E. C. AUSTIN

Road Commissioner Division No. 1

H.G. Smith. Greasurer Ketchikan, Alaska, 1-20-16 FILE NO. COLL COLL PEG JAN 2 4 1916 Junian abaska Dear Sir advise me as to the ammount of Money remaining in the Road frend for this Devision: I presume the 1966 torest Reserve money has been paid in by this time, as Room as the Weather premits I want to put some Preservature into some of the Vileing on the Charcoal Point Road and also Extend the Road to the Wireless Station provided there is money Enough available for that purpose Very truly yours E Caustin Com 12059.59 43617877 4/9044.69 2261.17 each 129196 3,13.13

Mr. E. C. Austin, Territorial Road Commissioner, Ketchikan, Alaska. 12/19/1

Dear Sir:

Replying to your letter of the 20th instant I beg leave to advise you that our appropriation ledger shows that you have expended during the past season the sum of \$10,018.84 and of the original amount of \$11,310.80 at your disposal for road work there remains and unexpended balance of \$1,291.96.

Since my former distribution of the Forest Reserve Fund under appropriations contained in Chapters 74 and 27, Session Laws of 1915, receipts of such fund have been as follows:

- Aug. 31, 15, Transfer from Deposit Interest Fund account quarter ending June 30, ----- 301.62
- Oct. 30, 15, Transfer from Deposit Interest Fund account quarter ending Sep. 30, ---- 302.00
- Nov. 6, 15, From Treasury Department of the U.S. 25% of receipts from National Forests in Alaska, fiscal year ending Jun 30. 11,165.75

Approximate amount of interest on Forest Reserve Fund quarter ending Dec. 31, 1915.-----

290.22.

Approximate total that will be available for distribution under appropriations contained in Acts mentioned above.

\$12.059.59

Of the above amount 75% or \$9,044.69 will be available for Road Work in the Territory during the season 49 1916, one fourth of it or \$2,261.17 to each Read District. This amount plus your unexpended balance would give you \$3,553.13 for your next season's work. Owing to myknovyet having received interest statements from all depository banks for the quarter ending Dec. 31st, the foregoing figures are to some extent approximate.

As soon as all interest credits are received for the last quarter the Fund on hand will be distributed in accordance with the appropriations and the Road Commissioners notified of the exact amount at their despassal for the season's work.

Very truly yours,

Mr. E. C. Austin, Territorial Road Commissioner, Ketchikan, Alaska.

Dear Sir:

I write to confirm to you the figures given in my letter of Jan. 25th regarding amounts which will be available to you for road work during the year of 1916, excepting that it will be \$2,261.18 which will be distributed from this years receipts instead of .17¢ as I then reported it. This amount plus your unexpended balance from last year will give you \$3,553.14 for the coming season.

The above amount of \$2,261.18 will be credited to the different road districts before the close of this quarter. The Forest Reserve Fund will have no further receipts excepting the transfer from Deposit Interest Fund for the quarter ending March 31st, and will probably be almost the first of June before all our bank interest is reported in. This is too late to wait for and in any case would not be more than forty or fifty dollars for each district. Distribution will therefore be made from the Fund as it stands at present, and will be in the amounts given to you above.

Please acknowledge receipt of this letter confirming our figures for your unexpended balance of last year, and acknowledging receipt of advices for the coming year.

Very truly yours,

March 27, 1916.

Mr. E. C. Austin, Territorial Road Commissioner, Ketchikan, Alaska.

Dear Sir:

From the office of the Governor I am in receipt of vouchers to the J. R. Heckman Co. for \$6.55 and to the Standard Oil Co. for \$4.38, both for supplies used on the Charcoal Foint Roadway. These vouchers have been passed upon and in the absence of Governor Strong will no doubt be approved by Act'g Governor Mr. Davidson. Please advise the parties to whom these vouchers are in favor that warrants in payment will be issued immediately after the first of April. This because I have not wished to enter up the appropriations until the close of this present quarter, and I have thought it best not to mix up the present season with the past. As this entails only a few days delay, I am sure there will be no serious objection.

The voucher for typewriting both Mr. Shorthill and myself thought had better be returned for a lattle better wording. Presumably it was meant for preparing copy for the advertisments of calls for bids, but from the wording it might be taken for the advertising itself.

Division of the Forest Reserve Fund will be made in accordance with the appropriations acts, and entered upon our Appropriation Ledger immediately after accounts for the quarter ending March 31st are ruled off.

Very truly yours,

E. C. AUSTIN

Road Commissioner Division No. 1

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E. C. AUSTIN

Road Commissioner Division No. 1

Ketchikan, Alaska, Sept. Ist, '16.

Hon. W.G. Smith, Territorial Tréasurer, JUNEAU, ALASKA.

Dear Sir:-

Will you kindly give me a statement of the amount of money now available for roadwork in this district.

Governor Strong advises me of the receipt of the money for the fiscal year 1916 as \$2816.87. My books show an unexpended balance of \$759.18. What the interest account is, if any, I do not know.

Will you also kindly send me some more blank vouchers.

Very truly yours,

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Mr. E. C. Austin,
Territorial Road Commissioner,
Retchikan, Alaska.
Dear Sir:-

Fursuant to your request of the Ist. inst. I herewith beg to advise you that the sun now available for roadwork in the First Judicial Division of Alaska amounts in all to \$3,576.05.

Included in this figure is the amount just received from the Treasurer of the United States, or \$2.016.87, as per your advice from the Governor; also the balance unpended prior to receipt of the above mantioned moneys, or \$759.18.

The moneys just received from Vashington arrived much earlier than usual; advice of the distribution of the "Forestry" receipts generally is not received until late in the year.

No further interest has been credited to the funds available for roadwork since the last distribution in April. Mr. Smith will no doubt adjust the interest on books when he notes on records the moneys just received about which you were advised by the Governor.

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Very truly yours,

And I want Sep. II, 1916. Hr. E. C. Austin. Territorial Road Commissioner, Ketchikan, Alaska. Dear Sir:-I am herewith returning to you voucher in favor of Ethel H. Rudge in amount of \$3.00, same having been received today from the office of the Governor. The Governor has approved voucher but before passing same for payment I desire that notation at least be made upon voucher of the road work referred to in items mentioned. If possible it would a better plan to attach to voucher one copy each of the bids and specifications referred to. Upon receipt of voucher made up as herein requested, a warrant covering same will be promptly issued. Awaiting your reply, I remain Very truly yours. Enc. Territorial Treasurer.

Mr. E. C. Austin,

Territorial Road Commissioner.

Ketchikan, Alaska.

Dear Sir; -

I write to advise you that there has this day been made an apportionment of the Forest Reserve Fund of the Territory, under provisions of Chapter 27, Session Laws of Alaska, 1915, and that the sum of \$2,816.87, in addition to sums of which you have been previously advised, has been entered in our Appropriation Ledger; same being available to you for expenditure in the building, repairing and maintaining of roads, trails and bridges in the First Road District of the Territory.

egram from the Governor on September 5th, and is your district's one-fourth of the seventy-five per-centum of receipts from the National Forests in Alaska for the the fiscal year ending June 30, 1916. In years past the Territory's percentage of receipts for the current year have not been received from the Federal Treasury in time to be available for road building in that year; hence apportionment of the Forest Reserve Fund under Chapters 27 and 74, Session Laws 1915, has heretofore been made at the beginning of the road making season. This year, however, settlement was received at a sufficiently early date to be available for the current year; hence the Governor's telegraphic notification as of Sep. 5th. and the apportionment now made at the beginning of the final quarter of the year.

You will bear in mind, of course, that this apportionment is being made now instead of next Spring, and, excepting some small amount of interest earned by the Forest Reserve Fund, there will be no further moneys from this source until the receipts for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1917 are at hand.

Rindly acknowledge receipt of this letter that we may know you have a complete understanding of the situation and the amount available to you for expenditure.

Very truly yours,

E. C. AUSTIN

Road Commissioner Division No. 1

M. G. Smuth Ketchikan, Alaska, 10/10-16 Territorial Treasurer FILE NO. Juneau akuska REG'D. CT 12 1916 My Dear Rev [ANSW'D Hover of 10/2 will say or sept 5th the Chief Clerk in your office downing your obsence advised me regording the and Reed for the fiscal year 19:6

Do I understand I have on hand for Expenditure in 1st Division now \$3576,05 Leng Voucher of Miss Ethel Rudge of \$3,00 I have let the Contracts for material and Construction Work for an extention of the choread foint Road may, which well practacally Exhaust the Balance on hand I am also Endevoring to get The abaska Road Com to Continue this Road way to Words Come a distance of between 4 and fine wiles and I think likely it will be accomplished before another season. I will be sending another season for the Hardwore in a fler days. Work on the Extention will begue in a day or two Very truly yours E C austin

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December 4, 1916.

Mr. E. C. Hurlbutt,

Thane, Alaska.

Dear Sir:

Noting your election as Territorial Road Commissioner of the First Road District, for the term beginning Mar. 1, 1917, I write you in that regard and enclose herewith pamphlet copies of the law creating and controlling such office, being Chapter 27, Session Laws of Alaska, 1915.

In your reading of the law you will note that appropriations contained in it are from the "Forest Reserve Fund" of the Territory. For your information I will advise you that this fund is received by this office from the Treasury of the United States and represents the Territory's statutory percentage (25%) of receipts from the National Forests in Alaska. Settlements are made in accordance with the Federal Fiscal year closing on June 30, and are usually received by this office about Oct. 1st, following, too late to be available for road work before the following season. The amounts received have varied from twelve to fifteen thousand dollars, thus, under appropriations contained in the Act, making an annual amount of from twenty-two to twentyeight hundred dollars available to each Road Commissioner. Heretofore, distribution of the Forest Reserve Fund has been made immediately after the close of the first fiscal quarter in each year and each Road Commissioner advised of amount available for expenditure. However, settlement for the Federal Fiscal year ending June 30, 1916, was received by this office on the fifth day of the following September, early enough for use in last year's read building season, so a distribution of such settlement was immediately made and the several Road Commissioners advised by wire of this additional amount available for expenditure. For this reason, with the exception of some small amounts of interest earned, the Forest Reserve Fund will have no receipts until the fiscal year ending June 30, 1917, shall have been settled for. This matter will be reported to the Legislature and it is quite possible that appropriations may be made from other Funds of the Territory for use of the Road Commissioners.

The Act provides that the "Road Commissioners shall furnish a good and sufficient bond for the safeguarding of all moneys entrusted to thier keeping, and for the faithful performance of their duties", said bond to be approved by the Judge of the District Court of the division in which such Road Commissioner is situated. As setion 8 of the Act provides that all bills shall be settled through this office, and as the Act provides for no specified amount of bond, the original Road Commissioners designated by the Legislature were required to furnish bond in nominal amount for "faithful performance of duty". This is a matter for the Court to pass upon, however, and, as the original bonds after the Court's approval are a part of his records, duplicates of the bonds for certification to this office should be prepared. Personal, not surety, bonds were furnished by the original commissioners in amounts varying from two to five thousand dollars. However, this bond matter is one which might well wait until it is asceptained what action has been taken by the 1914 Legislative Assembly, what amounts are to be available for expenditure, and whether or not the Act is amended in any particulars.

In the conduct of the office to which you have been elected provisions of law must be carefully observed. Section 5 of the Act provides that all "road Work" shall be by contract let to the lowest and best bidder after the same has been duly advertised. Provisions of this section must be very caefully complied with as vouchers for work irregularly performed cannot be honored by this office. Vouchers in original and duplicate forms will be furnished you from this department when you have qualified for the office. Vouchers must be rendered in original and duplicate, the former to be held against issuance of warrant on this office and the latter for filing in office of the Governor against his approval for payment. Vouchers in settlement of work performed by contract should be worded with reference to the contract, one copy of which should be attached to the original voucher together with certificate as to its having been let in accordance with law, · to lowest and best bidder after due advertising, together also with certificate of inspection and acceptance by the Assistant Commissioners. For work other than road work, vouchers should specify as for labor or material and on what project the expenditure was incurred. If for labor number of days, amount per day, and dates, separate or inclusive must be given. If for material, character of such should be given, with quantities and separate prices. Vouchers cannot be honered by this office unless regular in every detail and explanatory to any one examining reason for payment by this office or reason for approval by the Governor.

Mr. E. C. Austin, Road Commissioner for the First District, has finished his present road season and from funds available to him for expenditure there remains and unexpended balance of \$11.72. This amount will be carried over for expenditure by you next season, but as we have previously explained in this letter, aside from a small interest credit which will be made immediately after March 31st next, there will be no further distributions to be made from the Forest Reserve Fund until the Federal Treasury Department makes settlement for the year ending June 30, 1917, therefore the amounts available to you for expenditure in your office, until that time, will be very limited unless the 1917 Legislative Assembly makes special appropriations for this work from some other fund.

I trust my explanation in regard to this Road Act as worked in connection with this office will be sufficiently clear to you, and I will be glad to go over the matter with you if you will sometime visit this office when in Juneau.

Very truly yours,

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Mr. Ed. C. Hurlbut, Chairman,
Divisional Road Commission,
First Road District,
Juneau, Alaska.

Dear Sir:

I write to advise you of transfer this day of unexpended balance of Appropriation from Forest Reserve Fund for building, repairing and maintaining of trails, roads and bridges in the First Road District, Territory of Alaska, under provisions of Chapter 27, Session Laws of Alaska, 1915, to Appropriation from Road Fund for constructing, repairing and maintaining trails, roads and bridges throughout the First Road District, Territory of Alaska, under provisions of Chapter 35, Session Laws of Alaska, 1917, such transfer being as follows:

March 31, 1917, Balance of Available Funds Unexpended by E. C. Austin, selected commissioner, First Road District,\$ 11.72

Total amount transferred,\$156.58

The above amount of \$156.58 is available to the Divisional Road Commission, First Road District, for requisition and expenditure under provisions of Chapter 36, Session Laws of Alaska, 1917, in addition to amounts appropriated by provisions of Chapter 35, Session Laws of Alaska, 1917.

Very truly yours,

Territorial Treasurer.

CC-H. H. Post, Treasurer,

Divisional Road Commission,

First Road District,

Juneau, Alaska.

October 26, 1917.

Mr. E. C. Murlbutt, Chairman,

Divisional Road Commission.

First Territorial Road District.

Juneau, Alaska.

Dear Sir:-

I write to advise you that there has this day been an apportionment made of the sum of \$16,679.61 in the Forest Reserve Fund of the Territory, such amount having been received from the Treasury of the United States in settlement of the Territory's statutory percentage of receipts from National Forests in Alaska for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1917; the said apportionment being as follows:

To Appropriation for building, repairing and maintaining roads, trails and bridges in Alaska, under provisions of Chapter 27, Session Laws, 1915, 75 per-centum to be divided equally among the four road districts of the Territory.

To First Road District, 3,127.43
To Second " 3,127.43
To Third " 3,127.43
To Fourth " 3,127.43 12,509.72

\$16,679.61

Of the above noted amounts you will please further be advised that the sum of \$3.127.43 is available to the Divisional Read Commission, First Road District, for requisition and expenditure under provisions of Chapter 36, Session Laws of Alaska, 1917, in addition to amounts appropriated by provisions of Chapter 35, Session Laws of Alaska, 1917.

Upon receipt of above communication kindly advise this office to the effect.

CC-Mr. H. H. Post, Treas., Very truly yours,

Divisional Road Com.

First Terr. Road District, Territorial Treasurer.

DIVISIONAL ROAD COMMISSION

DISTRICT NO. 1

JUNEAU, ALASKA.

November 1, 1917.

Mr. W. G. Smith,

Territorial Treasurer,

Juneau, Alaska.

Dear Sir:

This is to acknowledge receipt of your communication under date of October 26, 1917, advising that there has been made available for requisition and expenditure the sum of \$3,127.43 from the Forest Reserve Fund to be applied to the building of roads, trails etc. in the First Division of Alaska, in addition to amounts already appropriated under the provisions of Chapter 35, Session Laws of Alaska, 1917.

Very truly yours,

Chairman, Divisional Road Commission, District No. 1.

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Mr. E. C. Hurlbutt, Chairman,

Divisional Road Commission,

First Territorial Road District,

Juneau. Alaska.

Dear Sir:-

For your information I submit herein statement as of present date showing unexpended balance in ROAD MUND, Road District No. I, which will be available for expenditure during the fiscal year of 1918.

Detailed below will be found total amount of the appropriation made for your District by the 1917 Legislative Assembly; also additional Road Fund receipts since said appropriation was made are shown. Disbursements made to date from Fund are noted in detail in order that same may be checked with your records.

Receipts.

Disbursements

Jun. 4, I7, H.H.Post, Treas. Div. Road Commission, Road Dist. No.I. -- \$ 1,000.00
20, I7, H.H.Post, Treas. do 9,000.00
Sep. I, I7, H.H.Post, Treas. do 10,000.00
Oct. 5, I7, H.H.Post, Treas. do 10,000.00
Nov. 2, I7, H.H.Post, Treas. do 10,000.00
Dec. 6, I7, H.H.Post, Treas. do 5,000.00 45,000.00

Balance available for expenditure during year 1918, -- \$58,284.01

Very truly yours,

CC-H. H. Post, Treas.,
Divisional Road Commission,
First Terr Road District

First Terr. Road District. Territorial Treasurer.

October 2nd, 1918.

Mr. E. C. Hurlbutt, Chairman,

Divisional Road Commission,

First Terr. Road District,

Juneau, Alaska.

Dear Jir:-

I write to advice you that there has this day been an apportionment made of the own of \$24,141.95 in the Forest Reservo Fund of the Territory, such amount having been received from the Treasury of the United States in settlement of the Territory's statutory percentage of receipts from Estimal Forests in Alaska for the Siscal year ending June 30, 1918; the said apportionment being as follows:

To Appropriation for building, repairing and maintaining Trails, Boads and Bridges throughout Alaska, under provisions of Sup. 27. Dession Lowe 1915, seventy-five per centum to be divided equally among the four road districts of the Territory.

To Fourth Boad District communication 4. 120.01

Tot:1, ====\$24,141.95

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Of the above noted mounts please be further advised that the sum of 34.526.61 is available to the Divisional Road Commission. First Road District, for requisition and expenditure under provisions of Chapter 36. Session Laws of Alaska, 1917. in addition to amounts heretofore appropriated or apportioned.

Upon receipt of this communication kindly advise to such effect.

Very truly yours.

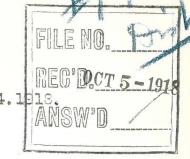
CC-Mr. H. H. Post, Treas.
Divisional Road Com.,
First Terr. Road Dist.,
Juneau, Alaska.

DIVISIONAL ROAD COMMISSION

DISTRICT NO. 1

JUNEAU, ALASKA, Oct. 4. 191

W. G. Smith. Territorial Treasurer. Juneau Alaska.



Dear Sir, - This to acknowledge receipt of your letter and statement of the distribution of the Forest Reserve Fund for the Territory.

Also showing where we receive a credit of 4,526.61 for use in the Division number one. Thank you for the same.

Yours respectfully,

Chairman DIV. ROAD COMM. DIS'T #1

February I, 1919.

Mr. E. C. Hurlbutt, Chairman,

Divisional Road Commission,

First Terr. Road District.

Juneau, Alaska.

Dear Sir:-

I write to advise you that there has been an apportionment made of the sum of \$4,000.00 in the ROAD FUND of the Territory; such amount representing a portion of the interest earned on said Fund and which has been apportioned equally among the four road districts of the Territory, one thousand dollars (\$1,000.00) to each road district.

You will please understand, therefore, from the above that the sum of \$1,000.00 is available to the Divisional Road Commission, First Road District, for requisition and expenditure under provisions of Chapter 36, Session Laws of Alaska, 1917, in addition to amounts heretofore appropriated or apportioned.

Upon receipt of this communication kindly advise to the effect,

Very truly yours,

CC-H. H. Post, Treasurer,
Divisional Road Com.,
First Terr. Road District,
Junden, Alaska.