

Official Record of the Proceedings of the County Board

ALLIANCE, Neb., July 12, 1921.—The board of county commissioners met pursuant to adjournment. Members present: George W. Duncan, chairman, and C. L. Hashman, George Carrel, being out of the county, was unable to attend. The following proceedings were had and done, to-wit:

Mrs. Ives appeared before the board and asked that she be allowed a mother's pension, being a widow and having nine children to support. The matter was referred to the county attorney and put aside to be taken up with him July 14.

The remainder of the day was spent in interviewing various residents of Box Butte in regard to their taxes but this being a matter for consideration of the equalization board no action could be taken.

Adjournment taken until tomorrow morning at 9 o'clock.

ALLIANCE, Neb., July 13, 1921.—The board of county commissioners met pursuant to adjournment. Members present: George W. Duncan, chairman, and C. L. Hashman. The following proceedings were had and done to-wit:

The county treasurer reported the following balances:

Table with 2 columns: Item, Amount. Includes Insanity fund, Mother's pension fund, Advertising fund, Fees-treasurer's office, Excess fees-treas. office, Interest county deposits, Excess fees-county judge, Fees-county clerk, May.

Total \$1,110.53. It is the order of the board that the above amount of \$1,110.53 be transferred to the general fund.

W. R. Metz appeared before the board in behalf of the Nebraska Moline Plow company for refund on taxes paid under protest for the year 1920. The matter was continued until the county attorney could meet with the board for investigation of same.

Adjournment taken until tomorrow morning at 9 o'clock.

July 14 was spent by the county board of commissioners in viewing roads.

July 15—The board of county commissioners met, with same members present as the day previous. Relative to the claim of the Moline Plow company, the following resolution was adopted:

"Now on this 15th day of July, 1921, the same being one of the days of the regular session of the board of county commissioners the claim of the Moline Plow company for a refund of taxes paid under protest on May 11, 1921, came on for consideration and upon due consideration the commissioners find that the sum of \$14.25 paid by the said Moline Plow company and which sum was assessed against

them by James W. Miller, county sheriff, Box Butte county, Nebraska, as fees of sale upon a levy made for distress warrant, was unlawfully taxed against said company and said claim of the said Moline Plow company is hereby allowed in the sum of \$14.25 and rejected as to the balance of said claim, to-wit, the sum of \$356.25.

It is further ordered that the county clerk shall notify the said Moline Plow company as to the action of the board of county commissioners as provided by law.

"Dated this 15th day of July, 1921." Adjournment taken until tomorrow morning at 9 o'clock.

July 16.—The board of county commissioners met pursuant to adjournment. The same members were present as yesterday.

The resignation of T. D. Roberts as justice of the peace of the County of Box Butte was taken up for consideration and it is the order of the board that the same be accepted as of this date.

The application of L. A. Berry for the appointment of justice of the peace to fill the vacancy caused by the resignation of T. D. Roberts was taken into consideration. Wherefore, it is the order of the board that L. A. Berry be and he hereby is appointed justice of the peace for Box Butte county, Nebraska.

The semi-annual report of F. W. Irish, county treasurer, was examined and approved.

The semi-annual report of Ira E. Tash, county judge, was examined and approved by the board.

The following claims were examined and the clerk ordered to draw warrants on the general fund for the same:

Table with 2 columns: Name, Amount. Includes Ethel M. Clary, salary; Glen Mounts Bledsoe, salary; J. H. Carroll, salary; Thos. L. Miskimen, salary; J. W. Miller, salary; Avis M. Joder, salary; C. L. Hashman, com'n'r; George W. Duncan, com'n'r 6; C. J. Benjamin, special deputy 18.00.

The following claims were examined and allowed and the clerk ordered to draw warrants on the road fund for same:

Table with 2 columns: Name, Amount. Includes John Pauling, dragging road; F. Elliott, road work; C. L. Hashman, road; George W. Duncan, road.

The following claim was examined and allowed and the clerk ordered to draw warrant on the road dragging fund for same:

Table with 2 columns: Name, Amount. Includes J. E. Pauling, road work \$77.05.

The following state highway claims were examined and approved by the board, said claims having been paid by the county clerk by warrants on the state highway fund:

Table with 2 columns: Name, Amount. Includes G. C. Weikal, W. A. Kishigo, James Neece, John Henderson, L. P. Schroeder, Wm. Abrams, Dan Watson, Steve Collins, Ted Abrams, Art Dillon, James Collins, W. A. Kishigo, F. R. Allen, G. C. Weikal, Mrs. G. C. Weikal, Floyd Trine, R. C. Athey, Carpenter & Thalen, Schafer Electric Co., Geo. Breckner et al., Sturgeon Garage, Newberry Hardware Co., Rhein Hardware Co., Standard Oil Co., R. C. McClure, Mrs. G. C. Weikal, G. C. Weikal, Steve Collins, W. A. Kishigo, Dan Watson, James Collins, Steve Collins, Wm. Abrams, Ted Abrams, John Willis, John Henderson, A. L. Larkin, G. C. Weikal, Mrs. G. C. Weikal.

Mrs. Ives appeared again before the board in regard to mother's pension and after due consideration the matter was set aside until further information can be secured regarding the situation.

There being no further business to come before the meeting, it is the order of the board of commissioners that adjournment be taken until August 16, 1921, at 9 o'clock a. m.

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Mrs. L. B. Denton and daughter, Miss Rosalie, left Monday for a short visit with friends at Ft. Collins, Colo.

CITY MANAGER PLANS CHANGES IN FIRE DEPT.

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therefore attends only 20 fires in five years. Minimum as required by the rules he receives therefor about \$60 in poll tax exemption which is equivalent to about \$3 per fire for his service. In addition after a five year period he has served on the department a member is exempt from further duty on the fire department. He retains his active membership in the organization and has all the privileges of the club room maintained in the city hall.

The official state annual report of the department for the year 1920 shows that Alliance had 22 fires during the year, the cost of operating this department during that period was \$5,019.00. From the proceedings of the 39th annual convention of the Nebraska State Volunteer Firemen's Association we get the following data regarding the fire departments in a number of cities for the year 1920, the cost of maintaining the department, the miles of mains, number of active men in the departments are shown for these various towns. A number of these towns including Alliance did not give the cost of maintaining the department for the year but the figures herein given for Alliance are from our books:

39th Annual Convention, York, Neb., January, 1921.

Table with 5 columns: City, Miles of Mains, Hydrants, Cost per Year-1920, Active Members. Lists cities like Alliance, Auburn, Aurora, Crawford, David City, Kearney, Nebr. City, North Bend, North Platte, Plattsmouth, Schuyler, Scottsbluff, Sidney, Superior, Uni. Place.

It is our policy to have a fire department better than other cities our size but it is not necessary to imitate or try to maintain a department such as the metropolitan cities have unless our insurance rates are reduced accordingly so that we can afford to do so. It seems that in 1917 there was a revision of the insurance rates made on account of the fire truck being purchased by the city. Some of the down town risks were reduced while others were increased. The dwelling rates were increased. An old established insurance agency tells us that the average of all risks combined were really increased rather than decreased at that time. Last year it cost the city more money to maintain the fire department than it did all the insurance companies combined in losses paid out on fire losses. The insurance companies must have received in the neighborhood of \$25,000.00 in premiums and paid in losses about \$3,000.00 where it cost the city \$5,091.00 for fire protection while the insurance companies reaped the benefit.

We are working on ways and means to reduce this expense and not impair the efficiency of our department. One plan is to station our fire truck in the Lowry & Henry garage where they are the only concern which have a man on duty at night. This would cost the city \$10.00 per month plus \$2.00 for each time the truck is called out on fires. There are four men available during the day time and one on duty all night who can drive the truck to fires. This arrangement would cost the city about \$200.00 per year to get the truck to fires. In addition we would have a man whose first duty would be to inspect the truck and apparatus each day to see that all was ready to go and to attend to the fire hose etc. after fires. His first duty would be to look after the fire truck and the rest of his time we can use on other work and not be a dead loss to the city as it is now. The fire alarm system would be improved on the present system. The whistle at the plant will blow night or day when the fire occurs. The volunteer firemen would be given preference calls over the telephone to any one else. They would in reality be expected to hit the ball when the fire whistle blows or be counted out. This or any other plan offered has met with considerable opposition and considerable talk and wild stories are afloat as to what we are going to do.

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The Christians were given credit for a game won in the Sunday school league schedule Monday, when the Baptists failed to show up and the game was declared forfeited. The next game is called for Thursday, when the Presbyterians are to meet the Methodists. The latter have reorganized their team and intimate that they have material now for a league leader. So far the Methodists have forfeited every game, but it is expected that they will show their strength Thursday. At least, the league members hope so. The Presbyterians are still the league leaders; the Christians come second, the Baptists third and the Methodists fourth. It is probable that the Academy will furnish a new club for the league.

Edward Nold, who has been assisting his uncle, E. K. Jones, at the Model Market for the past two months, left Sunday for his home at St. Louis, Mo.

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FOWLING

Ab Hall called at the Elsea home Tuesday.

Brus put up a mail box Wednesday evening.

Everyone is getting ready for the haying season.

Mr. Banks motored to Alliance last Thursday morning.

Mrs. Elsea left Monday for her homestead in Wyoming.

Mrs. C. L. Hall spent Sunday with her son Jay Hall and family.

Jean Hall has a very sore foot, caused from stepping on a nail.

Mrs. Mann was around taking the school census Wednesday afternoon.

Messrs. Banks and Kilpatrick were callers at the Peterson home Wednesday.

James Eaton and family and Mrs. Elsea and Jean were shopping in Alliance Tuesday.

Ejnar Christensen and family were down to the dam fishing on Monday evening but had no luck.

Lee McLaughlin went to Alliance Tuesday with a team, bringing out a load of lumber Wednesday.

Nels Peterson went to Alliance Friday and returned Sunday with a load of coal for the school house.

A number of tourists passed through Thursday en route to Cheyenne for the Frontier days celebration.

Jasper Colvin and wife spent Sunday at Hulbert's. They motored down to Henderson's in the afternoon.

Carn Eaton returned home Thursday morning after plowing a few days at the Paschke & McConnell ranch.

Nels Peterson and family motored to Alliance Tuesday. Miss Gladys took her music lesson while there.

Nola Eaton and babe and Jean Hall spent Sunday at Ab. Hall's. Mrs. Hall and children returned home with them for a few days' visit.

James Kennedy and family, N. E. Hulbert and wife and Joe Kennedy and family attended the chautauqua at Hemingford Saturday.

Mrs. Wm. Butler and baby left last Tuesday for Rhode Island, upon receipt for a letter stating that her sister was not expected to live.

Frank Vaughn and family spent a couple of days visiting his sister, Mrs. Bier and family and on their way home spent the day at N. E. Hulbert's.

Cal Leis and family, Roy Grosse and family, Charles Hookam and family, Ejnar Christensen and family were fishing at the Kilpatrick dam Sunday and report good luck.

Ben Johnson and Joe Reiman called at Elsea's Thursday afternoon to look at Mr. Johnson's cattle. He shipped fourteen head Friday morning. Raymond Kapper drove them to Hemingford.

Norie Hurlburt and wife and Mrs. Langford were callers in Alliance last Wednesday. The took three bushels of gooseberries to market. Mrs. Langford stayed in town to take treatments from a doctor for a few days.

Women and Girls' Trimmed and sailor Hats at Half Price. Highland-Holloway Co.

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