

THE STATE OF TEXAS) (

February 1, 1954.

COUNTY OF JOHNSON) (

BE IT REMEMBERED THAT A REGULAR MEETING OF THE COMMISSIONERS' COURT of Johnson County, Texas, was held in Cleburne, Texas, on the 1st day of February, A. D. 1954, with the following members present: H. G. Littlefair, County Judge, W. M. Coward, Commissioner Precinct No. 1, S. W. Evans, Commissioner, Precinct No. 2, V. L. Maddox, Commissioner Precinct No.3, M. W. Roland, Commissioner, Precinct No.4, and Louis B. Lee, County Clerk, and among other things they did the following:

A motion was made by Commissioner Roland, seconded by Commissioner Maddox that all due and properly endorsed bills against Johnson County be allowed and ordered paid as submitted and examined in open court. All voted aye.

A motion was made by Commissioner Coward, seconded by Commissioner Roland that the monthly financial report of the Johnson County Memorial Hospital for the month of December, 1953 be approved as submitted and examined in open court, All voted aye.

A motion was made by Commissioner Coward, Seconded by Commissioner Roland that the County Auditor be authorized to advertise for bids for 2, 2 ton trucks, 2 speed axle, equipped with 3 yd. water level dump bodies for Prect. one, one concrete mixer, ½ sock cement capacity, for Prect. Four. Bids to be received until 9:00 A.M. Feb. 15, 1954. The Court reserves the right to reject any of all bids. All voted aye.

SPECIAL ELECTION NOTICE

PURSUANT TO AN ORDER issued by Proclamation by the Governor of the State of Texas notice is hereby given that a Special Election will be held on Saturday the 6th day of March A. D. 1954, 1. Courthouse; 2. Courthouse; 3.

Courthouse; 4. Courthouse; 6. Campcreek; 7. Bono; 8. Lonewillow; 22. Highland; 24. Keene; 25. Junior High; 26. Senior High; 27. J. N. Long; 28. Irving; 29. City Hall; 5. Rio Vista; 23. Parker; 11. Joshua; 20. Alvarado-South Box; 21. Alvarado-North Box; 17. Grandview-East Box; 18. Grandview-West Box; 19. Barnesville; 12. Burleson; 13. Egan; 14. Lillian; 15. Lone Star; 16. Venus; 9. Cresson; 10. Godley, in Election Precinct Nos. (shown above) in Johnson County, Texas, for the following purposes, viz: Said Proclamation directs that a special election be held in the 61st Representative District (Johnson, Hood, Somervell Counties) on the 6th day of March, 1954, for the purpose of electing a Representative for said district, to serve out the unexpired term of Honorable Bert Hall, resigned.

H. G. Littlefair, County Judge,
Johnson County, Texas

Came to hand the 4th day of February, 1954 and executed on the 5th day of February, 1954 by posting the foregoing Election Notice as provided by law in Election Precinct No. (shown above) on the 5th day of February, 1954, which was not less than 30 days prior to the date of said election.

Earl H. King, Sheriff

By H. H. Johnson, Deputy.

Johnson County, Texas.

ELECTION ORDER

THE STATE OF TEXAS) (
COUNTY OF JOHNSON) (

On this the 1st day of February, 1954, the Commissioners Court of Johnson County, Texas, convened in regular session, at the regular meeting place thereof in the Courthouse at Cleburne, Texas, with the following members of the Court, to-wit:

H. G. Littlefair, County Judge, W. M. Coward, Commissioner Precinct No. 1; S. W. Evans, Commissioner Precinct No. 2; V. L. Maddox, Commissioner Precinct No. 3, M. W. Roland, Commissioner Precinct No. 4, being present among other proceedings had by the Court were the following:

Commissioner Evans introduced an order and moved its adoption. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Roland. The motion, carrying with it the adoption of the order, prevailed by the following vote:

AYES: Commissioners, Coward, Evans, Maddox, Roland.

NOES: _____.

The order is as follows:

WHEREAS, at the general election held throughout the State of Texas on November 7, 1944, the qualified electors of the State, voting on the proposition, approved the amendment to Section 9, of Article 8, of the Texas Constitution, which amendment provides that the Commissioners Court in any county may re-allocate the county tax levies authorized in said Section 9 of Article 8, by changing the rates provided for any of the purposes authorized in said Section by either increasing or decreasing the same, but in no event shall the total of such taxes exceed Eighty (80¢) Cents on the one hundred dollars' valuation for any one year, provided that before the Commissioners Court may make such re-allocations and changes in such levies the same shall be submitted to the qualified property taxpaying voters of such county at a general or special election; and in event such re-allocations and changes are approved by a majority of the qualified property taxpaying voters of any such county, such re-allocations and changes shall remain in force and effect for a period of six (6) years from the date of the election at which same shall have been approved,

unless the same again shall have been changed by a majority of the qualified property taxpaying voters of such county, voting on the proposition; and

WHEREAS, the Commissioners Court of Johnson County, Texas, deems it advisable and to the best interest of said County to re-allocate the county taxes authorized to be levied annually by Section 9, Article 8, of the Constitution, by changing the rates in respect to certain county taxes as herein provided;

THEREFORE, BE IT ORDERED BY THE COMMISSIONERS COURT OF JOHNSON COUNTY, TEXAS:

That a special election be held in said County on the 6th day of March, 1954, which is not less than (30) days from the date of the adoption of this order, at which election the following proposition shall be submitted to the qualified property taxpaying voters, who own taxable property in said County and who have duly rendered the same for taxation, for their action thereupon;

"Shall the Commissioners Court of Johnson County, Texas, be authorized to levy and collect in each year for a period of six (6) years from the date of said election, county taxes as follows:

Not exceeding thirty cents (30¢) on the \$100.00 valuation, in any one year, for County purposes;

Not exceeding twenty-five cents (25¢) on the \$100.00 valuation; in any one year, for roads and bridges;

Not exceeding five cents (05¢) on the \$100.00 valuation, in any one year, to supplement the jury fund of the County; and

Not exceeding twenty cents (20¢) on the \$100.00 valuation, in any one year, for the erection of public buildings and other permanent improvements."

In the event that the annual levy of a tax not exceeding fifteen (15¢) cents on the one hundred dollars' valuation for the further maintenance of the

public roads of said County has heretofore been, or shall hereafter be, authorized by a majority of the qualified property taxpaying voters of the County, voting at an election held for that purpose, nothing herein shall be construed as rescinding or in any manner affecting the power and authority of the Commissioners Court to levy and to continue to levy said tax.

The said election shall be held under the provisions of the Constitution and laws of the State of Texas, particularly amended Section 9, or Article 8, of the Constitution, and Section 3a, Article 6, of the Constitution, and all persons who are legally qualified voters of said Court, and who are resident property taxpayers who own taxable property in said County and who have duly rendered the same for taxation, shall be entitled to vote at said election.

The ballots for said election shall have written or printed thereon the following:

"FOR RE-ALLOCATION OF COUNTY TAXES."

"AGAINST RE-ALLOCATION OF COUNTY TAXES."

Each voter shall mark out with black ink or black pencil one of the above expressions, thus leaving the other as indicating his or her vote.

The polling places and presiding officers of said election shall be respectively as follows:

PRECINCT NO.	VOTING PLACE	PRESIDING OFFICER
1	Courthouse	Mrs. Imogene Mitchell
2	Courthouse	Mrs. H. C. Harris
3	Courthouse	Mrs. E. W. Rawls
4	Courthouse	E. L. Harris
5	Rio Vista	W. H. Smith
6	Brazos Valley	Mrs. L. E. Wilbanks

7	Bono	L. C. Jones, Sr.
8	Lone Willow	Will Roden
9	Cresson	G. W. Smith
10	Godley	A. D. Smith
11	Joshua	P. C. Turner
12	Burleson	Carl Booth, Jr.
13	Egan	Mrs. E. K. Richardson
14	Lillian	E. D. James
15	Lone Star	J. W. Patterson
16	Venus	Haskell Dean
17	Grandview	R. L. Carter
18	Grandview	G. W. Benton
19	Barnesville	D. A. Harbison
20	Alvarado	D. N. Shropshire
21	Alvarado	Mrs. Lola Bowden
22	Highland	Lee Ince
23	Parker	Mrs. M. Hassell
24	Keene	W. H. Duncan
25	Jr. High	W. S. Ownsby
26	Sr. High	John R. Jordan
27	J. N. Long School	A. F. Gibson
28	Irving School	J. T. Joplin
29	City Hall	Mrs. W. A. Sanders

The manner of holding said election shall be governed by the laws of the State regulating general elections.

A copy of this order, signed by the County Judge of said County, and certified to by the County Clerk of said County shall serve as proper and sufficient notice of said election.

Notice of said election shall be given by posting a copy of this order at the top of which shall appear the words "NOTICE OF ELECTION FOR THE RE-ALLOCATION OF COUNTY TAXES," at the Courthouse door of said County, and in each of the election precincts of said County for thirty (30) days prior to the election, which notices shall be posted by the Sheriff or a constable, who shall make return on a copy of such notice, how and when he executed the same.

Notice of said election shall also be given by publication thereof in a newspaper published in Johnson County, once each week for three consecutive weeks, the date of first publication being not less than twenty-one (21) full days prior to the date of said election.

ADOPTED AND APPROVED, this the 1st day of February, 1954.

H. G. Littlefair, County Judge

W. M. Coward, Commissioner
Precinct No. 1

S. W. Evans, Commissioner
Precinct No. 2

V. L. Maddox, Commissioner
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NOTICE OF ELECTION FOR THE RE-ALLOCATION OF COUNTY TAXES

THE STATE OF TEXAS) (

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To the Resident Qualified Property Taxpaying Voters of Johnson County, Texas:

TAKE NOTICE that an election will be held on the 6th day of March, 1954, in said County, in obedience to an order duly entered by the Commissioners Court on the 1st day of February, 1954, which is as follows:

On this the 1st day of February, 1954, the Commissioners Court of Johnson County, Texas, convened in regular session, at the regular meeting place thereof in the Courthouse at Cleburne, Texas, with the following members of the Court, to-wit:

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being present, and, among other proceedings had by the Court were the following:

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THE STATE OF TEXAS) (

COUNTY OF JOHNSON) (

I, the undersigned authority, Clerk of the County Court and Ex-Officio Clerk of the Commissioners Court of said County, do hereby certify that the above and foregoing is a true and correct copy of an order passed by said Commissioners Court on the 1st day of February, 1954, and of the minutes pertaining to its adoption, as said order appears of record in Volume 14, Page 220, of the Minutes of said Court.

WITNESS MY HAND and the seal of the Commissioners Court, this the 1st day of February, 1954.

(SEAL)

Louis B. Le, Clerk of the
County Court and Ex-Officio
Clerk of the Commissioners
Court of Johnson County, Texas