

REGULAR SESSION
FEBRUARY 14, 1944

BE IT REMEMBERED, that the Commissioners Court of Titus County, Texas, met in Regular Session, February 14, 1944, at the Courthouse in Mt. Pleasant with the following members present,

to-wit:

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| Ed Nugent | Judge Pro Tem |
| L. C. Banks | Commissioner Prec. 1 |
| G. H. Taylor | Commissioner Prec. 2 |
| C. N. Goodwin | Commissioner Prec. 4 |

and the following proceedings were had to-wit:

IN THE MATTER OF APPROVING MONTHLY ACCOUNTS:

Motion by Commissioner Goodwin, seconded by Commissioner Taylor to approve the monthly accounts as same appears of record in Volume 7, minutes of Accounts allowed, all members voted "Aye" motion carried.

IN THE MATTER OF APPROVING MONTHLY EXPENSE ACCOUNTS.

Motion by Commissioner Banks seconded by Commissioner Goodwin to approve the officers' Monthly Expense accounts as follows:

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| P. O. Wilhite | Tax-Assessor & collector | 707.04 |
| J. A. Glass | District Clerk | 6.56 |
| Frank Madison | Justice of Peace | 18.95 |
| Aubrey Redfearn | Sheriff | 420.10 |
| Bessie Perkins | County Attorney | 40.00 |
| Floyd Keith | County Clerk | 179.95 |

all members voted "Aye" motion carried unanimously.

IN THE MATTER OF KEEPING COUNTY AND PRECINCT OFFICERS ON F&S BASIS FOR 1944

Motion was made by Commissioner Goodwin and seconded by Commissioner Banks to compensate all county and precinct officers, exclusive of Registrars of Vital Statistics, County Surveyors, Notaries Public, by fees earned by them in the official duties.

The following order was passed:

"On this the 14th. day of Feb. 1944 came on to be considered the matter of keeping County and Precinct Officers on a fee basis, or on a salary. It appearing to the Commissioners' Court that the population of Titus County, according to the last Federal Census, is under twenty thousand, and that it be to the best interest of the County to remain on the fee system for the year 1944, Commissioner Goodwin made a motion that the Court adopt an order to that effect. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Banks. The Ex-Officio County Judge put the motion before the Court, and all members voting "Aye" the motion carried unanimously, and the order was passed.

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IN THE MATTER OF APPOINTING GENERAL AND SPECIAL ELECTION MANAGERS FOR THE YEAR 1944.

Motion by Commissioner Goodwin seconded by Commissioner Banks to appoint General and Special Election managers for the year 1944 as follows:

PRECINCT NO. 1: John Marrett, Presiding Judge; J. H. Brooks, R. C. Copeland; Mrs. C. H. Blake
 PRECINCT NO. 2: R. R. Gilpin-Pres. Judge; Raymond Brown Judge; Louis Croston; Mrs. Jack Barnett;
 PRECINCT NO. 3: Gaines Fleming- Pres. Judge; A. B. Hanks; Oscar Montgomery & Cap Hunnicutt; Judges.
 PRECINCT NO. 4: H. W. Pickens, Pres. Judge; John W. Irvin; R. C. Brantley; W. C. Jones, Judge
 PRECINCT NO. 5: Clarence Harris, Pres. Judge; E. V. Duke; Alex Sanford, Will Lilly-Judges
 PRECINCT NO. 6: W. D. Garner, Pres. Judge; Otis Ferguson, Ben Sullivan, Doris Roberts, Judges
 PRECINCT NO. 7: A. C. Sims, Pres. Judge; Arch Smith, Les Beasley, Ross Mealhaney, Judges
 PRECINCT NO. 8: Grady Hunt, Pres. Judge; Grady Talley; Mrs. Tom Griseck; Mrs. J. C. Brown, Judges
 PRECINCT NO. 9: Mrs. O. B. Hopwood, Pres. Judge; A. V. Maulroy; Miss Kate Moore, H.Y. Foster, Judges
 PRECINCT NO. 10: A. A. Cameron, Pres. Judge; Muck Haney; John McKelvey; Leonard Banks, Judges
 PRECINCT NO. 11: Joe Temples, Pres. Judge; D. T. Hutchens; Worth Jagers; B. F. Roberson-Judge
 PRECINCT NO. 12: Steward Dale, Pres. Judge; F. B. Culver, Judge
 PRECINCT NO. 13: C. L. Lee, Pres. Judge; Mrs. W. O. Keeney; Mrs. R. L. Thacker; A. Winton, Judges
 PRECINCT NO. 14: Homer Hamilton, Pres. Judge; Fred Traylor; W. M. Hendersen; Rufus Payne, Judges
 PRECINCT NO. 15: Marvin Brown, Pres. Judge-Fred Mercer; Mrs. H. L. Traylor; Otis Franklin, Judges.

Motion submitted all voted "Aye", motion carried.

County Clerk to notify all appointees.

 IN THE MATTER OF PAYMENT OF CERTAIN SCRIP WARRANTS ISSUED BY TITUS CO. AGAINST R & B. FUND

Commissioner Goodwin presented for consideration an order and moved its adoption. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Taylor. After due consideration and discussion of said order by the Court, the County Judge put the motion for a vote of the members of said Court and the said vote is as follows:

AYES: Commissioners Banks, Taylor and Goodwin

NAYS: None

The said order is in words and figures as follows, to-wit:

"WHEREAS", certain scrip warrants are ordered issued by Titus County, Texas, in payment of accounts for current expenses, and which scrip warrants are described as follows:

| WARRANT NO. | DATE | PAYEE | WHAT FOR | AMOUNT |
|-------------|---------|-----------------|----------|--------|
| 11931 | 2-7-44 | City Garage | Repairs | 4.75 |
| 11940 | 2-14-44 | Ollie Bynum | Labor | 66.50 |
| 11941 | 2-14-44 | Bryant Hanes | Labor | 81.00 |
| 11942 | 2-14-44 | Horace Hunter | Labor | 28.50 |
| 11943 | 2-14-44 | Bill Thomas | Labor | 60.00 |
| 11944 | 2-14-44 | J. T. McRoberts | Lumber | 256.95 |
| 11945 | 2-14-44 | Gus Thompson | Labor | 81.00 |
| 11946 | 2-14-44 | Less Vanzandt | Labor | 36.00 |
| 11947 | 2-14-44 | Otis Denny | Labor | 69.00 |
| 11948 | 2-14-44 | Jim Jordan | Labor | 30.00 |
| 11949 | 2-14-44 | Geo. Gramer | Labor | 30.00 |
| 11950 | 2-14-44 | Eugene Stanley | Labor | 24.00 |
| 11951 | 2-14-44 | Jack Thompson | Labor | 3.00 |
| 11952 | 2-14-44 | Arnest Vanzandt | Labor | 67.50 |
| 11953 | 2-14-44 | Willie Peacock | Labor | 72.00 |
| 11954 | 2-14-44 | Reed Johnson | Labor | 56.00 |
| 11955 | 2-14-44 | Junior Thompson | Labor | 55.50 |
| 11956 | 2-14-44 | Erince Hobbs | Labor | 55.50 |
| 11957 | 2-14-44 | W. H. Kennedy | Labor | 48.00 |
| 11958 | 2-14-44 | B. F. Spruill | Labor | 49.50 |
| 11959 | 2-14-44 | J. H. Weaver | Labor | 49.50 |
| 11960 | 2-14-44 | Bill Watkins | Labor | 14.00 |
| 11961 | 2-14-44 | Loyd Autry | Labor | 18.00 |

| WARRANT NO. | DATE | PAYEE | WHAT FOR | AMOUNT |
|-------------|---------|--------------------------|-----------------|--------|
| 11964 | 2-14-44 | Irvin-Sandlin Chev. Co. | Repairs | 48.90 |
| 11966 | 2-14-44 | R. V. Heath | Labor | 2.00 |
| 11968 | 2-14-44 | Howard Morris | Labor | 59.50 |
| 11969 | 2-14-44 | Edward Cornelius | Labor | 56.00 |
| 11970 | 2-14-44 | Homer Floyd | Labor | 64.50 |
| 11971 | 2-14-44 | Willie Gibson | Labor | 6.00 |
| 11972 | 2-14-44 | Water Neugent | Labor | 3.00 |
| 11973 | 2-14-44 | Elton Tennison | Labor | 24.00 |
| 11974 | 2-14-44 | Alvin Pharrish | Labor | 3.00 |
| 11975 | 2-14-44 | Spencer-Harris Mach. Co. | Parts | 9.91 |
| 11976 | 2-14-44 | Wilson Bdw. | Hardware | 4.25 |
| 11977 | 2-14-44 | Mt. Pleasant Motors | Repairs | 81.71 |
| 11978 | 2-14-44 | Gulf Serv. Sta. Talco | Gas | 1.25 |
| 11979 | 2-14-44 | Sinclair Ref. Co. | Gas & Oil | 66.84 |
| 11980 | 2-14-44 | Powden Super Serv. | Repair on tire | .80 |
| 11981 | 2-14-44 | Bess Rogers & Co. | Scoops | 3.50 |
| 11982 | 2-14-44 | McClure Harris Co. | Parts | 24.21 |
| 11983 | 2-14-44 | Tom Perry | Lumber | 22.70 |
| 11984 | 2-14-44 | Aubrey Redfearn | Layouts | 9.20 |
| 11985 | 2-14-44 | G. C. Carrett | Hardware | 17.25 |
| 11986 | 2-14-44 | Western Auto | Parts | 14.73 |
| 11987 | 2-14-44 | Mt. Pleasant Btry Co. | Battery | 19.95 |
| 11988 | 2-14-44 | Ivan Frizzell Parts | Parts | 3.30 |
| 11989 | 2-14-44 | Humble Oil & Ref. Co. | Gas & Gas | 2.50 |
| 11990 | 2-14-44 | S. M. Sandlin | Repairing tires | 1.65 |
| 11991 | 2-14-44 | Magnolia Pet. Co. | Gas & Oil | 226.63 |
| 11992 | 2-14-44 | The Texas Co. | Gas & Oil | 108.25 |
| 11993 | 2-14-44 | Ray Circle | Blacksmithing | 41.30 |
| 11994 | 2-14-44 | W. H. Whitten | Lumber | 119.24 |
| 11995 | 2-14-44 | Browning Ferris Mach. | Parts | 26.60 |
| 11996 | 2-14-44 | L. C. Banks | Expenses | 25.00 |
| 11997 | 2-14-44 | C. N. Goodwin | " | 25.00 |
| 11998 | 2-14-44 | S. E. Nugent | " | 25.00 |
| 11999 | 2-14-44 | C. H. Taylor | " | 25.00 |
| 12000 | 2-14-44 | Mayfield Garage | Repairs | 12.73 |
| 12001 | 2-14-44 | Johnson Justice | Parts | 16.30 |
| 12002 | 2-14-44 | Sewell Auto Supply | Parts | 2.40 |
| 12003 | 2-14-44 | Floyd D. Thomas | Hardware | 1.75 |
| 12004 | 2-14-44 | Dalby's Garage | Repairs | 11.75 |
| 12005 | 2-14-44 | Pittsburg Foundry | Parts | 14.70 |
| 12006 | 2-14-44 | F. W. Wallace | Repairs | 25.00 |
| 12007 | 2-14-44 | C. C. Clark Tire & Bat. | Gas & Oil | 236.03 |
| 12008 | 2-14-44 | Albert Brown | Gravel | 8.85 |
| 12009 | 2-14-44 | W. L. Graff | Gravel & Rock | 3.00 |
| 12010 | 2-14-44 | G. B. Goolsby | Repairs | 147.70 |
| 12011 | 2-14-44 | Daffer Truck & Impl. Co. | Parts | 257.30 |
| 12012 | 2-14-44 | Lee Thompson | Chain | 3.00 |
| 12013 | 2-15-44 | Square Deal Garage | Repairs | 15.50 |
| 12014 | 2-15-44 | Buck Self | Gas & Oil | 39.05 |
| 12015 | 2-15-44 | Albert Brown | Gravel | 1.05 |
| 12016 | 2-15-44 | Willie Peacock | Labor | 9.00 |
| 12017 | 2-15-44 | R. C. Nicholson | Use of Truck | 6.00 |

WHEREAS, all of the above mentioned scrip warrants were and are valid obligations upon the Road and Bridge Fund of said County; and there may not be sufficient funds on hand in said Road and Bridge Fund to pay said warrants when presented, and The First National Bank in Mt. Pleasant, Texas, being the depository for said County, will in due course have such scrip warrants presented to it for payment; and

WHEREAS, it is contemplated that said County will receive about the month of April, 1944 prior thereto and thereafter, certain funds and monies as its part or portion due for automobile licenses and registrations in said County for said year, and it will become a part of the Road and Bridge Fund of said County.

NOW, THEREFORE, be and it is, hereby ordered by the Commissioners' Court of Titus County, Texas that there be and is hereby pledged unto The First National bank in Mt. Pleasant, Texas, its successors and assigns, all of the first funds that may be hereafter collected from and of current revenues for the year 1944, not heretofore pledged and not legally due for sinking fund requirements therefrom, and/or the first monies and revenues due and owing and that may be paid and collected at the County's part or portion of the automobile licenses and/or registrations for and on automobiles or other motor vehicles paid in said County for the year 1944 from and with which to repay said Bank for the amounts of the above mentioned scrip warrants, with interest as herein provided, which said Bank has paid, or may hereafter pay, to the holders thereof and the

said Commissioners' Court hereby obligates said County to pay unto the said The First National Bank in Mt. Pleasant, Texas, its successors and assigns, the amount of its aforesaid scrip warrants obligations which said Bank has paid or may hereafter pay unto the holders thereof, together with interest upon each of said warrants from the date of the paying of same by said Bank to the holders thereof at the rate of 5% per annum.

PASSED AND APPROVED this 31 day of January, 1944.

Attest: Floyd Keith,
County Clerk

E. E. Nugent,
Judge Pro-Tem.

IN THE MATTER OF CALLING SPECIAL ELECTION OF SCHOOL DIST. NO. 13 FOR CONSOLIDATION WITH CHAPEL HILL SCHOOL DIST. NO. 14.

TO THE HON. ED. DICKSON, COUNTY JUDGE, TITUS COUNTY, TEXAS:

We, the undersigned 20 or more, legally qualified voters residing in Yancey Common School District No. 13 lying wholly within Titus County, Texas, hereby pray your Honor to call an election in said district for the purpose of submitting to the legally qualified voters in said district the question of whether or not said District shall be consolidated with the contiguous district of Chapel Hill Common School District No. 14, lying wholly within Titus County, Texas.

R. B. Cook
Luther Adams
Mrs. R. B. Cook
D. F. Long
Mrs. D. F. Long
Eva Long
A. L. Ponder
Mrs. A. L. Ponder
J. B. Ponder
Mrs. J. B. Ponder
Elvis Sargent
N. R. Currey
Mrs. N. R. Currey
A. C. Parham
Mrs. Luther Adams
C. W. Parham
Ella Parham
R. S. Presley
Mrs. L. M. Presley
B. L. Russell

Received and filed this the
15th. day of February, 1944.
Ed Dickson, County Judge, Titus County, Texas.

IN THE MATTER OF CALLING SPECIAL ELECTION OF SCHOOL DIST. NO. 14 FOR CONSOLIDATION WITH YANCEY COMMON SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 13

TO THE HON. ED DICKSON, COUNTY JUDGE, TITUS COUNTY, TEXAS:

We, the undersigned 20 or more, legally qualified voters residing in Chapel Hill Common School District No. 14, lying wholly within Titus County, Texas, hereby pray your Honor to call an election in said district for the purpose of submitting to the legally qualified voters in said district the question of whether or not said District shall be consolidated with the contiguous district of Yancey Common School District No. 13, lying wholly within Titus County, Texas.

W. P. Traylor
J. T. Rust
A. T. Roach
J. T. Wakefield
C. V. Stacks
Bill Newman
Clifton Davis

Sam Wilkes
Talbert Rhea
P. C. Lasater
A. C. Blankburn
J. H. Mosier
S. W. McCaulsey
Ray Croles

D. J. Harkrider
Ben Landrum
Lee Thompson
E. S. White
John B. Kirby
Andrew Fleming

Received and filed this the 15th. day of February, 1944.

Ed Dickson, County Judge, Titus County, Texas.

IN THE MATTER OF SETTING DATE FOR ELECTIONS IN SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 13 AND 14:

THE STATE OF TEXAS |

COUNTY OF TITUS |

On this the 15th. day of February, 1944, came on to be presented to me, Ed Dickson, County Judge of Titus County, Texas, the petition of R. B. Cook and 19 others, resident legally qualified voters of Yancy Common School District No. 13 asking for an election in said districts for the purpose of submitting to the legally qualified voters in said district the question of whether or not said district shall be consolidated for all school purposes with the contiguous district of Chapel Hill Common School District #14; and also came on to be presented the petition of W. P. Traylor and 21 others, resident legally qualified voters of Chapel Hill Common School District No. 14, asking for an election in said district for the purpose of submitting to the legally qualified voters in said district the question of whether or not said district shall be consolidated for all school purposes with the contiguous district of Yancy Common School District No. 13, and after consideration and examination of both said petitions: I find;

That the petition presented on behalf of Yancy Common School District No. 13 is signed by 20 legally qualified voters of Titus County, Texas, and all of whom reside in said district;

That the petition presented on behalf of Chapel Hill Common School District No. 14 is signed by 20 legally qualified voters of Titus County, Texas, and all of whom reside in said district;

That the said districts are both common school districts, lying wholly within Titus County, Texas, and contiguous districts;

That said petitioners are entitled to have said election called and held as is provided by Article 2806 R.C.S. of Texas, 1925, as amended, and that all prerequisites of said article with reference to the calling of said election have been met and fulfilled;

NOW, THEREFORE, KNOW ALL MEN BY THESE PRESENTS, That I, Ed Dickson, County Judge of Titus County, Texas, by virtue of article 2806 R.C.S. of Texas, 1925, as amended, do hereby call an election to be held at the school house in each district on the 11th. day of March, 1944, for the purpose of submitting to the legally qualified voters residing in each district the question of whether or not said districts shall be consolidated for school purposes; - - -

Be it further ordered that W. P. Traylor, who resides in Chapel Hill Common School District No. 14 and is a legally qualified voter of Titus County, Texas, and not otherwise disqualified, be, and he is hereby, appointed judge at said election to be held in said district, and that John B. Kirby and Perry Wells, both of whom reside in Chapel Hill Common School District No. 14 and are legally qualified voters of Titus County, Texas, and not otherwise disqualified, be, and they are hereby, appointed clerks at said election to be held in said district;

Be it further ordered that A. L. Ponder, who resides in Yancy Common School District No. 13 and is a legally qualified voter of Titus County, Texas, and not otherwise disqualified be and he is hereby appointed judge at said election to be held in said district, and that Mrs. L. M. Frelsey and D. F. Long, both of whom reside in Yancy Common School District No. 13 and are legally qualified voters of Titus County, Texas, and not otherwise disqualified be and they are hereby appointed clerks at said election to be held in said district;

Be it further ordered that the legally qualified voters residing in Chapel Hill Common School District No. 14 desiring to vote at said election shall vote at the schoolhouse in said district;

Be it further ordered that the legally qualified voters residing in Yancy Common School District No. 13 desiring to vote at said election shall vote at the school house in said district;

Be it further ordered that the ballot at both elections shall have printed upon it in plain words and in the form as follows:

"For consolidation of Chapel Hill C.S.D. No. 14 and Yancy C.S.D. No. 13-

"Against consolidation of Chapel Hill C.S.D. No. 14 and Yancy C.S.D. No. 13-

and those voters favoring consolidation of said districts shall strike through the line "against consolidation of Chapel Hill C.S.D. No. 14 and Yancy C.S.D. No. 13" and those voters not favoring consolidation shall strike through the line "for consolidation of Chapel Hill C.S.D. No. 14 and Yancy C.S.D. No. 13";

Be it further ordered that the judges of said elections shall make return of said election to the county Clerk of Titus County, Texas, and which clerk shall receive and present same to the Commissioners Court of Titus County, Texas, at its next regular meeting following said elections, which body shall canvass the returns of said elections and enter the results thereof on the minutes of the Court;

Be it further ordered that the Sheriff of Titus County, Texas, cause to be posted at the School house in each of said districts 20 days prior to the date of said election the following notice, to-wit:

"To the legally qualified voters residing in Chapel Hill Common School District No. 14 and Yancy Common School District No. 13, ORISTING:

You are hereby given notice that I, Ed Dickson, County Judge of Titus County, Texas, having been presented with proper petition signed by 20 legally qualified voters residing in Yancy Common School District No. 13 of Titus County, Texas, and 20 legally qualified voters residing in Chapel Hill Common School District No. 14 praying for an election in said districts for the purpose of submitting to the legally qualified voters residing in each district the question of whether said district shall be consolidated for school purposes, have called an election to be held at the school house in each said districts on the 11th. day of March, 1944, at which time there will be submitted to the legally qualified voters residing in each said district the question of whether said districts shall be consolidated for school purposes, and all legally qualified voters residing in Yancy Common School District No. 13 desiring to vote at said election shall vote at the school house in said district and all legally qualified voters residing in Chapel Hill Common School District No. 14 desiring to vote in said election shall vote at the school house in said district.

WITNESS my hand this the 15th. day of Feb. 1944.

Ed Dickson, County Judge,
Titus County, Texas."

and make due return thereof showing how and when this order has been obeyed;

Be it further ordered that said petitions, this order, and the Sheriff's return of notice be delivered to the County Clerk of Titus County, Texas, who shall receive the same and enter of

record in the minutes of the commissioners court of Titus County, Texas;

Be it further ordered that all expenses incident to said election, as well as sheriff's fees, recording fees, and printing fees be paid equally by said districts out of any available funds.

Witness my hand and seal of office this the 15th. day of February, 1944.

Ed Dickson, County Judge,
Titus County, Texas.

IN THE MATTER OF POSTING NOTICE IN ELECTION TO BE HELD IN CHAPEL HILL COMMON SCHOOL DIST. NO. 14 AND YANCKY COMMON SCHOOL DIST. NO. 13:

To the legally qualified voters residing in Chapel Hill Common School District No. 14 and Yanck Common School District No. 13, GREETING:

You are hereby given notice that I, Ed Dickson, County Judge of Titus County, Texas, having been presented with proper petition signed by 20 legally qualified voters residing in Yanck Common School District No. 13 of Titus County, Texas, and 20 legally qualified voters residing in Chapel Hill Common School District No. 14 praying for an election in said districts for the purpose of submitting to the legally qualified voters residing in each district the question of whether said district shall be consolidated for school purposes, have called an election to be held at the school house in each said districts on the 11th. day of March, 1944, at which time there will be submitted to the legally qualified voters residing in each said district the question of whether said districts shall be consolidated for school purposes, and all legally qualified voters residing in Yanck Common School District No. 13 desiring to vote at said election shall vote at the school house in said district and all legally qualified voters residing in Chapel Hill Common School District No. 14 desiring to vote in said election shall vote at the school house in said district.

Witness my hand this the 15th. day of Feb.- 1944.

Ed Dickson, County Judge, Titus County, Texas.

Came to hand this the 16th. day of February, 1944, and executed on the 17th. day of February, 1944, by posting a true copy of the above notice at the school house in Chapel Hill Common School District No. 14 and at the school house in Yanck Common School District No. 13.

WITNESS my hand this the 17th. day of February, 1944.

Aubrey Redfearn, Sheriff of Titus County, Texas.

Fee \$3.20

By Clyde Keith, Deputy.

IN THE MATTER OF REFUNDING COUNTY ATTORNEY AND CORRECTING REPORT OF TAX ASSESSOR & COLLECTOR:

February 14th; 1944

To the County Judge & County
Commissioners, Titus County.

Mt. Pleasant, Texas.

Gentlemen:

There is some adjustments to be made on the reports of the County Attorney and the Assessor and Collector. The County Attorney over paid the County and the Collector was an over sight in reporting fees collected on auto and etc in January 1943.

I have gone over these account with these officers and I would recommend that the County refund the County Attorney the amount overpaid by him, and the Assessor and Collector said he would supplement his report and pay same.

Yours very truly,

Jno. M. Biggerstaff

In above matter, Motion made by Comm. Banks seconded by Comm. Goodwin to Refund Bascom Perkins and approve supplement filed by Assessor and collector, all members voted "Aye" motion carried.

There being no further business Motion was made by Commissioner Traylor seconded by Commissioner Goodwin to adjourn, all members voted "Aye" motion carried unanimously.
