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MINUTES OF THE THIRD REGULAR STATUTORY
MEETING FOR THE YEAR 1927, HELD IN THE DISTRICT OFFICE
IN FORT WORTH, TEXAS, ON AUGUST FIRST, 1927, SAID DAY BEING
THE FIRST MONDAY IN AUGUST

At this meeting A. L. Baker, president, presided. There were also present and voting, the following named Directors, viz: L. C. Abbott, H. M. Hightower, W. E. Bideker, being a majority of said Board. Director W. H. Slay was absent from the State.

President Baker called attention to the fact that this meeting was one of the regular Statutory meetings and that he would like to have presented any matters of a general character affecting the organization; also that he especially would like to have presented any requests from the voters of the District.

Thereupon the Secretary stated that there were no such communications requiring attention at this time.

The President thereupon called attention to the necessity to prepare for an election at some time in September or October, at which election there should be submitted to the voters of the District the proposition as to whether or not the Bonds should be authorized for the construction of the works recommended by the report of the District Engineers.

It was moved by Director Abbott, seconded by Director Bideker that Director Hightower be commissioned to obtain polling places for the holding of the election; further that he obtain the services of a presiding judge, an assistant judge and two clerks of election for each polling place; further that he make his arrangements for an indefinite date, in order that exact date might be later fixed. Upon vote the motion was unanimously carried and it is so ordered.

The President thereupon further called attention to the necessity to bring the records and minutes of the District into such form as would comply with the law relating to all those preliminaries to the ordering of an election; further relating to the order of the election and the preparation of a "Notice of Election" to be published; as required by law; further for the necessity of preparing ballots, blank affidavits to be made by the voter concerning the right to vote and further to prepare instructions to the judges in order that they might hold the election in strict accord with Chapter 25 of the 39th Legislature of Texas, and further calling attention to the fact that Sidney L. Samuels - due to illness of his wife and other engagements - would be out of the City for an indefinite and extended time, which has created the necessity of making arrangements whereby all of this legal work might be performed with assurance and within the time required. It was moved by Director Bideker, seconded by Director Abbott that Ireland Hampton do be employed to render this service to the District. Upon discussion of this motion the Directors were unanimously of the opinion that this necessary work must instantly proceed. The Directors were further of the opinion that Ireland Hampton should prepare a condensed statement of the conclusions of the Directors as to the necessity for the work to be done in order that same might be published and the voters fully advised as to what the Directors had been able to accomplish with the funds granted to them by the voters in October, 1924 and to be used in making investigation concerning the water resources, water needs and flood problems in Tarrant County.

The question of compensation to Hampton for this employment could not be determined at this time due to the uncertainty as to what

proportion of the legal work might fall upon him and what proportion of it might be actually accomplished by Mr. Samuels.

After this full discussion vote was taken and motion, as expanded in the discussion, was adopted. All Directors present voting therefor.

Director Hightower presented a Resolution that until after the election now anticipated the Directors should be subject to call at all times for night meetings, in order to avoid the pressure of other duties during the day. Upon submission of this resolution it was adopted unanimously.

There was brought to the attention of the Directors the fact that interest on the balance due on preliminary bonds must be paid by August 5th; that the amount required was \$1,000.00. Director Abbott moved that the Secretary and Treasurer be instructed to immediately issue voucher of the District for that sum and remit the same to the Fiscal Agent of the owners of the bonds. This motion was seconded by Director Bideker. Thereupon a vote was unanimously carried and it is so ordered.

President Baker called attention of the Board to the fact that the Attorney, Sidney L. Samuels had requested that he be paid on account for his service the sum of \$500.00. It appeared that this or greater sum was due to him under his contract with the Board. It was moved by Director Abbott and seconded by Director Bideker that voucher for the sum do be issued and that said amount do be paid. Upon vote the motion unanimously carried; it is so ordered.

There being no further business, meeting was adjourned subject to call.

Approved:

W. E. Bideker
Secretary