

State Capitol
February 20, 1918.

Minutes of the Second and Adjourned Ninth Regular Meeting of the State Highway Commission held in its temporary offices pursuant to adjournment. The following members were present:

Curtis Hancock, Chairman
R. M. Hubbard, Commissioner of Construction,
J. G. Fowler, Commissioner of Registration,
George A. Duren, State Highway Engineer.

The meeting was called to order by the Chairman and the following business was transacted:

Motion by Mr. Hubbard, seconded by Mr. Fowler, that the following order be adopted:

Be it ordered by the Highway Commission that for the purposes of granting State Aid each year, the year be defined as a calendar year, and that the first calendar year end on December 31st, 1917, and that each calendar year shall end on the 31st of December thereafter.

Motion carried.

Motion by Mr. Fowler, seconded by Mr. Hubbard, that the application of Eastland County for State Aid on Highway No. 22 be granted for the year 1918, not to exceed \$5074.90 on 4 1/2 miles of highway. Motion carried.

Motion by Mr. Hubbard, seconded by Mr. Fowler, that inter-county designation be granted from Paducah to Casmah. Motion carried.

The Commission then went into executive session, and the following business was transacted:

Motion by Mr. Fowler, seconded by Mr. Hancock, that warrant be made out to Oldham County for \$7671.44 in final payment of State Aid Project No. 1. Motion carried.

Motion by Mr. Fowler, seconded by Mr. Hubbard, that Victoria County be granted State Aid on Highway No. 29 to the amount of \$1,166. Motion carried.

Motion by Mr. Hubbard, seconded by Mr. Fowler that the Fiscal Regulations as per recommendation of State Highway Engineer be approved and adopted for regulation of State Highway Department, after same were read by captions. Motion carried.

Motion by Mr. Fowler, seconded by Mr. Hubbard, that Organization Chart recommended by Engineer be ordered approved and adopted. Motion carried.

Salary schedule was read and discussed, and the following revised payroll was adopted on motion of Mr. Hubbard, seconded by Mr. Fowler:

REGISTRATION.

A.W. Risien,	Shipping Clerk,	From	\$100	to	\$125
E.B. Kelso,	Cashier,	"	125	"	150
Chas. Barnhart,	Memo. Operator,	"	87.50	"	90
M. E. Elliott,	Asst. Cashier	"	75	"	80
Blaise Thatcher,	Filing Clerk,	"	60	"	75
H. K. Brown,	Registration Clerk,	"	135	"	150

ENGINEERING

Julian Montgomery,	Office Engineer	From \$208	To \$225
J. D. Miller,	Draftsman	" 100	" 125
Willis Carson,	Supt. F & S Proj.	" 100	" 125
M. C. Welborn,	Road Engineer	" 200	" 225
Hans Von Carlowitz,	Cost Clerk	" 75	" 90

Mr. Hamby of Austin, Public Auditor and Accountant, was conferred with relative to making audit of State Highway Department.

Mr. Cochran of Ernst & Ernst, was heard relative to making audit of State Highway Department.

Request of Galveston County for an additional 25% State Aid on Job No. 85, State Aid project, was considered and declined.

Motion by Mr. Fowler, seconded by Mr. Hubbard, that the following orders be adopted, changing and correcting designations of State Highways to agree with State Highway map. Motion carried.

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DESIGNATIONS.

(1) The Ft. Worth-Eanis Highway known as Highway No. 34, designated on November 19, 1917, was designated as a State Highway on condition that no aid be requested. This condition was omitted from the minutes, and is hereby inserted.

(2) Highway No. 17 designated June 21, 1917, was redesignated via Pecos, Barstow, Grand Falls, Ft. Stockton, Sanderson, and thence intersecting No. 18 in the extreme southwest portion of Terrell County. Same is hereby inserted in the minutes.

(3) Highway No. 18 designated June 21, 1917, and December 20, 1917, was redesignated by Spur instead of by Dickens, and is hereby inserted in the minutes.

(4) The official designation of Highway No. 31 through Waco, Corsicana, Athens and Tyler, has been omitted from the minutes, and is here now inserted in same.

(5) The official designation of Highway No. 33, heretofore omitted from the minutes, is hereby inserted. Motion should read as follows: November, 1917.

"Motion by Mr. Odle, seconded by Mr. McLean, that State Highway be designated beginning at El Paso, thence to Hawman, to connect with State Highway of New Mexico."

Petition presented by Judge Adrian Pool. Motion carried.

STATE AID.

(1) On November 20, 1917, State Aid was granted to Cherokee County on Highway No. 7 in the sum of \$5,000. Highway No. 7 does not traverse Cherokee County. Highways No. 21 and No. 22 traverse this county. Federal Aid was granted on Highway No. 22, and the minutes are hereby revised granting State Aid on Highway No. _____.

(2) The following resolutions are herewith inserted, stating that the assessed valuation in Ward, Culberson and Brooks Counties does not warrant the construction, etc., and that State Aid be granted to the amount of 50% of the cost of construction of ten miles of highway:

"Whereas it is made to appear to the Highway Commission that the assessed valuation of the property of the county of CULBERSON does not warrant the construction of the section of Highway No. 1 passing through the county of Culberson, which said highway is a trunk line necessary to this State, connecting market centers of the State, and it is necessary for the Commission to exercise discretion in increasing its allotment for the said Culberson County not to exceed one half the cost of construction of not more than ten miles of roadway in said county;

"Therefore, be it ordered by the Highway Commission that the discretion of the Commission is hereby exercised in the matter of Culberson County's application for State Aid on Highway No. 1 in said county, and that in making allotment of State Aid in said county the Commission shall make and is hereby authorized to make such allotment not to exceed one half the cost of construction of said Highway No. 1 as provided in Section 12 of the State Highway Act."

"Whereas it is made to appear to the Highway Commission that the assessed valuation of the property of the County of Brooks does not warrant the construction of the section of Highway No. 12 passing through the County of Brooks, which said Highway is a trunk line necessary to this State, connecting market centers of the State, and it is necessary for the Commission to exercise discretion in increasing its allotment for the said Brooks County not to exceed one half the cost of construction of not more than ten miles of roadway in said county;

"Therefore, be it ordered by the Highway Commission that the discretion of the Commission is hereby exercised in the matter of Brooks County's application for State Aid on Highway No. 12 in said county (September 12, 1917) and that in making allotment of State Aid in said county the Commission shall make and is hereby authorized to make such allotment not to exceed one half the cost of construction of said Highway No. 12 as provided in Section 12 of the State Highway Act."

"Whereas it is made to appear to the Highway Commission that the assessed valuation of the property of the County of Ward does not warrant the construction of the section of Highway No. 1 passing through the County of Ward, which said highway is a trunk line necessary to this State, connecting market centers of the State, and it is necessary for the Commission to exercise discretion in increasing its allotment for the said Ward County not to exceed one half of the cost of construction of not more than ten miles of roadway in said county;

"Therefore, be it ordered by the Highway Commission that the discretion of the Commission is hereby exercised in the matter of Ward County's application for State Aid on Highway No. 1 in said county, and that in making allotment of State Aid in said county, the Commission shall make and is hereby authorized to make such allotment not to exceed one half the cost of construction of said Highway No. 1 as provided in Section 12 of the State Highway Act."

(3) On November 21, 1917, Gonzales County was awarded State Aid in the sum of \$8648.20 on Highway No. 3. Same was omitted from the minutes, and is hereby inserted.

(4) On November 19, 1917, Oldham County was granted an additional sum of \$1883 on Highway No. 13. The minutes are herewith revised to read that this amount was in addition to the former appropriation on October 8th of \$6500, the total amount not to exceed \$8383.

FEDERAL AID.

(1) On December 19, 1917, Federal Aid was granted on Highway No. 9 between Beeville and Normanna. This should be between Beeville and a point 3.9 miles north of Beeville.

(2) On November 21, 1917, Federal Aid was granted Coleman County on Highway No. 23 in the sum of \$50,000. This was omitted from the minutes, and is hereby inserted.

(3) On November 23, 1917, Federal Aid was granted Collin County on Highway No. 6 in the sum of \$50,000. Same was omitted from the minutes, and is hereby inserted.

(4) On November 19, 1917, Federal Aid was awarded Donley County on Highway No. 13 in the sum of \$16,000. This should be \$16,500.

(5) On November 21, 1917, Fayette County was granted Federal Aid on Highway No. 3 in the amount of \$14,134. This should be changed to read State Aid.

(6) On December 18, 1917, Freestone County was granted Federal Aid to the extent of 25% on the western portion of the Henry Small Highway. This should be changed to read State Aid.

(7) On November 21, 1917, Gonzales County was granted Federal Aid on Highway No. 3 in the sum of \$48,000. This should be changed to read on Highway No. 3 from Oak Forest to a point 4.5 miles east of Waelder, in the sum of \$59,583.15.

(8) On November 19, 1917, Harris County was granted \$50,000 Federal Aid on Highway No. 2 north of Houston. This should be changed to read \$50,000 Federal Aid on Highway No. 2.

(9) On November 19, 1917, Morris County was granted Federal Aid on Highway No. 1 in the sum of \$17,000. This should be on Highway No. 35. Also the following motion should be inserted for Morris County:

"Motion by Mr. Odle, seconded by Mr. McLean, that Federal Aid be granted Morris County not to exceed \$16,500 between Naples and Cookville; and \$16,100 between Omaha and Cass County line." Motion carried.

(10) On November 4, 1917, Nolan County was granted Federal Aid in the sum of \$5,000 on Highway No. 4. Same was omitted from the minutes and is hereby inserted.

(11) On September 12, 1917, Parker County was granted Federal Aid to the limit of the law, or 50%. Same is hereby inserted in the minutes, having been previously omitted.

(12) On November 20, 1917, McCulloch County was granted State Aid on Highway No. 10 in the sum of \$15,000. Same should be corrected to read Federal Aid.

(13) On December 17, 1917, Hunt County was granted \$30,000 Federal Aid on Highway No. 1 east of Greenville. The minutes have omitted the fact that this county was granted \$30,000 Federal Aid west of Greenville, and same is hereby inserted.

GONZALES COUNTY. (Informal Discussion.)

Delegation promised the route from Waelder to Harwood, Luling, Kingsbury and Seguin, to be designated as a State Highway at a later date, provided the road bonds of Gonzales county are carried for the construction of State Highway Number 3 as previously designated.

There being no further business to come before the Commission, adjournment was taken.

Artie Hennessee

Chairman

Attest:

Geo. P. Duran
State Highway Engineer