

"The Board of County Commissioners of any County in this State may contract with any person or persons to assist the proper officers of the County in the discovery of property not listed and assessed as required by existing laws, and fix the compensation at not to exceed fifteen per cent of the taxes recovered under this article".

It appears to me that the above grant of authority is sufficient for the Board of County Commissioners as financial agents of a county to contract with some individual to assist in the discovery of oil, gas and minerals subject to the gross production tax laws of the State, which minerals have not been listed and assessed as required by existing laws.

Very truly yours,

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(Signed) George F. Short,
Attorney General.

R E S O L U T I O N .

The following Resolution was introduced by J S Shaver, and seconded by W L North, and unanimously adopted:

WHEREAS, in compliance with certain statutes of the State of Oklahoma, Tulsa County is entitled to one third of all monies received for oil and gas produced in said County and known as the gross production tax, and

WHEREAS, it has come to the attention of the Board of County Commissioners of Tulsa County that certain producers and royalty owners have neglected and refused to make the proper reports to the State Auditor as required by law, and have also failed to pay the amount due the State and County for said tax, and that quite a number of said royalty and producer owners have been delinquent on said tax for several years, and realizing that in order to ascertain who these delinquents are and the amounts due said County by them, will take time, labor and expense, and

WHEREAS, it has come to the attention of the Board of County Commissioners of Tulsa County that errors have been made in the apportionment of various funds due from the State of Oklahoma to Tulsa County.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of County Commissioners of Tulsa County that they employ FRED PARKINSON, of Oklahoma City, Oklahoma, to examine the records necessary to procure this information and to furnish the State Auditor of the State of Oklahoma and the Board of County Commissioners of Tulsa County a complete list of the delinquent royalty owners and producers of oil and gas in said County, giving in detail the amount due and period covered, also to search such State records as may be necessary to ascertain the amount due from the State of Oklahoma to Tulsa County on account of misapportionment of any moneys due the said Tulsa County, and for the said Fred Parkinson's services in procuring the information mentioned above, we, the Board of County Commissioners of said Tulsa County agree to pay Fred Parkinson fifteen per cent (15%) of the amount paid to said Tulsa County from said delinquents as soon as said amounts are paid to the County Treasurer of said Tulsa County.

Ed W. Hedgecock, Chairman.
Board of County Commrs.

ATTEST: O G WEAVER, County Clerk.

W L North

J S Shaver.

Motion was made by J S Shaver, seconded by Ed W. Hedgecock, that Mrs. Frances Watts, Dawson, Oklahoma, be and she is hereby granted an allowance of \$15.00 per month, effective from and after April 1st. 1925. Motion carried.

At a regular meeting of the Board of County Commissioners held on the 20th. day of April, 1925, the following Resolution was introduced by W L North, who moved its adoption, and the motion to adopt was seconded by J S Shaver, and the Chairman ordered the resolution read:

R E S O L U T I O N .