

OFFICIAL MINUTES
STATE SOIL AND WATER CONSERVATION BOARD
September 18, 1980

The Texas State Soil and Water Conservation Board met on September 18, 1980 at 10:30 a.m. in the Board Room of Paris Milling Company, 1308 South Main, Paris, Texas following the dam site dedication on Deport Creek at Deport, Texas held at 8:00 a.m.

Board members present were:

Henry Turney, Chairman
Albert Roach, Vice Chairman
Joe Antilley, Member
C. F. "Dick" Schendel, Member
Frank Gray, Member

Staff members present were:

A. C. Spencer, Executive Director
Bob Buckley, Director of Programs
James Moore, Engineer
Josephine Chupik, Office Services Supervisor
David Powell, Soil Conservationist

Others present were:

E. W. Wehman, Former Member, State Soil and Water Conservation Board
George Marks, Soil Conservation Service
B. L. Harris, Agricultural Extension Service

Chairman Turney called the meeting to order.

Since copies of the July 28, 1980 board meeting were received in the mail by each Board member and there being no changes, on motion of Frank Gray, seconded by Joe Antilley, the minutes were approved without being read.

On motion of Albert Roach, seconded by Frank Gray, the Board approved the following district director appointments:

Ted L. Shaller - Donley County SWCD #127
Cary Don Neeley - Salt Fork SWCD # 133
Mrs. Ida B. Rodgers - Karnes-Goliad SWCD # 343
Melvin Meier - Austin County SWCD # 347
Arthur J. Yeager - Brazos-Robertson SWCD # 431
Joe L. Hargus - Marion-Cass SWCD # 433

On March 31, 1980, a petition was received to divide and reorganize the King-Stonewall Soil and Water Conservation District #120 and create the Stonewall Soil and Water Conservation District #167 and the King Soil and Water Conservation District #168. Public hearings held on June 23, 1980 in Aspermont and June 24, 1980 in Guthrie were favorable. An audit has been made. Additional information on equipment owned by the district at the time of their audit two years ago will need verification. Documents on assets, liabilities, and district cooperator agreements have been executed. On motion of Frank Gray, seconded by Joe Antilley, the Board approved the division and reorganization of the King-Stonewall Soil and Water Conservation District as being practicable and feasible contingent upon receipt of verification of the district equipment. Due to the division of this district, the Board approved new subdivisions and appointed directors for each new district as follows:

Stonewall #167

Zone 2 - Dewitt Ellison
Zone 4 - Benno A. Erdman

King #168

Zone 2 - Darien Brady
Zone 4 - Larry Keith

The Board considered a request from the Roberts Soil and Water Conservation District #145 on reversing zone 1 and 2 of their district. Also requested were changes in descriptions of the zone boundary lines. The zone descriptions are on precinct lines which are subject to change during the election year. The district requests a more permanent zone boundary line description. On motion of Frank Gray, seconded by Dick Schendel, the Board denied changing zone 1 and 2 but authorized changing the description of zone boundary lines.

James Moore reported on PL 83-566 watershed protection and flood prevention program planning status. Four watershed applications are being up-dated and should be finished by the next Board meeting.

James Moore discussed maps showing the land use of the Lake Tawakoni Drainage area. Moore reviewed the significance of fecal coliform counts and dissolved oxygen affecting sediment-water interface.

Bob Buckley reviewed a draft application for assistance under the ASCS experimental Rural Clean Water Program for Segment 0303, Sulphur River. The staff submitted suggested comments on the draft application to the Board for their consideration with special attention given to the rewording of the conclusions reached in the draft. On motion of Dick Schendel, seconded by Joe Antilley, the Board approved the comments recommended by the staff. A copy of the comments is attached.

Bob Buckley gave each member a copy of the 1981 operating budget. Items of budgeted expenditures were reviewed. On motion of Albert Roach, seconded by Frank Gray, the 1981 operating budget was approved.

On motion of Albert Roach, seconded by Joe Antilley, the Board members agreed to allocate the available travel funds in the amount of \$14,000 equally among the 5 members, giving each an allocation of \$2,800. The Per Diem appropriation is \$30,000. Each Board member was allocated \$6,000. If there is a balance in the account at the end of the fiscal year, the members who have exceeded their allocation will be paid.

Due to the transfer of territory in the North Concho River Soil and Water Conservation District #208 and the division of the Eldorado-Divide Soil and Water Conservation District #247 and the Tom Green Soil and Water Conservation District #248, these districts had requested additional allocations in Matching funds for fiscal year 1981. On motion of Joe Antilley, seconded by Frank Gray, the Board adjusted the allocations as follows:

North Concho #208 - \$900.00
Eldorado-Divide #247 - \$1,920.00
Tom Green #248 - \$2,000.00

Bob Buckley informed the Board that hearings have not been scheduled on the 1982-1983 budget request.

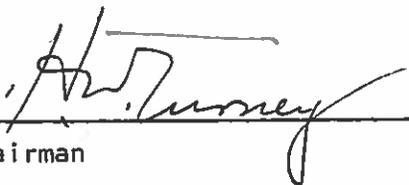
The program for the 1980 Annual Meeting of Soil and Water Conservation District Directors to be held in San Antonio, Texas on September 29, 30 and October 1, 1980 was reviewed. All arrangements are complete.

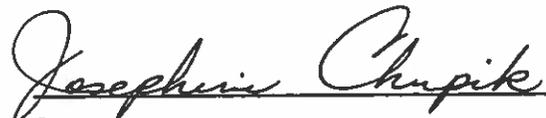
Mr. Spencer informed the Board on progress being made on the State Plan development. Questionnaires have been received from 197 of the 200 districts.

Dick Schendel thanked Mr. Turney for emceeding the "Roast and Toast" in honor of E. W. Wehman who served on the State Board nearly thirty-one years. The occasion was sponsored by district directors in State District Three and held in Victoria, Texas on August 28, 1980.

The next regular board meeting will be held November 20, 1980.

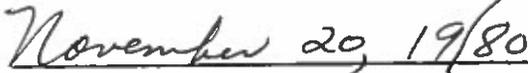
The meeting adjourned at 1:30 p.m.


Chairman


Secretary


Date

I hereby certify that the above is a true and correct copy of the minutes of the Board meeting held on September 18, 1980.


Date


Executive Director