

OFFICIAL MINUTES  
STATE SOIL AND WATER CONSERVATION BOARD MEETING  
MAY 3, 1968

The State Soil and Water Conservation Board met in the Hereford Room of the Hotel Texas, Fort Worth, Texas on May 3, 1968, at 3:00 p.m.

The following people were in attendance at the meeting:

State Soil and Water Conservation Board

A. F. Leesch, Chairman  
Frank Gray, Vice Chairman  
E. W. Wehman, Member  
Henry Turney, Member  
Albert Roach, Member  
Harvey Davis, Executive Director

Association of Texas Soil and Water Conservation Districts

A. L. Black, President  
Jack Garrett, Vice President  
Jack Buchanan, Secretary-Treasurer  
Gilbert Kretzschmar, Director

Area Association Representatives

Kenneth Kuykendall, President, Hill Country  
James Bible, President, Panhandle  
Roland Wheat, Member, Panhandle  
Herman Blank, Member, South Central

Others

David Stewart, Manager, NACD Service Dept.  
D. V. Guerra, Jr., Ch., Willacy-Hidalgo SWCD #312  
Lloyd Ridling, Member, Willacy-Hidalgo SWCD #312

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Leesch. Reading of the minutes of the March 5, 1968 meeting was postponed until the next meeting of the Board.

President Black discussed the financial needs of districts and encouraged the people present to advise their Senators and Representatives of the financial needs of Districts and to discuss the proposed matching fund with them. The Board of Directors of the State Association had previously agreed to ask for a matching fund with a ceiling of \$3,000 per district.

A need for additional staff people for the State Board was discussed. It was reported that the State Board had less staff today than it did 15 years ago and was carrying a very heavy load. Harvey Davis reported that he had to curtail some district activities that were needed because he did not have enough staff to take care of the portion required of the State Board. Mr. Black encouraged people present to also discuss this need with their State officials.

A new watershed application on Deport Creek was submitted to the Board for consideration. On motion by E. W. Wehman, seconded by Frank Gray, the Board disapproved the application pending additional information to determine feasibility. The motion carried.

On motion by Frank Gray, seconded by H. W. Turney, the Board approved a petition to transfer the portion of Nolan County now in the Middle Clear Fork Soil and Water Conservation District # 206 to the Upper Clear Fork Soil and Water Conservation District # 121 and signed a determination of practicability and feasibility on the transfer.

On motion by Henry Turney, seconded by E. W. Wehman, the Board approved new subdivisions due to previous transfers of territory in the following districts:

Bedias Creek # 428  
Trinity Bay # 434  
Limestone-Falls # 501  
Ellis-Prairie # 504  
Nolan-Aquilla # 536  
Upper Clear Fork # 121  
Middle Clear Fork # 206

On motion by Albert Roach, seconded by Frank Gray, the Board approved the following supervisor appointments:

M. K. Brown, San Patricio # 324  
Tucker K. Royall, Anderson-Houston # 421  
Albert N. Nelson, Jr., Trinity Bay # 434  
Kenneth Farmer, Ellis-Prairie # 504  
M. D. Padgett, Nolan-Aquilla # 536

The Board agreed to hold its next regular meeting on May 21, 1968, in its office in Temple, Texas.

The meeting adjourned at 5:30 p.m.

J. Frank Gray  
Chairman

Josephine Chupik  
Secretary

Date May 21, 1968

I hereby certify that the above is a true and correct copy of the minutes of the State Soil and Water Conservation Board meeting held on May 3, 1968.

Date May 21, 1968

Lemmy Davis  
Executive Director

Dear Sir:

This is to acknowledge receipt of your minutes dated March 5, 1968 and May 3, 1968

Thanks very much for your cooperation.

Sincerely,  
John Connally