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Proceedings of the Board of Supervisors of Van Buren County, Michigan.

JANUARY SESSION.

VAN BUREN COUNTY CLERK'S OFFICE, Paw Paw, Jan. 9th, 1871.

Board convened pursuant to adjournment. On a call of the roll the following Supervisors answered to their names, viz: Arvin Heath, Stephen W. Fisk, N. B. McKinney, C. E. Heath, J. N. Howard, Hanson Nutting, G. H. Barker, Roswell Hart, G. G. B. Yeckley, Charles Duncombe, W. W. Base, D. D. Wise, G. J. Hudson, C. J. Monroe, and P. T. Streator.

Monday accounts were received and referred to the committee on claims. A communication was received from the Secretary of State, and read to the Board with reference to the division of the County into Representative Districts.

The committee appointed to settle with the County Treasurer presented the following report which was accepted and adopted, viz: To the Honorable Board of Supervisors of the County of Van Buren:

The undersigned committee appointed to settle with the County Treasurer, beg leave to report that they have performed that duty and find the receipts and disbursements for the past year, to be as stated below:

Table with columns for RECEIPTS and DISBURSEMENTS. RECEIPTS includes Treasury Dec. 31, 1870, Taxes during year, Fines collected, etc. DISBURSEMENTS includes County orders, Poor orders, State Treasury, etc.

Respectfully submitted, N. B. MCKINNEY, Com. DAVID H. WISE, J. Com.

The Committee on the County Poor farm submitted the following report, to-wit: The undersigned committee appointed by your honorable body to investigate the condition of the Poor House, and County farm, and to examine the accounts of the Superintendents of the Poor, beg leave to report that they have performed that duty and find the accounts of the Superintendents of the Poor to be correct and as reported by them at the October Session and upon investigation we find the County farm under a good state of cultivation, the house, barns and out buildings and fences in good condition and repair. The House seems to be well taken care of. The papers and their clothing, beds and bedding to be clean and tidy, we found the cellar well stored with vegetables—potatoes, apples and cider, and in fact we find the farm well regulated and well carried on, and we would recommend that Mr. Cole, the present manager of the farm, be retained, all of which is respectfully submitted.

F. O. BRIGGS, N. B. MCKINNEY, Com.

On motion the foregoing report except the recommendation of the Committee that Mr. Cole, the present manager of the farm, was accepted and adopted.

Supervisor Hudson, of the township of Paw Paw, presented the following certificate of Appointment which was read to the board, viz: To the Honorable Board of Supervisors of the County of Van Buren.

To the Honorable Board of Supervisors of the County of Van Buren.

The undersigned members of the Township Board, of the Township of Paw Paw, hereby certify that in consequence of the resignation of Emory O. Briggs as Supervisor of the Township of Paw Paw, we have this day appointed Gilbert J. Hudson to fill the vacancy occasioned by said resignation. We also certify that Gilbert J. Hudson has taken the oath necessary to qualify him for the duties of said office.

Dated Paw Paw, Jan. 9th, 1871. Wm. H. RANDALL, Justice of the Peace. CHAR. E. GALLAGAN, Justice of the Peace. ALEX. M. HARRISON, Township Clerk.

Township Board of the Township of Paw Paw. The Chairman appointed Supervisor Hudson as a member of the Committee on Claims to fill the vacancy caused by the resignation of Supervisor Briggs.

Whereupon the Board adjourned until tomorrow morning at half past eight o'clock.

WEDNESDAY, January 10th, 1871. Board convened pursuant to adjournment. Roll called. Quorum present. Proceedings of yesterday read and approved. No other business appearing before the Board the various committees were excused and retired to their respective rooms. The hour of adjournment having arrived the Board adjourned until one o'clock this afternoon.

AFTERNOON SESSION, 1 o'clock P. M. Board convened pursuant to adjournment. Roll called. Quorum present. The following resolution was presented to the Board and adopted, to-wit:

Resolved by the Board of Supervisors of the County of Van Buren that the time for the collection and return of taxes in said county be extended until the first day of March, A. D. 1872.

Mr. N. M. Pugsley, Co. Drain Comr, presented a bill of forty-four dollars for services rendered in accepting ditches, which on motion was allowed at the sum claimed.

On motion the Board voted that no more accounts be received and audited after three o'clock this afternoon.

Supervisor Chas. E. Heath offered the following resolution and moved its adoption, viz: Resolved by the Board of Supervisors of Van Buren County: That taking into consideration the dilapidated and unsafe condition of the County buildings and the danger that the Records of the County are exposed to from fire, and the unwillingness of the tax-payers of the County to appropriate any more money for the erection of new buildings (or for the repair of the old ones) at the present County Seat, that it is the opinion of the Board that the County Seat should be removed to some more central point in the County. C. E. HEATH.

The resolution was adopted by the following vote, to-wit: Ayes—Arvin Heath, C. E. Heath, Howard, Nutting, Barker, Hart, Yeckley, Duncombe, Bass and Wise—10.

NAYS—Fisk, McKinney, Haven, Hudson, and Streator—5.

On motion the matter embodied in the foregoing resolution was made the special order for seven o'clock this evening.

Dr. Baker, of Decatur, presented a petition to the Board requesting them to authorize their action at the last October session, referring a certain bill presented by him for medical services, to the Board of Co. Suprs of Poor.—On motion the petition was laid on the table.

Supervisor Yeckley offered the following resolution and moved its adoption, which motion prevailed, viz:

Whereas Section 347 of the Compiled Laws of 1857, makes it the duty of the Board of Supervisors to divide the County into Representative Districts, equal in number to the number of Representatives to which the County is entitled by law, and whereas by Act No. 147 of the Session Laws of 1871, the County of Van Buren is entitled to two Representatives.

Therefore, Resolved by the Board of Supervisors that the said County of Van Buren be divided into two Representative Districts, as follows, to-wit:

District No. 1 to be composed of the following townships: Fine Grove, Almira, Antwerp, Porter, Decatur, Paw Paw, Waverly and Bloomington. Population of District No. 1, 14,598.

District No. 2 to be composed of the following townships: Keeler, Hamilton, Lawrence, Bangor, Arlington, Columbia, Geneva, Deerfield, South Haven, and Hartford. Population of District No. 2, 14,231.

On motion the Board voted to purchase one of McFarlin, Stradley & Millman's Farmers' Day Book & Ledger at the price of three and 50-100ths dollars, for use on the County Poor Farm.

The following resolution was offered to the Board by Supervisor Wise, to-wit:

Resolved by the Board of Supervisors of the County of Van Buren, that the Supt of the Poor in said County, be and are hereby instructed to retain the services of the present overseer on the County Poor Farm, at a price not to exceed the sum of Six Hundred Dollars per annum, including team and other persons' property heretofore furnished, if he can be retained at that price, if not, some other competent person, as their judgment may dictate, at a price not to exceed the sum above mentioned.

D. D. WISE.

Supervisor Yeckley moved that the foregoing resolution be amended so as to make the sum specified for the salary of the overseer of the County Poor farm five hundred instead of six hundred dollars, as provided in the resolution, which motion prevailed. The resolution as amended was then adopted by the Board.—County Drain Comr Pugsley presented the following bills for services rendered by Commissioners to view drains and assess damages thereon, to-wit:

Jeremiah Bridges, 1 Day & 8 miles trav. \$1.48. D. D. Briggs, " " " " " " 1.30. H. T. House, " " " " " " 1.48. Joseph Dage, " " " " " " 1.30. Uriel Lee, " " " " " " 1.30. H. H. Halstead, " " " " " " 1.30.

On motion the accounts were allowed as presented.

The Committee on claims presented the following report, to-wit: To the Honorable Board of Supervisors of the County of Van Buren:

Your Committee on Claims beg leave to make the following report:

Table with columns: Name of Claimants, Amount Claimed, Amount Allowed. Includes The J. Ross, goods for jail, W. R. Strine, for wood, John B. Upton, salary, etc.

A Van Auker, goods 219 20 219 20. John Hopkins, constable 9 75 9 75. W. R. Strine, sheriff 1003 46 1003 46. B. I. Pitcher, juror inquest 4 00 4 00. John T. Clapp, deputy sheriff 4 00 4 00. Henry Brooke, constable 14 80 14 80. Richard W. Kitchum, justice 8 10 5 10. Goran Abbot, witness fees 1 84 1 84. Dr. S. Rowe, on inquest 10 00 10 00. Calvin Field, Supt of Poor 54 00 54 00. Harry C. Clunton, justice fees 45 50 45 50. Bragg & Oebeck, goods 26 87 26 87. Albert Cross, constable 75 35 75 35. E. Barnum, salary and sund 211 91 211 91. S. I. Coway, printing 13 65 13 65. R. J. Conroy, printing 221 44 221 44. Antonio M. Hayes, justice fees 19 03 19 03. C. H. Engle, Justice fees 15 00 12 30. David Monroest, witness fees 1 21 1 21. Fletcher Lorey, " " " " " " 1 06 1 06. H. L. Simpson, " " " " " " 1 24 1 24. D. Demorest, " " " " " " 1 12 1 12. John Nichols, " " " " " " 1 12 1 12. Abraham Clow, " " " " " " 31 31. Horace Ostrom, " " " " " " 31 31. Joseph W. Starr, " " " " " " 1 10 1 10. Orange Hayes, " " " " " " 86 86. Lucy Logan, " " " " " " 86 86. James Stanley, " " " " " " 86 86. David Logan, " " " " " " 86 86. William Chambers, " " " " " " 31 31. William Roberts, " " " " " " 56 56. E. R. Farmer, " " " " " " 56 56. David Emmons, " " " " " " 80 80. O. T. Baker, " " " " " " 86 86. Henry Banks, " " " " " " 4 80 4 80. John Mahoney, " " " " " " 26 60 26 60. Calvin Fletcher, justice fees 5 21 5 21. Alonzo A. Storey, constable 26 00 26 00. Charles W. Starny, " " " " " " 50 50. Henry C. Storey, justice fees 26 00 26 00. C. D. Lawton, " " " " " " 50 50. Freeman Stone, witness fees 22 22 22 22. Mrs. Mary Tucker, " " " " " " 38 60 38 60. Mrs. Martin & Co., " " " " " " 50 50. O. R. Hight, bill " " " " " " 50 50. Merrit Manley, jury fee " " " " " " 50 50. H. B. Clapp, " " " " " " 50 50. E. A. Blackman, " " " " " " 50 50. G. J. Van Ness, " " " " " " 50 50. F. Trowbridge, " " " " " " 50 50. R. E. Nicholson, " " " " " " 50 50. R. E. Nicholson, " " " " " " 50 50. D. S. Baldwin, " " " " " " 50 50. Charles Rawson, " " " " " " 50 50. David Squires, " " " " " " 50 50. Nathan Clark, " " " " " " 50 50. Edward Arnold, " " " " " " 50 50. J. J. Smith, " " " " " " 50 50. N. Chamberlain, " " " " " " 50 50. J. J. Smith, " " " " " " 50 50. Carlson Wilson, " " " " " " 50 50. J. J. Smith, " " " " " " 50 50. Henry A. Bray, " " " " " " 50 50. N. B. McKinney, " " " " " " 50 50. E. W. Hawkins, " " " " " " 50 50. A. P. Keables, " " " " " " 50 50. J. B. Watson, " " " " " " 50 50.

The Board then allowed their own claims for services, as follows: Arvin Heath, \$12 16. S. W. Fisk, \$10 '2. N. B. McKinney, \$3 70. C. E. Heath, \$1 40. G. J. Hudson, \$3 23. J. N. Howard, \$1 16. R. Nutting, \$1 20. J. H. Barker, \$1 12. J. B. Watson, \$1 12. R. Hart, \$1 80.

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Supervisor Wise offered the following resolution, which was adopted by a unanimous vote of the Board, to-wit:

Resolved by the Board of Supervisors of the County of Van Buren, that a vote of thanks be tendered to the Chairman of this board, for the impartial manner that he has presided over us, and to the Clerk for the efficient and obliging way in which he has discharged his duties while acting as Clerk of this Board.

D. D. WISE.

Upon motion the Board adjourned without day.

CHARLES DUNCOMBE, Chairman. O. W. HOWLAND, Clerk.

The Committee recommended that the bills of Drs. Alden and Eaton be allowed to be withdrawn and referred to the County Supts of Poor, and that the bills of Nelson Newman and W. H. Randall be allowed to be withdrawn for correction, and that the bills of F. B. Cady for services as Constable, claimed at forty-five dollars, be allowed at twenty-five dollars. A motion prevailed to amend the report by allowing the claim of F. B. Cady at thirty dollars instead of twenty-five dollars. The report as amended was adopted and the claims allowed as recommended. The claim of H. P. McFarlin for services as Deputy Sheriff, was allowed as claimed at two dollars. On motion the Board adjourned until this evening at seven o'clock.

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Supervisor Howard moved to amend the resolution by inserting the village of Breedsville in lieu of the village of Lawrence. The motion was lost on a call of the Yeas and Nays by the following vote.

Ayes—Fisk, C. E. Heath, Haven, Howard, Barker, and Hudson—6.

NAYS—Arvin Heath, McKinney, Nutting, Watson, Hart, Yeckley, Duncombe, Bass, Wise and Streator—10.

Supervisor C. E. Heath moved to amend by inserting Bangor in place of Lawrence, which motion was lost by the following vote, to-wit: Ayes—C. E. Heath, Howard, Barker, Watson and Hart—5.

NAYS—A. Heath, Fisk, McKinney, Haven, Nutting, Yeckley, Duncombe, Bass, Wise, Hudson, and Streator—11.

Supervisor Streator moved to amend by making the place of removal Grand Junction instead of Lawrence, which motion did not prevail by the following vote, to-wit: Ayes—Fisk, Haven, Howard, Watson, Wise and Streator—6.

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Supervisor Nutting moved to amend by inserting the village of Decatur in place of the village of Lawrence, which motion was lost by the following vote, viz: Ayes—Nutting and Yeckley—2.

NAYS—A. Heath, Fisk, McKinney, C. E. Heath, Haven, Howard, Barker, Watson, Hart, Duncombe, Bass, Wise, Hudson and Streator—14.

Pending the vote on the original resolution, Supervisor Yeckley moved to adjourn until tomorrow morning at half past eight o'clock, which motion prevailed by the following vote, viz: Ayes—C. E. Heath, Howard, Nutting, Barker, Watson, Hart, Yeckley, Duncombe and Bass—9.

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