

SUPERVISOR SESSIONS

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O'Neill, Nebraska, June 10th, 1907.—Board of supervisors met pursuant to adjournment, there being no quorum present, board adjourned until June 14th, 1907.

W. P. Simar, County Clerk, Chairman.

O'Neill, Nebraska, June 14th, '07, 10 o'clock a. m.—Board called to order, members present were Clarke, Golden, Keyes, Root and Skidmore. Minutes of April 23rd, 24th, 25th, 27th, 30th, and May 1st and 2nd read and approved.

To the Hon. Board of Supervisors of Holt County, Nebraska: Your petitioner, Patrick S. Hughs, respectfully showeth that he is the owner of the southeast quarter of the southwest quarter of section twenty-nine (29) in township twenty-nine (29), range eleven (11), west of the 6th P. M. in Holt county, Nebraska, excepting about two acres in the southwest corner thereof, which is owned by the Great Northern Railroad company and used for railroad purposes.

Your petitioner further showeth that this land was formerly owned by the Holt County Agricultural society for a number of years previous to the time your petitioner acquired title to said property was exempt from taxation under the laws of Nebraska during all the time that said Holt County Agricultural society was the owner of said premises.

Your petitioner respectfully states that through clerical error said above described land was assessed for taxation for the years 1892, 1893, 1894 and 1895, and for said years was taxed in the name of the Holt County Agricultural society, and said land was entered upon the scavenger tax sale book for the delinquent for the years above named, and said property was bid in at tax sale under said scavenger tax sale law in the name of the county of Holt and the amount bid was \$176.75.

Your petitioner further showeth that this land was not subject to taxation for said years 1892, 1893, 1894 and 1895 and as further evidence of this fact, I will respectfully refer you to the tax list of 1890 and 1891 and you will find that for these years, said land was not taxed.

Wherefore your petitioner respectfully prays that your honorable body will instruct the county treasurer to redeem said land from the above mentioned tax sale.

Your petitioner further showeth that he has paid taxes on the above described property for all the years from the date that he acquired title to said land by sheriff's deed, all of which is respectfully submitted for your consideration.

P. S. Hughs. Upon motion the prayer of the petitioner of P. S. Hughs was granted.

On motion the board adjourned until 1 o'clock p. m. One o'clock p. m., board called to order.

To the Honorable Board of Supervisors of Holt County, Neb. Gentlemen: Please transfer all money in bond fund of school district No. 137 to general fund of said district as all bonds have been paid.

Edward Adams, Treasurer of school district No. 137. On motion prayer of the petitioner as above was granted.

On motion the official bonds of Ed. Hull, road overseer of district No. 42, were approved.

On motion the official bonds of H. C. Grimes, road overseer of district No. 54, were approved.

On motion the official bonds of J. H. Otter, road overseer of district No. 34, were approved.

Mr. W. A. Slack and A. E. Pierce appeared before the board in regard to a road petitioned for in McClure township.

Mr. Chairman: I move you that we postpone any further action in the above road case to some future time. Motion carried.

The bids for heating the court house were opened and examined. Board found the bid of B. M. Hurst as per plans and specification, to be \$1,870.00; Norfolk Plumbing company as per plans and specifications, to be \$1,685.00; James Davidson, as per plans and specifications, to be \$2,125.00.

O'Neill, Neb., June 14th, 1907.—Mr. Chairman: I move that we accept the proposition of the Norfolk Plumbing & Heating company, for the heating of the court house of Holt county, and that the contract be entered into the aforesaid company at some future date, and that the county clerk is hereby instructed to return all other certified checks.

B. E. Sturdevant, J. A. Golden. The ayes and nays being called for, those voting were Clarke, Golden, Keyes, Sturdevant and Skidmore, five, those voting nay were Root, I. Roberts, absent. Chairman declined; the motion carried.

On motion the board adjourned until 9 o'clock a. m. June 15th, 1907.

W. P. Simar, County Clerk. O'Neill, Neb., June 15th, 9 o'clock a. m.—Board called to order; members present, Clarke, Golden, Keyes, Root, Sturdevant and Skidmore.

Resolution by supervisors, John A. Golden.

Whereas the recent high water in the Elkhorn river caused by an unusual fall of rain has suddenly injured, damaged, broken down and partially washed away and destroyed a part of the bridge and approaches thereto and caused great damage to the entire bridge located on the half section line running north and south a short distance north of the main bridge over and across the Elkhorn river in section 31, township 29, north of range 11, west of 6th P. M. in Holt county, Nebraska, and whereas, a bridge has been maintained for more than twenty years at this place at the expense of Holt county, and whereas said bridge is located on a public traveled and legally established road and whereas said road cannot be traveled without a bridge at that place and whereas said bridge in its present condition is unfit, dangerous and unsafe for public travel over and whereas said road upon which said bridge is situated is the only road leading into the city of O'Neill from the south and upon which the people south of O'Neill can travel to and from said place and the only road accessible to the people living south of O'Neill which is the trading place for a large number of persons who could not go elsewhere and trade and transact their business without great inconvenience, hardship and loss and whereas said bridge and approaches are in need of immediate repair on account of the condition thereof brought about and caused by and on account of the reasons hereinbefore stated and set forth and whereas it is the duty of the county to repair said bridge and the approaches thereto, that great inconvenience and damage may be prevented and whereas if said bridge and the approaches thereto were not repaired at once, that the road upon which it is situated cannot be traveled and said bridge and the approaches thereto will be further injured and the county greatly and further damaged and if the same be not repaired, will be totally destroyed, and whereas by reason of the foregoing facts, an emergency exists which demands immediate action by this board and that said bridge and approaches thereto be immediately repaired.

Therefore, be it resolved by the board of supervisors of Holt county, Nebraska, that by reason of the foregoing facts, that an emergency exists and that said bridge and the approaches thereto are in need of immediate repair on account of and by reason of the foregoing facts, and be it further resolved, that the public good requires immediate action on the part of this board in the repairing of said bridge and the approaches thereto that great inconvenience and damage may be prevented, and be it further resolved, and be it further resolved, that the intentions of this board to repair the damages to said bridge and the approaches thereto be given by this board as by law required to the end, that this board may, on behalf of Holt county, enter into a valid and binding contract for the repairing of the damage to said bridge and the approaches thereto.

I move the adoption and passage of the foregoing resolution. J. A. Golden. I second the motion of Mr. Golden for the adoption and passage of the foregoing resolution. B. E. Sturdevant.

The above resolution was adopted. To the Hon. Board of Supervisors of Holt County, Nebraska: We, the undersigned, Ed. F. Gallagher, mayor, and J. G. McBride, clerk, of the city of O'Neill, Nebraska, gives this honorable board to know and be informed, that on the 4th day of April, 1900, the Finance Company of Iowa, obtained a judgment against the city of O'Neill in the United States circuit court at Omaha, Nebraska, in the sum of \$3,418.58, and also on the same day and in the same court the Addyston Pipe & Steel company obtained a judgment against said city of O'Neill for the sum of \$3,129.28.

That a special judgment tax was levied against said city of O'Neill for the purpose of paying each of said judgments above referred to. That each of said judgments have been fully paid and satisfied, and there is now in the hands of the county treasurer of Holt county, Nebraska, about the sum of one thousand dollars which was levied and collected for the purpose of paying said judgments, and that there will continue to come into the hands of the county treasurer from time to time under the same levy, other monies.

Therefore, the undersigned officers respectfully request that the county board of Holt county, order and direct the county treasurer of Holt county, Nebraska, to transfer all monies now in his possession or that may hereafter come into his possession by virtue of said special tax levy to the general fund of said city of O'Neill, Holt county, Nebraska.

Dated, O'Neill, Nebraska, June 13th, 1907. Ed. F. Gallagher, mayor, J. H. McBride, clerk. On motion the prayer of the above petition was granted.

O'Neill, Nebraska, May 14th, 1907.—Hon. Board of Supervisors of Holt County, Nebraska.—Gentlemen: I have the honor to request that your honorable body instruct the county treasurer to redeem from erroneous tax sale the following described land which was erroneously sold at tax sale on Nov. 14th, 1905, viz: S½ SE¼ NW¼ SE¼ NE¼ SW¼ Sec. 33, T. 25 N. R. 14 W.; the S½ SE¼ NW¼ SE¼ of said section, township and range is embraced in H. E. No. 17281 made Dec. 6, 1901, by William J. Meyer, on which entry final proof has not been made.

Your petitioner holds the tax sale certificate on said land and respectfully requests that it be redeemed. Very respectfully, S. J. Weeks. On motion the prayer of the petitioner was granted, and clerk ordered to strike from the assessor's books the same, and also the treasurer was ordered to strike from the tax list of 1905.

Mr. Chairman: I move that the county treasurer be and is hereby instructed to refund J. A. Trommershauser three dollars labor tax paid by him April 27, 1907, for the year 1906, said J. A. Trommershauser being over fifty years of age when said assessment was made.

B. E. Sturdevant, J. A. Golden. Motion carried.

Inez, Neb., June 8, '07.—Mr. J. C. Harnish, O'Neill, Neb.—Dear Sir: Enclosed find tax statement of Wyoming precinct which please hand same to Rodell Root and have same cancelled, as I was assessed also in Francis precinct with Lierman Bros., which C. F. Liermann paid on the 21st of May, '07.

Yours respectfully, Herman Liermann. On motion the poll tax assessed to Herman Liermann in Wyoming Twp. was ordered stricken, he having paid poll tax in Francis Twp. for 1906.

O'Neill, Nebraska, June 1st, 1907.—We, P. A. Anderson and August Anderson, assessed in Verdigris township under the name of Anderson Bros. respectfully ask your honorable body for a refund of \$3.00, said amount being paid by us as poll tax. As a matter of fact we are both over 50 years of age and consequently should pay no poll tax.

P. A. Anderson, August Anderson. Subscribed and sworn to before me this first day of June, 1907. W. P. Simar, county clerk. Roy Smith, deputy.

[Seal] On motion the prayer of the petition was granted.

O'Neill, Nebraska, June 12th, 1907.—To the Honorable Board of Supervisors of Holt County, Neb.—Gentlemen: Your petitioner respectfully represents that an error was made in assessor's book for Stuart township for 1904, and that the northeast ¼ of section 9, southeast ¼ of 9, southeast ¼ of section 9, township 29, range 15 west, was placed on the tax list in school district No. 169, when it should

have been placed in school district No. 143.

I ask to have the same corrected, and have No. 143 given credit for the tax due said district No. 143.

Ed. F. Humpal, Director of district No. 143.

On motion the prayer of the petition was granted.

Mr. Chairman: In the matter of road petition of W. A. Slack and thirty-four others, and in view of the fact of a remonstrance being filed by A. E. Pierce and thirty-five others to that part of said road running east and west, I move that the clerk be and he is hereby instructed to proceed to have that part of the above road not remonstrated against, viewed and appraised according to law.

C. D. Keyes, J. C. Clarke. Motion carried.

O'Neill, Nebraska, May 2nd, 1907.—To the Honorable Board of Supervisors of Holt County, Neb.: I hereby petition your honorable body to refund me the difference in my school tax, I was erroneously assessed in school district No. 169, Stuart township, when I should have been assessed in school district No. 143, where my land is, for the year 1906.

Respectfully, James F. Humpal.

On motion the prayer of the petition was granted.

O'Neill, Nebraska, May 13, 1907.—To the Honorable Board of Supervisors, Holt County, Nebraska.—Gentlemen: Your petitioner respectfully represents that she is the owner of the SW¼, S3, 26, 12. Your petitioner further represents that the taxes on the above land for 1901 were on May 24th, 1902, but through clerical error in county treasurer's office no credit was given for said taxes on the tax books for that year and as the result, said land was sold to J. W. Whiffen on Nov. 5th, 1902, for the 1901 taxes. This tax sale is void for the reason that the taxes had been paid several months prior to the time of the tax sale to the said J. W. Whiffen.

Wherefore your petitioner respectfully prays that your honorable body make an order instructing the county treasurer to redeem the above mentioned erroneous tax sale.

Julia McNair Wright, By A. J. Hammond, Agent.

On motion the prayer of the petition was granted.

O'Neill, Nebraska, June 8th, 1907.—To the Honorable Board of Supervisors of Holt County, Nebraska.—Gentlemen: Your petitioner represents that he paid school tax for the year 1906 on SW¼ 31, 27, 14, amount \$3.34, should be school district No. 243 instead of No. 78. I therefore ask you to order the treasurer to charge district No. 78 with \$3.34, and credit same amount to district No. 243. See error in treasurer's book.

Respectfully, C. W. Moss.

On motion the prayer of the petition was granted.

On motion the claim No. 690 for Horses

Actual Assessed Actual Assessed Actual Assessed

	Actual	Assessed	Actual	Assessed	Actual	Assessed
Atkinson	\$59.35	\$11.87	\$61.15	\$12.23	\$16.05	\$3.21
Chambers	56.15	11.23	65.30	11.05	15.35	3.07
Conley	66.50	11.30	60.00	12.00	16.75	3.35
Cleveland	54.10	10.82	62.10	12.22	15.30	3.06
Dustin	56.60	11.32	68.10	11.68	17.90	3.58
Deloit	54.75	10.95	55.10	11.02	17.60	3.52
Emmet	57.50	11.50	58.25	11.25	15.90	3.18
Ewing	55.00	11.00	61.75	12.35	15.55	3.11
Fairview	52.10	10.40	60.00	12.00	17.10	3.42
Francis	50.75	10.15	60.50	12.10	16.60	3.32
Grattan	52.15	10.43	57.50	11.50	17.00	3.40
Green Valley	52.50	10.50	55.00	11.00	15.63	3.13
Iowa	54.80	10.96	63.00	12.60	17.00	3.40
Inman	57.00	11.40	64.00	12.80	15.80	3.16
Lake	57.80	11.56	56.65	11.13	16.00	3.20
McClure	52.25	10.45	46.20	9.24	17.70	3.54
Paddock	52.25	10.45	65.10	12.02	15.70	3.14
Pleasant View	51.90	10.38	51.80	10.35	15.70	3.14
Rock Falls	54.80	10.96	56.60	11.32	15.10	3.02
Shields	56.75	11.35	50.00	10.00	15.25	3.05
Stuart	50.85	10.17	49.50	9.90	15.55	3.11
Sheridan	51.75	10.35	52.50	10.50	16.25	3.25
Swan	54.20	10.84	59.60	11.92	16.20	3.24
Shamrock	51.40	10.28	49.10	9.82	16.10	3.22
Steel Creek	59.25	10.85	50.40	10.08	15.20	3.04
Saratoga	57.50	11.50	60.75	12.15	15.20	3.04
Sand Creek	52.90	10.58	62.00	12.40	16.85	3.37
Scott	56.75	11.35	59.00	11.80	15.50	3.10
Verdigris	53.50	10.70	60.40	12.08	17.40	3.48
Willowdale	58.10	11.62	62.10	12.42	16.25	3.25
Wyoming	53.75	10.75	58.00	10.60	17.35	3.47
Ewing Hill	60.65	12.13	55.00	11.00	16.60	3.32
Iowa	55.00	11.00	58.00	11.60	18.10	3.62
O'Neill	55.20	11.04	62.00	12.40	15.80	3.16
Stuart	60.60	12.12			18.00	3.60
Atkinson						

Total average for county \$10.62 Total average for county 11.57

Moved by Root and seconded by Roberts that the assessments as returned by the county assessor be accepted as above. Motion carried.

On motion the board adjourned until 11 o'clock a. m. June 12th, 1907. W. P. Simar, county clerk, Chairman.

O'Neill, Nebraska, June 12th, 1907, 9 a. m.—Board met pursuant to adjournment for the purpose of equalization of taxes.

George Spilger appeared before the board and made complaint that the SW¼ of 11 and W½ of SE¼ of 11, 28, 16, Green Valley township, was assessed too high in comparison with the adjoining land.

Moved and seconded that the SW¼ of 11, 28, 16 be reduced from \$1,280.00 to \$720.00. Also the W½ SE¼ of 11, 28, 16 be reduced from \$640.00 to \$360.00. Motion carried.

W. A. Wheeler appeared before the board, complaining of the excessive assessments on lot 6, block 6, village of Atkinson, total actual value \$750.00, and asked to have the same reduced to \$500.00.

On motion the above was granted, and ordered changed on the assessor's book.

No further business appearing, board adjourned until 9 o'clock a. m., June 13, '07. Chairman, County Clerk.

\$4.00 issued to Frank Oberle was ordered canceled, same being a duplicate.

To the Honorable Board of Supervisors: Your petitioner represents that Thos. McGrain was assessed poll tax in Inman township for 1906. Petitioner states that said Thos. McGrain was a resident of Wyoming for the past two years, and not liable to pay poll tax in Holt county. Petitioner asks to have said tax stricken from the tax list of 1906.

Mrs. Thos. McGrain. On motion the prayer of the petition was granted.

To the Honorable Board of Supervisors: We find Wm. T. Kusel is entitled to a refund of \$3.00 on poll tax as he has caused it performed in labor and in cash also, year 1905.

D. B. Perkins, clerk, W. H. Graver, Treas., A. E. Pierce, J. P.

On motion a refund was granted as above.

On motion the county treasurer was ordered to redeem erroneous tax sale No. 1908 on SW 13, 26, 12. Also a refund was granted to J. C. Harnish, county treasurer, for \$11.60 for same.

On motion a refund was granted to James McPharlin for \$3.00, he having paid road tax in cash and also in labor in district No. 53, Swan township, for year 1906.

On motion a refund was granted to A. Baker for \$3.00, he having paid his poll tax in cash and also in labor, for year 1906, in O'Neill.

On motion a refund was granted to L. M. Butler for \$3.00 in Swan Twp., year 1906, he not being liable to poll tax.

To the Honorable Board of Supervisors, O'Neill, Nebraska.—Gentlemen: I hereby petition your honorable body for a refund of \$8.11, amount of taxes erroneously paid on the northeast quarter of section nineteen, township twenty-seven, range fifteen.

This receipt should have been written for the southeast quarter of section ineteen, township twenty-seven, range fifteen.

You will see by the records in the county treasurer's office that James Kennedy has paid the taxes on the northeast quarter of 19, 27, 15, for the same year and holds a receipt therefor.

Yours respectfully, F. J. Dishner.

On motion the prayer of the petition was granted.

On motion a refund was granted to Charles C. Fink, for \$3.00, he having paid same in cash and also in labor in road district No. 9, for 1906.

On motion the board adjourned until June 26th, 1907, at 10 o'clock a. m. Chairman.

W. P. Simar, County Clerk. O'Neill, Nebraska, June 11th, 1907.—Board of supervisors met as a board of equalization. Members present were Clarke, Golden, Keyes, Root, Roberts, Sturdevant, Skidmore, Assessor Cooper and Clerk Simar.

The following was found to be the average valuation by precincts as returned by county assessor:

	Horses	Mules	Cattle
Atkinson	59.35	11.87	61.15
Chambers	56.15	11.23	65.30
Conley	66.50	11.30	60.00
Cleveland	54.10	10.82	62.10
Dustin	56.60	11.32	68.10
Deloit	54.75	10.95	55.10
Emmet	57.50	11.50	58.25
Ewing	55.00	11.00	61.75
Fairview	52.10	10.40	60.00
Francis	50.75	10.15	60.50
Grattan	52.15	10.43	57.50
Green Valley	52.50	10.50	55.00
Iowa	54.80	10.96	63.00
Inman	57.00	11.40	64.00
Lake	57.80	11.56	56.65
McClure	52.25	10.45	46.20
Paddock	52.25	10.45	65.10
Pleasant View	51.90	10.38	51.80
Rock Falls	54.80	10.96	56.60
Shields	56.75	11.35	50.00
Stuart	50.85	10.17	49.50
Sheridan	51.75	10.35	52.50
Swan	54.20	10.84	59.60
Shamrock	51.40	10.28	49.10
Steel Creek	59.25	10.85	50.40
Saratoga	57.50	11.50	60.75
Sand Creek	52.90	10.58	62.00
Scott	56.75	11.35	59.00
Verdigris	53.50	10.70	60.40
Willowdale	58.10	11.62	62.10
Wyoming	53.75	10.75	58.00
Ewing Hill	60.65	12.13	55.00
Iowa	55.00	11.00	58.00
O'Neill	55.20	11.04	62.00
Stuart	60.60	12.12	
Atkinson			

Total average for county \$11.90 Total average for county 11.65

O'Neill, Nebraska, June 13th, 1907.—Board met pursuant to adjournment for the purpose of equalization of taxes.

Edwards and Bradford of the village of Page, appeared before the board to show cause why their assessment should not be raised.

Board and assessor took the matter up and discussed same with the Edwards & Bradford people.

On motion the board adjourned until 1 o'clock p. m.

One o'clock p. m. board called to order, all members present.

Ella M. Tuttle appeared before the board, complaining of the excessive assessment of the ¼ of section 6, and the SE¼ of section 5, township 31, range 16.

On motion the Assessor Cooper was instructed to investigate and assess the same.

Mr. T. A. Berry testified under oath as to amount of invoice of Edwards & Bradford lumber and hardware at Page, and assessment was allowed to stand as it was made by assessor.

No further business appearing the board adjourned until July 8th, at 10 o'clock a. m. Chairman, County Clerk.

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