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April Meeting Board of County Commissioners

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plant not exceeding 1-2 mile from station at \$21.46 per ton, he and the same is hereby accepted, to be shipped from Jacksonville, between April 30th and July 31st, in car lots, as ordered and paid for in cash at first meeting of this board after delivery of each car lot.

Road petition of T. S. Knight and 12 other citizens of Murdock, Fla., asking that a public road running west from station through sections 7, 12, 11, to line of section 10, length of road 2 1-2 miles was granted, and T. S. Knight, M. S. Roberts and J. I. Quiette were appointed to view and mark out said road, and blanks were ordered mailed to T. S. Knight at Murdock, Fla.

Mr. D. L. Skipper was called to the chair.

Road petition from R. M. Stid-

ham and 30 others, asking that a public road be granted from Limestone to connect with the road now being constructed from Bridges to direct line, was granted.

Report of the drainage trustees of DeSoto county, for the Zolfo drainage district were accepted, and the clerk directed to give notice in the Zolfo Springs Truth of the filing of said report, for three weeks, and that the hearing of complaints will be received on the second day of its regular meeting in May.

The date of the regular monthly meeting of the board was changed from the first Wednesday after the first Monday in each month to the first Monday in each month.

The clerk was authorized to employ extra help to assist him in the work of the board for two days of each session.

Voting place was changed from Old Ona to Ona station.

Petition being presented for the discontinuance of Horse Creek Precinct No. 22, and consolidation thereof with the Ona precinct No. 23; it was upon consideration ordered that on and after June 20th, 1916, Horse Creek precinct No. 22, be discontinued, and that Ona precinct No. 23 be re-districted.

Mr. Whitehurst resumed the chair.

The clerk of the circuit court was authorized to use as a basis for assessments of candidates in the ensuing primary, the fiscal report of the various county officials, said basis to be the net salary or commissions in said report.

As per advertisement, bids were received and opened for the purchase of tractors and motors;

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said bidders are as follows: W. A. Neal & Son, H. E. Heitman, D. J. Conroy Co., and H. F. Fields, agent. It was moved by Mr. Skipper and duly seconded and carried, that the bids for tractors be held for consideration until the 15th of April, instant.

Upon motion of Mr. Whitten, duly seconded and carried, the bid of H. E. Heitman for two Velie 3 1-2 ton automobile trucks was and is hereby accepted. Said bid is as follows.

Fort Myers, Fla., April 3, 1916
To the County Commissioners of DeSoto County, Florida.

Gentlemen:—In response to your recent advertisement for motor trucks I hereby offer two Velie 3 1-2 ton automobile trucks each with 60 h-p. engine for the sum of \$3,000.00 or \$1,500 each, complete with dump bodies and all accessories and both in excellent working order.

I further agree to make a 5 per cent discount on the above price if the entire amount is paid in cash, on or before April 10, 1916.

Yours truly,

H. E. Heitman, Agent.
It is ordered that warrant be drawn for the payment of the trucks out of Punta Gorda Special Road and Bridge Districts funds for \$2,850.00

Commissioner Skipper was instructed to consult a plumber with a view to having the necessary repairs made in the court house.

Blazer's report of J. Ed Raulerson, J. F. Skipper and Walter Altman was accepted. Road is described as follows:

Begin at half-section corner between sections one and twelve, township 36, range 23 east, and run north on half section line three miles to Goose Pond school house, intersecting there with Grubhoff and Bridges road.

No bids having been received in response to advertising for excavation and grading in special road and bridge district No. 5, the clerk was instructed to re-advertise, bids to be received until noon, May 2nd, 1916.

The clerk was instructed to advertise for bids for clearing and grubbing in Special Road and Bridge District No. 5.

The clerk is instructed to advertise for bids for constructing wooden bridges across Carter creek, Arbuckle branch and Istopoga creek; also repairing the following bridges on Arbuckle creek, Oak creek on Buchanan-Crewsville road and Oak creek on Altman-Collins Still road.

The clerk was instructed to advertise for bids for hard-surfacing roads in special road and bridge district No. 5.

Notary bond of M. E. Albritton was approved.

Notary bond of Clarence J. Carlton was approved.

The clerk was instructed to advertise for bids for making two fills in special road and bridge district No. 1.

The clerk was instructed to advertise for bids for the construction of approximately 1,000 square yards of brick road with concrete curbing in district No. 1.

The board recessed until April 15th, 1916.

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