

Lawrence Kansas January 18 1868

The board of commissioners of Douglas County met pursuant to adjournment. Present Commissioners Geo. Lutter Geo. W. B. Griffith and Aaron E. Platts and Paul R. Brooks County Clerk.

Now S. O. Thacher presented his opinion in relation to the matter of refunding taxes on Shawnee Indian land which was read and ordered to be placed on file.

On motion it was ordered that when the Board adjourns it shall be adjourned to meet on the 10th day of February A.D. 1868

On motion It was ordered that the commissioners will consider proposals for superintending the County Alms on the 10th day of February next.

The petition presented yesterday in relation to County printing was taken up and the board was addressed by several citizens of Lawrence all favoring the letting of the printing to the lowest bidder.

Mr Griffith presented the following preamble and resolution which on motion was unanimously adopted.

Whereas the people have a right to expect economy in every branch of the public expenditure and that every effort consistent with the public interest will be made to reduce taxation, therefore resolved that the County printing be let to the lowest bidder who shall be the publisher of a Weekly newspaper located in and of general circulation in the County of Douglas

Resolved that at our meeting on the first Monday in April next we will receive and consider proposals for doing the County printing and advertising for two years from the first day of May following and until further ordered provided that should all bids be the same price the printing shall be awarded to the paper having the largest weekly circulation in the County all bids to include the publication of the proceedings of the County Commissioners free of charge.

John Spur publisher of the Kansas Tribune presented the following proposition

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To the Commissioners of Douglas County. The undersigned publisher of the Kansas Tribune respectfully submits this proposition. That he will publish all advertisements under the direction of the County Board from this date until the first day of May next and do all the required job work without any charge to the County the County furnishing the paper necessary for the job work the advertisements to be published in the daily tri weekly and Weekly (proposition includes the delinquent tax list.)

Very respectfully

John Spur publisher Kan. Tribune

On motion the proposition was accepted and it was ordered that all county printing be done at the Tribune office until otherwise ordered by the board.

A petition was presented signed by Jacob Pfeifer and Henry Ulmer asking the board to sell