

COMMISSIONERS' PROCEEDINGS

Office of the County Clerk, of Barton county, Kansas, April 4, 1904.

Pursuant to the law, the Board of County Commissioners of Barton county, Kansas, convened in regular session at aforesaid place and time.

Commissioners T. C. Brown, S. S. Shattuck and W. B. Pickerrill and County Clerk Fred M. Lutschg, were present, and County Attorney J. W. Clarke and Sheriff Bunting were in attendance.

The minutes of the regular January meeting and of the adjourned meetings of March 7 and 8 were read and approved.

Frank Price, Great Bend township, was rebated the 1903 tax on \$160 valuation, on account of excessive assessment of improvements.

Bill of W. R. Bunting, for window shades for the jail, \$22.50, rejected. Mrs. Bain, Great Bend City, was rebated the 1903 tax on 50 valuation, no exemption.

Adjourned to April 5, 1904. The Board met on April 5, 1904, pursuant to adjournment, all members being present.

Dr. Howe was appointed county physician at \$50 per year for Olmita district, to fill vacancy caused by Dr. Atkin's removal.

Isom Wright, Liberty township was rebated the 1903 tax on \$180 valuation on s w 36-20-14 on account of excessive assessment of improvements.

The Citizens National Bank, the J. V. Brinkman Co. and the First National Bank, all of Great Bend, were designated as the depositories of county funds for the ensuing year. Said banks contracted to pay 2 per cent per annum on the average daily balances, and to furnish satisfactory bonds.

W. F. Honnen, Great Bend City, was rebated the 1903 taxes on \$150 valuation on account of erroneous assessment.

Bond of Ed Jacobs as clerk of Beaver township, was approved by the Board.

Viewers report of road petitioned for by Fred Selle and others, being favorable and no legal objections appearing against it, was confirmed by the Board, and the road described as follows: Commencing at the N E corner of section 2, twp 20 R 13, from thence to run west on the section line 2 1/2 miles to the n w corner of the ne 1/4 of sec 4, T20, R13, the Board ordered to be opened for public travel by the trustee of South Bend township, and be made of record on the road record of the county by the county clerk.

In the matter of the road petitioned by Conrad Moore and others, praying for the laying out of a road commencing at the n w corner of sec 5 T17 R 15, from thence running south on section line six miles and terminating at the s w corner of sec 32 T17 R15, the land owners having relinquished their claims for damages, the Board ordered that said road be opened for public travel by the trustee of Grant township, and directed the county clerk to place the same upon the road record of the county.

The Board confirmed the viewers report of road petitioned for by R. L. Hampel and others, and ordered that said road, described as follows: Commencing at the s e corner of section 34, T17, R15 from thence to run west on section line six miles to the s w corner of sec 19, T17, R15, be opened for public travel by trustee of Grant township, and directed the county clerk to place the same upon the road record of the county.

In the matter of H. Herd's claim for damages for the county line road along the east line of the s e 1/4 sec 24-10-16, which road was laid out in May 1903, the county clerk was instructed to write to the clerk of Rush county for information.

Wm. Polzic, Cleveland township was rebated the 1903 tax of \$4.06 on \$126 valuation in Beaver township personal property, on account of double assessment.

U. S. Hardten, Cheyenne, was rebated the 1903 tax of 80c on \$30 valuation of personal property, double assessment.

Petition for bridge on the line between sections 34 and 35, Walnut township, was granted, also the one for a bridge across Blood creek on the line between sections 28 and 29, Albion township, and the one for a bridge across Cow creek on the line between sections 23 and 26, Cheyenne township.

Quarterly report of fees. The several officers of the county made the following reports of fees collected for the quarter ending March 31, 1904, which reports were approved by the Board:

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The committee to examine and count the funds in the county treasury reported as follows:

Table showing financial summary: Amt to be accounted for as appears from books April 2, 1904, Amt on deposit J.V. Brinkman, etc.

W. P. Feder, W. F. Honnen, C. F. Younkin, Committee.

Report was approved.

An allowance sufficient for the care from Great Bend to Three Rivers Michigan was ordered by the Board for Sarah Coonfers, pauper, from Lakin township.

On April 6th the Board convened in pursuance to the adjournment of the day before.

All members were present. Arrangements had been made to have a joint meeting with the Pawnee county Board at Pawnee Rock on this date, concerning the bridge at that place, and so proceeded there for that purpose.

Upon its return, the Board instructed the county clerk to send two loads of oak lumber to Pawnee Rock at such time as the contractor, under the direction of the Pawnee county Board, may request.

Board adjourned to April 7, 1904. Pursuant to adjournment of the day before, the Board met on April 7, E. C. Cole, G. N. Moses, E. W. Moses, L. C. Breeden, J. V. Brinkman, Fred Zutavern and Mrs. Kate Frey came before the Board in the matter of the proposition of Fred Zutavern and A. S. Allen as bondsmen of D. R. Jones.

After an array of statements were made, the Board, on motion of Commissioner Pickerrill, seconded by Commissioner Shattuck, unanimously ordered that its action relative to said proposition of Jan. 5, 1904, stand, and the note of \$750 with \$100 interest accrued, given by Fred Zutavern and A. S. Allen, with J. V. Brinkman as surety, in satisfaction of a certain judgment against them as bondsmen of D. R. Jones, was ordered to be surrendered upon the payment of \$283.

The Board at the adjourned session on March 8th had rescinded its action of Jan. 5th upon this proposition, and so by its action at this session annulled its rescinding action of March 8th and reestablished its action of Jan. 5th.

Mrs. Mattie Parker, Great Bend City, was rebated \$1.74 on the 1901 tax on lot 24, block 120, on account of erroneous tax receipt.

Viewers report of Schulte road was confirmed and the trustee of Cheyenne township was ordered to open for public travel said road described as follows: Commencing at the s w corner of section 35 T18 R12 from thence running north on the section line six miles and terminating at the n w corner of sec 2 T18 R12, and the county clerk was directed to make the same a part of the road record of the county.

The consideration of the viewers' report of the road petitioned for by Nicholas Neidig and others was greatly prolonged, in that several persons interested in its establishment, and other persons practically opposed to its establishment, made extended talks before the board. The board, however, postponed final action on said report pending further investigation as to the reasonableness of the seemingly excessive claims for damages made.

Board adjourned to April 8, 1904. Pursuant to adjournment of April 7th the board met on April 8th, 1904.

The checking of the County Treasurer's returns to the County Clerk for the period from October 1, 1903, to April 2, 1904, was the subject matter of the board's action for the day.

Said returns as checked over by the board are set forth in the several items of receipts and disbursements, as follows:

Table with columns: RECEIPTS, Disbursements from Oct 1, 1903 to April 2, 1904. Lists various income sources like current tax, county redemptions, etc.

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Of the \$23881.79 warrants paid \$14,014.91 was for building the jail.

Board adjourned to April 9, 1904. April 9, 1904, board met pursuant to adjournment of the day before. All members of said board, and the county clerk were present.

J. C. McCracken, Ellinwood, was rebated the 1903 tax on \$200 valuation on personal property, on account of no exemption allowed.

The contract to paint the bridges of the county was awarded to John Dunn, of Claffin.

The board contracted with the Inter-State Bridge Co. to put down new piling for the Ellinwood bridge, for \$1,725,000.

Said Bridge Co. was also awarded a contract to construct a fifty foot wide dam for \$200, to deflect the main current from the south abutment of the Great Bend bridge.

The board awarded contract for the cement walk along the west of the jail grounds, and for the inside and outside curbing along the south and west sides of said jail grounds to S.A. Newcombe.

The furnishing of large trees for said grounds was let to C. J. French.

The county clerk submitted the following listed orders issued by him from October 13, 1903 to April 2, 1904 upon the general fund of the county as ordered and directed by the Board.

Said clerk's orders were carefully checked, examined, and being found to have been paid for just claims against the county and issued in full compliance with the Board's directions, were approved.

Table with columns: 107-J Razor additional freight on car of steel coils, 84-H Moore for R crossing, etc. Lists various orders and amounts.

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A great many people have the idea that the reed organ is going out of use. Mr. Means, the new music man, stated yesterday that the Kendall Co. made and sold 14,000 reed organs in 1903, and the output for this year will exceed that number.

The county commissioners did a big amount of business at their session this quarter.

More in quality, less in cost, compare our millinery with any you wish, you find it true. Lundblade & Bolinger's.

WANTED—Two good second hand organs and a square piano. We have a place for these, and will allow a fair price in exchange for new instrument. U. L. Means, 1st door west of the Great Bend Furniture Co.

There is No Getting 'Round It

The Bargains are here and the people know it, as proven by the big crowds attending this

House Cleaning Sale

The second week of this Great Sale is now on, and while some lots have been sold out we have replaced them with others just as good in value, if not better.

Those 50c Printed Silks we're selling in this sale at 39c are creating all kinds of excitement in this department. The line is still unbroken, better get your share of this Great Bargain... 39c a yard

ANOTHER STORE CROWDING EVENT—300 Ladies Black Mercerized Underskirts made strictly up-to-date, all go in this sale at 25 per cent less than you usually pay for them.

Spring Carpets Are Here for Your Choosing—The new carpets exhibited in this department should be viewed by every housekeeper in Great Bend. All crisp, new spring patterns. We guarantee to save you from 10 to 20 per cent on your carpets.

New Jap Mattings—25c values in this sale at 15c a yard. 20c Mattings now on sale at 12c a yard.

Special Values in Ladies Ready-made Skirts and Tailor made Suits. It will pay you to look at the bargains being offered in this department.

Lace Curtains—Don't put off buying until the assortment is picked over. \$2.00 Nottingham Lace Curtains now at \$1.50. \$1.50 Lace Curtains now at \$1.25. \$2.50 Lace Curtains in this sale at \$2. This department's prices ought to interest you.

Millinery—Another choice line of Ladies and Children's Trimmed Hats arrived today. They go on sale tomorrow at just 25 per cent less than the regular prices.

McCall's Magazines for May now in 5c. McCall's Patterns 10c and 15c.

Publication Notice. State of Kansas, in the District Court of Said County.

Theresa Stange, Plaintiff, Frederick Stange, Defendant.

Said defendant, Frederick Stange, will take notice that he has been cited in the above named Court for a divorce and alimony setting apart to her Lot 3 in Block 77, in the city of Ellinwood, Kansas, to be plaintiffs, free from the control of the defendant, and must answer the petition filed therein by said plaintiff on or before 20th day of May, A. D. 1904, or judgment will be taken as true, and judgment for plaintiff in said action for divorce and said property will be rendered accordingly.

Attest: W. B. Lucas, Clerk of Said Court. By Emma Griffith, Deputy.

JAMES W. CLARKE, Attorney for Plaintiff, 57

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