

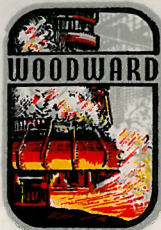
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WOODWARD IRON COMPANY

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SALES OFFICES
1515 FIRST NATIONAL BUILDING
BIRMINGHAM 3, ALABAMA

W. GUY BAGLEY
ASSISTANT SALES MANAGER

October 14, 1947

Mr. C. A. Gaston, Secy
Fairhope Single Tax Corporation
Fairhope, Alabama

Dear Mr. Gaston:

I have for acknowledgment, your letter
of October 11th regarding the assessment of my
property at Fairhope.

There is no electrical equipment in my
house such as ranges, refrigerators, water heaters,
radios, etc. I do have a butane tank and a small
gas range in the kitchen, both valued at approximately
\$75.00 and an oil heater valued at approximately \$50.00.
This was all included in my estimate of approximately
\$300.00 and certainly not over \$400.00 for the entire
furnishings in the house.

I do have personal property assessed here
in Birmingham and presume the \$250.00 maximum exemption
applies to my furnishings here.

If there is any further information you
desire, please let me know.

Very truly yours,

W. Guy Bagley
10 - Clarendon Ave.
Birmingham 9, Ala.

WGB/rm

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July 3, 1952

Mr. & Mrs. W. Guy Bagley
16 Clarendon Ave.,
Birmingham, Alaa.

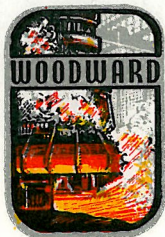
Dear Lessees:

Mr. Masters has delivered his lease to us with endorsement thereon transferring to you all the right, title and interest formerly held therein by him and Mrs. Masters.

I have now prepared a new lease to you and it is ready for delivery to you as soon as it is convenient for you to affix your signatures thereto in duplicate. If you plan to be in Fairhope at any time in the near future I suggest that you let me hold the lease here until you can call. If you will not be here I can send the original and duplicate to you and you can sign both copies returning to us the duplicate, or Corporation Copy for our files.

Very truly yours,

Secretary



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W. GUY BAGLEY
ASSISTANT SALES MANAGER

July 7, 1952

Mr. C. A. Gaston, Secretary
Fairhope Single Tax Corporation
Fairhope, Alabama

Dear Sir:

I have your letter of July 3, and, since it is doubtful when we will be in Fairhope again, I would appreciate your forwarding the necessary papers for Mrs. Bagley and me to sign. When sending these papers, please advise if it is necessary to have them signed before a Notary Public. We will probably be down sometime within the next few months, but I would like to have everything cleared up just as soon as possible.

Awaiting your reply, I am

Very truly yours,

W. Guy Bagley

WGB:JW

July 16, 1952

Mr. & Mrs. W. Guy Bagley
10 Clarendon Ave.
Birmingham, Ala.

Dear Lessees:

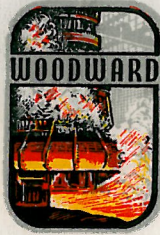
As requested in your letter of July 7, I herewith enclose copies of your lease. You will both sign both copies of the lease where indicated in the lower left hand corner. Your signatures do not need to be notarized.

Return to us the copy on which is written CORPORATION COPY in the upper right hand margin, together with one dollar for the lease issuance fee.

If you desire to have your lease recorded in the Probate Records of Baldwin County it will be necessary to return your copy to us so an acknowledgment can be made on the back. Effective recording must be made within one year from the date of issue. Many of our lessees do not record their leases and we see no necessity for doing so. While there are circumstances where a recorded lease is needed and required in certain mortgage contracts, we stand ready at all times to issue a new lease of current date at a cost of only one dollar.

Very truly yours,

Secretary



W. GUY BAGLEY
ASSISTANT SALES MANAGER

WOODWARD IRON COMPANY

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SALES OFFICES
1515 FIRST NATIONAL BUILDING
BIRMINGHAM 3, ALABAMA

August 21, 1952

Mr. C. A. Gaston, Secretary
Fairhope Single Tax Corporation
Fairhope, Alabama

Dear Mr. Gaston:

Following up our conversations while in your office last week, we had just about given up receiving your letter of July 16, but it came through day before yesterday. I, therefore, am enclosing herewith your copy of the very much discussed lease. You will note that I have changed my wife's name to Emily Worth Bagley instead of Emily Wortle Bagley, as you had it listed. I hope this will be perfectly satisfactory with you. Of course, you may destroy the duplicate copy we signed while in your office.

With kindest regards,

Very truly yours,

W. Guy Bagley

WGB:JW

Encl.

Oct. 13, 1954

Mr. John H. Baker Jr.
Fairhope, Ala.

Dear Lessee:

The 90 day grace period for payment of the rent on your unimproved lot 5, Block 2, Division 3 expired the first of this month.

We wish to call to your attention that leases to unimproved lots are subject to forfeiture without notice after the rent is due and unpaid for 90 days. We are, however, giving you this notice so that you may keep the lease in force by making immediate payment of the rent now due.

Very truly yours,

Secretary

Paid
Oct 16, 1954
check

September 30, 1951

Dr. C. A. Gaston
Secretary
Fairhope Single Tax Corporation
City

Dear Dr. Gaston:

I am leaving Fairhope today for approximately one month, to visit my son in Columbus, Ohio.

In regard to your notice regarding assessment of property, I am glad to report our insurance as follows:

\$1500 on Household Furniture with Old Colony Insurance Co.

\$6000 fire and extra coverage insurance with Rochester American

Mr. J. E. Gooden is agent for both these policies.

With respect to cost of any new household or kitchen furniture purchased since October 1 of last year, there has been no furniture or kitchen equipment purchased.

Very truly yours,

Bonnie White Baker

Mrs. B. B. Baker
140 Summit Street

140 SUMMIT STREET
MRS. B. B. BAKER

VERY TRULY YOURS

Enclosed
there has been no insurance of kitchen equipment
insurance has been since October 1 of last year
with respect to cost of any new household of kitchen

Mr. J. E. Gordon is agent for both these policies.

Homeowner American
\$2000 fire and extra coverage insurance with
Insurance Co.
\$1200 on household furniture with old company

as follows:
However, I am glad to report on insurance
in regard to home notice regarding assessment of
month to state my son in company's office.
I am sending estimate today for approximately one

Dear Mr. Gordon:

City
Estimate should be for collection
secretary
Dr. C. V. Gordon

September 30, 1921

FAIRFIELD CITY SCHOOLS

B. B. BAKER, SUPERINTENDENT

FAIRFIELD, ALA.

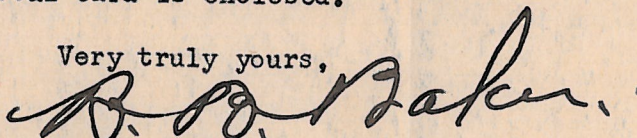
April 4, 1945

Mr. E. C. Wolcott, Treasurer
Fairhope Single Tax Corporation
Fairhope, Alabama

Dear Mr. Wolcott:

The receipt you sent me said: Lots 1 and 2, Block 8, Division 2.
The agreement I have with Mr. and Mrs. Faulkenbury reads: Lots 1 and 2, Block
8, Division 3. Since these do not agree, I am asking you to let me know,
please, which one is right. Postal card is enclosed.

Very truly yours,



B. B. Baker

BBB/MS

Enc.

Apr. 13, 1944

Mr. & Mrs. J. H. Baker Jr.
Fairhope, Alabama

Dear Mr. & Mrs. Baker:

Mr. and Mrs. Curtis Rushing asked me if, in my opinion, our corporation would approve of a transfer to them of enough land from the south side of your lot 7 on Summit Street for a drive into their premises. I believe the drive they now use is located on your lot.

I told them I believed such transfer would be approved and they asked that I confirm that in a letter to you, hence this note. The transfer can be accomplished by an endorsement on the back of your lease stating the amount to be transferred, the proposed transfer would be submitted to the council and its approval noted on your lease which would be returned to you.

Should you consider making the transfer you may bring your lease to me and I will prepare the transfer.

Very truly yours,

Secretary

Copy to:

Mr. & Mrs. Curtis Rushing

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Baldwin County Savings and Loan Association

ROBERTSDALE, ALABAMA

May 31, 1956

Fairhope Single Tax Corporation
Fairhope, Alabama

In checking our records we find that we do not have a signature card on your investment share account No. 137; therefore we will appreciate your filling in and signing the enclosed signature card where checked in red and return to us in the enclosed self-addressed, stamped envelope.

We also find that we do not have a signature card for investment share account No. 39 for the Fairhope Single Tax Corporation as Trustee for Fairhope Public Library; therefore we will appreciate your filling in and signing the enclosed yellow card and returning to us as soon as possible.

Yours truly,

Ass't. Sec'ty-Treas.

SC/ap

Encl.



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Baldwin County Savings and Loan Association

ROBERTSDALE, ALABAMA

September 14, 1954

Dr. C. A. Gaston, Secretary
Fairhope Single Tax Corporation
Fairhope, Alabama

Dear Dr. Gaston:

In reply to your letter of September 13 concerning the C. J. Johnson lease, this lease was handed to either Mr. Johnson or Mr. Brantley to be delivered to your office sometime before you issued your lease to Mr. Brantley on the same property.

Mr. Rickarby, Attorney at Law, handled the sale of the property from Johnson to Brantley and it is possible the lease may be in his possession.

We will appreciate your checking with the three above mentioned men as we do not have this lease in our files. If we can be of any assistance to you please call on us.

Best regards,

Sidney Chandler
Ass't Sec/Treas

SC/dm





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W. P. BALDWIN, SECRETARY-TREASURER
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Baldwin County Savings and Loan Association

ROBERTSDALE, ALABAMA

March 8, 1954

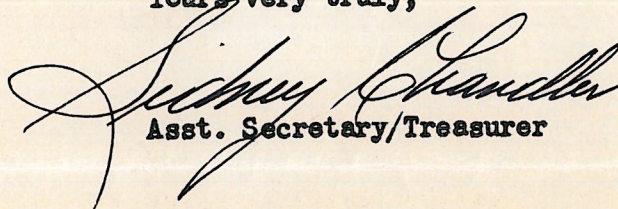
Dr. C. A. Gaston
Fairhope Single Tax Corporation
Fairhope, Alabama

Dear Dr. Gaston:

Thanks very much for the corporation check for \$4000.00 received today for a new account. We assume that you want this to be an investment account and so we enclose certificate for 80 shares. Please execute the enclosed signature card and also the resolution appearing on the back of the card.

Assuring you that we appreciate this nice new account and with best personal regards.

Yours very truly,


Asst. Secretary/Treasurer

SC/b

PAUL KAISER
PRESIDENT
ELBERTA, ALA.

PAUL L. CLEVERDON
VICE-PRESIDENT
SUMMERDALE, ALA.

GEORGE HOLK
MANAGER-TREASURER
FOLEY, ALA.

ARTHUR A. HOLK
GENERAL AGENT
FOLEY, ALA.

BALDWIN MUTUAL
INSURANCE COMPANY, INC.
FOLEY, ALABAMA

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September 14, 1954

Mr. G. A. Gaston
Fairhope Single Tax Colony
Fairhope, Alabama

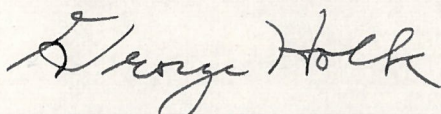
Dear Mr. Gaston:

We are enclosing 2 checks for \$50.00 each to be paid to Mr. & Mrs. William H. Wright when they sign the enclosed proof of loss, kindly mail to us for our file.

We certainly appreciate your help in bringing this loss to a final settlement.

Very truly yours,

BALDWIN MUTUAL INSURANCE COMPANY, INC.



George Holk, Manager

GH:lsg
Enc. 2 checks

Sept. 8, 1954

Mr. George Holk, Sec.-Treas
Baldwin Mutual Insurance Co.
Foley, Alabama

Dear Mr. Holk:

We wish you to issue us a fire policy on our kindergarten building on the Organic School Campus. The building is a tile building situate on the east side of Bancroft St. about 300 feet south from Fairhope Avenue.

We want a policy in the amount of \$1,000.00. Please attend to this at your earliest convenience.

Very truly yours,

Secretary

Aug. 4, 1951

Mr. George Holk, Sec.-Treas.
Baldwin Mutual Insurance Co.,
Foley Alabama

Dear Mr. Holk:

Enclosed find our check for \$52.92 in payment on renewal assessments on policies 4009, 4010, 4019, 4020, 4021, 4022, 4023, 4024, 2025, and 4027.

We are returning the assessment notice on the kindergarten building, policy no. 4026. This building has been removed and new tile building is under construction to replace it. We will want a policy on the new building and suggest that you stop and see us at your early convenience.

Very truly yours,

Secretary

BALDWIN COUNTY ELECTRIC MEMBERSHIP CORPORATION
ROBERTSDALE, ALABAMA

PHONE 21

ALA. 20 BALDWIN

October 17th. 1949.

Mr. A.A.Gaston,
Secretary,
Fairhope Single Tax Corporation,
Fairhope, Ala.


Dear Mr. Gaston:

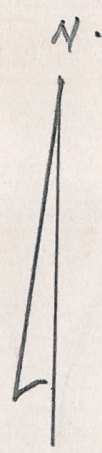
Sorry that I did not enclose a sketch of the proposed extension covered by the easements sent you in an early letter.

Mr. Walley advises me that the road on the north line of his land shown on the map is to be widened. Therefore, he suggested that we build the line about ten feet south of the present fence. It will be necessary that we continue the line in on Mr. Donner land in accord therewith. If the road between Mr. Donner's and R.J.Dunham's is also to be widened then it would be well that we build somewhat back from the present road (that is the road running north and south).

Thanking you, I am,

Respectfully,


H.C. Peterson.



MOLLIVER
LANGLEY

40 A.

40 A.

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SEC 27
T6S. RYE.

JOHN
JOINER.
LESSEE
SE 1/4 of SW 1/4
SEC 27
T6S. RYE.

R.L. DUNHAM

B.W. DONNER
LESSEE

NE 1/4 of
NW 1/4
SEC 27
T6S. RYE

W.T. WALLEY
LAND.
N 1/2 of NE 1/4

— — — O = PROPOSED EXTENSION,
LINE TO PARALLEL ROADS.

SEC 27
T6S. RYE.

BALDWIN COUNTY ELECTRIC MEMBERSHIP CORPORATION
ROBERTSDALE, ALABAMA

PHONE 21

ALA. 20 BALDWIN

September 28th. 1949.

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Fairhope,
Ala.

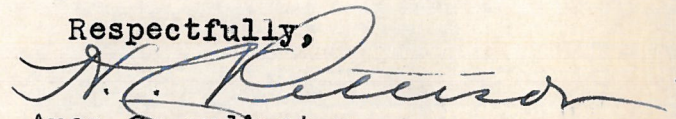
Gentlemen:

Enclosed find plat showing proposed electric line affecting some of your land. Hope to serve Messrs. Dunham, Dooner and Langley. Am also enclosing easement i in duplicate, one being for your file. Will contact Dooner and Joiner in regards to their rights.

Hope that we may shortly receive permit needed from you.

Thanking you, I am,

Respectfully,



Area Co-ordinator.

Oct. 24, 1949

Mr. H. G. Peterson
Baldwin County Electric Membership Corp.
Robertsdale, Alabama

Dear Sir:

Enclosed find an easement for electric lines. You will note that I have changed the description to be more specific, and to add the NW $\frac{1}{4}$ of the NE $\frac{1}{4}$ Section 27.

In making our leases to these lands we excepted 33 feet for road on the South side of Section 22 and along the North side of Section 27 to provide for a 66 foot road. The same reservation was made through the center of Section 22 from North to South, 33 feet being taken from the West side of the East half and 33 feet from the East side of the West half.

It is my information that due consideration has not been given to these reservations in the construction of some of the fences, but the easement is intended to cover the full 66 feet of right of way as no permission has been given to fence in any part of it. We have included the NW $\frac{1}{4}$ of the NE $\frac{1}{4}$ of Sec. 22, which is under lease to W. T. Walley, who owns the NE $\frac{1}{4}$ of the NE $\frac{1}{4}$. You probably thought the NE $\frac{1}{4}$ of the NE $\frac{1}{4}$ also belonged to him and may have secured the easement from him.

I hope this will meet your requirements but if it lacks something please call on me.

Very truly yours,

Secretary

P. S. I am enclosing both copies. If one was for us please return it.

Dec. 30, 1947

Baldwin Iron & Equipment Co.
Fairhope, Alabama

Gentlemen:

A survey has been made of the portion of your leasehold on Fairhope Avenue you considered surrendering. It appears that you have made no payment of rent on this property since the original payment made when you applied for the lease.

At the present time there is unpaid rent in the amount of \$235.18. You will recall that we billed you for \$150.00 for trees, etc. on the land leased. A recent survey reveals that there are trees to the value of \$25.00 on the 33 feet on the west which you proposed to retain title to and my information from Mr. Bung is that the stumpage value of the trees you removed from the portion of the lot you propose to surrender amounted to approximately \$40.00.

The surrender terms of the lease provide that six months notice in writing be given and that all rents to the date of surrender be paid. I believe the Executive Council would waive the requirement of six months notice and would be willing to accept surrender as of the end of this month upon payment of the above charges. You will note that such charges amount to a total of \$300.18. In addition to this there are delinquent rent penalty charges amounting to \$14.28 and interest charges on the improvement value amounting to \$9.00, making your total obligation \$323.46.

I do believe the Council will require that the 33 feet you proposed to retain be coupled with the Jack and Irene Beaty lease to the 66 ft. lot you are acquiring from them. There should be no difficulty about accomplishing this since I have no doubt the Beatys would appreciate having it added.

I believe the proposal set forth above must be made at once if it is to secure favorable attention by the Council and our next meeting is scheduled for Thursday night. I am sure you will agree that this office has been unduly lenient in its treatment of your account and that you will appreciate our necessity to require your prompt attention to this matter.

Very truly yours,

COPY

Bank of Fairhope,
Fairhope, Alabama

Gentlemen:

The rent is in arrears on land leased to you February 7, 1946, described as follows:

Lot five (5) and one-half ($\frac{1}{2}$) of platted alley on West and land to South extending to lands leased to Baldwin County Board of Education, giving a total depth of 177 ft., more or less, Block thirteen (13), Division one (1).

It was our information, at the time of the issuance of this lease that the improvements were under contract of sale to J. A. and Elsie B. Hawkins. Mr. and Mrs. Hawkins had paid the rent on this leasehold up to the present year, but no payment has been received on this year's rent.

In April, 1944, while the Hawkins contract was in force we leased to Mr. and Mrs. Hawkins land adjoining described as follows:

Begin at the center of the platted alley on the North side of Block thirteen (13) Division one (1), thence West $6\frac{1}{2}$ feet, South 112 feet, West 54 feet, South 65 feet, East $60\frac{1}{2}$ feet and North 177 feet to beginning.

Since the issuance of these leases we have agreed to give the Town 10 feet for the widening of De La Mare St. The combined descriptions give a lot with an L shape having a frontage on De La Mare St. of 64 ft. instead of the $57\frac{1}{2}$ ft. contained in your leasehold, and with a width for the South 65 feet of 118 feet. The rent on the added land is also in arrears for this year. We would like to combine these two leaseholds into one single leasehold.

Our files show a judgment against J. A. Hawkins issued by the Circuit Court Oct. 25, 1949. We will appreciate such information as you can give concerning the matters mentioned above.

Very truly yours,

Secretary

July 31, 1948

Bank of Fairhope
Fairhope, Ala.

Gentlemen:

On the enclosed rent statements of Mr. and Mrs. D. E. Hershberger and Mr. and Mrs. P. G. Zimmerman, the red pencil memos indicate the amount of the $\frac{1}{2}$ year increase resulting from the recent completion of hard surfacing the streets on which these leaseholds front.

Very truly yours,

Secretary

THE BANK OF FAIRHOPE

FAIRHOPE, ALABAMA

"On Mobile Bay"

December 20, 1948

Fairhope Single Tax Corp.
Fairhope, Alabama

Attention: Dr. C. A. Gaston, Secretary

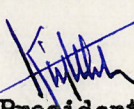
Dear Sir:

In accordance with your letter of December 9th which we received this morning, we are enclosing check for 11¢ covering remainder of taxes due for D. R. Hershberger.

We are also enclosing check for \$70.77 covering taxes over and above rent paid for our own account. We will of course take care of the taxes due the Town of Fairhope.

We also acknowledge receipt of letters which you have written to lessees.

Yours sincerely,


President

KW:dp
encl.

January 17, 1948

Bank of Fairhope
Fairhope, Alabama

Gentlemen:

Messers Smith, Dukes and Buckalew, CPA, Mobile, Alabama are making an audit of our books. We respectfully request that you furnish them direct the following information as of the close of business December 31, 1947:

1. Balance on deposit in our regular checking account.
2. Amount of our indebtedness to you, if any, direct or indirect, together with collateral thereon.

We shall appreciate your prompt attention to our request.

Yours very truly,

Fairhope Single Tax Corp.

C. A. Gaston, Secretary

COPY

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Dec. 21, 1947

Bank of Fairhope
Fairhope, Ala.

Gentlemen:

The enclosed bill for the 1947 state & county tax is so much in excess of your 1947 rent, \$129.30, that it occurs to me it might be best for you to pay the tax and deliver the receipt to us the first of the year for a \$129.30 credit on the 1948 rent charge.

Very truly yours,

Secretary

THE BANK OF FAIRHOPE

FAIRHOPE, ALABAMA

"On Mobile Bay"

January 24, 1945

The Bank of Fairhope has purchased for the account of and at the instance of the Fairhope Single Tax Corporation the following 14% U. S. Treasury Notes of Series C-1947:

No. 5393	-	\$5,000.00
5394		5,000.00
5395		5,000.00
5396		5,000.00
		<u>\$20,000.00</u>

Inasmuch as these bonds are purchased for the account of the Fairhope Single Tax Corporation, the said Fairhope Single Tax Corporation by signing and accepting a copy of this statement agrees to accept the market risk of said bonds and in order to provide a margin of security for the Bank of Fairhope the said Fairhope Single Tax Corporation has paid the sum of \$2,000.00 to apply on the purchase price of the bonds mentioned, leaving the sum of \$18,000.00 to be paid at the convenience of the Fairhope Single Tax Corporation with the understanding that said payment will not exceed one year from this date, and the further understanding that the interest on all of said bonds shall accrue to the Fairhope Single Tax Corporation and the Fairhope Single Tax Corporation hereby agrees to pay to the Bank of Fairhope interest at the same rate borne by these bonds, said interest to be computed on the unpaid portion of the purchase price as it may be reduced from time to time, said interest to be computed and paid on the final closing of this agreement, but in no case later than January 31, 1946.

The Fairhope Single Tax Corporation shall have the right to withdraw securities to the extent of the payments which they have made on this contract, provided they at all times maintain a margin of \$2,000.00 above the par value of the bonds which may not have been paid for.

We, C. A. Gaston, as Secretary, and E. C. Wolcott, as Treasurer of the Fairhope Single Tax Corporation, acting under authority given by the Executive Council of said Fairhope Single Tax Corporation under date of _____ hereby accept the terms of the above agreement and agree that the Fairhope Single

THE BANK OF FAIRHOPE

FAIRHOPE, ALABAMA

"On Mobile Bay"

Tax Corporation shall be bound thereby.

FAIRHOPE SINGLE TAX CORPORATION

By G. A. Gustin
Secretary

E. L. Holcott
Treasurer

The above agreement is accepted for the account of the Bank of Fairhope.

THE BANK OF FAIRHOPE

By Kirby
President

THE BANK OF FAIRHOPE

FAIRHOPE, ALABAMA

"On Mobile Bay"

June 18, 1941

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Statement

Fairhope Single Tax Corp.
Fairhope, Alabama

Gentlemen:

We hold your lease dated August 17, 1929, which originally covered Lots 3, 4 and 5, Block 16, less the South 80 feet. This lease has been reduced by surrender of ~~the~~ *all except* North 185 feet of Lots 4 and 5. We have entered into contracts for the sale of improvements located on this leasehold as follows:

A contract to sell the North ⁹⁵~~90~~ feet of said Lots to Mrs. Ella P. Manning of Washington, D. C., and the South 90 feet to Hugh L. Cole.

We would appreciate it if you would take notice of these contracts on your records. Some time ago we gave you verbal notice of these contracts; and rent accounts were set up for the contracts as they stood at that time. Both contracts have now been amended to cover the property as described above. We would appreciate it if you would have these rent accounts adjusted to take care of this change. In our opinion it would be fair for this change to be made as of March 31, 1941.

Yours sincerely,


President.

KW:DP

April 7, 1941

Mr. Kirby Wharton,
Fairhope, Ala.,

Dear Mr. Wharton:

As I agreed to do I measured the Manning and Cole leaseholds in block 16, division 2 and found them to be as shown on the enclosed sketch, on which you will note that the old fence which has been used as the dividing line so far as use is concerned, is 31½ ft. north of the line as described in the ~~in~~ leases.

I also show the location of the Manning house as related to the streets and the old fence, which shows the property would not be injured any by transferring the portion south of the fence to Mr. Cole. However if such transfer is made I suggest it would be better to transfer an even footage, say 30 feet, leaving 95 feet in the Manning lot and making the Cole lot 90 feet.

Mrs. Ness was on the ground when the measurements were made and this was satisfactory to her. The old fence was down and the wild growth marking the line is undesirable so there would be no objection to a slight change in the location.

A recalculation of the rent shows that such a transfer would reduce Mrs. Manning's annual rent from \$45.08 to \$38.33..

Very truly yours,

Secretary.

Feb. 3, 1945

Bank of Fairhope,
Fairhope, Alabama

Gentlemen:

Please be advised that, by motion adopted at its regular meeting Thursday night, February 1, 1945, the Executive Council of the Fairhope Single Tax Corporation directed that you be authorized to give the corporation secretary, C. A. Gaston, access to your safety deposit box listed in the name of the Corporation.

Very truly yours,

President

Dec. 19, 1942

Bank of Fairhope
Fairhope, Ala

Gentlemen:

We have the 1942 state and county tax bill on your assessment #3 in the amount of \$195.30 which appears to be \$15.75 more than the total such taxes on your colony lease-holds on that assessment.

We suggest that you give us a check payable to M. H. Wilkins, Collector in that amount and we will make payment in full.

Very truly yours,

Secretary

P.S. I am enclosing a letter to Dr. Mason concerning Clarke Brothers' 1941 Town tax interest. Thought you might want to attend to this.

*Print^{ed} 12/15
C. A. B.*

Dec. 24, 1941

Bank of Fairhope,
Fairhope, Alabama

Gentlemen:

Your #4 Assessment lists the Bank property, the two Kapahn properties and the Decker-Hunter property.

We have paid the State and County tax on this assessment and would like to pay the Town of Fairhope tax with the exception of that portion on the Bank property which amounts to \$75.00. If you will let us have your check payable to the Town for that amount we will make up the difference and see that the tax is paid, furnishing you with a receipted bill.

Also the D. E. Hershberger Town and County taxes exceed the rent paid by him by \$10.71. If you can pay from his account in similar manner we will pay the Town tax.

We would like to get these matters attended to before the end of the month and will appreciate your early attention to them.

Very truly yours,

Secretary.

THE BANK OF FAIRHOPE

FAIRHOPE, ALABAMA

"On Mobile Bay"

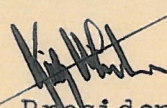
December 27, 1941

Dr. C. A. Gaston, Sec'y.
Fairhope Single Tax Corp.
Fairhope, Alabama

Dear Sir:

We hand you herewith our cashier's check for \$7.79 which we ask that you use to complete the payment of town taxes for Thomas M. Mickle. Please send us the paid bill in this instance.

Yours sincerely,


President

KW:DP

June 30, 1941.

Bank of Fairhope,
Fairhope, Ala.,

Gentlemen:

We have at hand notice from the Baldwin County Savings & Loan Ass'n advising us of a proposal of W. H. Evans to give them a mortgage on lots 4 & 9, blk. 30, div. 2, which we have understood was in the process of sale to Evans by you, but of which we have no record notice and the lease to same, we presume to be still in your possession. If Mr. Evans has completed his contract of purchase from you may we have the lease for completion of the transfer at our next meeting, Thursday, July 3?

Would it not be well, at this time, to supply us with formal notice of your sales contracts covering:

7/17/41 ✓ Tomopo Orchards to T. J. Klumpp

7/24/41 ✓ The Decker place to Gavin Hunter

Kapahn place, cor. Fairhope and Ingleside to Fred Ingersoll

Kapahn place (south) to ? ? ? ?

The Bald. Co. S. & L. also notifies us of the proposal of Gordon & Hazel Lowell to give a mortgage on the property recently purchased by them and on which our record shows a mortgage to you.

Very truly yours,

Secretary.

Jan. 20, 1940.

Kirby Wharton, Pres.,
Bank of Fairhope,

Dear Sir:-

This is to acknowledge receipt of your notice of having contracted to sell the improvements and leasehold interest ~~in~~ and to S. 36 ft. of lot 8, blk. 6 div. 4, to Guernsey Clark and Sanford Clark.

The proposed transaction was presented to the Executive Council at its regular meeting Jan. 4 and was regularly approved subject to the terms of the contract and to the rules of the Corporation that the old lease ~~not~~ be delivered to ~~the~~ it before a new lease is issued the transferees.

Very truly yours,

Secretary.

ELLA P. MANNING

June 23, 1941

Bank of Fairhope,
Fairhope, Ala.,

Gentlemen:

In accordance with your request of June 19 our Executive Council approved of your agreements to make transfer of the north 95 ft. of lots 4 and 5, block 16 division 2 to Ella P. Manning and of the south 90 ft. of the north 185 ft. of said lots to Hugh L. Cole.

We have adjusted our ledger accounts of the parcels to show a 1941 rent charge as indicated in your letter and have so notified Mr Cole; also sending him an application to sign and return to us for his file.

I am enclosing an application for Mrs. Manning to sign and will appreciate your having her sign it when convenient.

Very truly yours,

Secretary.

Aug. 16, 1948

Mrs. C. P. Barker
708 Willow Court
Hammond, Ind.

Dear Mrs. Barker:

I was greatly disappointed to learn of your bereavement. You and Mr. Barker had made a very favorable impression on me and I had looked forward to your joining us here.

I have talked with Mrs. Kamper and she has several prospects and will, I believe, move the property in the near future. She has been advertising it and there is a very active demand for ~~in~~ homes in Fairhope.

With respect to the rent, the last half year's rent which is now due is not delinquent until October 1 so I would suggest that you delay payment in the prospect that a sale will be accomplished prior to that date and your agent can arrange for a prorating of the rent to the date of transfer.

With respect to the lease I believe it may as well be left here until the property is sold, at which time we can send it to you with an appropriate endorsement of transfer which you can execute and return it to accomplish the transfer.

Trusting there will be no great delay in accomplishing the sale and assuring you of our willingness to be of such assistance as we may I am,

Very truly yours,

Secretary

708 Willow Court
Hammond, Ind.,
Aug. 4, 1948

Dear Mr. Gaston :-

I wish to apologize for not having written to you sooner, but my husband passed away on July 8th and, therefore, I just didn't get to it.

At first I thought I might go to Fairhope and fix the house up that we bought on Magnolia Avenue, from Mr. Salty, but both Mrs. Rose Kemper, and Mr. Wharton from the Bank, advised me that it would be better to try and sell it just as it is, so I finally decided to do that, so on July 31st I wrote to both of them, stating that I would like to have them do what they could to dispose of it as soon as possible. We met Mrs. Kemper twice while we were looking for a place to buy and she impressed us

as being sincere and trustworthy.
I told them I would like to
get \$3500.⁰⁰ for my part, if
possible.

I wondered whether I should
list it with other real estate
firms, too, in order to sell it
quicker. Could you suggest some
one? Or if you know of someone
who is looking for a cheap place
perhaps you would be kind
enough to tell them about it.

I received your card stating
that the lease was ready for
our signatures. What do I do
about that now? Should I
pay for the rent now, or wait
and have it deducted from the
selling price.

Could you let me hear from you
soon - and any help you could give
me at this time will be appreciated
more than I can tell you.

yours very truly

(Mrs.) Emma D. Barker

Mrs. C. P. Barker)

Sep. 8, 1953

Mr. C. R. McKee
Navy #943 Box 14
F. P. O. San Francisco
California

Dear Mr. McKee:

Enclosed find our receipt No. 1278 for your \$30.00 check which we have credited to the rent account of Mrs. A. R. Barton.

Also find enclosed statement #588 showing the account as it stood before your remittance and marginal note of the subsequent balance except for such interest as has accrued since July 1, 1953. Our interest or penalty charges are not compounded so all payments are credited to interest bearing debt principal.

Next month the 1953 tax will be due in the amount of \$35.40 so I suggest you make your check for that amount and instead of making it payable to Fairhope Single Tax Corporation make it payable to M. H. Wilkins, Tax Collector and send it to us. We will forward it to Mr. Wilkins and will send you a rent receipt for the full amount.

Our records show this remittance of \$30.00 to be the first payment made this year.

We hope you will escape any severe storms or direct hits during your typhoon season. So far there have been only three hurricanes this season and all have kept a goodly distance from our section. I am sure it is good to have your family there with you but hope conditions will make it so you can all come back soon and resume a more stable and normal life.

Sincerely yours,

Secretary

Navy #943 Box 14
F.P.O. San Francisco Calif.
1 Sept. 1953

Mrs C. A. Gaston
Fairhope Single Tax Corporation
Fairhope, Alabama

Dear Mr Gaston

Enclosed find check for \$30.00
to be applied to the rent
due on the property occupied
by Mrs Edith S. Barton. We hope
to send \$30.00 each month until
all rent has been paid if that
would be satisfactory with you.
We should very much appreciate
a statement so as to know what
the remaining balance is.

Jeanne and the children arrived
here a few weeks ago and like
Greas. Our days are mighty hot
but we have some wonderful
beaches to cool off on. The typhoon
and rainy seasons are about to start
so I expect we'll all want to get
back to Fairhope soon Very truly yours
C. R. McKee

Fred Chapin Jr.
xxxxxxxxxx

March 8, 1951

Mrs. A. R. Barton
Fairhope, Alabama

Dear Mrs. Barton:

Mr. M. H. Wilkins, County Tax Collector, was in my office this week and advised me that the 1950 state and county tax on your improvements has not been paid. Unless this is paid very soon he will have to proceed as provided by law to secure the payment of this tax since he must make his report to the state department of revenue. The amount now due is \$18.16. I suggest that you bring me a check or money order payable to M. H. Wilkins and I will forward it to him; or you may send it direct, advising it is for payment of the 1950 tax on assessment no/ 31.

Our records show that your indebtedness to us for rent to July 1, this year amounts to \$269.20 to which must be added accrued penalty charges to the date of payment. Also we note you have not yet paid the City taxes for 1949 and 1950. These matters should not be longer delayed and we hope we may hear from you shortly.

Very truly yours,

Secretary

Copy to:
Mrs. Celina Cummings

*Proposed to pay \$40.00 a month
until next paid.*

July 12, 1940

Mr. & Mrs. H. J. Battey,
Fairhope, Ala.,

Dear Lessees:

We regret to learn from an examination of our accounts that no payment has been made by you during the first half of this year.

Your present indebtedness \$292.65 is very nearly as high as it was last year at this time and we hope you have some definite plans for taking care of a portion of it during the coming ~~year~~ half year.

Is it possible that you have more land than you can effectively and economically use now? Should this be the case perhaps we could find a purchaser for the improvements on a portion of it.

Very truly yours,

Secretary.

*Paid \$5.00 July 24, 1940
believe can pay monthly
now. Improving dairy herd*

32¢
12/38736
388
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March 27, 1940.

Mr. and Mrs. H. J. Battey,
Fairhope, Ala.,

Dear Lessees:

We wish to express our appreciation for the attention you gave your account last year, paying in enough to cover the current year's rent and to reduce the old balance by approximately \$90.00.

However I am sure that you will appreciate that the present old balance of \$162.71, as shown on the recent statement sent you, is a considerable one and represents unpaid rent for the years of 1939, 1938, and appt of 1937; also that the present accrued penalty of \$56.03 amounts to the major portion of a year's rent.

The first quarter of this year ends with this week and so far we have received no payment on your account since December 13, 1939. If it is possible for you to do so please make some payment this week and advise us of the prospect for subsequent payments during the year.

Very truly yours,

Secretary.

Aug 4, 1941

Mrs. Mary S. Baxter,
Box 6044,
West Asheville, N. C.,

Dear Mrs. Baxter:

Enclosed find check of Mr. Sam Dyson for
the transfer of your lease.

Mr. Dyson informs me the contract price for
the sale of the house just built is \$2,800.00 and he
expects the house he proposes to build will be about
the same price.

I am pleased to learn that you still intend
to come to Fairhope to live and I hope you will be
able to dispose of your property there quickly.

Very truly yours,

Secretary.

West Asheville N.C.
Aug - 1 - 1941

Fairhope Single Tax Corporation

Dear Sirs

Find enclosed transfer lease to
Mr. Dwyson. We hope to become a resident
of Fairhope just as soon as we can
dispose of our property here.

Thanking you for all your kindness

Very truly
Mary S. Baxter

Mr. Gaston can you give me the price of the
house Mr. Dwyson has sold, and the price
of the one he is going to build?

\$2500

2500

July 30, 1941

Mrs. Fred V. Baxter,
Box 6044,
West Asheville, N. C.,

Dear Mrs. Baxter:

As requested by you notice was taken of your intention to surrender your lease to lot 11, block 2, division 3 and it was agreed that such surrender would be effective 6 months from the date of your lease and without further obligation on your part.

You may recall that Mr. Sam Dyson was building on a lot a few lots west of your lot at the time you were here. The house has been finished now and is sold and Mr. Dyson agrees to take your lot assuming the rent charge from August 1. The 8 1/3 month rent charge on the lot is \$19.93 and the lease fee charge of \$1.00 make total charges of \$20.93, on which you had paid \$14.36. The rent from August 1 which Mr. Dyson would pay would amount to \$12.00 so there would be a refund to you of \$5.43.

I would suggest that the best way to handle this matter is for you to make transfer to Mr. Dyson of your lease rights in consideration of his payment to you of the remaining advance charges paid by you. To do this it will be necessary for you to endorse on the back of your lease in substance as follows: "For and in consideration of payment to me of \$5.43 advance charges paid by me thereon, I do herewith transfer all my right, title and interest in and to the within lease to Sam and Helen Dyson."

I am herewith enclosing your lease so this may be accomplished and if you will return it to me properly endorsed as above I will collect and send the refund to you. We hope that at a later date you may be in position to build here and become residents of Fairhope.

Very truly yours,

Secretary.

West Asheville N. C.
Box 6044
June 26. 41

Fairhope Single Tax Corp.

Dear Sir,

Since returning home conditions have so changed
and as it was I was not so well pleased
with a North exposure lot so think it
advisable to release this lot and take a
chance on some thing better in the future.

Very Resp't.

Mary S. Bayter.

Approved by the Executive Council July 3, 1941, no charge
other than the payment with application.

J. A. Suster
Secretary.

Baldwin County

Feb. 14, 1953

Mr. P. B. Day, Resident Engineer
Bay Minette, Alabama

Dear Mr. Day:

Our lessee, Mr. H. D. Kirby has complained of the inadequacy of the provision for Fairhope Ave. drainage across his leasehold on the South side of Fairhope Ave. one mile East of the Busy Bee Garage.

At the time of the construction of the farm to market road on Fairhope Ave. Culverts were placed under the road to bring the water from the north side and some ditch was provided across his leasehold. Mr. Kirby advises that the ditch terminated at so high an elevation that the water cannot get away. He says that there is a drop of some three feet about seventy-five feet south of the end of the existing ditch and that if it were extended the water from the highway would have ample fall to get away quickly.

Mr. Kirby says he believes ~~xxx~~ such extension could best be provided by the use of dynamite but that he has been unable to get any. This deficiency in the ditch was brought to our attention at the time the work was being done but it appears the contractor did carry the ditch as far as the engineering plans provided. We took the matter up with the county engineer and secured a tentative agreement as we recall that he would make a further inspection at a later date and would endeavor to accomplish the necessary completion.

We will very much appreciate it if you will look into this matter and complete the work if you can. If you cannot we will appreciate having your suggestion as to what it is best to do to provide means for the water to get away. We note that drainage ditches are now being constructed on the land to the north of Fairhope Ave. and the situation will probably be aggravated by the faster runoff of the water.

Very truly yours,

Secretary

Nov. 8, 1952

Mr. P. B. Day, Resident Engineer
Bay Minette, Alabama

Dear Mr. Day:

I enclose herewith deed to the lands in Sections 16 and 17 needed for the Greeno Road improvement project.

I have a letter from Sherrill Oil Co., accepting the conditions. They do state however: "We would appreciate your letting us have a copy of the deed as finally executed for our permanent files." Will you please have such copy made and send it to me so I may comply with the request?

Very truly yours,

Secretary



W. G. PRUETT
STATE HIGHWAY DIRECTOR

STATE OF ALABAMA
HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT
~~GROVE HILL, ALABAMA~~

Bay Minette, Alabama
May 14, 1952

Mr. C. A. Gaston, Secretary
Fairhope Single Tax Corporation
Fairhope, Alabama

Dear Sir:

In answer to your letter of April 21, 1952, regarding right-of-way line on Project C-024, this is to advise that we now have right-of-way stakes every two hundred feet on each side of the road along the Rockwell and Benik property.

Yours very truly,

P. B. Day,
Resident Engineer.



W. G. PRUETT
STATE HIGHWAY DIRECTOR

STATE OF ALABAMA
HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT

GROVE HILL, ALABAMA

September 26, 1952

Mr. C. A. Gaston, Secretary
Fairhope Single Tax Corporation
Fairhope, Alabama

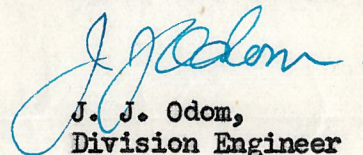
Dear Sir:

We have your letter of September 8 addressed to Mr. P. B. Day, Resident Engineer, State Highway Department, Bay Minette, Alabama, requesting the paving of a section of road for three-fourths of a mile, running south from the existing pavement on Morphy Avenue, one-fourth mile south of Fairhope Avenue.

Under the local act, which turned the county roads of Baldwin County over to the State Highway Department, the County reserved the right to name the roads which should be paved. The County has designated all the roads that are to be paved up to July 1, 1953.

It is suggested, since you would like to have this road paved, that you communicate with the County Commission of Baldwin County with the request that they include this road in their future road program.

Yours very truly,


J. J. Odom,
Division Engineer

JJO/lm

cc: Mr. Marvin Taylor
Baldwin County Commission
File

Sept. 8, 1952

Mr. P. B. Day, Resident Engineer
Bay Minette, Alabama

Dear Mr. Day:

A few weeks ago we were asked by private owners of land in the N $\frac{1}{2}$ of Sec. 21 on the line between Sections 21 & 22, if anything might be done about getting the section road hard-surface for the three-quarters of a mile running South from the existing hard surfacing on Morphy Ave. $\frac{1}{4}$ mile South of Fairhope Ave. the farm to market road.

For your information the hard surfacing of Morphy Ave. was accomplished by the County Commissioners directing their engineer to grade and provide a suitable base for the paving, and our corporation, the owner of all the abutting land paying the contractor in full for the surfacing. We told them it might be possible to make such an arrangement for this road and that we would take the matter up with you if they were prepared to pay their proportionate amount of the paving.

They agreed that they are. The consideration is for an 18 foot double surface slag and asphalt paving and Mr. Cargile, of Harbert & Cargile, Mobile has given us a price of 42¢ per sq. yd. Our Executive Council suggests they would like to have the project include the unsurfaced gap between Morphy Ave. and Fairhope Ave., $\frac{1}{4}$ mile. Your early attention to this matter will be appreciated.

Very truly yours,

Secretary

Copy to:
Commissioner W. B. Cooper
Robertsdale, Ala.



W. G. PRUETT
STATE HIGHWAY DIRECTOR

STATE OF ALABAMA
HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT

~~GROVE HILL, ALABAMA~~

Bay Minette, Alabama
September 19, 1952

Mr. C. A. Gaston, Secretary,
Fairhope Single Tax Corporation,
Fairhope, Alabama

Dear Mr. Gaston:

I wish to acknowledge receipt of your letter of recent date concerning the paving of the road leading south from Fairhope Avenue, across Morphy Avenue, for a total distance of 1 mile.

I am not in a position to give you a decision on this subject, however, it sounds good and I am passing a copy of your letter to Mr. J. J. Odom, Division Engineer at Grove Hill. Also a copy to Mr. R. J. Robertson, Chairman of the Board of County Commissioners, here in Bay Minette.

The Commission will have a special meeting on September 25, also the Division Engineer, Mr. Odom, will be present and this subject will be discussed to determine the possibilities of this improvement.

Yours very truly,

P B Day

P. B. Day,
Resident Engineer.

PBD/r

c/c Mr. J. J. Odom
Mr. R. J. Robertson

Probate Office

Baldwin County
W. R. STUART, Judge
Bay Minette, Alabama

October 15, 1952

Mr. C. A. Gaston
Fairhope, Alabama

Dear Mr. Gaston:

I received your letter this morning requesting information with reference to the voting status of the different electors and who are supposed to be qualified voters of Baldwin County.

First, I will state that there will not be a supplemental voters list sent out as the Tax Collector will not make known to this office the names and the amounts that the different ones have paid in poll tax since October 1st. It is his duty after February 1st of each year to turn over to the Probate Judge a list of the ones and the amounts paid by each one during that tax year and on that account, naturally, I could not make a supplemental list.

I, as Probate Judge, can and will certify to the qualification of a veteran who is registered and is due no poll tax. Will certify to anyone who has registered that came into the State since they became forty-five years of age and of course would be due no poll tax.

As you know, the Attorney General ruled that a voter who had not paid his poll tax prior to February 1, 1952, would not be eligible to vote in the general election. Of course, he is a lawyer and is supposed to know the law. However, I cannot see how election officials can deny anyone the privilege of voting if he offers to vote a challenged vote and I do not think the person voting the challenged vote would be in danger of a prosecution if he had his credentials.

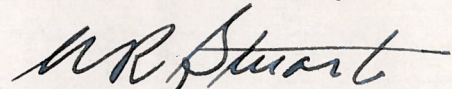
It looks bad to allow a veteran who owes no poll tax or a person past the poll tax age to be given the privilege of voting and to deprive the man of the privilege who paid the money.

I think that the election officials who are charged with the responsibility of holding the election and the ones who have in the past always conducted honest and fair elections should be allowed to use their judgment in most cases and of course comply with the law, which is based on common sense.

I am very anxious to see each qualified elector vote regardless of how he or she may vote.

If I can be of service, call on me.

Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read "W. R. Stuart". The signature is fluid and cursive, with a long horizontal stroke extending to the right.

W. R. Stuart
Probate Judge

WRS/et

Oct. 14, 1952

Hon. W. R. Stuart
Judge of Probate
Bay Minette, Ala.

Dear Judge Stuart:

A great many local residents have paid, since October 1, poll taxes for 1951 and prior years. Their names will not appear on the ~~eligiblexxxxxx~~ List of Qualified Voters certified by you in March.

It is my understanding that the officers supervising an election will admit for voting all persons whose names appear on the certified list and all other persons who evidence by registration certificates and suitable poll tax receipts their eligibility to vote. Must such persons also execute an affidavit certifying to their eligibility? Can the officers accept as evidence of eligibility poll tax receipts for 1951 or prior years that show payment to have been made subsequent to February 1, 1952?

In your judgment is a person who has been duly registered and who has paid delinquent poll taxes on or after Oct. 1, 1952, entitled to Broadly interpret the constitution and the statutes as declared by the probate judge of Mobile County, and may he have any assurance that he has violated no law when he executes the affidavit certifying to his eligibility? Also would you consider that such a person is entitled to feel that he is without danger of prosecution for such action?

Do you plan to make a supplementary list of voters who have qualified since March and if so will you include on such list any who were liable for poll taxes Feb. 1? I appreciate that this is a big order but unless you hold as does Judge Gailard it can be answered by a statement that in your opinion the letter of the law must be observed in the absence of a supreme court ruling. I have anticipated you may be otherwise quoted and hence these enquiries.

Sincerely yours,

Apr. 21, 1952

Mr. P. B. Day, Resident Engineer
Bay Minette, Alabama

Dear Mr. Day:

We are sending to Mr. Humphries the right-of-way deed to land in Section 2.

Our rent charge on the Rockwell and Benik leaseholds is based on area of land occupied. The area will have to be recalculated on the basis of your newly established right-of-way line. We will therefore appreciate your notifying us soon as such line is established, and marked.

Very truly yours,

Secretary

March 26, 1952

Mr. F. B. Day
Resident Engineer
Bay Minette, Alabama

Re: Project No. C-024
Baldwin County

Dear Mr. Day:

After receipt of your letter of March 13, I and our superintendent of lands and highways, Mr. Axil Johnson went out to the proposed project effecting the leaseholds of Roy Rockwell and Ed. Benik and took measurements from the stakes, adding to 40 feet the figure shown on the west side of the stakes.

We found that this would cause us to give from the land deeded to us an amount in excess of forty feet over the entire frontage. It appears that the amount to be given at the southwest corner of the Rockwell leasehold would total 48 feet, since his fence corner is now 33 feet east of the west line of the section. At the Benik northwest corner it would appear that the amount would be 43 feet, presuming that such corner is now 33 feet east of the west line of section 2.

When we leased these lands and surveyed the fence lines for the lessees such lines were made 33 feet east of the section line and if the section line had been used for the center of the road it ^{now} be necessary for us to give only an additional 7 feet to make the full 40 feet needed. In view of the above we feel that we should be required to give only 40 feet to the east of the true section line, and not from the center of the roadway as presently constructed.

We also thought the amount taken from the southwest corner of the Rockwell field was excessive and noted it greatly exceeded that at the northeast corner of the Warren orchard and at the northwest corner of the Rockwell field across the street. We will appreciate any modifications that can be made as to the amount of land to be given along the line and at the corner.

Mr. Benik who has an interest in the land on the west side of the road from his home and to the north of his home stated that they had not been asked for a deed. Should you be down this way a call at our office will be appreciated.

Very truly yours,



W. G. PRUETT
STATE HIGHWAY DIRECTOR

STATE OF ALABAMA
HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT

~~GROVE HILL, ALABAMA~~

Bay Minette, Alabama
March 13, 1952

Mr. C. A. Gaston
Secretary, Single Tax Colony,
Fairhope, Alabama

Dear Sir:

Re: Project No. C-024,
Baldwin County

I wish to acknowledge receipt of your letter of March 12 concerning right-of-way on the above project.

The center line of our survey is in the center of the present road and we are asking for a 40 foot right-of-way, each side of the center line.

We will have to set the present fences on the right-of-way line and cut any trees which are in the right-of-way, with the exception of pecan or oak shade trees. Any merchantable timber cut is the property of the owner, to do with as he likes.

We will not have to cut any of the trees or shrubbery in front of the Rockwell home. These trees are on the right-of-way but will not be disturbed. The Highway Department resets all fences but will not furnish any new material except staples.

If perhaps this does not explain any information desired, I will be glad to meet with you on the project and give any other information desired.

Yours very truly,

P. B. Day,
Resident Engineer.

PBD/r

March 12, 1952

Mr. P. B. Day, District Engineer
Bay Minette, Alabama

Dear Mr. Day: Mr. Day:

A couple of weeks ago we received a right-of-way deed from the County Clerk for certain of our land in Section 2 on the Beforest Road North from #104. I went out to see how much land would have to be given but was unable to tell from the stakes I was able to find.

All of the land is under 99 year lease, the south half mile to Roy Rockwell and the North one-quarter to Ed Benik. These lessees own whatever improvements are on the land and not being able to determine where the east boundary of the right-of-way is to be located we could not tell what they would lose in the way of trees, fences, etc.

Our corporation would make no claim for the land but the lessees might consider that they are entitled to some compensation should their improvements be destroyed. We would therefore like to be advised of how far back the fences would have to be set. Also we would like to know if it would be necessary to take down the large trees and other ornamental shrubbery at the Roy Rockwell entrance. Would the highway department stand the expense of moving the fences back?

I am sorry to have neglected to bring this matter to your attention earlier and assure you that the delay is due to an oversight and not to any unwillingness to cooperate in securing the improvement of this road.

Very truly yours,

Secretary

Nov. 12, 1951
Nov. 20, 1951

Mr. Postmaster
Mr. P. B. Day, District Engineer
Bay Minette, Alabama

Dear Mr. Day:

Our corporation council is considering a transaction that would give us full control of the 16 acres on which the clay pit is located that furnished the base for the farm to market road on Fairhope Ave. and the Belforest road.

Before committing ourselves in this matter we are interested in determining the extent of the clay deposit on this land. You may recall that I had asked if we might get the service of the state's exploration crew in the prospecting of this site. At the time I recall that the crew was occupied elsewhere. I will appreciate it if you will advise us of present prospects for such a survey. Thanking you for such attention as you give this matter I am,

Very truly yours,

Secretary

Apr/ 18, 1951

Mr. J. D. Bullington
County Engineer
Bay Minette, Alabama

Dear Mr. Bullington:

Some of the people in the neighborhood of the pit from which clay was taken for the road base came in and complained to me about conditions at the pit. A considerable number of children in the area have played around the pit and it was feared there is danger both from caving banks and from possibly falling in and drowning.

I have just been out to look it over and was surprised to see how deep it is. I had been under the impression the pit was to be left shallow enough to drain, but it appears there is no possibility of that. The water has gone down quite a bit now but there is still considerable in the bottom and I couldn't tell how deep it might be. It is possible that it would dry out and stay reasonably dry if the water from the road could be turned to the east so it wouldn't go into the pit.

It was suggested that we fence the pit but I see that the edge of the pit is clear out in the right of way and a fence could hardly be placed on the property line. I would very much appreciate it if you would examine the situation and make some recommendation to me. I really believe there is a hazard to traffic as well as to the children. Your early attention to this matter will be appreciated.

Very truly yours,

Secretary

Dec. 12, 1950

Mr. Dolive Bill
County Engineer's Office
Bay Minette, Ala.

Dear Mr. Bill:

I called Mr. Laidlaw on the phone after your call at my office and he said that the deal for the quarter mile of road was with Mr. Bryant. I have not heard from Mr. Bryant though Mr. Laidlaw said he would tell him to get in touch with us.

Mr. Laidlaw said that he would prefer to pay for the yardage used by him on the contract job which I presume would not include the material used on the quarter mile. How should this be handled? Will it be necessary for us to bill Baldwin County or Laidlaw Construction Co. I see by my council minutes that the option was given to the State of Alabama at 3¢ per cubic yard. Perhaps payment will be made to the State and we should bill the State. Please let me know what to do.

I wonder if you have Mr. Bryant's address. We would like to pay his bill this month and we have our last meeting on the 21st. If you will send me his address I will write him or if you see him I will appreciate your telling him of our desires.

Very truly yours,

Secretary

Oct. 10, 1950

Mr. J. D. Bullington
Bay Minette, Alabama

Dear Mr. Bullington:

Mr. Dalton Jones, our lessee to the land just North of the clay pit has complained that they are getting very close to his line, so close that he fears his land will be endangered of caving in to the pit. We had anticipated that care would be taken to protect the adjoining property. He is also concerned that there will be a pit that will hold stagnant water that will be unhealthful. We will appreciate it if you will look into these matters at your earliest convenience.

Very truly yours,

Secretary

Sept. 15, 1950

Mr. J. D. Bullington,
County Engineer
Bay Minette, Alabama

Dear Mr. Bullington:

Mr. Walter James, our lessee, has the field at the north end of E $\frac{1}{2}$ NW $\frac{1}{4}$ SE $\frac{1}{4}$ Sec. 16. A drainage ditch extends across the northeast corner of this field. The walls of the ditch are so steep that the ditch cannot be crossed by a farm implement. He has asked me to see if the walls can be sloped so he can get across. He also says that the neighbor on the east, Mr. Parker says that the ditch across his land is impassable.

Mr. James has customarily had access to his field from Fairhope Ave. but now the ditch is impassable without a culvert. He also called my attention that it would be an advantage in being able to mow and keep clear the south edge of the drainage ditch if the earth on the top could be leveled off so a mower could operate right to the edge of the ditch. If the whole of the south side could be leveled off the wall could be easily kept clean.

He also called to my attention that a lot of debris from the right of way had been left piled against his fence, or on top of it, farther to the west. We also suggested that if the back wall of the right of way cut could sloped up to the property lines they could be kept mowed. It seemed to me a good idea, but maybe it isn't practical.

We are all very anxious to know when work is going to get under way toward placing the base and putting on the bituminous cover. Can you tell me anything about this. I have heard nothing from you, or the contractors about the additional quarter mile we want to connect the end of Morphy Ave. If you get down this way I'd like to see you.

Very truly yours,

Secretary

Sept. 30, 1950

Mr. J. D. Bullington
Bay Minette, Alabama

Dear Mr. Bullington:

I have seen Mr. Bryant and he said they might be able to cut the surface charge to 33¢ per sq. yd. He asked if we would want 6 inches or eight inches of base. I told him we would leave that up to you. He said that unless there was a considerable amount of compaction on the ~~base~~ sub grade there would be no charge for that.

Mr. Bryant says they are spreading the base 24 ft. wide, priming 19 ft. and surfacing 18 ft. I told him you would lay out the work and that we would pay on the basis of the measured work done.

Mrs. Robison, who lives in the second house east of Butgereit advises me that they cut the ditch so deep at her entrance that she will need a culvert. Her drive in was on the west of her house where the garage is located. Now she has had to get in on the east and drive across her lawn to get to the garage.

Our lessee Mr. Free who lives a half mile east of the Belforest road, on the road between sections 11 and 14, a mile north of Fairhope Ave. has complained about the condition of that road. That is the road over which they have been hauling the base material. The traffic way between the ditches is quite narrow, little more than a single lane and material from the ditches is piled up along side, making it even narrower. Mr. Free has to commute to work in Mobile so must travel this road in all kinds of weather. Will you please see what can be done about it? I judge they are finished with their hauling over this section of road now.

Very truly yours,

Secretary

Aug. 21, 1950

Mr. J. D. Bullington
County Engineer
Bay Minetter, Alabama

Dear Mr. Bullington:

We presume the contractor will be getting back onto our road job pretty soon and surely want to get the extra quarter mile surfaced while they are here.

We surely hope the county crew is going to be able to get the sub grade ready so we will have to pay the contractor only for the clay and asphalt surface. Our Mr. Rockwell said some work had been done there but it appeared to him there was too narrow a roadway between the ditches. Hope you will be able to check this.

Mr. Rockwell, who leases from us the land at the southeast corner of the intersection of the Belforest and Robertsdale roads says that he will need a culvert for an entrance from the Belforest road and would like to have it just south of the angle on the Belforest side.

At the northwest corner of the Williams place, NW $\frac{1}{4}$ SW $\frac{1}{4}$ Sec. 11, where there is an entrance that goes in to the Friends cemetery, they will need a culvert. I am informed a culvert was there before. It is at the half section line.

Very truly yours,

Secretary

May 19, 1950

Board of Education
Baldwin County
Bay Minette, Alabama

Attn: Mr. P. M. Mason, Supervisor of
Transportation and Buildings

Gentlemen:

Your letter of May 16 relative to consideration of a proposal to exchange presently undeveloped school lands for lands belonging to our corporation was brought to the attention of our executive Council at its meeting Thursday night.

Councilmen voiced the opinion that should such a proposal be made it would be substantiated on the basis of public interest and the Colony would be obligated to place such interest first. I feel that I am justified in assuring you that no immediate action will be taken that would prevent our consideration of such proposal should it be made.

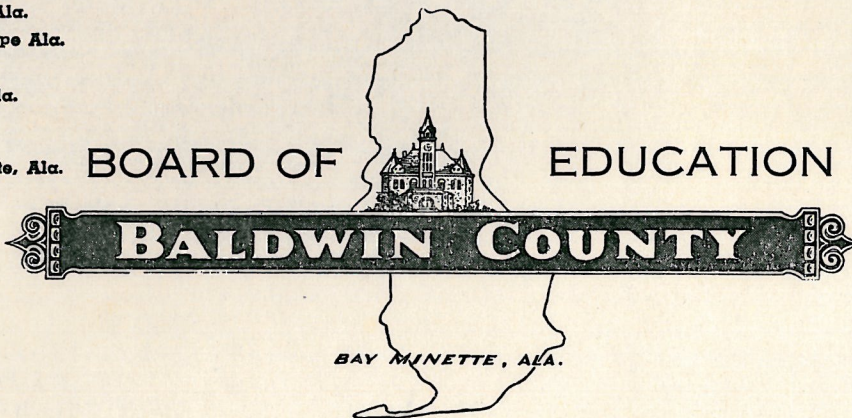
We appreciate being informed of the possibility and trust that a decision will be made without too great delay. We feel Fairhope is in rather urgent need of having additional land made available for private development on the economical terms offered only by our corporation so will want to know something definite. With the rather near realization of plans for sanitary sewer extensions we would probably not want to open for lease lands not now so served as is the golf course so the matter is not as urgent as it might otherwise be.

Very truly yours,

Secretary

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May 16, 1950

Fairhope Single Tax Colony
Fairhope, Alabama

Gentlemen:

This is to advise that the local Board of Trustees at the Fairhope Public School has sent us resolution requesting that the Board of Education contact you relative to the possibility of an exchange involving the present Nahrgang School site containing 30 acres, more or less, and property known as the Fairhope Municipal Golf Course containing approximately 26 acres.

It would be impossible for the Board to take any action on this request this week, but I am writing you to let you know that the request has been made and that whatever action the state and county might take in the matter is unknown at this time. Also it is unknown at this time to the state and county whether or not the Fairhope Single Tax Colony would entertain any proposition involving the properties mentioned.

The matter will be given consideration by us and I merely want to advise you that this request has been made from the local trustees.

Very truly yours,

P. M. Mason

P. M. Mason

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Dec. 19, 1949

Board of County Commissioners
Baldwin County
Bay Minette, Alabama

Gentlemen:

Please be advise that, at a meeting of the Executive Council of Fairhope Single Tax Corporation on November 17, 1949, I reported to the Council your proposal to make application for the development of two miles on Fairhope Avenue, thence North $1\frac{1}{2}$ miles to connect with the Robertsedale Road as a Farm to Market road, provided interested land owners would agree to contribute the County's share of the cost, approximately 25%.

On the above date our Executive Council adopted a motion as follows:

"It was moved and carried to direct the Secretary to notify the Commissioners that the corporation will accept the proposal and pay on demand, its share of the cost, estimated to be not more than \$8,142.43.

Also please find herewith right of way deeds and option for sale to the county of sand clay material from a pit located on lands belonging to the corporation.

Very truly yours,

Secretary

Mch. 8, 1949

Mr. J. D. Bullington
Bay Minette, Alabama

Dear Mr. Bullington:

Mr. Farmer, of Harbert & Cargyle, called at my office yesterday and advised me they would like to get at the surfacing of Morphy Ave. at an early date. We hope it will be possible for you to move in and complete the preparation of the base.

Mr. Farmer advises me they have a job farther north to start on soon and that they would like to at least get the prime on before moving their distributor. I assure you we will greatly appreciate whatever you can do to help us push this job to completion at the earliest possible date.

Very truly yours,

Secretary

Mch. 25, 1948

Board of County Commissioners
of Baldwin County
C. O. Weakley, Chairman
Bay Minette, Alabama

Gentlemen:

The Fairhope Single Tax Corporation, Fairhope, Alabama
begs to present for your consideration the following resolution
adopted by its Executive Council March 18, 1948.

BE IT RESOLVED that the Executive Council of the Fair-
hope Single Tax Corporation does hereby petition the
County Commissioners of Baldwin County to apply a bitu-
minous surface treatment on the County Road running
East from the Eastern boundary of the Town of Fairhope
along the center line of the South Half of Section 16
and continuing through the West Half of Section 15;
and that offer be made to the said County Commissioners
to deposit in escrow, at their disposal, funds for the
purchase of such bitumen and aggregate as may be re-
quired; provided the Executive Council may have oppor-
tunity to reconsider such offer after having been furn-
ished an estimate of the approximate cost.

Because of the character of the land this is a diffi-
cult piece of road to maintain in a reasonably passable condition
in rainy weather. All of the land on both sides is in use and
there are sixteen residences immediately fronting on the section
proposed to be improved. It would also serve a considerable
number living to the South and Southeast who regularly use this
road to come to Fairhope.

We hope it will be possible to give this matter atten-
tion at your next meeting and that it will be possible for you
to approve and accomplish the improvement as early as possible
this season.

Respectfully yours,

Secretary

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Clerk
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Jan. 14, 1944

Miss Erline Lide, Director
Department of Public Welfare
Bay Minette, Alabama

Dear Miss Lide:

Thank you for sending me the comparative report on
Public Assistance in Baldwin County and let me congratulate
you for the very substantial improvement.

I am glad our Town could contribute to this very nec-
essary work. Assuring you of my interest I am,

Very truly yours,

Baldwin County
DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WELFARE
BAY MINETTE, ALABAMA

January 4, 1943

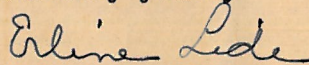
Dr. C.A. . Gaston
Bairhope, Ala.

Dear Dr. Gaston:

We thought you might be interested in the enclosed report, contrasting September and October expenditures by the welfare department. You will note the decided increase made possible by the legislature's appropriation of additional money for old age assistance.

We would like to express our sincere appreciation of the cooperation which this department has always received.

Sincerely yours,



Erline Lide, Director

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PUBLIC ASSISTANCE IN BALDWIN COUNTY

	SEPTEMBER			OCTOBER			DECEMBER
	No. of Cases	Average Grant	Total Expenditure	No. of Cases	Average Grant	Total Expenditure	CASE LOAD
Old Age Assistance	262	\$11.34	\$2,971.00	280	\$20.96	\$5,870.00	289
Aid to Dependent Children	37 110 children	24.49	906.00 120 children	40	26.45	1,058.00	42 124 children
Aid to Blind	4	14.00	56.00	3	22.33	67.00	3
Aid to Handicapped	9	11.11	100.00	10	13.00	130.00	9
Aid to Children in Foster Home Care	1	18.00	18.00	2	18.00	36.00	2
Temporary Aid	0	XX	XX	0	XX	XX	1
TOTAL	313	12.94	4,051.00	335	21.38	7,161.00	346

PERCENT SPENT FOR ADMINISTRATION:

September	10%
October	6%
November	6%
December	4%

Aug. 25, 1938.

Board of Commissioners,
Baldwin County,
Bay Minette, Ala.,

Gentlemen:-

I wish to call to your attention the action of the Executive Council of the Fairhope Single Tax Corporation at its meeting of Aug. 18, embodied in the following motion:

"Moved and carried that a Council committee be appointed to petition the Board of County Commissioners to improve Morphy Ave. Through Section Sixteen and the west half of Section Fifteen and that the committee be authorized to pledge the financial cooperation of the Corporation."

This Corporation has, for some time, been considering plans for the improvement of this country road, which the local mail carrier states is the worst stretch of road on his route. The character of the road seems to make it necessary to surface it with bituminous material to get a job that will be satisfactory and that will be sufficiently durable to justify the expense.

The writer secured some estimates from your Engineer Mr. Ed. Rogers and a figure has been secured from the Noonan Construction Co. on the entire job of grading, draining and surfacing. The total cost is far more than we can undertake at this time but we feel that we can pay a part, probably all the cost of the surfacing if the County can bear the cost of preparing the road to that point.

This is a County Road but it is appreciated that the type of construction we want is beyond the means of the County to supply, hence our offer of cooperation. We will come before you, if we may, at your next meeting and should your engineer be prepared to present a statement of the probable cost, at that time perhaps we might come to a definite agreement.

Respectfully yours,

FAIRHOPE SINGLE TAX CORP.,

By _____
Secretary