

MINUTES OF THE STATE SOIL CONSERVATION BOARD MEETING HELD ON APRIL 24, 1943,

At 9:30 A. M., Temple

The State Soil Conservation Board met in the Board Room at Temple, Texas, April 24, 1943. The meeting was called to order at 9:30 A. M. by Chairman Walter W. Cardwell, with members Wm. G. Kennedy, J. P. Martin, Horace K. Fawcett, and C. M. Caraway present. Others in attendance were V. C. Marshall, Administrator, Howard H. Goss, Field Representative, L. G. Black, Administrative Assistant, P. H. Walsler, State Soil Conservationist, S. C. S., and C. D. Spencer, Assistant State Soil Conservationist, S. C. S.

The minutes of the last meeting were read by the Secretary, and adopted as read, with the change of "county agents" to "vocational agriculture teachers" in paragraph 4, page 3.

Mr. Marshall stated that in the Wind Erosion Districts the supervisors generally think that their responsibility ends with the development of a program and plan, and that ~~Mr. P. C. Bennett~~ <sup>Mr. P. C. Bennett</sup> of the Soil Conservation Service, is attempting to remedy this situation. He suggested that Mr. Goss make a trip into that section to help work out the problem.

The secretary read a list of supervisors appointed and re-appointed since the last meeting, and all of the appointments were confirmed by the Board on a motion by Mr. Cardwell, seconded by Mr. Kennedy. The practicability and feasibility of the Wilbarger-Wichita Soil Conservation District was acted upon favorably by the Board on a motion by Mr. Caraway, seconded by Mr. Kennedy. The practicability and feasibility of the Matagorda County Soil Conservation District was acted upon favorably by the Board on a motion by Mr. Kennedy, seconded by Mr. Martin.

An election was granted for the Collin County Soil Conservation District on a motion by Mr. Caraway, seconded by Mr. Kennedy. An election on the proposed annexation of part of Grayson County to the Upper Elm-Red Soil Conservation District was granted by the Board on a motion by Mr. Caraway, seconded by Mr. Martin. Prior to the vote on the election for the Collin County Soil Conservation District, Mr. Marshall read a letter that he had written in answer to a letter from Mr. Jack McCullough, County Agent of Collin County, setting forth the policies and powers of the State Board. Mr. Marshall suggested that dates for the elections in Collin County and Grayson County not be set until the matter had been discussed with the people involved in the respective counties.

The Board deferred action on petition to annex part of Motley County to the Hall County Soil Conservation District pending an investigation of the situation by Mr. Goss.

Mr. Marshall informed the Board that he had recently met with a committee at Menard relative to forming a district in Menard and Kimble Counties,

and that he had suggested that they go ahead with the circulation of a petition for a district in spite of certain opposition in that area. He also stated that petitions were expected soon from Fisher and Nolan Counties.

Mr. Walser stated that there has always been a need for definite information to give farmers and ranchers as to how much increased production they might expect from soil conservation practices. He said that the S. C. S. is now prepared to tell them that they might expect a twenty per cent increase, this figure being based on an average and over a period of years, sometime beginning with the first year, and allowing for variations in different sections of the State and in the methods applied. Mr. Cardwell suggested reducing the information to figures in dollars and cents for different crops. Mr. Walser replied that this might be done in certain instances, and cited the records of the J. R. Mims Ranch in Water Valley.

Mr. Marshall brought up the matter of the appropriations bill for the State Soil Conservation Board for the biennium 1943 - 1945, and analyzing the budget recommendation of the Board of Control and the reports of the House Appropriations Committee, and the Senate Finance Committee, and suggested that the Board Members go to Austin and contact Members of the Free Conference Committee in an effort to have the bill reported out of that committee in a form that would allow the operation of the State Board for the next two fiscal years. All of the Members, with the exception of Mr. Fawcett, agreed to go to Austin as suggested by Mr. Marshall.

The meeting adjourned at 12 noon to reconvene at Austin at 10 a.m. April 26th.

  
Walter W. Cardwell, Chairman

  
L. G. Black, Secretary

SUPERVISORS APPOINTED AND REAPPOINTED SIN<sup>CE</sup> FEBRUARY 20, 1943

<u>DIST. No.</u>	<u>NAME</u>	<u>STATUS</u>
517	VANCE C. STEPHENSON	SUCCEEDS A. E. YOUNG
120	A. J. HURT	SUCCEEDS CHARLES DEATON
428	WILLIAM NASH	SUCCEEDS J. C. NASH
433	ROY FROST	NEW DISTRICT
433	TOM G. BROOKS	NEW DISTRICT
524	OSCAR ALDRIDGE	RE-APPOINTED
311	W. F. BOTARD	RE-APPOINTED
529	FRED R. COTTEN	RE-APPOINTED
429	M. C. FLOURNOY	RE-APPOINTED
109	ED LEARY	RE-APPOINTED
432	C. DOORNBOS	NEW DISTRICT
432	CLYDE DISHMAN	NEW DISTRICT
213	WALTER G. BURKHOLDER	NEW DISTRICT
213	J. M. WADDELL	NEW DISTRICT
301	ADOLPH HAESE	SUCCEEDS FRANK E. MEYER
434	E. L. MOOR	NEW DISTRICT
434	G. R. CANADA	NEW DISTRICT
523	M. L. JERNIGAN	SUCCEEDS WILLIS A. HILL
522	LEE ROY WILLIAMS	RE-APPOINTED
524	HOWARD SPRINGER	SUCCEEDS OSCAR ALDRIDGE
531	C. M. GAY	SUCCEEDS SAMUEL DILLER

*Marion-Cass*

*Coastal*

*Upper Pecos*

*Trinity Bay*