

OFFICIAL MINUTES
STATE SOIL CONSERVATION BOARD
January 15, 1958

The regular meeting of the State Soil Conservation Board was held in the Driscoll Hotel, Corpus Christi, Texas, beginning at 2:00 P. M., January 15, 1958.

Members present were: A. F. Leesch, Chairman, E. W. Wehman, S. J. Payne, J. C. Porter and J. S. Sharp.

Others present were: A. C. Spencer of the State Soil Conservation Board, several soil conservation district supervisors including W. C. Howard, President of the Association of Texas Soil Conservation Districts.

The minutes of the November 11, 1957 meeting were read and approved.

A motion was made by E. W. Wehman and seconded by J. C. Porter to disapprove the following watershed applications pending preliminary surveys:

1. Salado Creek-Alamo SCD # 330
2. Sanders Creek-North Texas SCD #415 & Fannin County SCD # 520

The motion carried.

A motion was made by E. W. Wehman and seconded by J. S. Sharp to approve the request for amending the original boundaries and acreages in the following watersheds:

1. San Diego-Rosita
2. Chiltipin-San Fernando
3. Agua Dulce
4. Agua Dulce Laterals

The motion carried.

In the matter of the dissolution of the Bastrop-Fayette Soil Conservation District #310, a motion was made by E. W. Wehman and seconded by S. J. Payne to approve the dissolution as being administratively practicable and feasible. The motion carried.

In the matter of the organization of the Bastrop County Soil Conservation District #340, a motion was made by E. W. Wehman and seconded by S. J. Payne to approve the organization as being administratively practicable and feasible. The motion carried.

In the matter of the organization of the Fayette County Soil Conservation District # 341, a motion was made by E. W. Wehman and seconded by S. J. Payne to approve the organization as being administratively practicable and feasible. The motion carried.

After receiving a request signed by ten or more landowners from Bastrop County, a motion was made by E. W. Wehman and seconded by J. C. Porter to appoint Cecil Fisher as supervisor from Zone 2 and Dale Cannon as supervisor of Zone 4 of the Bastrop County Soil Conservation District # 340. The motion carried.

After receiving a request signed by ten or more landowners from Fayette County, a motion was made by E. W. Wehman and seconded by J. C. Porter to appoint Otto Tiedt as supervisor from Zone 2 and J. C. Yearly, Sr., as supervisor of Zone 4 of the Fayette County Soil Conservation District # 341. The motion carried.

A motion was made by J. C. Porter and seconded by E. W. Wehman for A. F. Leesch, J. S. Sharp and A. C. Spencer to represent the State Soil Conservation Board at the National Meeting of Soil Conservation Districts to be held in Minneapolis, Minnesota, February 15 through 20, 1958. The motion carried.

There being several representatives from several Texas cities waiting to submit bids for the 1959 Annual State-wide meeting, the Board by common consent began hearing these delegations. Cities presenting bids were:

1. Abilene
2. Dallas
3. Ft. Worth
4. Galveston
5. San Antonio
6. Waco

After hearing these bids and discussing written bids from El Paso, Minerals, & Austin, Texas, the Board agreed to discuss the matter with supervisors during the state meeting and take it up at their next regular meetings. Having been in session for more than

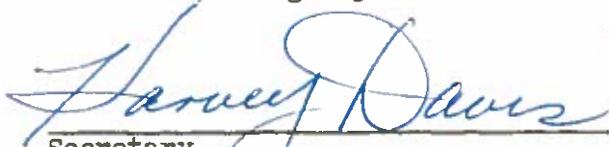
than three hours, the Board recessed its meeting and agreed to re-convene on Thursday night, January 16, at 7:30 P. M.

January 16, 1958

The State Soil Conservation Board re-convened for the purpose of considering its responsibilities in relation to the Texas Master Water Plan. A report of a recent meeting held with the State Board of Water Engineers by A. F. Leesch, E. W. Wehman and A. C. Spencer was jointly given by the three. It was the recommendation of the Chairman of the Board and the Executive Director that the State Board employ at the earliest possible time the best qualified agricultural Engineer available for the salary the Board is legally able to pay. By common consent, the Executive Director was authorized to contact the Soil Conservation Service in regard to this matter. A motion made by J. S. Sharp and seconded by J. C. Porter that when a suitable Engineer is located, who is agreeable to accepting the State Board's terms of employment, a meeting of the Board will be called. The motion carried.

J. C. Porter and A. F. Leesch accompanied by W. C. Howard left the meeting to meet Governor Price Daniel at the airport. Upon arrival of the Governor the State Board Members and State Association Vice-Presidents, Harbert Byers, George Tomlinson and W. S. Gibbs, held an informal reception and discussion with the Governor for approximately 2½ hours. The discussion principally centered on water management and upstream flood prevention work.

The meeting adjourned.


Secretary


Chairman

2-5-58
Date