

Be it remembered that on Feb 14th A. D. 1911, there was begun and holden within and for the County of Titus a regular term of the Hon. Commissioners Court, with W. E. Middle County Judge, Presiding, Present R. B. White, A. O. Brown, H. W. West and W. J. Gray, Commissioners, A. S. Mitchell County Clerk and J. A. Cooper Sheriff when the following proceedings among other were had to-wit:

Petition of G. W. Talliaferro et als for General Stock law election in Justice Precinct No. 8.

Feb. 14th 1911, on this day came on to be considered the petition of G. W. Talliaferro et als for ~~general stock law election~~ an election to be held in Justice precinct No. 8 to determine whether or not horses, mules, jacks, jennetts and cattle shall be permitted to run at large in said precinct.

And it appearing to the Court that said petition is in due form and in every way complies with the law in having the required No. of signatures etc. It is therefore ordered, adjudged and decreed by the Court that said petition be granted and that the County Judge set the day for the election and appoint the managers of same and that said election be held at Winfield in said Justice Precinct NO. 8 for the purposes above named.

In the Matter of Official reports.

Feb 14th. 1911, On this day came on to be examined the reports of the various officials of Titus County, and the following reports were examined and found to be correct and it is ordered by the court that same be and they are hereby approved.

T. B. Brown, L.
L. H. Armstrong.
D. F. Snodgrass
J. T. Taylor
Joe Lindfey
E. B. Garrett
Sam Porter
F. C. Sims.

J. N. McElreath
J. A. Cooper
W. E. Riddals
W. A. Counts
A. S. Mitchell
R. J. Gray
C. C. Cleland
I. N. Williams
A. O. Brown
W. L. Kelley

In the Matter of Petition of J. R. Lane et als for an election for General Stock law in Precinct No. 2.

Feb. 13 A. D. 1911, on this day came on to be considered the petition of J. R. Lane et als for an election to be held in Justice Precinct No. 2 to determine whether or not horses, mules, jacks, jennetts and cattle shall be permitted to run at large in said precinct, and it appearing to the court that said petition is signed by the required no. of voters and that said petition is in good form etc. It is therefore ordered by the Court that an election be held in said precinct at Marshall Springs school house, that the County Judge order said election for a convenient date as provided by law and appoint managers to hold said election.

Petition of Sam Yancey et als for change in Cookville and Cason Public Road.

Feb. 13th 1911, on this day came on to be considered the petition of Sam Yancey et als for the following change in Cookville and Cason Public Road:
The change ask for is to change said road so that the same will leave the Mt. Pleasant and Dringerfield road about 245 yds. West of where it intersects the same, so that it will intersect the old Mt. Pleasant and Linden road about 245 yds. west of where it now intersects it so that the said Cookville and Cason road will run on the W. B. line of a 40 acre tract of land belonging to Sam Yancey and so that the W. B. line of the said road will be the W. B. line of the said 40 acre tract and the E. B. line of a tract of land belonging to W. B. Thomas and will be fully on the said 40 acre tract belonging to the said Yancey said change will place the said road on much better ground and in addition to being more convenient to the public will save to the said Sam Yancey
It is therefore ordered adjudged and decreed by the court that said petition and the same is hereby granted and it is ordered that said change be made.

Petition of G. P. Murphy et als for Change in Argo and Ellis Bridge Public Road

Feb 14th 1911, On this day came on to be heard the petition of G. P. Murphy for change in Argo and Ellis Bridge Road as follows:
Beginning at Jno. Reddens South West land corner--- Thence West on land lines of J. W. Pice and O. M. Counts to Melvin Johnson's E. B. line---Thence South on Melvin Johnson's E. B. line to his South E. S. Corner--- Thence with the old road to the North End of G. P. Murphy lane where it intersects the present road.
Petition of A. S. Lilly for change in Public Road.

Feb 14 1911 on this day came on to be considered the Petition of A. S. Lilly for change in Public road as follows: Said road being road running from E. J. Johnson's to Luther Sullivan's and beginning at A. S. Lilly's house and running thence south about 250 yds. Thence East about 70 yds to the intersection of said Public road at

to fence my pasture in one field.

and it appearing to the court that said petition should be granted in as much as it would make a very little bit further and that said road would be on good ground and that the change would benefit the said res. A. S. Lilly. It is therefore ordered adjudged and decreed by the court that same be and it is hereby granted.

Petition of J. L. Williams et als for change in old Clarks Public road.

Feb 13 A. D. 1911, on this day came on to be considered the petition of J. L. Williams et als for change in Old Clark's ville Public Road, as follows:

Beginning at Will Cochran's House// Thence on his North boundary line, east to the Ellis Bridge road, Barrier's Store, thereby changing said road from Will Cochran's residence to the Ellis Bridge road. After considering the said petition the court is of the opinion that same should be granted. It is therefore ordered that said petition be and the same is hereby granted.

Petition of Will Nelson et als. for change in Cookville and Snow Hill Road.

Feb 13th 1911, On this day this petition of Will Nelson et als, coming on to be considered asking for the following change in the Cookville and Snow Hill Public road: or the Clarksville and Deingerfield Road Beginning at C. W. Parham Tennant House Running West to Prince Mitchell's farm— Thence North back to said road. After considering said Petition the court is of the opinion that same should be granted It is therefore ordered and decreed that said petition be and the same is hereby granted.

In the matter of taking bids for County Depository.

Feb 13th 1911, on this day came on to be examined the bids Filed by the different banks for funds belonging to Titus County, and To the School Funds of Titus County. The bids having been all sealed were opened by the court and examined. The First National Bank of Mt. Pleasant, Texas, bid 4%
Cookville State Bank bid 4-1/8%

The Merchants and Planters National Bank of Mt. Pleasant, Texas bid 5-1/8%

It appearing to the Court that the bid of the Merchants and Planters National Bank of Mt. Pleasant is the highest bid for said depository and that said bank has been the County's depository for several years, and is in every way qualified and conveniently located to take care of the said funds. It is therefore ordered and adjudged by the court that the said Merchants and Planters National Bank of Mt. Pleasant be awarded all the funds of said Titus County upon their fulfilling the requirements of the law regulating same.

The State of Texas, County of Titus.

Know all men by these presents, that we Merchants and Planters National Bank of Mt. Pleasant, Texas, as principal and W. H. Seay, T. B. Caldwell R. H. Fuller Spill Browne, T. M. Fleming J. M. Badt, Chas. O. Lide L. C. Libby, H. Lillienstern H. W. Peterman as sureties, are held and firmly bound unto W. E. Riddle County Judge of Titus County, Texas, and his successors in office in the sum of Forty Thousand & No/100 dollars, For the payment of which we hereby bind ourselves and our heirs, executors and administrators jointly and severally by these presents.

The Condition of the above obligation is such, that whereas the above bounden Merchants and Planters National Bank of Mt. Pleasant, Texas, offered the highest bid of interest on daily balances (5-1/8 per cent) and was on the 13th day of February A. D. 1911 chosen by the Commissioners Court of Titus County, Texas as depository of the funds of Titus County for the term of two years, beginning the 13th day of February 1911.

Now, therefore, if the said Merchant's and Planter's National Bank of Mt. Pleasant, Texas, shall safely and faithfully keep and faithfully disburse said funds according to law and pay such warrants as may be drawn on said funds by competent authority and shall account for them, together within interest thereon at the rate of 5-1/8 per cent per annum calculated on daily balances to the commissioners Court of said County, as is required by law, then this obligation shall be void otherwise to remain in full force and effect.

In test many whereof, Witness our hands this the 15th day of February, A. D. 1911 Merchants and Planters National Bank of Mt. Pleasant, Texas?

By W. H. Seay Cashier.

W. H. Seay
T. B. Caldwell
Spill Browne
T. M. Fleming
J. M. Badt
Chas. O. Lide
L. C. Libby
H. Lillienstern
H. W. Peterman
R. H. Fuller

Sureties.

Filed Feb 13th 1911 A. S. Mitchell County Clerk

Bond of County Depository to Cover School Funds.
State of Texas, County of Titus

Know all men by these presents, That we, Merchant's and Planter's National Bank of Mt. Pleasant, Texas, as principal and W. H. Seay, T. B. Caldwell et als as sureties are held and firmly bound unto W. E. Riddle, County Judge of Titus County, Texas, and his successors in office in the sum of Sixty Thousand and No/100 dollars for the payment of which we hereby bind ourselves and our heirs executors and Administrators jointly and severally by these presents.

The Condition of the above obligation is such that whereas, the above bounded Merchants and Planter's National Bank of Mt. Pleasant, Texas, offered the highest bid of interest on daily balances (5-1/8 per cent) and was on February 13th 1911 chosen by the Commissioners Court as Depository of the funds of Titus County, including the school funds for the term of two years beginning the 13th day of February A. D. 1911

Now therefore, if the said Merchants and Planters National Bank of Mt. Pleasant Texas, shall safely keep and faithfully disburse the school funds according to law and pay such warrants as may be drawn on said funds by competent authority, and shall account for them, together with the interest thereon at the rate of 5-1/8 per cent per annum calculated on daily balances to the Commissioners Court of said County and to the State Superintendent of Public Instruction as is required by law, then this obligation shall be void, but otherwise, it shall remain in full force and effect.

In testimony whereof Witness our hands this 15th day of February A. D. 1911.
Merchants and Planters National Bank of Mt. Pleasant, Texas.

By W. H. Seay Cashier

Principal
W. H. Seay
T. B. Caldwell
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H. Lillian Stern
H. W. Peterman
R. H. Fuller.

Sureties.

Filed Feb 15th A. D. 1911.

A. E. Mitchell County Clerk Titus County, Texas.

In the Matter of appointing a County Road Superintendent

Feb. 13 1911, On this day came on to be considered the matter of appointing a county Road Superintendent for next twelve Months, and it appearing to the court that E. B. Garrett is a candidate to succeed himself as said supt. and that he make a good supt. and further more that there is no opposition. It is therefore ordered by the court that E. B. Garrett be and he is hereby appointed County Road superintendent for the next twelve Months at the same salary of \$75.00 per month.

In the matter of work at the County Jail

Feb 14th A. D. 1911, on this day came on to be considered the matter of building concrete walks around the County Jail and Building some galleries in front of the doors and it appearing to the court that T. C. Wallace is an expert in Concrete work, and agree to do the work reasonable. It is therefore ordered by the court that the said T. C. Wallace be awarded the contract to do the work as per the contract between him and J. A. Cooper. for the sum of \$140.00

In the matter of Purchasing Jail Cage

Feb 14th 1911. On this day came on to be considered the matter of purchasing a jail cage to be used to hold Convicts working on public road. and it appearing to the Court that it would be a great convenience to the County Road supt. to have cage and would prevent numbers of prisoners from running away. It is therefore ordered that the Court purchase jail cage and contract is made with Justin Brothers of Dallas, Texas for said cage at the contract price of \$500.00 without interest. Payable Feb. 1912.

In the matter of Ex-Officio Salaries.

Feb 15th A. D. 1911.

On this day came on to be considered the Ex-Officio salaries of the various County Officials. and after considering same the Court is of the opinion that they should remain as they are at present with the exception of the Sheriff whose Ex-Officio salary is only \$200.00, the Court if of the Opinion that it could be raised to \$400.00 Making the ex-Officio Salaries as follows:

County Judge	\$500.00
County Clerk	250.00
Dist. Clerk	400.00
Sheriff	400.00

It is therefore ordered that that the above ex-officio salaries be allowed the above named officers.

In the matter of appointing a Janitor for the Court house.

Feb 14th 1911, on this day came on to be considered the matter of appointing a Janitor for the Court House and it appearing to the court that the present Janitor is all right and should be re-appointed. It is therefore ordered by the court that Jake Corpew be and he is hereby appointed Janitor of the court house at the same salary of \$25.00 per month.

In the matter of appointing a purchasing agent and clock keeper.

Feb 15th 1911. On this day came on to be considered the matter of appointing a purchasing agent for Titus County and Keeper of the Court House Clock, and it appearing to the Court that Judge W. E. Riddle has done this work for two years and has done it well. It is therefore ordered by the court that he be re-appointed Purchasing agent and keeper of the Court House Clock at the same salary of \$3.00 per quarter.

In the matter of A. W. Sherrell A Pauper.

Feb 15th A. D. 1911, on this day came on to be considered the application of A. W. Sherrell a Pauper for a raise from \$6.00 per month to and it appearing to the court that he is entitled to a raise. It is therefore ordered by the court that J. M. Simpson receive \$3.00 per month instead of \$6.00 with the understanding that the County does not pay any of his expenses outside of the \$3.00

In the Matter of Mrs. Oscar Ryan, a Pauper.

Feb 15th 1911. On this day came on to be considered the matter of sending Mrs. Oscar Ryan a Pauper on the County drawing \$3.00 Per Month to Scurry County to her relatives, and it appearing to the court that it would be to the best interest of the county to pay her expenses there. It is therefore ordered by the Court that Mrs. Oscar Ryan be allowed the sum of \$18.00 to pay her expenses to Scurry County, Texas.

In the matter of appointing Managers for the various School Districts of Titus County, Texas to hold elections to elect school trustees for each school districts for the next term. And it is ordered by the court that the various school trustees of the various districts be appointed managers of their respective districts. to hold the said elections to elect new school trustees.

In the matter of appointing election managers to hold all general and special elections in the various Election precincts for the year 1911, and it is therefore ordered that the following be appointed for the following respective voting precincts.

Precinct No. 1. Mt. Pleasant. West Side.

G. L. Keith Geo Hay B D. M. Shumate.

Precinct No. 2 Green Hill.

R. R. Gilpin, W. O. Marshall, J. H. Barnett, W. W. Wood.

Precinct No. 3 East Side Mt. Pleasant.

P. B. Branch R. G. Batte W. M. Henderson, Spill Browne

Precinct No. 3 Marshall Springs. L. E. Croxton,

R. W. McCollum C. M. Gingles, J. W. Vest.

Precinct No. 11 Winfield.

Jerry Hogue, Will Cody, E. O. Bryant, Walter Garrison.

Precinct No. 5 Monticello.

J. W. Thompson, Chas. Brantley, J. H. Campbell G. B. Scott

Goalsboro Precinct No. 9, J. W. Kelley A. V. McLeroy

Maple Springs No. 5. Frank Blalock and R. W. Pittman.

Argo Precinct No. 10. R. E. Buckner F. L. Waller, C. P. Roney J. M. Harvey.

Cookville. Precinct No. 6. H. J. Fling M. G. Baygood D. C. Myers J. F. Denny.

Rickory Hill Precinct No. 4. G. W. Herkridger, J. P. Coley W. H. Procter, J. P. Barber.

Lone Star Precinct No. 12. By Phillips Robt. Dale Jr.

In the matter of appointing County Health Officer.

Feb 16th 1911, on this day came on to be considered the matter of appointing County Physician, and it appears to the court that Dr. T. E. Fleming is in every way qualified and has filed the office well. It is therefore ordered by the Court that he be and he is hereby appointed County Health officer for the next two years.

In the matter of Levying Taxes for the year 1911.

Feb 16th A. D. 1911, on this day came on to be considered the matter of Levying Taxes for the year 1911 for each and all the County Funds, and it appearing to the court that the following tax rate is required to pay the expenses of each fund:

Jury Fund 10 cents on the \$100.00 valuation

General County Fund 20 Cents on the \$100.00 valuation

Road and Bridge Fund 15 Cents on the \$100.00 valuation

Court House and Jail Fund 10 cents on the \$100.00 valuation

It is therefore ordered by the court that the above rate totaling 55 cents on the \$100.00 valuation be and the same is hereby levied for the year 1911, on all real and personal property in Titus County, Texas subject to taxation, to pay the expenses of the various funds as above set out.

In the matter of levying tax rates for the various School in Titus County, Texas.

Feb 16th, 1911, On this day came on to be considered the matter of levying School taxes that have been voted in the various school districts, . It is therefore ordered by the court that the rate that has been voted in each and every school district be and the same is hereby levied for each respective district. and that said and respective rate be levied on each \$100.00 valuation of real and personal property for the year 1911 in said respective School District.

In the matter of approving Bond of County Depository.

Feb'y 17th - 1911. On this day came on to be considered the bonds made by the Merchants and Planters National Bank of Mt. Pleasant, Texas, as County Depository and also as depository for School Funds, after examining said bonds it appears to the court that said bonds are in good form written according to law regulating same and that they are amply secured. It is therefore ordered by the court that both said bonds of said depository be and they are hereby approved.

In the Matter of Transferring \$2000.00 from Jury Fund to General County Fund.
Feb. 18th 1911, on this day came on to be considered the matter of transferring the sum of \$2000.00 from the Jury Funds to the General County Funds and it appearing to the Court that after transferring said amount to the General County Funds that there will be about \$1300.00 left in the Jury fund enough to run said fund through the most of the year. It is therefore ordered by the court that \$2000.00 be and the same is hereby transferred from the Jury fund to the General County Fund.

In the matter of Presenting Bill to ~~the~~ City of Mt. Pleasant.

Feb'y 18th 1911 on this day came on to be considered the matter of Presenting a bill of \$10.00 to the City of Mt. Pleasant for Work done in rebuilding hitch racks that that the City Counsel had torn down. and it appearing to the court that the city should pay for this work. It is therefore ordered by the Court that the County Clerk make out said bill of Ten Dollars and present the same to the City Counsel.

In the matter of Making Copies of Delinquent Poll tax lists

On this day came on to be considered the matter of having several copies of Delinquent Poll tax list made also of the parties having paid their road tax for 1911 for the convenience of the Road Superintendent and HIS Subs. It is therefore ordered that the county Clerk make 12 copies of each.

In the matter of cancelling order for Culverts ordered from Austin Bros.
Feb 13th 1911, on this day came on to be considered the matter of Cancelling an order from Austin Bros. of Dallas for a car load of Culverts on the account of the order not containing the proper lengths. It is therefore ordered by the court that said order be cancelled and the County Judge is hereby ~~ordered~~ Ordered to notify Austin Bros. to cancel said order. and W. E. Rille and B. B. Garrett are hereby appointed by the court to ascertain the lengths of culverts wanted and order a car load of corrugated steel culverts.