

1 The State of Texas & In County Commissioners
2 Chambers County & Court Chambers County

3 May Term 1899,

4 It is ordered by the Court that the
5 survey of the County line between Chambers
6 County and Galveston County as made by
7 E. M. ~~Warwick~~ ^{Warwick} County Surveyor of
8 Galveston County, of date Dec 12, 1881
9 is hereby approved and adapted, and the
10 field notes thereof, after being recorded
11 in the minutes of this Court shall be
12 sent to the Commissioner of the General
13 Land Office, for his approval, which
14 said report and field notes of said
15 survey & said report are as follows, to wit

In the matter of E M Hartwick appointed
Report of E M Hartwick by Court on the 10th day of
Hartwick's County August 20 1881 to fix the
Surveyor Boundary line between
Galveston County and Chambers County.
Submitted the following reports viz
Office of County Surveyor
Galveston Dec 12 1881

The Hon County Judge

County Commissioners

Galveston County

Gentlemen

In sub-
mitting for your approval the Field Notes
and accompanying map of the Boundary betw-
een Galveston & Chambers County from the Gulf
of Mexico to Mud Bayou.

I respectfully make the following report
By order of your Hon Court Aug 10 1881
I arrived on the Boundary Oct 1st 1881 and find-
ing the County Surveyor of Chambers County
had not arrived waited a reasonable time
for his appearance.

The County Surveyor or any other Surveyor
from Chambers County not putting in an
appearance

I went to work on the survey of the bound-
ary. First having sworn in H Borthwick
as assistant Charles Leroux & Arch Mc
Lennick as chainmen.

To find the Initial Point of the North
East corner of Martin Dummer's League
of Land; four trial or preliminary lines
had to be run as there are no marks
artificial or Natural to be found except
the Bantam of the Highlands which Martin
Dummer evidently intended to locate

as water is all around the High Islands and it is to be presumed he would locate marsh until all the good land had been taken up

Having run round his league and fitted the survey to the best advantage; the corroboration of which is proved by the testimony of Mrs Kaupshie the Widow of the late Martin Sumner owner of the league and Chas A Trauca Senior an old resident who stated after they had taken over the ground that seemed to them all the old Location and as all others interested in the correct location of the S E Corner of Martin Sumner's league of land expressed satisfaction this point was taken as the actual Monument for the Boundary, during in a large 'plug' with a centre the transit instrument was to be set up and three observations of the passage of the South Sun over the meridian were taken for a true North and to find the Variation of the Compass. In this connection thanks are due to Chas A Trauca of Galveston, who gave every facility in his observatory, before starting on return, to check the time of the meridian passage of the South Sun at the Boundary.

Having established the meridian, a line was projected due North by transit instrument from the initial point on the Gulf shore to mud Bayou; Not East Bay Bayou as the order of Court and old Field Notes call for but a branch of it. For if the line had been continued further in the same course it is probable it would never have

touching East Bay Bayou as East Bay Bayou turns to the South before it comes in line with the Boundary and further more it has always been understood by the surrounding inhabitants that Choctaw County was on the South side of Mud Bayou.

The line from the initial Point on the Gulf to the terminal point on Mud Bayou was chained three times and substantial stakes put in where the mile posts were to be located.

Being satisfied with the direction and measurement the next thing in order was to permanently locate the initial point mile posts and Terminal monuments and as the most if not all the monuments would be in a wet location it is deemed best to make a concrete base of Hydraulic Cement and small stone picked up on the Gulf shore. In the base is set an eight inch iron rod as post marked as is required by Statute and as shown in plan section and accompanying Field Notes. After every monument had been set the transit instrument was again set up and a check line run and one more measurement made proving the correctness of the work. The chain was a 100 Feet steel connected by a U S Coast Survey ten foot Sand and Rod.

Thanks are especially due to the untiring energy of assistant A Brattington and the chairman, Chas A Bronson Jr who notwithstanding the desertion of not a few of the original party on account of the actually distressing attacks of the musquitoes, swampy nature of the ground with water over three feet deep, held on magnificently.

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to the completion of the work
Attached you will find Field notes, map and Expenses
of Survey

The expenses are proportioned according
to frontage of Galveston County and Chambers
County on the Boundary

Respectfully Submitted

C. M. Hantrick

County Surveyor Galveston County

State of Texas
County of Galveston

Field Notes

of a Survey on the
Boundary between Galveston & Chambers County
from the Gulf of Mexico to Muds Bay
made for the County Commissioners
County of Galveston

Said Boundary is situated East of
what is known as the High Islands or
Bolivar Peninsula about 30 miles from
the City of Galveston. Beginning from an
eight inch beech cedar Post marked on
top thus: — (↑) — sides marked with Galves-
ton County and Chambers County facing their
respective Counties - all works put into
the wood. Said post set in concrete forty
seven (47) feet north from high water
mark on the Gulf of Mexico said mon-
ument being the initial point of this sur-
vey and the N.E. corner of Martin Dumas
league of land

Thence due North
5200 feet to first mile post, set in
ground elevated slightly above the marsh
but marked on top thus: — (↑M) —

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Thence due North 5280 Feet to second mile
post, set in Marsh, monument same
as at Suetal point but marked on top thus

(I M)

Thence due North 5100 Feet through marsh
to Terminal Point Post set on slight eleva-
tion 64 Feet South of mud Bayou - monu-
ment same as at Suetal Point. but marked
on top thus:— ^{2 Apr}₁₈₈₀

E M Hartwick Civil Engineer
A Brallenger asst Surveyor
Chas A Leanea }
Arch M - Bonnick } Chairman

Surveying begun Oct 1st / 88
Ending Dec 2nd 1881

I E M Hartwick County Surveyor of
Galveston County do hereby Certify that the fore-
going Survey was made according to law
and the Suetal Point mile posts & Terminal
monument with the marks natural and
artificial are hereby described in the accom-
panying Plat, and Field Notes, also I have
examined the Field Notes and find them
correct and they are recorded in my office
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E M Hartwick
County Surveyor Galveston
County State of Texas

Galveston County TX

To E M Hartwick Civil Engineer
Professional Services and Personal Supervision
in establishing the Boundary between Galveston
and Chambers County from the Gulf of
Mexico to mud Bayou
Field and office work

Total Cost Survey

\$200.00
289.25
489.25

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Cash on account	\$ 269.25
Balance due	<u>200.00</u>
	489.25

Galveston's county proposition according to frontage on Boundary line	244.62 1/2
Chambers County proposition according to frontage on Boundary line	<u>244.62 1/2</u>
	489.25

After the reading of the report, it was ordered by the court that same be received and filed, and that the portion referring to expenses be referred to the county judge for examination.

Countel 51246

In the matter of the Report of County Judge Justice
of County Judge an ex- reported that he had expen-
penses of Surveyor joined the Expense account
submitted to the Court by the County Surveyor E
M. Kestrick for surveying and location the
boundary line between Galveston and Cham-
bers Counties and would recommend that the sum
of \$200- be paid him. It was thereupon ord-
ered by the Court that the Report of said Surveyor
heretofore received and filed and the same is in
all things approved and adopted, and the sum
of \$200- be paid to said E M Kestrick for balanc-
e due and that the clerk do draw a warrant
upon the Treasurer for the amount

In the matter of } It having brought to the
Certifying claim } attention of the Court
Chambers County } that the law required that
Chambers County should bear one half of the Expense
of the Surveying done in fixing the Bound-
ary line between Galveston and Chambers Counties
It is ordered by the Court that the clerk do
make a certified claim against Chambers
County for the amount due and forward
same to the County Clerk of said County for
presentation to Commissioners Court

The State of Texas }
County of Galveston } I D. D. Mren Clerk of the
County Court of Galveston County and State of Tex-
said do hereby Certify that the above and foregoing
contains a true and correct copy of Orders of the Com-
missioners Court of said County made in the matter
of Boundary line between Galveston and Cham-
bers Counties as the same appears of Record
in the minute book of proceedings of the County
Commissioners Court of Galveston County
Witness my hand and Seal of
said Court this the 28th day

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Countel 51247

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of July a.d. 1883

Green Clerk
County Court Chambers
County Texas -

Recorded in the minutes of
the proceedings of Co. Commissioners
Court of Chambers Co. Texas in Book 13
and pages 471 to 477 inclusive

~~Given under my hand this 10~~
day of May a.d. 1899

R. Heaster Clerk
County Court Chambers
County Texas

File in Chambers County
County Boundaries
Certified Copy 36
Order of Commissioners

Count
Galvestone County

In matter of
Boundary Line
Galvestone & Chambers
Counties

Friday July 11/84

John R. Heaster
Clerk

Approved and adopted
May 10, 1899
W. B. Gordon
County Judge
Chambers Co

Revised
8/18/99

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