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Mr. Donald E. Tracy
County Auditor
Winkler County
Kermit, Texas

Dear Sir:

Opinion No. 0-7372

Re: Can the County of Winkler legally pay the expenses of traveling and registration for two firemen who went to the Firemen's Course which was given at Texas A. & M. College during the month of July?

We have your letter of August 20, 1946, requesting the opinion of this department on the above stated question. We quote from your letter as follows:

"Can the County legally pay the expenses of traveling and registration for two firemen who went to the Firemen's Course which was given at Texas A. & M. College during the month of July.

"The County owns a fire truck and has appropriated in its budget a lump sum for the fire department. The County also allows the fire department a monthly payment in the amount of \$20.00 for one man."

We have carefully considered the above question and fail to find any statute or other authority authorizing the expenditure of county monies for the purposes stated.

Therefore, we respectfully answer your question in the negative.

We are enclosing copies of our opinions Numbers 0-5733, 0-2419, 0-4483, and 0-5003, which elaborate fully the reasons

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for inhibiting expenditures of county funds in this instance
and similar cases.

Yours very truly

ATTORNEY GENERAL OF TEXAS

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Assistant

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