

OFFICIAL

Board of County Commissioners--Special Meeting.

Office of County Auditor, Mower County Austin, Minn., April 2, 1902. The Board of County Commissioners of Mower County met in special session at the office of the county auditor at 3 o'clock p. m. pursuant to call.

Annual reports of fees, emoluments and gratuities of the several county officers for the year 1901 was received and approved and ordered placed on file. The reports were as follows: R. L. Johnson, County Auditor, salary \$1,500, auditing board \$33.00, certificates \$25.00. G. Seebach County Treasurer salary \$1,500, pub. land, coal \$53.24 testing scales \$17.74. S. S. Washburn Judge of Probate salary \$1,200, marriages \$18.00, copies of papers \$108.95.

RESOLVED: That the County Commissioners of the County of Mower and state of Minnesota, recognize that it is fitting and proper that the people of this county should celebrate the 50th anniversary of the first settlement made in this county do hereby agree to cooperate with the officials and the business men of the city of Austin, with the Old Settlers Association and the Agricultural Society in commemorating this event and do hereby appoint F. E. Hambrecht, Joseph Keenan and M. Stephenson as a committee to cooperate with the aforesaid in making the necessary arrangements and carrying out said celebration.

L. French and others appeared before the board asking them to take some action in regard to improving the court house yard. The following bills were presented but not allowed on account of an injunction having been served, the bills were laid over until the next meeting of the board.

Austin Register publishing delinquent tax list \$ 40 00
Austin Register publishing Commissioners proceedings 67 50
Austin Register publishing financial statement 458 30

On recommendations of the County Attorney all quarantine bills were laid over until the next meeting of the Board. The applications of George Duffy and P. H. Carr for auctioneers licenses was on motion granted.

The application of Peter Friend to sell intoxicating liquors at Johnsonburg, Minn., was on motion granted and his bond in the penal sum of \$2000 with Thomas Meany and Jacob Fisher as sureties was approved on condition of the payment of \$500 into the treasury of Mower county.

April 2nd, 1902, 6 p. m., on motion board adjourned to April 3, 1902, at 8:30 a. m. April 3rd 1902, 8:30 a. m. The board met pursuant to adjournment, members all present. On motion it was decided to repair the basement hall of the court house, and Joseph Keenan was authorized to take charge of same.

The report of the grand jury was received and placed on file. On motion the following resolution was adopted. Resolved, that in compliance with the request of the grand jury that the sealer of weights and measures be hereby required to make a test of all stock yards and elevators and warehouse scales in said county. Carried unanimously.

The petition of W. M. E. Phillips "etal" for the formation of a new school district composed of the following territory: All of sections 5 and 6 the w 1/2 of section 4 the s 1/2 of the s 1/2 of section 4 the w 1/2 n 1/2 of section 4. The w 1/2 of section 7 the e 1/2 s 1/2 of section 7 the w 1/2 s 1/2 of section 8 the n 1/2 s 1/2 of section 9. All in township 103, range 16, also the s 1/2 of section 31 and the s 1/2 w 1/2 of section 32. All in township 104-range 16. It was received and a hearing set for July 15, 1902 at 3 p. m.

Table with 2 columns: Name and Amount. Includes entries like 'Jas D Smith, temporary relief Gorman, Hall, Lindsey, Tubbs, Rice and Bradford', 'H S Lovick, medicine for John J. Farren and Ole Nelson', 'John Mawick, temporary relief Julius Stark and Marshall Gorman, 3 bills', etc.

Table with 2 columns: Name and Amount. Includes entries like 'Oscar Wilson, witness fees', 'Matthew Kelly, witness fees', 'H Trenary, witness fees', 'B Loney, witness fees', etc.

HOT-BED GARDENING. In Some Sections of the South This is Getting to Be an Important Industry. While hotbed gardening has not found any great amount of favor with farmers in general heretofore, the increasing attention given to truck growing in warmer sections of the country, and especially in the south, seems to make apropos all information on the appliances for producing early crops, such, for instance, as onions, tomatoes and cabbages.



CROSS SECTION OF HOTBED.

for in this climate the tomato seed should be sown during the latter part of December or the first of January. The location of the beds should be selected with the object in view of affording some protection from the cold north winds, and the southern side of a shed or barn is an admirable location.

For ordinary use a hotbed 15 feet long and 6 feet wide is sufficient, for after the plants are nicely started they may be transplanted to the cold frames. A bed nine feet long and six feet wide should germinate enough tomato plants for an acre of ground.

At the surface of the soil a plank one foot wide and two inches thick should extend along the northern side. Along the southern side, at a distance equal to the length of the sash, which is usually six feet, another plank, six inches wide and two inches thick, is run down the length of the bed, the ends are connected by a two-inch plank, and the bed is ready for use.

Whereas, Mrs. Nelson Fowler is a pauper and a public charge upon Mower county, and liable to remain such during the remainder of her life, and

Whereas, the cost to said county for the maintenance and support of said Mrs. Nelson Fowler is, and will be, from seven to ten dollars per year, and will probably be much more than that in case of her sickness, and

Whereas, it has been agreed on behalf of the people of Christ Episcopal church and other friends of Mrs. Nelson Fowler that one-half the said sum of \$300 or \$150 will be raised by private charity if the said county of Mower shall furnish the other one-half of said sum of \$300, and that said Mrs. Nelson Fowler will be conveyed to and placed in said home without expense to said county outside of said sum of \$150 and that a proper and binding contract for the perpetual maintenance and support of said Mrs. Fowler will be made with said Jones Harrison Home, and said Mower county relieved from all further liability therefor.

Now therefore, be it hereby resolved that the sum of \$150 be, and is hereby voted and appropriated for the purpose of paying one-half of said sum necessary for the admission of said Mrs. Nelson Fowler into said Jones Harrison Home, and for her maintenance and support therein as hereinbefore stated.

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