

COMMISSIONER'S RECORD M

Engineering Department
Road Department
Bridge Department
Total Annual Payroll

6043.20
16720.80
9385.20

32149.20

The County Engineer met with the Commissioners in order to award the contract for gasoline for the county for the year 1938. All bids submitted were identical with the exception of the Barnsdall Refining Company, by their agent, John Ulm, which was the low bid received.

Earl T. Black moved that the contract for the gasoline for Douglas County be awarded to the Barnsdall Refining Company at the price so stated in their bid. James F. Brass seconded the motion, and on vote put by the Chairman, all Commissioners voted "Aye".

The treasurer of Kanwaka Township, Ralph Colman, presented a Sponsor's Agreement to the Commissioners for their signatures. Said agreement pertaining to a WPA project in that township.

The Board directed the County Engineer to ask for bids on a 1½ T flatbottom truck and a pick-up truck, to be opened at 11:00 A. M., Wednesday January 26.

At this time, consideration was given to the continuous employment of Mrs. L. M. Johnson, Janitress. After some discussion, it was determined by the Commissioners to suspend with her services. Therefore, the Board directed the County Clerk to inform the said Mrs. Johnson that her services for the county as Janitress would terminate as of February 1, 1938.

The Board of County Commissioners adjourned to convene as the Board of Social Welfare.

The need of additional personnel for the Social Welfare Department was stressed by Mrs. Watson, County Director. The name of Miss Rachel Pugh was brought up to occupy the position of Home Visitor. After some discussion, Miss Pugh was called before the Board for an oral discussion on her qualifications to fill such position.

It was decided by the Board to allow Miss Rachel Pugh the wage of \$100.00 per month for her work in the Social Welfare Department for a probable period of one month, her application subject to the approval of the State Board.

Mrs. Watson presented the need of an additional section for a steel file in her office to take care of additional records now on hand.

The Board gave the County Director authority to purchase the said section for the file.

There appeared before the Board Mrs. Harry Bouton, seeking aid from the County for herself and family, stressing the importance for immediate relief thereof. It was brought up at this time that Harry Bouton, husband of the client, refused work on a farm which had been offered him heretofore, thus, the reason why aid from the County has been suspended. Mrs. Watson mentioned at this time that Mr. Bouton has been assigned to W. P. A. After some discussion, the Board asked that Mr. Harry Bouton be asked to come before the Board.

Marion Martin, Home Visitor on the case, also appeared before the Board. Harry Bouton was informed that it is the policy of the Social Welfare Department that no aid be given to clients who willfully refuse work offered to them, in order that they may assist themselves. He was asked if he would consider returning to the job previously offered him, and he definitely refused to return. After a lengthy discussion, Mrs. Watson offered a grocery order for immediate relief, on the condition that Mr. B. would work out the order on the County's wood pile at the earliest possible chance. Mr. Bouton also refused emphatically to accept it, with the contention that he could not walk five miles into town in order to work in the wood yard for a \$1.60 grocery order.

Mr. Fink came before the Commissioners, seeking more aid for old age assistance, stating that the assistance he is now receiving is not sufficient to maintain a livelihood for himself and his wife. The case would be given further consideration.

The Board adjourned to meet Friday P. M. January 21, as a Board of County Commissioners.

ATTEST:

T. R. Gerhart
T. R. Gerhart,
County Clerk.

Chris Schaaake
Chris Schaaake, Chairman of the
Board of County Commissioners.

January 21, 1938.

1:30 P. M.

In adjourned session, the Commissioners of Douglas County, met this P. M. in the chambers of the Board, with all members and the County Clerk present.

(For increase in wages for Eng. Department see minutes of Jan. 19.)

*High Temporary
Employment*

Bouton Case

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Dwight*

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