MINUTE ITEM

28. SALE OF VACANT STATE SCHOOL LAND, APPLICATION NO. 11668, LOS ANGELES LAND DISTRICT, SAN BERNARDINO COUNTY, WILLIAM J. SWALLOW, JR. - S.W.O. 7847.

After consideration of Calendar Item 6 attached, and upon motion duly made and unanimously carried, the following resolution was adopted:

THE COMMISSION:

1. FINDS THAT SECTION 36, T. 8 N., R. 22 E., S.B.M., AS SHOWN ON OFFICIAL U. S. PLAT OR RESURVEY APPROVED MAY 14, 1925, CONTAINING 640 ACRES, MORE OR LESS, IN SAN BERNARDINO COUNTY, IS NOT SUITABLE FOR CULTIVATION WITHOUT ARTIFICIAL IRRIGATION; AND

2. AUTHORIZES THE SALE OF SAID LAND, SUBJECT TO ALL STATUTORY AND CONSTITUTIONAL RESERVATIONS INCLUDING MINERALS, TO THE SOLE APPLICANT, WILLIAM J. SWALLOW, JR., AT A CASH PRICE OF $12,800.

Attachment
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CALENDAR ITEM

6.

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An offer was received from William J. Swallow, Jr., of Norwalk, California, to purchase Section 36, T. 8 N., R. 22 E., S.B M., as shown on official U. S. plat of resurvey approved May 14, 1925, containing 640 acres, more or less, in San Bernardino County, for $12,800, or $20 per acre, the minimum value established by a current appraisal. The appraisal shows that the land is not suitable for cultivation without artificial irrigation. The application was filed on June 5, 1961, subject to an application filed on February 2, 1960. Subsequently, the prior application was canceled at the request of the applicants, and William J. Swallow, Jr., thereby became the first applicant.

The land lies at an elevation of between 1000 and 1200 feet, and is located approximately eight air-line miles south and west of Needles. Access to the parcel involves a mile and one-half of cross-country travel from U. S. Highway 95. Sparse vegetative cover consists of greasewood and sagebrush. The nearest water source is the Colorado River, six miles to the east. The highest and best use of the land would be for recreation.

The land was advertised for sale with a stipulation that bids must be in excess of $12,800. No bids were received pursuant to advertising.

IT IS RECOMMENDED THAT THE COMMISSION:

1. FIND THAT SECTION 36, T. 8 N., R. 22 E., S.B.M., AS SHOWN ON OFFICIAL U. S. PLAT OF RESURVEY APPROVED MAY 14, 1925, CONTAINING 640 ACRES, MORE OR LESS, IN SAN BERNARDINO COUNTY, IS NOT SUITABLE FOR CULTIVATION WITHOUT ARTIFICIAL IRRIGATION; AND

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