Engineer, in K. Robey's absence to have said survey made.

The Progress report of K. Robey, as Manager-Engineer of the District for work accomplished within last 15 days prior to Aug. 31st. was read, commented on and ordered filed. ✓

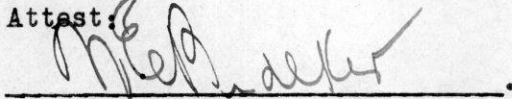
The Board of Directors, desiring to make an inspection of the different lake sites as selected by the engineering forces of the district, decided on Thursday, September 6th to make this inspection trip, and instructed the Secretary to invite Major John B. Hawley to accompany them if convenient.

It was moved by L. C. Abbott and seconded by H. M. Hightower which motion unanimously carried, that absolutely no publicity be given any newspaper reporter, or any one else as to the status of the preliminary work of the District, by any one connected with the District, whether he be officer or employe of the district, except President of the Board, W. C. Weeks, who is hereby designated ^{to give out} ~~as mouthpiece~~ for any publicity that the Board may deem expedient, ~~to be given out.~~

There being no further business at this time the Board adjourned subject to call of President, W. C. Weeks.



 President.

Attest: 


 Secretary.

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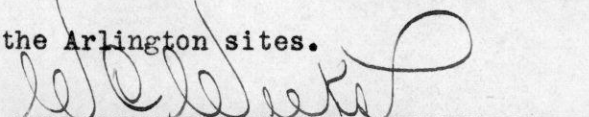
September 6th, 1925.

The Board of Directors met on the above date for the purpose of making an inspection trip of the different lake sites as surveyed by the District's Board of Engineers: Present: W. C. Weeks, Chairman, W. E. Bideker, A. L. Baker, L. C. Abbott, and H. M. Hightower: Accompanying said Board of Directors, were Major John B. Hawley, Consulting Engineer; E. F. McMurtrey, Assistant ^Manager Engineer and J. H. Bullock, Assistant Secretary of the Board.

The Board assembled at the Court house from whence the trip started, and from there went, first to the Eagle-Mountain-Dido sites on the West Fork of the Trinity, Then to the Benbrook sites, the Plover Sites, and ending said trip with an inspection of the Arlington sites.

Attest: 

 Secretary.



 President.