



TEXAS STATE SOIL CONSERVATION BOARD

SECOND FLOOR DENMAN BUILDING
TEMPLE

July 9, 1953.

The State Soil Conservation Board met in its offices in Temple, Texas, July 9, 1953, at 8 o'clock a.m., with the following members present; S J Payne, Chairman, J P Martin, C M Caraway, Sr and E W Wehman. Others present were V C Marshall, A C Spencer, W R Heizer, Louis P Merrill, Regional Director of the Soil Conservation Service, Paul Walser, State Conservationist, Waters S Davis, Jr, League City, Texas, President of the National Association of District Supervisors, Paul Haynes, J D Prewitt and Dean Shepherdson of A & M College and Mr C E Miller, Supervisor from Fort Davis, Texas.

The Minutes of the last meeting of the Board held May 18, 1953, were read and approved. A Rent Lease agreement for the corner ground floor office space, Main street and Adams Avenue, known as the Neuman Building, for a period beginning September 1, 1953, and ending August 31, 1955, was presented to the Board and upon motion of C M Caraway, Sr and seconded by E W Wehman, same was approved.

Mr V C Marshall reported the holding of a Public Hearing on the annexation of Upton County to the Middle Concho District No. 234, would be held July 24, 1953. Also a Public Hearing would be held in Wharton County as to the need for a Soil Conservation District in the western part of Wharton County, July 17, 1953. He also reported that the meetings held at various places for discussion of the new law passed by the recent session of the Legislature had been well attended with good interest shown. Mr Spencer also reported very good meetings in State District No.3.

Mr J D Prewitt discussed with the Board the Goodyear Awards Program which will be held in Texas, beginning July 1, 1953, and ending April 1, 1954, for entries.

Dean Shepherdson of A & M College discussed with the Board the holding of a short course at the college for the benefit of Supervisors, i.e. to study the Soil Conservation District program, the duties and responsibilities of Supervisors. The College would consider the holding of such a program if there was need for this type work. After quite a bit of discussion a motion was made by E W Wehman, seconded by J P Martin, that a committee be appointed composed of Henry Mills, Paul Haynes, A C Spencer, G G Gibson and Paul Walser, to make preliminary survey and report to the next meeting of the State Board.

The meeting was adjourned at 9 o'clock a.m. to meet with a group of government Engineers at Kyle Hotel to discuss Soil and Water Conservation.

H. Mills

Secretary

S. J. Payne

Chairman