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APPROVAL, TRANSCRIPT OF PROCEEDINGS RELATING TO THE PROPOSED SALE OF HOCKING CANAL LANDS IN THE CITY OF LANCASTER, FAIRFIELD COUNTY, OHIO—J. R. OBERDERFER.

COLUMBUS, OHIO, February 1, 1934.

HON. T. S. BRINDLE, *Superintendent of Public Works, Columbus, Ohio.*

DEAR SIR:—This is to acknowledge the receipt of your recent communication submitting for my examination and approval a transcript of the proceedings of your department relating to the proposed sale to one J. T. Oberderfer of Lancaster, Ohio, of a certain parcel of abandoned Hocking Canal lands under the authority conferred upon you by House Bill No. 417, enacted by the 89th General Assembly, 114 O. L. 536.

The property here in question which is situated in the city of Lancaster, Fairfield County, Ohio, is more particularly described as follows:

“Being Marginal Tract No. 4, as shown by the plats of said Canal property in the city of Lancaster, and containing 1,316 square feet, more or less, said plats being on file at the office of the Governor of Ohio, the Department of Public Works of Ohio, and at the office of the Mayor of the city of Lancaster, Ohio, and described as follows:

Beginning at the point of intersection of the westerly line of the alley west of Columbus Street in the city of Lancaster, Ohio, and the line produced between lots 215 and 216, and running thence westerly with the said lines produced 43.3 feet to the easterly line of the 66 foot highway as established by the city of Lancaster under authority of the said House Bill No. 417, as passed by the 89th General Assembly of Ohio; thence southwesterly 74.8 feet to the westerly line of the said alley; thence northerly with the westerly line of the said alley sixty and eight-tenths (60.8') feet to the place of beginning and containing thirteen hundred and sixteen (1316) square feet, more or less, and being a triangular tract of land, appraised at Fifty (\$50.00) Dollars.”

Inasmuch as it appears that said J. T. Oberderfer is the owner of land abutting upon the marginal tract of abandoned canal lands above described, and it does not appear that this parcel of land has been designated by the Highway Director for highway purposes or that the same has been held under lease by any person other than Mr. Oberderfer, it follows that Mr. Oberderfer has a prior right with respect to the purchase of this property and that you have the right, subject to the further conditions of said act, to sell the same to him at the appraised price of the property, which is the sum of fifty dollars.

I am accordingly approving the transcript of your proceedings relating to the sale of this property to Mr. Oberderfer, as is evidenced by my approval endorsed upon the transcript and upon the duplicate copy thereof, both of which are herewith returned.

Respectfully,

JOHN W. BRICKER,

Attorney General.