

Whereas, the manner of conducting the official business of the County of Douglas has been generally discussed among the people and much dissatisfaction expressed in regard to the same, and
 Whereas: there is a demand on the part of the people of the County that a full and complete examination of all the records of the County should be made therefore

Resolved: That a Commission of three persons be appointed by the Board whose duty it shall be to make a complete careful and impartial examination of all books, records, accounts and papers pertaining to the business of the County of Douglas from the year 1863 up to the present time and make report thereof to the Board of County Commissioners upon the completion of said investigation.

Resolved: That Sidney Clarke Robert Young and William J. Sinclair be and are hereby appointed said Commissioners.

Resolved: That the Commission be directed to proceed at once to the performance of their duties assigned them and to report the result of their investigation at the earliest practicable time.

Ordered, that the County Clerk provide a room for the Committee appointed to investigate the County books and records and furnish stationery and such assistance as may be necessary.

On Motion the Board adjourned

attest

J. B. Smith

County Clerk

Lawrence, Kansas, February 16th 1874

The Board of County Commissioners met pursuant to call of the Chairman there were present Commissioners Deskins, Clarke, and Zimmerman and B. M. Allaster Deputy County Clerk.

The following preamble and resolutions were read and on motion adopted.

Whereas: An examination of the work of the Commission, appointed by the Board to examine County affairs, has been this day made and the same found in every respect satisfactory. And

Whereas: Said examination is absolutely necessary in order to determine the financial condition of the County and to devise a system of transacting County business by which the interests of the people shall be better protected.