

COMMISSIONER'S RECORD N

Douglas County Republican, Lawrence

No further business appearing, the Board adjourned.

ATTEST:

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

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

November 1, 1943

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

Roy Hegeman, General Foreman of the Engineering Department, reported that Ed Sanders had declined the offer of a position with the County Shops.

A Mr. Hack made a request to the Board for the County to dig him a pond on his property West of town, in that said Mr. Hack is greatly in need of a water supply for his stock. He says he can haul water, but the cost is so great it takes more than the income from the milk he sells, to pay for same. Inasmuch, as the county is handicapped for doing or loaning equipment for private work due to the war emergency, the Board informed Mr. Hack that the work could not be done with county equipment. The Commissioners suggested that he contact a certain party in Shawnee County who is in the business and will dig ponds for farmers.

The regular salary and wage bills were presented by the County Clerk, and after close scrutiny were ordered paid as per amounts recorded in the Allowance Record, same order being made by proper motion, second and vote of the Board.

The Board called in Judge Frank Gray to discuss the mileage bill of Mrs. Lillian Bliesner, Probation Officer, who had submitted a rather heavy claim this month. In the past, the Board recalled no mileage claims being paid. Judge Gray explained that his office had been overloaded with numerous out-of-town matters that had to be taken care of. He says there is sufficient allowance in his budget to take care of the expense of the mileage. The claim was allowed as being in order.

With the Acting County Engineer and the Welfare Director, the Commissioners discussed the digging of the proposed new well at the County Farm, by the Layne-Western Company of Kansas City, Mo., who has made an offer for digging the well, and who has completed two test wells at the Farm. The Commissioners were in agreement in entering into a contract with this company provided that they insert in same that the volume of water will not be less and the sediment contents will be no greater at the end of the year than at the beginning of the year. Also, that the year of guarantee, which the contract covers, will begin at the time the well is accepted by the county from this company.

These requests were enclosed in a letter to the Layne-Western Company.

The Board adjourned to meet Wednesday, November 10, 1943.

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November 10, 1943.

In regular adjourned session this 10th day of November, 1943, there convened all members of the Board of County Commissioners and the County Clerk.

A road petition, praying for the location of the following described road, was presented to the Commissioners. This petition is signed by Geo. H. Lotholz and twenty-eight others.

Beginning at the West 1/8 corner of the Southwest 1/4 Section 5, Township 13 S, Range 21 E, a point in old Road No. 593, thence East along and across old bridge on 1/8 line to the West line of the City of Endora. (Approximately 1/4 mile.)

Said petition was carefully checked and the same as well as the Road Petitioner's Bond, being in order, was accepted by the Board, the date of viewing was set for 2 o'clock p. m., Monday, December 6, 1943, same to be held at the place of beginning.

The County Clerk reported to the Board that the K. U. Endowment Association has made application to the State Tax Commission for exemption from taxation and abatement on taxes on certain properties owned by them. It was the opinion of the Clerk that this society should be liable for the payment of taxes for those that are now delinquent, as well as the current year's taxes, inasmuch, as they had held title to some of this property long before any request for adjustment was made and that their application is now being made after the new tax period has arrived when the Clerk felt that it should have been made previous. The Board was in agreement with the County Clerk and felt that no abatement of taxes should be allowed.

Rev. Alfred J. Beil, speaking for the Ministerial Alliance, asked the Commissioners if they would consider reducing the amount of coverage by insurance for the building at the Lone Star Lake now being leased by the Ministerial Alliance. He said that particularly during this time of the year the cabin is not used very much, and that the Alliance is not financially able to pay the large insurance premium at this time. The building had been insured for \$1000.00. The Board gave due consideration to the request and finally agreed to reduce the amount of coverage to \$500.00.

As agreed among the Commissioners, the Board informed the Acting County Engineer that the entire supervision of the Lone Star Park and Lake was under the jurisdiction of his office. The decision on any problem arising at said park is to be made by him.

Further bills against the county for supplies and materials were minutely checked and allowed by proper motion, second and vote, in amounts as recorded on the record in the office of the County Clerk.

At the hour of 2 o'clock p. m., the Board, accompanied by the Acting County Engineer, met at