

OFFICIAL MINUTES
STATE SOIL AND WATER CONSERVATION BOARD
August 16, 1982

The State Soil and Water Conservation Board met on August 16, 1982 at 8:15 a.m. in the Conference Room, 1006 First National Building, Temple, Texas.

Board members present were:

Joe Antilley, Chairman
Frank Gray, Vice Chairman
C. F. Schendel, Member
Hermon Petty, Member
Albert Roach, Member

Staff members present were:

John Millican, Assistant Executive Director
Bob Buckley, Director of Programs
Josephine Chupik, Office Services Supervisor

Others present were:

Budd Fountain, Soil Conservation Service
Dr. Earl Burnett, Agricultural Research Service
Dr. Bill Harris, Agriculture Extension Service
Jack Giffin, Texas Fish Producer's Association

Chairman Antilley called the meeting to order.

On motion of C. F. Schendel, seconded by Frank Gray, the minutes of the July 14, 1982 meeting were approved as mailed out.

Budd Fountain reported an evaluation of the Conservation Operations technical assistance will be initiated in 27 counties in Texas to determine how effectively funds for this program are being used in the state.

On motion of Albert Roach, seconded by Hermon Petty, the following district director appointments were approved:

Tony R. Smitherman - Gray Co. SWCD # 125
Gilbert H. Yosten - Tierra Blanca SWCD # 143
John T. Williams - Toyah-Limpia SWCD # 209
Glen Fisher - Edwards Plateau SWCD # 222
R. D. "Bub" Wilkinson - Hamilton-Coryell SWCD # 506

John Millican presented requests from two soil & water conservation districts for changes in their subdivision boundaries. The reason for requesting the change in Donley County SWCD # 127 was to equitably distribute the number of landowners

within each subdivision. The Lamb County SWCD # 130 requested the change due to the present subdivision boundary lines being based on obsolete County Commissioners precinct lines. The new boundary lines in both districts would follow highways, Farm-to-market Roads, Railroad and other easily identified landmarks. On motion of Frank Gray, seconded by C. F. Schendel, the Board approved the change in subdivision boundaries for both districts.

John Millican reported on Conservation Assistance (matching funds). As of August 10, 1982, \$607,585 has been claimed of the \$637,389 appropriated amount leaving a balance of \$29,804. Supplemental claims totaling \$218,695 have been received from 138 soil and water conservation districts. A detailed report will be completed for the next board meeting.

John Millican discussed the Annual State Meeting to be held on October 4, 5 and 6, 1982 at the Hyatt Regency Hotel in Austin, Texas. The program was reviewed and topics discussed for the Tuesday afternoon session. A projected operating budget for the meeting was reviewed.

The 1984-85 budget request was discussed. A supplement will be added to the original request to include shoreline erosion research in the amount of \$528,237.

Jack Giffin discussed the fish-stocking program in Texas from the producers standpoint. Mr. Giffin discussed several concerns the producers association had to Soil and Water Conservation Districts participating in the program. Many SWCDs have implemented this program successfully with landowners benefitting from the service. On motion of Hermon Petty, seconded by Albert Roach, the Board agreed to request an opinion from the Attorney General's office on the legality of SWCD's involvement in this program.

Travel expenses for board members were discussed. Since allocated funds were insufficient and additional funds were available, all board members travel will be paid for fiscal year ending August 31, 1982.

The board submitted a resolution extending sympathy and condolence to Mrs. A. C. Spencer and children in memory of A. C. Spencer who passed away on July 29, 1982.

John Millican briefed the board on the current activities of the staff. A condensed written report was provided each Board member.

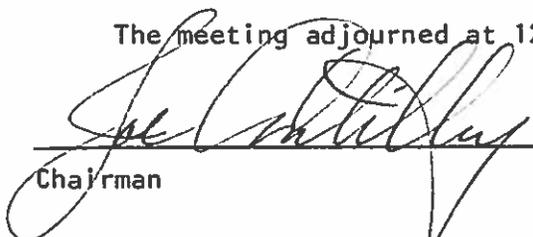
The next meeting of the Board will be held on September 13, 1982.

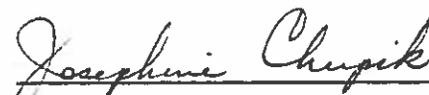
In accordance with Section 2 (g) of the Texas Open Meetings Act the Board went into executive session at 11:15 a.m. to discuss personnel matters.

Following the executive session the Board agreed to publish a notice in the Texas Register concerning the vacancy of the position of Executive Director. Applications will be accepted until November 8, 1982 from persons both within and outside the agency. All applications should be sent to Joe Antilley, Chairman.

On motion of Frank Gray, seconded by C. F. Schendel, the Board designated John Millican, Acting Executive Director until the new Executive Director is named.

The meeting adjourned at 12:00 noon.


Chairman


Secretary


Date

I hereby certify that the above is a true and correct copy of the minutes of the Board meeting held on August 16, 1982.


Date


Assistant Executive Director