

# COMMISSIONER'S RECORD N

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Douglas County Republican, Lawrence

May 20, 1941.

All members of the Board of County Commissioners and the County Clerk met in adjourned regular session this 20th day of May, 1941.

Mr. L. A. Whitaker spoke to the Commissioners about painting the county buildings at the Lone Star Lake and expressed his desire to bid on this. The Board suggested he look at the buildings before presenting his bid.

Oscar Learnard, Attorney for Earl Williamson, again came before the Commissioners to discuss the claim of said Earl Williamson for overtime which occurred during the time he was employed by the county. Although, the Commissioners inspected the old vouchers, they reached no decision this day.

The Board adjourned as a Board of County Commissioners to meet again May 21.

The Board adjourned as a Board of Equalization.

A plea for a reduction in the assessment of her property at 1223 Ohio, appeared Mrs. Ida Edith Wolgamott. This property is described as Lot 195, Ohio Street. The assessment of the lot is \$990 and the improvements are assessed at \$3080.00, making a total of \$4070.00. Mrs. Wolgamott lives in one of the apartments in the house and rents the others, from which she is now receiving \$38.00 per month. This plus the \$14.00 rent from another property is the only income she has. She contends that the assessment on this property is out of line with other properties in that vicinity. If she sold the property, she thought she would receive only about \$3000.00. This was placed on the viewing list.

There appeared H. A. Gorrill to protest the assessment of his livestock in Lecompton Township. He contends that this property should rightfully be assessed in Kanwaka Township, since that is where it is usually kept. About the first of March, Mr. Gorrill admits that he had about 25 head of cattle in Lecompton Township but were only there for feeding purposes. Mr. Moore, Township Trustee and Deputy Assessor turned in 18 head in that township as of the first of March. The others were turned in over in Kanwaka Township. He cited the law Section 79-504 of General Statutes, 1935, as to the assessment of this property. The Board assured him that it would take this matter under consideration.

Mrs. Thad White, 925 Ala. Street presented her complaint to the Board. She asked that the assessment on her property in Kanwaka Township be reduced. This property is legally described as the NE 65 3/4 acres of the E 1/2 of the SE 1/4, Section 23-12-18, and is assessed in the total amount of \$2450.00. She felt that this was excessive. The Board informed her that it would view this land before reaching a decision.

O. L. Haile asked for an adjustment on his land located in Palmyra Township. Such land is described as follows: N 4 1/2 acres of Sub-Div 9, 8-15-20, assessed at \$140; SE 1/4 of NW 1/4 less 2 acres RR, 8-15-20, assessed at \$1330.00; N 24 acres of E 1/2 of SW 1/4 E of RR, assessed at \$840.00; S 50 acres of E 1/2 of SW 1/4, 8-15-20, assessed at \$1680.00; N 1/4 of SE 1/4, less 9 acres and less 1 acre to school, 8-15-20, assessed at \$2450 plus \$1000.00 for improvements, making a total of \$3450.00. The grand total of this property is \$7410.00. He said he is renting this farm for grain rent until such time as he can move there. This was placed on the viewing list.

J. W. Ashton, 1011 Tennessee requested a reduction on real estate legally described as Lot 1 and 2 in Block 15, Lane's Second Addition, less tract 50' x 128' out of Lots 1 and 2, Block 15 to Miller. Lot 3, E 8' of Lot 4, E 8' of Lot 5 and the E 8' of Lot 6, all in Block 15, Lane's Second Addition. The total valuation of this property is \$5960.00, of which \$4025.00 is for improvements. Also in Oread Addition, Block 2, he has unimproved property described as Lot 1, E 8' of Lot 12, N 1/2 of Lot 2 and the E 8' of N 1/2 of Lot 11, the total assessment of which is \$1110.00. The total of all the property is \$7070.00. Mr. Ashton says the valuation is entirely out of line with other buildings of this type. He said they applied for a F.H.A. Loan, which valued the property at \$3750.00, and would only grant a loan up to \$2500.00 on it. This property is located at 1105 La. The Commissioners said they would make no decision today, but intends to view this property before doing so.

For an adjustment on his real estate in Wakarusa Township, appeared H. J. Peterson. This property is the S 1/2 of the NW 1/4 of Section 26-13-19 and the S 1/2 of the NE 1/4 of Section 27-13-19. The valuation of the first tract is \$3400.00; the valuation of the second tract for land is \$3600.00 plus \$900.00 for improvements or a total of \$4500.00. The total valuation of both tracts is \$7900.00. Mr. Peterson said he purchased this land about a year ago for \$5500.00. The Commissioners assured him they would give consideration to his request for an adjustment and plan to view this property.

The Board adjourned to meet Wednesday, May 21, 1941.

ATTEST:

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

*L. H. Griffith*  
L. H. Griffith, Chairman of the Board of County Commissioners.

May 21, 1941.

In regular adjourned session, this day, there convened in the regular meeting rooms of the Board of County Commissioners, all members of said Board, namely: L. H. Griffith, Chairman, J. M. Sanderson and Ed Johnson, Commissioners and T. R. Gerhart, County Clerk.

The Chairman presented the bid of L. A. Whitaker for labor in painting the county buildings at the Lone Star Park, which was in the amount of \$95.00 for painting the three buildings.

Several heads of departments in the courthouse discussed the vacation and Saturday afternoon off policies with the Commissioners. All heads present were definitely in favor of closing on Saturday afternoons, unless it were absolutely necessary to remain open. All were in favor of sick leave.

The Board approved the bond of William Hoffine in the amount of \$7000.00, furnished by him because of his capacity as Food Stamp Manager.