

Laurance, Kansas, April 14th 1881.

Board of County Commissioners met pursuant to adjournment at the office of the County Clerk.

There were present Commissioners D. C. Walton Chairman, John Walton^{and} P. W. Holter^{and} County Clerk W. L. Storms.

The following petition was considered^{and} granted by the Board:

To the Hon. Board of County Commissioners of Douglas Co. Kansas:

Your petitioners would respectfully represent that the N^W 1/4 of S. 14th of Sec. 16, T. 13, R. 21, was sold May 17th 1867, for the Tax of 1866, to the County for \$25.00^{and} that the taxes of 1867 were charged up May 5th 1868, as appears from the records in said County. Your petitioners requests your Hon. Board to authorize the redemption from said taxes under the provisions of Chapter 43, of Laws of 1879 and asks the Board to fix the rate of interest on said taxes as not to exceed six per cent, annually on the sums charged against said land.

Your petitioners would also represent that the N. 20. a. of the E. 1/2 of S. 14th of Sec. 16, T. 13, R. 21, was land for the years 1866, 1867^{and} 1868, as now appears of record in said County. That said land was Indian Land and not taxable in all of those years. The deed from Sarah Prophet (Shawnee Indian) not being approved by the Secretary of the Interior till Aug. 11th 1869, as appears from the records, a certificate of said fact being filed herewith. Your petitioners therefore prays that said taxes may be erased from the records or shown not to be a lien upon the record against said Land.

W^m. Gardner, Ad^r.

By Hope^{and} Thason, Agts.

Board adjourned to meet April 15th 1881, at 9 o'clock, A.M.

Attest, W. L. Storms.

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In the matter of the Petition of
P. J. Rhodes^{and} others to vacate lands
in Baldwin City.

The Board of County Commissioners having under consideration the aforesaid petition it was ordered that the Streets^{and} alleys in so much of Baldwin City, Kansas as lies S. of Jersey^{and} N. of South Streets except Orange Street be vacated.

Commissioner John Walton was appointed by the Board a committee to visit^{and} make examinations as to locations for bridges over Mud Creek and Washington Creek, as petitioned for in April 1881.