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Minutes of the Ninety-Seventh Regular Commission Meeting, held in the State Office Building, with the following members present:

Hal Moseley, Chairman
John M. Cage, Member

Motion by Mr. Cage, seconded by Mr. Moseley that the Commission consider the proposition of building the bridges on the gap in Highway No. 40 in the Forney District, Kaufman County, with one hundred per cent State and Federal Aid, and the Commission further consider granting the Forney District two-thirds aid for the completion of the rest of the gap, if Forney will be satisfied with the location through the town to a point south of the railroad, straightening out three curves. Motion carried.

Motion by Mr. Cage, seconded by Mr. Moseley that Kaufman County be granted \$24,983.78 additional aid on F.A.P. 130, this amount to be paid to Kaufman County in January 1927. Motion carried.

Motion by Mr. Cage, seconded by Mr. Moseley that a highway be designated beginning at Cresson in Hood County, at Highway No. 10, thence in a southeasterly direction through Godley and to Cleburne in Johnson County, subject to the conditions under which the Commission is now accepting designations; and that the Engineer be instructed to have a report made contemplating the designation of road from Cleburne to Grandview in Johnson County, taking into consideration Highway No. 2-A, in his analysis of the situation; that the above designation is not to be taken over for maintenance until such time as the Highway Engineer can make allotment for same in his budget. Motion carried.

Motion by Mr. Cage, seconded by Mr. Moseley that Fayette County be granted aid for the construction of Highway No. 44 in Fayette County totaling \$120,500.00; \$59,730.00 to be available in 1927, and \$60,770.00 to be available in 1928. Motion carried.

Motion by Mr. Cage, seconded by Mr. Moseley that contract on Job 74-G, S.A.P. 670 A & B, Highway No. 108, Falls County, be awarded to the low bidder, D. H. Buchanan, Temple, Texas, at \$4,620.88 on Section A and \$38,643.40 on Section B, with the provision that if the contractor is not able to make the necessary financial arrangements to finance the job until January 1927, then this contract will be cancelled by this Commission without penalty or cost to the contractor, D. H. Buchanan. Motion carried.

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Motion by Mr. Cage, seconded by Mr. Moseley that Panola County be granted \$37,711.00 aid for the construction of .3504 miles of Highway No. 8 south of Carthage, .3788 miles of Highway No. 8 north of Carthage, .5114 miles of Highway No. 64 east of Carthage and .7074 miles of Highway No. 64 west of Carthage, same not to exceed two thirds of the cost of an 18 ft. paving, and no part of this allotment to be paid prior to January 1, 1927. Motion carried.

Motion by Mr. Cage, seconded by Mr. Moseley that the action of a former Commission on November 9, 1925, granting \$1,500.00 aid to the town of Stanton for the purpose of straightening Highway No. 1 as it enters the city of Stanton, Martin County, be cancelled, for the reason that the change should not be made. Motion carried.

Motion by Mr. Cage, seconded by Mr. Moseley that Carson County be granted \$545,156.62, to be available beginning July 1, 1927, and that the Highway Engineer be instructed to work out with Carson County a program for the construction of their roads and the Commission will be glad to consider further allotments upon the presentation of this program. Motion carried.

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Motion by Mr. Cage, seconded by Mr. Moseley that as it appears from the records of this department that a designation of a road from Marfa to Presidio by way of Shafter, in Presidio County, by a former Commission was never made a matter of record, that this Commission recognize the clearly indicated action of the former Commission and the road is hereby designated, and the Maintenance Engineer is to be instructed to provide for maintenance on same.

Motion by Mr. Cage, seconded by Mr. Moseley that a highway be designated from Livingston in Polk County to Liberty in Liberty County subject to the usual conditions governing new designations, and further that Liberty County gravel four miles in Liberty County. It is understood that the Highway Department will not take same over for maintenance until such time as the Highway Engineer can provide funds for same. Motion carried.

Motion by Mr. Cage, seconded by Mr. Moseley that a highway be designated beginning at Caldwell, in Burleson County, thence to Rockdale and San Gabriel in Milam County, thence to Bartlett, Schwertner, Jarrell and Florence in Williamson County and to Bertram in Burnet County, subject to the usual conditions governing the designation of new highways, and not to be taken over for maintenance until such time as the Highway Department is assured that proper funds will be provided by the Legislature to maintain same. Motion carried.

Motion by Mr. Cage, seconded by Mr. Moseley that an allotment of \$18,000.00 be made to be spent by the maintenance department for the reconstruction of the three Yegua crossings, the first on Highway No. 21 Middle Yegua at Knox Lake, the second, East Yegua on line of Burleson and Lee Counties, and the third on Highway No. 44 between Lincoln and Lexington, this money to be available in 1927. Motion carried.

Motion by Mr. Cage, seconded by Mr. Moseley that Navarro County be granted \$16,000.00 or not to exceed fifty per cent of the cost of construction of Highway No. 22 from the city limits of Corsicana to the State Orphans' Home; that portion from the city limits on the permanent location of Highway No. 22 to be made Federal Aid and payments to be made during construction when due; but on the extension from the permanent location to the State Orphans' Home, State Aid will be applicable, no part of which is to be paid in 1926. Motion carried.

Motion by Mr. Cage, seconded by Mr. Moseley that Navarro County be granted \$30,000.00 aid, same being one hundred percent, for the reconstruction of Highway No. 31 through Trinity River botoom, no part of which is to be available in 1926. Motion carried.

Motion by Mr. Cage, seconded by Mr. Moseley that Dallas County be granted \$15,000.00 or not to exceed fifty per cent Federal Aid for the construction of that part of Highway No. 6 between city limits of city of Dallas and Mockingbird Lane. Motion carried.

Motion by Mr. Cage, seconded by Mr. Moseley that Dallas County be granted \$30,000.00 aid for the construction of that part of Highway No. 40 from a point just east of Spring Creek to Mockingbird Lane, where the present highway crosses the Katy Railroad; this allotment to be available provided Federal Aid is applicable, and no part of it is to be expended during 1926. Motion carried.

Motion by Mr. Cage, seconded by Mr. Moseley that the State Highway Engineer be instructed to write Mr. W. G. Farrier, Omaha, Texas, that the State releases him from any further work on F.A.P. 403-A, Anderson County, and that the final closing up of the job will be done at the earliest possible moment and any balances due remitted to Henderson and Company. Motion carried.

Motion by Mr. Cage, seconded by Mr. Moseley that the Commission approve the award of contract on Job 1-B, F.A.P. 453-D, Unit 1, earth approach to bridge on Highway No. 43, in Anderson County, as made by the Commissioners' Court of Anderson County, to the low bidder, Joe G. Ballinger

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at \$24,441.82. This approval recommended by the State Highway Engineer, and concurred in by Mr. Losh, Bureau of Public Roads, and with the item of sodding eliminated. Motion carried.

Motion by Mr. Cage, seconded by Mr. Moseley that the award of contract by the Commissioners' Court of Taylor County on F.A.P. 495-D, consisting of 6.6 miles grading and bridges on Highway No. 1-A, Taylor County, to the low bidder, Oran Speer, at \$63,130.65 be approved by the Commission. Recommended by the State Highway Engineer and concurred in by Mr. Losh, U. S. District Engineer, Bureau of Public Roads. Motion carried.

Motion by Mr. Cage, seconded by Mr. Moseley that the award of contract by the Commissioners' Court of Taylor County on F.A.P. 77 (re-opened) consisting of 11.6 miles grading and drainage structures on Highway No. 1 in Taylor County to the low bidder, C. H. Van Eman, at \$43,593.85, be approved by the Commission. Recommended by the State Highway Engineer and concurred in by Mr. Losh, U. S. District Engineer, Bureau of Public Roads. Motion carried.

Motion by Mr. Cage, seconded by Mr. Moseley that the award of contract on S.A.P. 569-B, Unit 11, consisting of 12 miles of gravel surfacing, Maverick County, to Raymond Canon, Austin, Texas, low bidder, at \$68,380.04 on alternate using crushed gravel, by the Commissioners' Court of Maverick County, be approved by the Commission, with the understanding that no State Aid will be paid on the project during 1926. Recommended by the State Highway Engineer. Motion carried.

Motion by Mr. Cage, seconded by Mr. Moseley and recommended by the State Highway Engineer that the award of contract by the Commissioners' Court of Maverick County on S.A.P. 569-A, Unit 11, consisting of 12 miles gravel surfacing on Highway No. 85, to the low bidder, Raymond Cannon, at \$38,675.50, using crushed gravel, be approved by the Commission with the understanding that no State Aid will be available during 1926. Motion carried.

Motion by Mr. Cage, seconded by Mr. Moseley and recommended by the State Highway Engineer that the award of contract as made by the Commissioners' Court of San Jacinto County on S.A.P. 682, consisting of 5.5 miles grading and bridges on Highway No. 45, San Jacinto County, to the low bidder, Brown & Root, Georgetown, Texas, at \$14,069.33, be approved by the Commission, with the understanding that no State Aid will be available during 1926. Motion carried.

Motion by Mr. Cage, seconded by Mr. Moseley and recommended by the State Highway Engineer that Trinity County be authorized to advertise for bids on S.A.P. 697-A, consisting of 9.8 miles on Highway No. 106 and on S.A.P. 697-B, consisting of 9.3 miles on Highway No. 106, with the understanding that no State Aid will be available during 1926. Motion carried.

Motion by Mr. Cage, seconded by Mr. Moseley and recommended by the State Highway Engineer that Shackelford County be authorized to receive bids on September 28, 1926, on F.A.P. 477-B, Unit 1, consisting of 13.6 miles grading and bridges on Highway No. 18 east from the Jones County line towards Albany. Motion carried.

Motion by Mr. Cage, seconded by Mr. Moseley and recommended by the State Highway Engineer that authority be given for the advertisement for bids on four sections F.A.P. 306, Marion County, consisting of 13.4 miles two inch bituminous surface course on macadam base on Highway No. 8 as soon as Marion County has given a satisfactory statement as to the county's financing the project, with the understanding that no State Aid will be available during 1926. Motion carried.

Motion by Mr. Cage, seconded by Mr. Moseley that the highway between Brookshire and Katy, in Waller County, be relocated on the south side of the M. K. & T. Railroad. Motion carried. ✓

Motion by Mr. Cage, seconded by Mr. Moseley that as soon as plans are completed that the Highway Engineer be instructed to advertise for bids on the surfacing of Highway No. 19 from Huntsville in Walker County to the Montgomery County line and on Highway No. 45 from Huntsville to the San Jacinto County line, with the understanding that when contracts have been awarded, no state aid will be available during 1926. Motion carried.

Motion by Mr. Cage, seconded by Mr. Moseley that a highway be designated beginning at Beeville, in Bee County, thence through Oakville in Live Oak County, Tilden in McMillen County, Fowlerton in LaSalle County, thence to a connection with Highway No. 2 either in Frio County or LaSalle County, as may seem best after a thorough investigation, this designation subject to the usual conditions, and not to be taken over for maintenance until such time as ^{it} can be included in the maintenance budget. Motion carried. ✓

Motion by Mr. Cage, seconded by Mr. Moseley that the following headlight device as recommended to the Highway Commission for approval by C. R. Granberry, Engineer, Automobile Headlight Division, it having passed all of the requirements of the Headlight Law, be approved:



Twolite Headlamp.

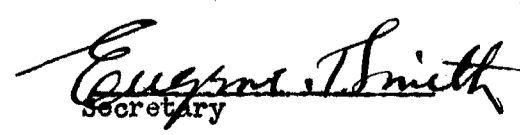
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Motion by Mr. Cage, seconded by Mr. Moseley that Wilson County be granted additional aid amounting to \$3,258.57, on F.A.P. 434-A, Unit 1, and S.A.P. 593-A, Job No. 247-B. This was an overrun caused on account of freight charges. Motion carried.

APPROVED:


State Highway Engineer.


Chairman

Member


Secretary