

The Board of County Commissioners of Walton County, Florida, met on this Friday, April 2nd, A D 1926, pursuant to adjournment of March 26th, A D 1926, with the following members present and participating, - R L Jones, G M Bishop, W M Infinger and W I Stinson, Chairman, and M T Fountain, Clerk of said Board.

Due Notice of Election having been published as required by law, of which the following is a true copy as published,---

NOTICE OF ELECTION.

Notice is hereby given that an election will be held in Walton County, Florida, and the several precincts thereof on March 30th, 1926, to determine whether or not all that territory within the boundaries of Walton County, Florida, shall be constituted into a Special road and bridge district and to have permanent roads and bridges constructed therein, all pursuant to and in compliance with Sections 1647 to 1666, both inclusive Revised General Statutes of Florida, and the acts amendatory thereof and supplementary thereto, the estimated cost of such roads and bridges being one million dollars, to be paid by the issuance and sale of bonds of such special road and bridge district and the general description and proposed location of such roads and bridges and the distribution of the proposed bond issue being as follows:

\$500,000.00 or so much thereof as may be necessary to build a Road on State Highway specifications on a survey to be made by State Highway Department running North from DeFuniak Springs, via. Glendale to Alabama State land at or near Gaskin.

A Road to be build according to State Road Department specifications from Alabama State line south of Florala, Alabama, to and through DeFuniak Springs, Florida, thence via., Freeport to Choctawhatchee Bay at or near Bay View, Florida.

A Road to complete State Road No.33 through Walton County from Okaloosa County line to Alabama State line to connect with Alabama State Highway South of Florala, Alabama.

\$500,000.00, or so much thereof as may be necessary, for the construction of a system of County Roads herein after described to be distributed among the several County Commissioners District as follows:

District No.1, \$140,000.00 or so much thereof as may be necessary,

District No.2, \$105,000.00 or so much thereof as may be necessary,

District No.3, \$ 44,000.00 or so much thereof as may be necessary,

District No.4, \$ 71,000.00 or so much thereof as may be necessary, North of Choctawhatchee Bay.

District No.4, \$ 40,000.00 or so much thereof as may be necessary, South of Choctawhatchee Bay.

District No.5, \$100,000.00 or so much thereof as may be necessary.

County System.

- A Road from Portland, via. Freeport and Bruce Post Office to Cow Ford Ferry..

From Wise Bluff, via. Bruce Post Office to Red Bay to County line near Ponce de Leon, Florida.

From Red Bay via Walden Bridge on Bruce Creek via Jno R McLean via or near Euchanna to Argyle and Red Bay road at German lane near Argyle, Florida.

From Freeport road one mile West of Bruce to Antioch.

From Freeport and Bruce road to Black Creek at Russ Still.

From State Road No.1 at Argyle running in a Southeasterly direction via Knox Hill intersecting road from Bruce to Ponce de Leon at or near Bruce Creek Bridge.

From Ponce de Leon and Red Bay Road at or near the Sarah D McDonald place running in a Westerly direction to Argyle and Red Bay road near John Gillis' place.

From Argyle and Red Bay Road at Crooked creek running in a Southerly direction to Jim Permenter's place, thence running in a Easterly direction to about two miles, thence South 3-4 mile, thence Westerly about  $\frac{1}{2}$  mile and intersection present mail route road near White creek.

From Valley Church to Eucheeanna intersecting with Argyle and Eucheeanna road near Eucheeanna.

Road leaving Argyle and Red Bay road near Arcadia School house via. of Geo Lowe's place to J M Armstrong's place.

Road leaving State Road No.1 near the Kydd's place and running in a Northerly direction via Union to Holmes County line.

Road starting at Holmes County line near half Section line of Sec. 33, Tp 4 N R 18 W, running in a Northwesterly direction via J C Smith's place via J H Wooten's place, thence to Holmes County line.

Road leaving DeFuniak Springs and Gaskin road near Yawkey via Wm. Miles place to Darlington, thence to Alabama State line near F T Nolin's place.

Road from Darlington running in a Northwesterly direction to Holmes County line.

Road from Darlington running in a Easterly direction to Holmes County line.

A Road from Portland to New Home, thence to Freeport and DeFuniak Springs road near the Billup's place.

A Road from DeFuniak Springs and Freeport road at Work's place running Westerly along present Boggy Road to Iona School House as near as practicable.

A Road from Boggy road near Slay's place, North to State road No.1.

A Road from Boggy road near Slay's place via Baptist Church, Archibalds, Steele Church, J E Bowers and back to Boggy road near B H Munns' place.

A Road from Boggy road near Iona School house, thence Southeasterly via Bullie Alford's place, Manuel Adkison place, Murdick Gainey place back to Portland road, being the present Mail route.

A Road from heretofore outlined road near the Steele Church, thence Southerly via Isaac Bracken's place, Duncan Anderson's place, J T Bell's place, Frank Davis' place, intersecting road from New Home to Billups place.

- A Road from Portland West on Windham head road two miles.

A Road from State Road No.1 South on Ti Ti road to Okaloosa and Walton County line road

A Road from Mossy Head running in a Northerly direction on Godwin Bridge road via Joe Godwin's place, thence Westerly via J H Hinote's to Okaloosa County line.

A Road from State road No.1 near Mossy Head via Turner Bridge on Shoal River to DeFuniak Springs and Florala Road near W L Gordon's place.

- A Road from Bay County line Westerly via Point Washington, near Santa Rosa to Choctawhatchee Bay.

- A Road from Point Washington South to Gulf of Mexico.

- A Road from Eden Park near Santa Rosa South to Gulf of Mexico.

From DeFuniak Springs via F R Hackett's place to Eucheeanna.

A Road leading from Mossy Head and Florala road about one mile North of Turner Bridge on Shoal River via or near W R Kennington's place and A J Covington's place and intersecting the Laurel Hill and DeFuniak Springs road at or near the middle line of Section 29 Tp 5 N R 21 W on old road or as near as practicable.

A Road from Florala and DeFuniak Springs road near W L Gordon's home place, running in a Westerly direction on or near old road via A C Cawthon's place to Okaloosa County line.

A Road from Laurel Hill and DeFuniak Springs road at present road crossing running in a Northerly direction on or near present road to cross road near W H Harrison's place.

A Road from Glendale and DeFuniak Springs road near J J Smith's place running in a West-erly direction to Ealum and intersecting with Florala and DeFuniak Springs road.

A Road from Alabama State line near Natural Bridge running in a Southeasterly direction on best practicable route to intersect with main high-way from DeFuniak Springs to Alabama State line.

A Road from Lakewood to Florala and DeFuniak Springs road near S K Miller's place.

A Road from main Highway near Gaskin running in a Easterly direction via M M Burgess place and intersecting with road from Darlington and State line road at Shug Alford's place.

A Road from Main Highway from DeFuniak Springs, to Glendale at or near A F Bullard's place South of Gum Creek, running in an Easterly direction via H A Wilkerson's place via J C Smith's place, via Lynn Adams's place to Glendale.

A Road from State Road No.33 at or near W H Harrison's place East to Florala and DeFuniak Springs Highway at or near G F Webster's place.

A Road from Glendale via T J Adkison's place in a Northwesterly direction to East line of Sec. 31 Tp 5 N R 19 W.

--Note--

All roads to be built on present right-of-way as near as practicable, and to be of sand-clay construction.

Said election to be held and conducted in substantial conformity to the laws of Florida applicable to general elections, except that the managers, shall make returns of said election to the Board of County Commissioners.

The inspectors or managers and clerks of the respective precincts as appointed by the board of County Commissioners are as follows:

MANAGERS AND CLERKS OF ELECTION OF MARCH 30th, 1926.

No. 1 Knox Hill

M P Rushing, Clerk, J L Bell, Frank Buchanan J A Butler, Mgrs.

No. 2 Eucheeanna

E R Ward, Clerk, Walker Bray, Will Howell, J D Anderson, Mgrs.

No. 3 Glendale

John Adams, Clerk, Arthur Adkison, W M Henley, J C Smith, Mgrs.

No. 4 Darlington

Angus Green, Clerk, F T Nolin, M C Ward, Jack Mauldin, Mgrs.

No. 5 Paxton

Lee Mathis, Clerk, A C Cawthon, Z S Adams, George Webster, Mgrs.

No. 6 Stella

G D Adams, Clerk, H F Raybourn, W M Walden, A J Covington, Mgrs.

No. 7 Argyle

Ray Merritt, Clerk, A L Snell, Willie Helms, H M Day, Mgrs.

No. 8 Alaqua

J E Bowers, Clerk, Will Crawford, B M Archibald, J S Howell, Mgrs.

No. 9 Gaskin

R W Parish, Clerk, H J Henderson, G C Prescott, W R Collinsworth, Mgrs.

No. 10 Portland

Will Kelly, Clerk, C R Reddick, Sol Kelly, Jesse Kelley, Mgrs.

No. 11 Freeport

E H Reese, Clerk, Earnest Adams, Tom Blount, Hiltz Crook, Mgrs.

No. 12 Red Bay

N A McLeod, Clerk, C A McDonald, Oscar Vaughan, Bud Rigdon, Mgrs.

No. 13 Bruce

J J Ward, Clerk, Geo C Johnson, John Pate, C P Ward, Mgrs.

No. 14 East DeFuniak Springs

W D C Campbell, Clerk, J W Campbell, D A Gillis, Walter Cawthon, Mgrs.

No. 15 Point Washington

W H Wesley, Clerk, John Kelly, P T Holley, G W Underwood, Mgrs.

No. 16 Mossy Head

J J Ellis, Clerk, M M Keene, J M DeShazo, C D Stafford, Mgrs.

No. 17 Ealum

D L Colvin, Clerk, A S Jones, J B Miller, Clark Miller, Mgrs.

No. 18 Santa Rosa

E L Shultis, Clerk, Andrew Thompson, Lynn Nealley, Herman Weston, Mgrs.

No. 19 Sandy Creek

J A Neel, Clerk, G T Anderson, John Broxson, John Edwards, Mgrs.

No. 20 West DeFuniak Springs

W C Campbell, Clerk, Carl Work, A L Anderson, S M Mitchem, Mgrs.

No. 21 Caney Creek

D H McSwain, Clerk, J P Price, C C Williams, Tommie Price, Mgrs.

No. 22 New Knox Hill

Arch McDonald, Clerk, Lum Gomillion, W S Weimorts, M K Rushing, Mgrs.

By order of the Board, February 15th, 1926.

(Seal) M. T. Fountain,  
Clerk of the Board.

AFFIDAVIT OF PUBLICATION.

State of Florida,  
Walton County.

Before me personally appeared Larkin Cleveland, editor of The DeFuniak Herald, a weekly newspaper published and printed at DeFuniak Springs, Florida, who being duly sworn, deposes and says that the hereto attached notice of Bond Election has been published in The DeFuniak Herald once a week for five consecutive weeks next prior to March 30th, A D 1926.

Dates of Publication

February 25, 1926, March 4, 1926, March 11, 1926, March 18, 1926, March 25, 1926

Larkin Cleveland  
Editor DeFuniak Herald

Sworn to and subscribed before me this 2nd day of April, A. D. 1926.

(Filed Apr 2-1926, M T Fountain, (Seal) Clerk) M. T. Fountain, Clerk Circuit Court.

At a Special meeting of the Board held on this 2nd day of April, 1926, for the purpose of canvassing the returns of the election held on March 30th, 1926, in the several precincts of the County to determine whether or not all that territory within the bounds of Walton County should be constituted a Special Road and Bridge District and the roads and bridges built and constructed and paid for as provided in the petition for said election and in the call for the same as published, the following members were present, to-wit: R L Jones, G M Bishop, W M Infinger, W I Stinson, Chairman and M T Fountain, Clerk.

The returns of said election having been filed with the Board as provided by law, the Board proceeded to canvass the same and found from said returns that 616 votes were cast in said election of which 376 votes were in favor and 237 votes were against the creation of said territory into a special road and bridge district and the building and construction

of the roads and bridges and the payment therefor, as aforesaid, three of the ballots cast at said election having been rejected because spoiled.

Therefore, it appearing by said returns that a majority of the votes cast at said election were in favor of the above stated proposition, it was, upon motion of Mr G M Bishop seconded by Mr R L Jones ordered that all that territory within the bounds of Walton County, Florida, be and the same is hereby created into a Special Road and Bridge District to be known as Walton County Special Road and Bridge District No. 3.

RESOLUTION.

Upon motion of Commissioner G M Bishop, seconded by Commissioner W M Infinger and duly carried by unanimous vote, of all members present, it was ordered that the following resolution be and the same was adopted.

Whereas, the Free Holders and Tax Payers of Walton County, Florida, petitioned this Board to call a Special Election to determine whether or not all that territory within the bounds of Walton County should be constituted into a Special Road and Bridge District, and

Whereas, the said Board did call said election as required by the Statutes in such cases made and provided, and

Whereas, the expense of said election was not taken into consideration in making up the 1925-1926 budget, therefore there were no provision made to take care of said expense from the General Revenue Fund, but there is a sufficient balance in the Contingent item in the Road and Bridge Fund of said County to take care of the said expenses.

Therefore be it Resolved, that the State Comptroller of the State of Florida, be and he is hereby requested to authorize this Board of County Commissioners of Walton County, Florida, to pay the expense of said election from the General Road and Bridge Fund of said County.

RESOLUTION.

Upon motion of Commissioner R L Jones, seconded by Commissioner G M Bishop, and duly carried by unanimous vote of all members present, it was ordered that the following resolution be adopted.

Whereas, for the past several years the Tax Collector of Walton County, Florida, has been selling certain parcels of land for the unpaid taxes thereon, and

Whereas, the said Tax Sale Certificates were issued in the name of the State Treasurer of the State of Florida, and

Whereas, one A M Everett purchased several thousand dollars worth of these Tax Sale Certificates and advertised for Tax Deed, and the owners of said land, Dr. Chas E Cessna and the Fidelity Company, instituted injunction suits against the said M T Fountain, Clerk Circuit Court of Walton County, Ernest Amos, State Comptroller of the State of Florida and A M Everett, purchaser of said Tax Sale Certificates, and

Whereas, this Board of County Commissioners realizing the outcome of the said suits would mean thousands of dollars to the Tax Payers of Walton County and to the other Counties of this State, therefore, they employed Hon. D. Stuart Gillis of DeFuniak Springs, Fla. to represent Walton County's interest in the said suits, at a minimum fee of \$350.00 or 3% of the amount saved for Walton County, and

Whereas, the Board of County Commissioners not anticipating such expense in making up the 1925-1926 budget, they did not make any provisions to take care of same.

Therefore be it Resolved, that the State Comptroller of the State of Florida, be and he is hereby requested to authorize this Board to pay said bill or bills from the moneys derived from the county's portion of said Tax Redemptions, and to draw warrant or warrants upon the General Revenue Fund of said County for said fees.

Mr. A. B. Dawson, representing the DeFuniak Terrace appeared before the Board with a map or plat of the subdivision known as DeFuniak Terrace in the town of DeFuniak Springs, and the Board finds that the same has complied with the laws in such cases made and provided, upon motion made by W M Infinger seconded by G M Bishop and duly carried, ordered that the said map or plat of DeFuniak Terrace be approved for record and the Clerk of this Board be and he is hereby authorized to accept the same for record and approve the said map or plat for this Board as provided by law.

A Petition having this day been filed with this Board asking this Board to change the voting or polling place of Precinct No.8, from the residence of M A Reeves to the Steel Church, thereupon,

Upon motion made by Commissioner, W M Infinger, seconded by Commissioner G M Bishop, and duly carried by unanimous vote, it was ordered that the following Resolution be adopted by the Board of County Commissioners of Walton County, Florida.

Resolved that the voting place of Precinct No.8, be changed from the residence of M A Reeves to the Steel Church in said precinct.

Moved by G M Bishop, seconded by W M Infinger and duly carried, it was ordered that the Clerk be and he is hereby authorized to purchase a Bound volume of the General Laws of the Legislature for the years 1919, 1921, 1923 and 1925.

The<sup>and</sup> then adjourned to meet in term.

TUESDAY, April 13th, 1926.

The Board of County Commissioners of Walton County, Florida, met in regular Session on this April 13th, 1926, with the following members present and participating,- R L Jones, W M Infinger, G M Bishop and W I Stinson, Chairman, and M T Fountain, Clerk.

W F Jones, Tax Collector, filed his March 31st, 1926, report of Licenses collected, showing \$27.00 collected for State and \$13.50 for Walton County.

W F Jones, Tax Collector, filed his March 31st, 1926, report of Polls collected, showing \$455.00 collected.

Mr J E Cocherill and Richard Smith appeared before the Board in regard to the assessment of their lands for the year 1925, but the Board advised them that they could not take any actions thereon this time of year.

The State Comptroller approved the Resolutions adopted by this Board on Apr 2, 1926.

Road Petition signed by G T Anderson, et als asking for a public road be built from Corner of Slay's place on Union road to Glendale road to L R Anderson's on route therein designated, but the Board delayed actions until their meeting in July of this year.

A Map of Plat sub-dividing Sec. 20 Twp 3 N R 18 W by F Findeison, Jr. was presented to the Board and the Board having examined the same and find same to comply with the laws in such cases made and provided, upon motion made by G M Bishop, seconded by W M Infinger and duly carried it was ordered that the said map or plat be and the same was accepted for record and the Clerk be and he is hereby authorized to accept the same in the name of the Board of County Commissioners of Walton County, Florida.

Moved by R L Jones, seconded by G M Bishop, and duly carried, it was ordered that Wiley Adams be granted 30 days additional time to complete bridge and fill across Big Swamp under his contract heretofore granted to him.

Moved by G M Bishop, seconded by W M Infinger, and duly carried, it was ordered that Henry Cobb, Samson, Ala. R #A Bx 56 % F T Nolin, be placed upon the Paupers list for \$5.00 per month until further orders of this board.

The following bills against the various county funds were then considered and being correct and legally due upon motion made by G M Bishop, seconded by R L Jones, and duly