

COMMISSIONER'S RECORD N

Douglas County Republican, Lawrence

Dr. H. L. Chambers presented the budget for the County Health Unit with the County's share at \$2680.00, for the approval of the Board. Said budget was signed by the Chairman of the Board with authority from the remaining two members of the Board.

The County Clerk presented the bids for ballots for the Special Election to be held on September 14, 1943, the number of ballots required 16,400,

The World Company	\$62.50
The Outlook	\$72.50
Baldwin Ledger	\$75.00

It was moved by M. N. Penny that the contract for the furnishing of the ballots for the Special Election to be held on September 14, be awarded to the World Company at their bid price of \$62.50, they being the low bidder. Ed Johnson seconded the motion. On vote, motion carried.

The Board accepted the audit proposal of Allen French for the auditing of the county books for the year 1943, same being submitted in the amount of \$1000.00. The contract was signed this day.

No further business appearing, the Board adjourned to meet September 7, 1943.

ATTEST:

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

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

September 7, 1943

In regular adjourned session, all members of the Board of County Commissioners and the County Clerk met in the regular meeting rooms of said Board.

The bond of C. B. Rumsey, newly appointed Coroner, was presented to the Board, then filed in the office of the County Clerk.

Since all withholding tax has to be deposited in some bank by the 10th of each month, and since the Board of County Commissioners must designate such a bank, the following motion was made: Ed Johnson moved that the First National Bank be designated as the bank in which there should be deposited all withholding tax withheld by the county. M. N. Penny seconded the motion. On vote, motion carried.

At the hour of 2 o'clock p. m., all members of the Board adjourned to meet at the point of beginning of the following described road for the purpose of a formal road hearing in regard to the closing of said road:

Beginning at the West $\frac{1}{8}$ corner of the Southwest $\frac{1}{4}$ of Section 5, Township 13 S, Range 21 E, a point in old No. 593. Thence East along and across old bridge on Road No. 593 to the west limit of the City of Eudora. (Approximately $\frac{1}{4}$ mile.)

There was a number of interested parties at said hearing said number being mainly opposed to the closing of the road. The Board had discussed the closing of the part of the road as described above, due to the damage done to a bridge situated thereon, during the high water time this year. The east approach to the bridge has collapsed, and it would require approximately \$3000.00 to make repairs to the bridge, including the reflooring of same.

Some of the parties present criticized the Township Board, contending that if this Board had had this approach fixed last Spring, it would not have gone out during the recent flood. Mrs. John Moody, who was vitally interested in the bridge, said that she, time and time again, had reported the condition of the bridge to the township board, and although said board is not responsible for the maintenance of the bridge, felt that the members should have reported this to the proper authority.

Several leading citizens from the City of Eudora, among them J. D. Adams and George Lothholz, were very much in favor of repairing the bridge and leaving the road open, and were very emphatic in their statements regarding same.

Some of the arguments presented were those of school children using the bridge and this road going to and from school. Also, the highway was considered dangerous for travel, especially during the present time when it is used by defense workers. Also, some of the farmers remarked that they were not allowed on the highway with certain equipment.

It was stated that the road was well traveled, but according to the observation of some of the members of the Board, they were not of the same opinion. The road is now infested with a thick growth of weeds and the trail is so faint that it gave the appearance of having very little use.

After said hearing, all members of the Board reconvened in the regular meeting rooms at the courthouse.

Final action on the road petition was made at this time. M. N. Penny moved that the petition praying for the vacation of the approximate quarter mile of the road as described in said petition, be accepted, and that said road be vacated as of this day. L. H. Griffith seconded the motion. Vote on this motion is as follows:

Aye: M. N. Penny
L. H. Griffith

No.: Ed Johnson

The Board adjourned to meet Friday, September 17, 1943.

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