

COMMISSIONER'S RECORD N

Douglas County Republican, Lawrence

The County Clerk presented the ballots received by him, eight in number and one voided for reason noted on Poll Book.

After tabulation, ballots were placed in envelopes and filed.

The Board adjourned to meet Tuesday, August 16, 1944.

ATTEST:

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

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

August 15, 1944.

All members of the Board of County Commissioners met in regular adjourned meeting for the purpose of holding the public hearing on the 1945 budget.

Approximately 20 people attended the hearing, the majority being those interested in the Farm Bureau. The Commissioners had not allowed the amount for the Farm Bureau that had been asked to be set up in the budget for this organization. It was to explain why this amount should be allowed by the Farm Bureau. Their arguments were good, and Deal Six, Farm Agent, gave a very clear picture not only of his but of other's work in the Farm Bureau. Chairman Griffith commented on the lack of response of members of the Bureau in the section of the county which he represents. Interest in the Farm Bureau should be expressed by all members if they see its merits at all.

Some discussion was given to the Welfare Budget, this set up drawing much criticism. The Welfare budget has never been received favorably by the representatives of the public who attend these hearings. The Board was commended on the foresight of setting up a certain sum in the budget to be used for work projects, it being possible that there could be need of such if the war should end and the relief rolls would again be flooded as in the past. As one party commented such projects set up for able bodied persons to work and receive modest wages, was purely business.

Unfortunately, public budget hearings are held at a time when only changes to lower the budget can be made. No increases are possible at this time. The interested parties for the Farm Bureau made it clear that at next budget making time they would appear at an earlier date before the formal budget hearing, so that their arguments could do some good.

By proper motion, second and vote, the 1945 budget was approved as it appears on file in the office of the County Clerk.

The contract for printing the 1944 tax receipts was awarded to the World Company as per detailed information submitted for quotations, @ \$537.50.

The Budget hearing held at 10:00 o'clock A. M. for adoption of Budget for 1945. The formal adoption of the Budget was deferred until after August 21st, the day of hearing before the State Tax Commission for authority to make certain levies in the Road & Bridge and Welfare Funds.

Glenna D. Davis was granted an indefinite leave of absence for rest.

No further business, the Board adjourned to meet on Thursday, August 17th.

ATTEST:

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

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

August 17, 1944

The Board of County Commissioners met in regular adjourned meeting, all members of the Board and the County Clerk present.

The Board allowed the Sheriff seventy five cents (75¢) per day for boarding prisoners.

The County Treasurer was authorized to purchase a Burroughs Tax Receipting Machine from the Burroughs Adding Machine Company, Topeka, for the sum of \$434.70 net.

A contract was placed with R. L. Forbes (sublet to F. M. Bostwick, Topeka, Kansas) for laying, sanding and finishing oak flooring in the Treasurer's office -- \$135.20.

The Board adjourned to meet Monday, August 21, 1944.

ATTEST:

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

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

Public Hearing on
1945 Budget