

Be it remembered that the Commissioners Court of Titus County Texas, met in regular session at the Court House of said County, in the City of Mt. Pleasant, Texas, on the 12th day of August A. D. 1917, with the following members present, to wit: County Judge J. W. Tabb, County Commissioners, Smart, Holmes, King and Edwards and County Clerk, C. M. Nugent.

When came on to be considered the matter of the construction of the Cell Floors in the new jail building for Titus County, Texas, County Commissioner W. M. King, offered the following Order to the Commissioners Court of Titus County, Texas, and made a motion that the same be passed by said Court, which motion was seconded by County Commissioner A. C. Smart, the order is as follows, to wit:

"It appears to the Commissioners Court of Titus County Texas, that the plans and specifications heretofore adopted by this Court for the building of the new jail for said County provide that steel now in the old jail be used in the construction of the cell floors of the new jail and that it is now desirable to change so much of the specifications and provide that the Pauley Jail Building Company, who have made a contract with the County for the construction of a new jail for said County and to furnish all labor and material necessary therefor so that the Pauley Jail Building Company will provide the steel to be used in the construction of the cell floors in the new jail as said contract provides.

It further appears to the Commissioners Court of Titus County, Texas, that in said contract it is provided that such changes may be made in the construction of said jail building as may from time to time, be desired by the Commissioners Court of said County, but that it is required by said contract that this Court make its order making such changes as may be desired before change can be made.

It is therefore, ordered, adjudged and decreed by the Commissioners Court of Titus County, Texas, that the Pauley Jail Building Company furnish

new steel to be used in the construction of the cell floors and floors upon which cells are located in the jail building, if necessary, to be of such material as will be suitable for such construction under the general terms of the specifications for such building. Such contract provides that the costs of change shall be the reasonable market value of such change. This charge having been discussed with the Pealy Jail Building Company and it having been determined that the value of the steel hereinafter ordered to be furnished is the sum of \$375.00 it is, therefore, further ordered that such amount be added to the original contract price and made a part thereof, which shall in all things be included in the original contract and the provisions for its payment."

The County Judge put the motion for a vote of the Commissioners Court of Tarrant County, Texas with the request that as many as favored the motion to vote "aye" and those opposed to vote "no" County Commissioners, Smart, Holmes, King and Edwards voted "aye" The County Judge declared the motion carried and the order passed.

The foregoing minutes of the Commissioners Court of Tarrant County, Texas read and approved this the 13 day of August A.D. 1917.

George Hightower }
 Allowed \$5.00 per month } August 18th 1917

On this day it is ordered by the Commissioners Court of Tarrant County, Texas, that George Hightower be allowed \$5.00 per month, said amount to be paid out of the General County fund of Tarrant County.

August 13, 1917

On this day it is ordered by the Commissioners Court of Titus County Texas, that the St. Louis Southwestern Railroad Company's Texas contract with the Commissioners Court file building spur switch at Kilgyle cease, and that the said Railroad Company have the authority to remove same and that the said Railway Company shall take over all ties and switch ties at their value same to be closed, as second hand ties

Aug. 13, 1917

Came on to be considered the returns of an election held in Common School District number twenty four of Titus County Texas, on the eighth day of August 1917, for the purpose of submitting to the property tax-paying voters of said District the question of increasing the special tax of said District to a rate not to exceed fifty cents upon each and every one hundred dollars valuation of taxable property within said district.

It appears to the Commissioners Court of said County, that said election was held, and that returns thereof have been made as the law requires and that from said returns it appears that there were cast at said election thirty eight votes and that there were cast for the increase of the tax twenty two votes and against the increase of the tax sixteen votes. A majority of the votes cast at said election being for the increase of the tax.

It is ordered, adjudged, and decreed by the Commissioners Court of Titus County Texas, that said election resulted in favor of the increase of the special tax of Common School District number twenty four of Titus County Texas, and it is so ordered and declared.

The State of Texas

County of Titus

To the Honorable J. W. Fable, County Judge, Titus
County, Texas

We, the undersigned resident property tax-paying voters of Common School District number 23 of Titus County, Texas, respectfully petition and pray that you order an election to be held in said district in the manner and time required by law for the purpose of submitting to the resident property tax-paying voters of said district the question of the issuance of the Coupon Bonds of said district to the amount of One thousand dollars to become due and payable 20 years after date with the option of redemption at any time after one year from date, to bear interest from date at the rate of five per cent per annum until paid payable annually, for the purpose of constructing and equipping a public free school building within said district and the levy assessment and collection of an annual tax against all taxable property within said district of a rate sufficient to pay the interest on said bonds as it matures and to create a sinking fund with which to pay the principal thereof at maturity. Respectfully submitted

W. W. Thompson, J. White, J. D. Justice, W. J. Davis, J. M. Dyer,
J. W. White, J. D. White, F. M. White, J. Lee, J. O. Kish, Taylor Martin,
O. Sandrum, E. J. Diggers, Lee Klus, W. Thornton, J. White,
R. White, C. M. Roach, B. Agair, W. M. Parker, J. O. Kish,
J. O. Parker

Office of County Judge
of Titus County, Texas

On this the 6th day of July 1917 the petition of
Mr. W. W. Thompson and twenty three other
resident property tax-paying voters of Common
School District number twenty three of Titus
County, Texas, praying that an election
be ordered to be held within said district
for the purpose of submitting to the property
tax-paying voters residing therein the question

of the issuance of the coupon bonds of said district and the levy, assessment and collection of a tax against all taxable property within said district to the pay the principal and interest thereon was presented to me.

Upon examination of the facts I find that such petition is signed by twenty property tax-paying voters who reside within said district, that the petition is in due and proper form and that the same should be granted.

It is, therefore, ordered that an election be held within said district on the 4th day of Aug, A. D. 1917 at the School House within the said district and that at said election there shall be submitted to the property tax-paying voters residing therein the question of the issuance of the Coupon Bonds of Common School District No. 23 of Titus County, Texas, to the amount of One thousand Dollars, to become due and payable 20 years after date with the option of redemption at any time after one year from date, to bear interest from date at the rate of five per cent per annum until paid, payable annually, for the purpose of constructing and equipping a public free school building within said district and the levy, assessment and collection of an annual tax rate against all taxable property within said district of a rate sufficient to pay the interest on said bonds as it accrues and to create a sinking fund with which to pay the principal thereof at maturity.

Messrs W. D. Thompson presiding judge, W. R. Rhea assistant judge, J. W. Rosh and G. M. White, as clerks, are appointed to hold the said election and make returns thereof as the law requires.

The Sheriff of Titus County Texas, will cause notice of such election for the length of five and in the manner required by law.

Done at my office in the City of Mt. Pleasant Texas, as required by law in obedience to law, on this the 6th day of July A. D. 1917.

August 13, 1917

This day came on to be considered by the court the matter of the returns of an election held in Common School District number 22 of Titus County, Texas, on the 4th day of August 1917. County Commissioner Smart, offered the following order to the Commissioners Court of Titus County, Texas and made a motion that the same be passed by said court, which motion was seconded by County Commissioner Edwards. The order is as follows, to wit:

It appears to the Commissioners Court of Titus County, Texas, that an election was held in Common School District number 22 of Titus County, Texas on the 4th day of August 1917 at which there was submitted to the resident property tax-paying voters of said district the question of the issuance of the Coupon bonds of said district to the amount of One Thousand Dollars to become due and payable twenty years after date with the option of redemption at any time after one year from date, to bear interest from date at the rate of five per cent per annum until paid, payable annually, for the purpose of constructing and equipping a public free school building within said district and the levy, assessment and collection of an annual tax against all taxable property within said district of a rate sufficient to pay the interest on such bonds as it accrues and to create a sinking fund with which to pay the principal thereof at maturity.

It also appears to the Commissioners Court of Titus County, Texas, that returns of said election in the form, manner and time required by law, have been made and that there were cast at said election 6 votes "for the Bonds" 6 votes and no votes were cast against the Bonds" and that said election resulted in the majority of the votes cast there at being in favor of the issuance of said bonds and the levy of said tax.

It is therefore, ordered, adjudged and decreed by the Commissioners Court of Titus County Texas that the said election resulted in favor of the issuance of the Coupon bonds of Common School District No. 23 of Titus County Texas, and the levy of the said tax.

The County Judge put the said motion for a vote of the members of the Commissioners Court of Titus County Texas with the request that as many as favored the motion should vote "Aye" and all those opposed would vote "No" County Commissioners, Smart, Holmes, King and Edwards "Aye" none voted "No" The County Judge declared the motion carried and the order passed.

The Court continuing in session took up for consideration the matter of providing for the issuance of the Coupon Bonds of Common School District number twenty three of Titus County, Texas and making a tax levy against the taxable property of said district to pay the principal and interest of said bonds. Whereupon County Commissioner, Smart, offered the following order to the Commissioners Court of Titus County Texas and made a motion that the same be passed by said Court which motion was seconded by County Commissioner Edwards. The order is as follows: to wit:

It appears to the Commissioners Court of Titus County Texas, that an election was held in Common School District number 23 of Titus County Texas, on the 4th day of August 1917 at which a majority of the property tax-paying voters voting thereat voted in favor of the issuance of the Coupon bonds of the said district and the levy of a tax to pay the principal and interest thereof and that the result of the said election has been declared by this Court.

It is therefore, ordered, adjudged and decreed by the Commissioners Court of Titus County Texas, that the Coupon Bonds of Common School District No. 23 of Titus County Texas,

be issued to the amount of One thousand
 Dollars for the purpose of constructing and equipping
 a Public Free School building within said district.
 That such bonds become due and payable
 twenty years from date with the option reserved
 to the district to redeem and pay them off at any
 time after one year from date and will bear
 interest from date at the rate of five per cent per
 annum until paid, payable annually on
 August 15th each year, which will be evidenced
 by interest coupons attached to each of said
 bonds and will be signed by the written, printed
 or lithographed signatures of the County Judge
 and County Clerk of Titus County, Texas. The bonds
 will be numbered from one ten, both inclusive
 and will be dated August 15th 1917. The denomination
 of the bonds will be One hundred Dollars each
 and they and the interest thereon will be payable
 at the office of the Treasurer of the State Texas, the
 office of the County depository of Titus County Texas
 or at Hanover National Bank, New York City, N.Y. at the option
 of the holder, will be payable to bearer and signed
 by the County Judge and County Clerk of Titus County,
 Texas.

For the purpose of paying the interest on said
 bonds as it accrues and to create a sinking
 fund with which to pay the principal
 thereof as it matures, there is now levied for
 the year 1917 and each and every year there-
 after while said bonds shall be outstanding
 and unpaid a tax of 20 cents upon each
 and every One hundred Dollars valuation
 of taxable property within Common School
 District No 23 of Titus County, Texas, which tax
 is now ordered assessed and collected and
 appropriated exclusively to the payment of
 the principal and interest of said bonds
 as it matures. Sel. F. Caldwell is now
 authorized to have charge of presenting to the
 Attorney General of Texas and the Comptroller of
 Texas and all other State authorities having any

duty to perform in connection with said bonds all records and all other matters which may be required for the purpose of complying with the laws of the State of Texas in the performance of such duties as such State authorities may have concerning said bonds.

The form of the bonds will be substantially as follows to wit:

The United States of America
The State of Texas
County of Titus
Common School District No. 23 of Titus County Texas
School House Bonds

No. _____ \$100.00

Common School District No. 23 of Titus County Texas, for value received, will pay to bearer ten days after date the sum of One hundred Dollars together with interest from date at the rate of five per cent per annum until paid, payable annually on the 15th day of August each year, which is evidenced by interest coupons hereto attached, both principal and interest will be payable at the office of the Treasurer of the State of Texas, at the office of the County Depository of Titus County Texas, or at Chapman National Bank, New York City, N. Y. at the option of the holder.

This is one of a series of bonds numbered from one to ten, both inclusive, issued by Common School District number twenty three of Titus County Texas, by virtue of the Constitution and laws of the State of Texas, an election held for the purpose in said district on the 4th day of August 1917 at which a majority of the property tax paying voters residing in said district voting at said election voted in favor of the issuance of said bonds and the levy, assessment and collection of an annual tax against all taxable property within said district of a rate sufficient to pay the principal and interest of the bonds and an order passed by the Commissioners

Court of Titus County, Texas, and entered in its minutes for the purpose of constructing and equipping a public free school building within said district. The option is reserved to said district to redeem and pay off of this and the other bonds of its series at any time after one year from date and should the district elect to exercise its option it will cause written notice to be given to each of the above named places of payment for thirty days prior to the date it will pay off said bonds and shall pay the amount of principal and interest which shall be due at such time and if the holder of this bond shall not advise the district at which of the said places of payment is desired to be made in time for the district to place the sum of money necessary to pay off the principal and interest which shall be due, this bond shall cease to bear interest from and after such date fixed for its payment.

It is recited and certified that each and every condition precedent required by the Constitution and Laws of the State of Texas to be done prior to the issuance of this bond has been done in the form, manner and time required and no limitation of law has or will be exceeded in the issuance of this bond. It is further certified that due and proper provision has been made for the payment of the principal and interest of this bond.

Witness our hands this the 15th day of August A.D. 1917, the date of this bond, as fixed by the Commissioners Court of Titus County, Texas in its order providing for its issuance.

C. G. Mergent. J. W. Able County Judge
 County Clerk, Titus Co. Texas County, Texas

The form of the interest coupons will be substantially as follows, to-wit:

No. —

\$5.00

Common School District Number 23 of Titus County, Texas, for value received, will pay to bearer the sum of Five Dollars, at the office of the Treasurer of the State of Texas, the office of the County Depository of Titus County, Texas, or at Honover National Bank, New York City, N.Y., at the option of the holder, on the 15th day of Aug. 19. Said amount being twelve months interest on Common School District No. 23 of Titus County, Texas, School House Bonds dated Aug. 15th 1917 No. —

Witness our hand this the 15th day of August 1917.

The County Judge put the said motion for a vote of the members of the Commissioners Court of Titus County, Texas, with the request that as many as favored the motion to vote "aye" and those opposed to vote "no." County Commissioners, Smart, Holmes, King and Edwards voted "aye", none voted "no." The County Judge declared the motion carried and the order passed.

The foregoing minutes of the Commissioners Court of Titus County, Texas, read and in all things approved this the 15th day of August 1917.

Attest:

O. Neugent,
County Clerk, Titus Co. Texas

J. H. Tobb

County Judge, Titus Co. Texas

On this day, July 14th 1917, the petition of P. B. Blackston and other resident property tax-paying voters of Common school district No 24 of Tarrant County, Texas, praying for an election to be ordered held in said district for the purpose of submitting to the resident property tax-paying voters of said district the question of the increase of the special tax of said district to a rate not to exceed 50¢ was presented to me.

Upon investigation of the facts I find that said petition is signed by at least 20 resident property tax-paying voters of said district, that the petition is in proper form and ought to be granted. It is, therefore, accordingly ordered that an election be held within Common school district No 24 of Tarrant County, Texas, at the school house herein for votes on the 8th day of August, 1917 for the purpose of submitting to the property tax-paying voters residing within said district the question of increasing the special tax of said district to a rate not to exceed fifty cents upon each and every one hundred dollars valuation of taxable property within said district.

B. C. Mauch, Steve Sanders, and W. M. Poys are appointed to hold said election and prepare returns thereof and the sheriff of Tarrant County, Texas will give notice of said election in the manner and for the length of time required by law.

Done this July 14th 1917

J. W. Taylor
 County Clerk
 Tarrant County, Texas

August Term / A. D. 1917

On this the 15th day of August A. D. 1917 it is ordered by the Commissioners Court of Titus County Texas, that the Public Road leading east from Mt Pleasant to Ed Keith's residence about two miles from Mt Pleasant to where said road intersects the Public Road leading from Dr L M Pabb's residence toward Cookville be killed as a Public Road and that said road be and is hereby declared a Public Highway.

August 18th 1917

On this day it is ordered by the Commissioners Court of Titus County Texas, that the Public Road leaving the Mt. Pleasant and Pittsburg Public Road at Smith Seay's residence; thence in an easterly direction to where said road intersects the Union Hill road be killed as a Public Road and that said road be made a Public Highway.

August 18, 1917

On this day it is ordered, adjudged and decreed by the Commissioners Court of Titus County Texas that H B Wilder and W M Foster be allowed the sum of \$250.00 for making maps and Blue Print of the Public Roads of Titus County Texas, said amount to be paid out of the General County Fund of Titus County.

August 18th 1917

On this day come on to be considered by the Com. Court ^{of Titus County Texas} the quarterly reports of various County and Precinct officers of Titus County. The Court after examining said reports is of the opinion that the quarterly reports of the following officers should be in all things approved, to wit: C. August County Clerk, Wm. Brown District Clerk, W. A. Bailey Justice of the Peace, L. B. Roach Justice of the Peace, G. E. Gentry Justice of the Peace, W. M. Smith Sheriff, J. W. Edwards Justice of the Peace, J. Whitcomb Constable, W. M. King Justice of the Peace, W. D. Coulbair County Road Supt.

August 13, 1917

On this day it is ordered, adjudged, and decreed by the Commissioners Court of Titus County Texas that J. W. Fable, County Judge of Titus County, Texas, be allowed his expenses to attend the Good Road meeting at Tahlequah Oklahoma, said expenses to be paid out of the General County fund of Titus County Texas

Pauper allowed 3 Aug. 13, 1917
 \$5.00 per month 3

On this day it is ordered by the Commissioners Court of Titus County Texas that Mrs. D. P. Darling be allowed the sum of \$5.00 per month to be paid out of the General County fund of said County