OFFICIAL MINUTES STATE SOIL AND WATER CONSERVATION BOARD MEETING MAY 31, 1967

The State Soil and Water Conservation Board met in a called session in the Conference Room, 10th Floor, First National Building, Temple, Texas at 8:35 a.m. on May 31, 1967.

Board Members present were: A. F. Leesch, Chairman; Frank Gray, E. W. Wehman, H. W. Turney and Albert Roach.

Others present were: Harvey Davis, Executive Director, L. H. Barnes, Engineer, L. F. Stewart, Field Representative, and Josephine Chupik, Secretary of the State Board staff; and Bill Snider, Agriculture Economist of the Soil Conservation Service.

The minutes of the April 17-18 meeting and the May 5-6 meeting were read and approved.

A new watershed application under Public Law 566 on the Hamilton Creek near Burnet, Texas was considered. A motion was made by E. W. Wehman and seconded by Frank Gray to disapprove the Hamilton Creek watershed application pending a field examination to determine feasibility. Motion carried.

Correspondence dated May 24, 1967 from Gordon Stiles in regards to the Upper and Lower Sweetwater Creek watersheds was discussed. A motion was made by E. W. Wehman, seconded by Frank Gray, that a planning priority be granted to Sweetwater Creek in accordance with the agreement of the Oklahoma State Soil Conservation Board and the Texas State Soil and Water Conservation Board as recorded in the minutes of May 5-6, 1967 and that no planning authorization be requested at this time. Motion carried.

Board members as well as staff members participated in a full schedule of tours and hearings on watersheds during the month of May in consideration of granting planning priorities.

After due consideration, on motion by Frank Gray, seconded by Albert Roach, the Board re-affirmed the planning priority previously granted on the Leona River watershed near Uvalde, Texas.

After evaluation of information on 25 watersheds, the Board selected six (6) watersheds to be granted planning priorities. On motion by E. W. Wehman, seconded by Albert Roach, the Board granted planning priorities on:

Lipan Creek - Wall, Texas

Hitson, C & L, Washburn Draws - Dell City, Texas

San Felipe Creek - Del Rio, Texas

Seco Creek - D'Hanis, Texas

Paluxy River - Glen Rose, Texas

Wichita Valley-Pond Creek - Iowa Park, Texas

All planning priorities were granted conditioned upon the ability of the local

sponsors being able to handle their share of costs whatever these may be.

On motion by E. W. Wehman, seconded by Albert Roach, the Board selected Galveston, Texas as the site for the 1968 Annual State Meeting of Soil and Water Conservation District Supervisors with first choice dates, October 15,16,17, 1968 and second choice dates, October 22,23,24, 1968, and the Hotel Galvez serving as headquarters.

Harvey Davis reminded the Board of the South-Central Area Meeting to be held in New Orleans, Louisiana on July 9, 10 and 11, 1967 at the Jung Hotel. On motion by Henry Turney, seconded by E. W. Wehman, the Board authorized two Board Members and Harvey Davis and one other staff member to be selected by Mr. Davis to attend this meeting.

Harvey Davis stated that the Far West Texas Association would hold its meeting on July 1, 1967 at Fort Davis, Texas.

The Board reviewed its 1968 Budget. No appropriations to districts were included in the approved budget, however, the monies were appropriated for the increase in Soil & Water Conservation District Supervisors mileage and per diem as provided for in Senate Bill 33, Acts of the 59th Legislature, Regular Session, 1965. The Budget for the Board is \$420,830 for the fiscal year ending August 31, 1968. No Board action was necessary.

The Board decided to hold its regular meeting on July 20, 1967 at 9:00 a.m. in its Temple office with all the staff members in attendance.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 2:15 p.m.

I hereby certify that to State Soil and Water Co.

Dear Sir:

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This is to acknowledge SOME CONSERVATION BOARD of your minutes dated May 31, 1967 TEMPLE, TEXAS

Thanks very much for your cooperation.

Sincerely,