

## MINUTES

The State Soil Conservation Board held its regular meeting at San Antonio, Texas, at 6 P.M. in the Gunter Hotel, San Antonio, Texas on January 19, 1955. All members were present. Others present were V. C. Marshall, A. C. Spencer and O. F. Armstrong. Upon motion by Arthur Leesch, seconded by C. M. Caraway, the Upper Nueces Frio Soil Conservation District #238 was determined practicable and feasible. In the same motion, the appointment of Tom Sparks, Zone 2 and Bill Burdette, Zone 4, as Supervisors of District #238 was approved.

Upon motion by Arthur Leesch, seconded by S. J. Payne, the West Nueces Las Moras District #236 was declared practicable and feasible, and W. E. Thurman, Jr., Zone 2 and Clyde Earwood, Zone 4 were appointed Supervisors.

V. C. Marshall gave a favorable report on Public Hearing held at Orange, Texas, for the organization of the Lower Sabine Neches Soil Conservation District #116. Upon motion by C. M. Caraway and seconded by Arthur Leesch, a determination of the need for this district and the appointment of H. M. Peveto was passed. V. C. Marshall reported the receipt of a petition for annexation of that part of Maverick County not now in a district. This area desires annexation to District #228. A petition has already been received requesting the organization of a new district in this same territory. A joint hearing has been set for February 21, at Eagle Pass, Texas. O. F. Armstrong reported favorably on a Public Hearing for annexation of that part of the W. T. Waggoner Estate not now in a Soil Conservation District, to the Willbarger-Wichita District. Determination of need and practicability were passed for this territory, upon motion by C. M. Caraway and seconded by S. J. Payne. The meeting recessed for dinner at 6:30 P.M.

At 7:30 P.M. the State Board meeting reconvened with the same members and others present. Applications for assistance in planning on up stream flood control were received from the following water sheds: Little Blanco, Groom, and Knob Creek. Upon Motion by Arthur Leesch and seconded by S. J. Payne, the applications were disapproved pending further investigation. Favorable reports as a result of preliminary surveys were given for: West Yegua portion of the Middle Yegua, Big Chocolate Creek, Turkey Creek, Kent Creek portion of the Upper Pease Headwater, and Crow Creek portion of Elm Creek of the Red. Upon motion by S. J. Payne, seconded by Arthur Leesch, these applications were approved.

An unfavorable report based on preliminary survey was given on application #6 Richland Creek of the North Pease. Upon motion by Arthur Leesch and seconded by C. M. Caraway, this application was finally disapproved.

The Elm Creek water shed application located in Middle Colorado water shed was disapproved since this water shed is eligible to be worked under another authorization. This disapproval motion was made by Arthur Leesch and seconded by C. M. Caraway. The matter of whether or not the State Soil Conservation Board would have a representative at the annual meeting of the National Association of Soil Conservation Districts in San Diego, California, February 1-5 was considered.

S. J. Payne moved and Arthur Leesch seconded the motion to send E.W.Weyman and A. C. Spencer. E. W. Weyman stated that it is doubtful that he can attend. Board members retired to another room where representatives from Tyler, Dallas, Galveston, Houston, Lubbock and Mineral Wells made their bids for the 1956 annual meeting. The meeting recessed until 4:30 P.M., January 20 at which time the same members and others were called together by Chairman, E. W. Weyman. The question of where the next meeting of the State Soil Conservation Board will be held was considered. J. P. Martin moved that the next meeting be held at Alice, Texas to be followed by a tour into the Rio Grande Valley. The motion was seconded by Arthur Leesch and passed. Meeting date was tentatively set for March 3. The question of the location of the 1956 annual meeting was considered. S. J. Payne moved that a committee to be made up of E. W. Weyman, H. B. Boswell, and A. C. Spencer inspect the facilities at Lubbock and Tyler and report back to the next regular meeting of the State Board. There being no further business the meeting adjourned.

Approved the 3 day of March 1955

A. C. Spencer  
Secretary

E. W. Weyman  
Chairman