

Minutes Of A Meeting Of The Board Of  
Directors Of Tarrant County Water  
Control And Improvement District No.  
One, Held in Fort Worth, Texas On  
October 19, 1927.

At this meeting, A. L. Baker, President, presided.

The following named were present, viz:

DIRECTORS:                   W. H. Slay  
                              L. C. Abbott  
                              H. M. Hightower  
                              W. E. Bideker

There were also present S. W. Freese, of Hawley and Freese Engineers, and attorneys Sidney L. Samuels and Ireland Hampton.

At this meeting, the following proceedings were had and taken:

Director Bideker presented to the Board the value of property located in the District as the same was defined and bounded at the time of the issuance of the preliminary bonds heretofore issued by the District. This value is \$151,024,550. This value is that found and established by the Tax Assessor and County Commissioners Court of Tarrant County, Texas as a basis for taxation for the year 1927.

Director Bideker also presented the estimate that the tax of 2¢ on \$100.00 of value would produce a sum of \$30,204.91; he furthermore called to the attention of the Board the fact that while 2¢ on \$100.00 would not fully pay off the balance due on the preliminary bonds, that the 2¢ levy should be maintained for the present year, due to the fact that Section 79 of Chapter 25 of the Acts of the 39th Legislature, under which this District is operated, provides that all costs and expenditures represented by the said preliminary bonds remaining unpaid, shall be repaid out of the proceeds of the bonds authorized by the election held on October 8, 1927.

He thereupon presented a motion in words and figures as follows, to-wit:

Whereas, Sec. 32 of Chapter 25 of the Acts of the 39th Legislature of Texas provides, among other things, that at the time bonds (preliminary bonds) are issued, taxes shall be levied sufficient to pay the interest thereon and provide for the payment of the principal thereof as the same mature and pay the cost of assessing and collecting such taxes; and

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Whereas, Section 33 of said Chapter 25, among other things, provides:

"The Directors of a district upon the making of a tax levy for the purpose of paying the charges on such preliminary bonds, or any tax levy made under the provisions of law by a district may file a certificate of such tax levy in the office of the County Tax Assessor and of the County Tax Collector of the county or counties in which said district is situated, in which event the said Tax Assessor shall enter the same upon the tax rolls of the county as against all property thereon within such district in the same manner as other tax levies, or make a special list thereof and attach same to said tax rolls before the same are delivered to the Tax Collector, or thereafter. The County Tax Collector shall collect said taxes in the same manner as other county taxes."

And, whereas, it is not necessary or desirable that the district do assess a tax for the retirement of preliminary bonds in excess of 2¢ on the hundred dollars of assessed value, as established by the County of Tarrant, as a basis for the levy of tax during the year 1927.

Now, therefore, be it resolved by Tarrant County Water Control and Improvement District No. One that said district do levy for the year 1927, and said district does hereby levy, a tax of 2¢ on the hundred dollars of value of the property within the district, as the same was defined and bounded at the time said preliminary bonds were issued and sold, which is \$151,024,550.00; further that said tax when collected be applied first to the cost of assessing and collecting such tax; next, that the sum remaining be applied to the payment of the balance due upon preliminary bonds issued by the district under authority of the election held October 7, 1924.

Further be it resolved that the Secretary of this District do be directed to file a certificate of this levy in the office of the County Tax Assessor of Tarrant County; and also in the office of the County Tax Collector of Tarrant County, Texas; further be it resolved that said Tax Assessor and said Tax Collector do be directed to proceed to the execution of the provisions of said Section 33 of Chapter 25 of the Acts of the 39th Legislature as the same is hereinabove quoted.



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Further be it ordered that the bond of the Tax Collector in the sum of \$5,000.00, which has heretofore been delivered to the District, be and the same is hereby approved as a good and sufficient bond. After the reading of said motion, the same was seconded by Director Hightower. Upon vote being taken, the said motion or resolution was unanimously adopted and it is so ordered. X

After an informal discussion, Directors Hightower and Slay were appointed a committee of two to investigate the probable cost of a separate contract to cover the survey of reservoir lands and to establish water lines for the reservoirs proposed to be constructed, and to investigate engineering fees paid on other projects of similar character. They were to report before a final action on the proposal to be tendered by Hawley and Freese for engineering services.

There was then an informal discussion of office rooms and arrangements for the conduct of the District's business. It was the sense of the Directors that the office in the court house should be abandoned; further that the District office, the Engineer's office and possibly the attorney's offices should be concentrated in some one place. Directors Bidaker and Slay were appointed as a committee to investigate the cost of a room, or rooms, on the fourth floor of the Cotton Exchange Building in Fort Worth and were given authority to arrange for such space as the District might require in order that the District's maps, plats and other data might be properly concentrated and cared for. They were also authorized and directed to move the District's records from the court house to the new location if it was in fact chosen. This action was taken with the understanding that rooms could be procured in the new location at a cost of 17¢ per square foot per month.

After formal discussion the Secretary was ordered to issue voucher of the District for sum of \$300.00, payable to Ireland Hampton on account for legal service rendered to the District since July 1, 1927.

There being no further business presented, the meeting was declared adjourned.

W. E. Bidaker  
Secretary

APPROVED:

A. L. Baker  
President.

EXHIBIT A

CERTIFICATE

OF THE LEVY OF A TAX BY TARRANT COUNTY  
WATER CONTROL AND IMPROVEMENT DISTRICT  
NO. ONE.

You are hereby notified that at a meeting of the Board of Directors of Tarrant County Water Control and Improvement District No. One, held on October 19, 1927, among other things, the following proceedings were had and taken, viz:

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He thereupon presented a motion in words and figures as follows, to-wit:

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And, whereas, it is not necessary or desirable that the district do assess a tax for the retirement of preliminary bonds in excess of 2¢ on the hundred dollars of assessed value, as established by the County of Tarrant, as a basis for the levy of tax during the year 1927.

Now, therefore, be it resolved by Tarrant County Water Control and Improvement District No. One that said district do levy for the year 1927, and said district does hereby levy, a tax of 2¢ on the hundred dollars of value of the property within the district, as the same was defined and bounded at the time said preliminary bonds were issued and sold, which is \$151,024,550.; further that said tax when collected be applied first to the cost of assessing and collecting such tax; next, that the sum remaining be applied to the payment of the balance due upon preliminary bonds issued by the district under authority of the election held October 7, 1924.

Further be it resolved that the Secretary of this District do be directed to file a certificate of this levy in the office of the County Tax Assessor of Tarrant County; and also in the office of the County Tax Collector of Tarrant County, Texas; further be it resolved that said Tax Assessor and said Tax Collector do be directed to proceed to the execution of the provisions of said Section 33 of Chapter 25 of the Acts of the 39th Legislature as the same is hereinabove quoted."

I hereby certify that the above and foregoing is a true and correct copy of the minutes of said District relating to the levy of taxes for the year 1927.

*approved*

*W. L. Barker*

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*W. L. Barker*  
Secretary

I, W. E. Bideker, do herein certify that I carried out the provisions of the above and foregoing certificate by delivering a true copy to the Tax Assessor of Tarrant County, Texas; and also by delivering a true copy hereof to the Tax Collector of Tarrant County, Texas.

WITNESS my hand this 27th day of October, 1927.

W. E. Bideker