

A. E. Preston from Palmyra Township asked the Board to lower the valuation on his property described as the S $\frac{1}{2}$  of NW $\frac{1}{4}$ , 13-15-20, now on the assessment roll for the total of \$3500.00. He claims he paid only \$2000 for the property, including both land and improvements. The Board informed Mr. Preston that it desired to view said property before making a decision on it.

The Board adjourned to meet as a Board of County Commissioners.

The resignation of C. A. Lane as Trustee on the Palmyra Township Board was received and accepted this day, said resignation to become effective the 1st of June, 1939. (On file)

A. G. Hammond presented his application and petition for the position to be left vacant by Mr. Lane. In a personal interview, he stated his qualifications for the job.

The Board adjourned.

ATTEST:

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

*Earl T. Black*  
Earl T. Black, Chairman of the Board of  
County Commissioners.

May 25, 1939.

All members of the Board of Equalization and the County Clerk met in the regular meeting rooms of said Board.

A personal property complaint was heard from Blanche Luckan, who says that she has been doubly assessed. This matter was corrected by the County Clerk.

John Elm, Trustee of Marion Township asked if the Board of County Commissioners had made a decision on the John Brecheisen Road. No definite action has, yet, been taken.

A. H. Steele presented a petition to the Board in reference to his application for the position of Trustee of Palmyra Township, this position soon to be left vacant by C. A. Lane. His application was considered and the petition placed on file.

The Board adjourned.

ATTEST:

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

*Earl T. Black*  
Earl T. Black, Chairman of the Board of  
County Commissioners.

May 31, 1939.

All members of the Board of County Commissioners met in special session this day, said meeting having been called by the Chairman of said Board, for the purpose of discussing the Welfare budget.

Present, also, during this meeting were: Mildred D. Watson, County Welfare Director, Leon G. Abele, Supervisor of Business and Finance and Mildred LeSuer, County Budget Director.

It was the opinion of the Board to cut the budget as much as possible without the danger of exceeding same for the ensuing year. After some discussion on it, the Board directed Mildred LeSuer and Leon Abele to figure the budget on two different basis and then, submit it, again, for discussion.

The feasibility of establishing a work project at the Lone Star Park on which relief clients could work, was considered. This project would be set up for employable men who are unable to secure jobs. No action taken on this matter this day.

At the hour of 1:30, John G. Stutz, also, met with the Board to enter into the discussion of Douglas County Welfare Budget. Mr. Stutz said that the units used in making up the budget are too high, and he suggested that the Board use the unit that it thought best taken from past experience. The budget was gone over in detail and considerable discussion was given to same.

Commissioner Jas. F. Brass stated that he was strictly in favor of the lowest possible budget and desired to keep the levy as low as possible. He thought it best to make the budget no more than it was deemed necessary, and then if it was found later on in the year that sufficient funds would not cover actual expenditures, it would be possible to issue bonds to take care of the deficiency.

Adjournment was taken.

ATTEST:

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

*Earl T. Black*  
Earl T. Black, Chairman of the Board of  
County Commissioners.

June 1, 1939.

For the first meeting of the month, there met in the regular meeting rooms of the Board of County Commissioners, all members of said Board and the County Clerk.

Russell Hayes appeared before the Board to recommend that A. D. Van Tries be appointed to fill the position as Trustee of Palmyra Township, since that position becomes vacant this day. Mr. Van Tries, also, met with the Board for a personal interview.

Another discussion was given to the welfare budget, with the commissioners in favor of cutting the levy from 2.94 to 2.50.