

**Commissioners**  
**Proceedings.**

**Official Proceedings of the Board of County Commissioners of Steele County, N.D.**

Sherbrooke, N. Dak., Jan. 5th, 1903.  
The Board of County Commissioners convened in regular session at 9 o'clock A. M. Newly elected commissioners qualified and filed their oaths of office.  
On motion, duly seconded and carried, W. E. Elliott was chosen chairman for the ensuing year. Minutes of the meeting of November 7th and 8th, read, and on motion, approved.

Auditor's statement of warrants drawn for salary of county officials for quarter ending Dec. 31, 1902, was, on motion, approved as follows:  
T. S. Hunt, County Auditor, salary 3 months ..... \$300.00  
C. S. Shippy, State's Attorney, salary 9 months ..... 800.00  
T. A. Hasselquist, Supt. of Schools, salary 3 months ..... 280.00  
Albert Mickela, County Judge, salary 3 months ..... 250.00  
O. W. Williams, County Treasurer, salary 3 months ..... 400.00  
P. H. Gilbertson, Clerk of Court, salary three months ..... 225.00  
T. G. Anderson, Register of Deeds, salary 3 months ..... 400.00  
S. V. Anderson, Clerk for Register of Deeds, salary 3 months ..... 120.00  
Ora Fuller, Clerk for Auditor, October ..... 48.00  
O. W. Williams, for transfer from interest and sinking fund to County general fund ..... 42.00

The monthly statements of fees collected by Clerk of Court for quarter ending Dec. 31, 1902, aggregating \$141.70, were, on motion, approved.  
The monthly statements of the Register of Deeds for fees collected for the fourth quarter 1902, aggregating \$108.25, were, on motion, approved.

The application of T. A. Hasselquist for a ten year lease of lots 13, 14, 15, 16, 17 and 18, of block 4, Sherbrooke, N. Dak., and offering for same \$2 per annum, was, on motion, granted, the Board receiving the right to sell said lots at any time.  
On motion, duly seconded and carried, the Hope Pioneer, Steele County Tribune, and Hillyer Beacon were designated as official papers for Steele County, for the ensuing year, all legal notices to be published in one paper only except as otherwise provided by law.

In accordance with chapter 67, session laws of 1899 the salary of the County Treasurer was estimated at \$1000 and, on motion duly seconded and carried, the County Auditor was authorized to draw a warrant at the end of each month, in favor of the County Treasurer, for one-twelfth of said amount.  
On motion, the clerk hire for the County Treasurer's office for the ensuing year was fixed at \$250.

On motion, the clerk hire for the County Auditor for the ensuing year was fixed at \$250.  
On motion, the clerk hire for the Register of Deeds for 1903 was fixed at \$600; the Register of Deeds to be allowed one clerk regularly at \$40 per month; both salary and clerk hire of said office to be paid from special salary fund.

On motion, the following bills were allowed and ordered paid:  
W. W. Archer, fuel for county building ..... \$33.95  
J. A. Carlson, postage and expense to Cooperstown canvassing election returns ..... 11.00  
Valdine Williams, clerk for County Treasurer 3 months ..... 90.00  
P. H. Gilbertson, postage during 1902 ..... 7.50  
J. B. Honeyman, repairs furnished for county building ..... .50  
J. O. Collins, labor about county building and hauling fuel ..... 23.63  
King & Smith, repairing gas plant 800  
Finley Beacon, publishing commissioner proceedings ..... 10.00  
On motion, Board adjourned until 1:30 o'clock P. M. of same day.

**AFTERNOON SESSION.**  
Board of County Commissioners reconvened at 1:30 o'clock P. M., pursuant to adjournment. All members present.  
On motion, the official bond of the Sheriff was fixed at \$5000.  
On motion, the official bond of the coroner was fixed at \$500.  
On motion, the following bills were allowed and ordered paid:

Finley Beacon, publishing delinquent tax list ..... \$14.00  
Finley Beacon, stationery for Supt. of Schools ..... 2.50  
Finley Beacon, publishing abstract of Election ..... 15.75  
Walker Bros. and Hardy, election supplies ..... 151.50  
Walker Bros. and Hardy, Taxable Record for Auditor ..... 22.00  
Herald School Land Sales Record ..... 15.00  
Herald, Supplies for county offices bill \$12, allowed at ..... 9.00  
T. A. Hasselquist, postage ..... 3.00  
Mandan Pioneer, official stray paper ..... 5.00  
T. G. Anderson, Postage and telephoning ..... 24.45  
H. Bacharach, M.D., salary county physician 3 months ..... 50.00  
Halgrin and Gullicks, distributing strychnine ..... 2.70  
O. W. Williams, cash advanced for express and cartage ..... 4.09  
O. W. Williams, cash advanced for witness fees ..... 2.10  
O. W. Williams, cash advanced for stamped envelopes and postals ..... 53.90  
Henningson, 29 days services Register of Deeds office ..... 58.00  
Henningson, 29 days services for county Treasurer's office ..... 29.25  
O. W. Williams, postage ..... 1.92  
O. W. Williams, distributing being rapidly and being sold for

W. H. M. Phillip, salary county physician 6 months ..... 100.00  
Knight Printing Co., Mortgage Record book for Register of Deeds ..... 81.50  
Steele County Tribune, publishing legal notices from October to January ..... 77.25  
C. Christensen, Matches for county offices ..... .50  
The hour of 2 o'clock P. M. having arrived, the Board proceeded to open bids for furnishing the county with fuel. Bids were received from W. W. Archer and A. M. McLaughlin.  
On motion, duly seconded and carried, all bids for furnishing coal were rejected.  
On motion, duly seconded and carried, Chairman of the Board, W. E. Elliott, was authorized to purchase fuel for the county building.

Bids of the several banks of the county to become county depositories for the years 1903 and 1904 were opened. Each of the four banks of the county submitted bids as follows:  
Three per cent. per annum on the average daily balances during the months of April, May, June, July, August and September.  
One per cent. per annum during the months of October, November, December, January, February and March.  
On motion, the bid of each bank was accepted.

On motion, duly seconded and carried: the First National Bank of Hope was designated a county depository for the ensuing two years for one fourth of the county deposit, conditioned upon said bank giving a good and sufficient bond in the sum of \$20,000 for the safe keeping and repayment of any and all county funds deposited therein.  
On motion, duly seconded and carried, the Hope State Bank was designated a county depository for the ensuing two years for one-fourth of the county deposit, conditioned upon said bank giving a good and sufficient bond in the sum of \$20,000, for the safe keeping and repayment of any and all county funds deposited therein.

On motion, duly seconded and carried, the Finley State Bank was designated a county depository for the ensuing two years for one-fourth of the county deposit, conditioned upon said bank giving a good and sufficient bond in the sum of \$20,000 for the safe keeping and repayment of any and all county funds deposited therein.

On motion, duly seconded and carried, the Sharon State Bank was designated a county depository for the ensuing two years for one fourth of the county deposit, conditioned upon said bank giving a good and sufficient bond in the sum of \$20,000, for the safe-keeping and repayment of any and all county funds deposited therein.  
The county treasurer was, on motion, authorized to keep the county funds deposited as nearly equal as possible in the four banks of the county.

The Justice Report of Wm. Palmer, Justice of the Peace, for the quarter ending Dec. 31, 1902, was, on motion, approved and fees ordered paid as follows:  
**CASE OF STATE vs JOHN DOZ.**  
Wm. Palmer, justice fees ..... \$ 1.45  
E. J. Pepper, sheriff fees ..... 28.00  
**CASE OF STATE vs FRANK HENDERSON.**  
Wm. Palmer, justice fees ..... \$ 6.55  
T. N. Cochrane, constable fees ..... 2.50  
Frank Hughes, witness fees ..... 1.50  
P. J. Doran, witness fees ..... 1.10  
Fred Longness, witness fees ..... 1.10  
**CASE OF STATE vs FRANK HENDERSON.**  
Wm. Palmer, justice fees ..... \$ 2.30  
T. N. Cochrane, constable fees ..... 2.70  
The official bonds of the newly elected county officers were, on motion, approved as follows:

Wm. Palmer, County Justice of the Peace, in the sum of \$500, with Wm. Patterson and A. K. Cochrane as sureties thereon.  
T. A. Hasselquist, Supt. of Schools, in the sum of \$500, with P. H. Gilbertson and O. W. Williams as sureties thereon.  
Albert Mickela, County Judge, in the sum of \$2,000, with I. K. Bakken and O. H. Stay as sureties thereon.  
Harvey Bacharach, Coroner, in the sum of \$500, with S. G. Bastille and A. J. Long as sureties thereon.  
John A. Carlson, Clerk of the District Court, in the sum of \$5,000, with Andrew Thum and Carl G. Carlson as sureties thereon.

C. S. Shippy, State's Attorney, in the sum of \$2,000, with C. S. Cassell and George Murray as sureties thereon.  
On motion, bills were allowed and ordered paid as follows:

Norway Civil Township, appropriation to assist in paying damages assessed for road ..... \$100.00  
Beidler & Robinson Lumber Co., plank for Norway Township bridge ..... 91.18  
C. G. Henninger, Clerk for Register of Deeds 25 days ..... 52.50  
O. W. Williams, cash advanced Mrs. Cyrus for December and January ..... 30.00  
Kloster Bros., paint for Jacob Syverson's house, owned by county ..... 13.20  
Bill of Geo. E. Wilcox, cash advanced for railroad fare and expenses of Andrew Reice, amounting to \$28.75, was, on motion, laid on the table.  
On motion, the report of the county Board of Health was approved and fees ordered paid as follows:  
M. C. Johnston, M. D., Supt. Board of Health and mileage ..... 26.00  
G. O. Johnson, attendance Board of Health and mileage ..... 1.20  
Bridge petition asking for a new bridge on line between sections 11 and 12, Enger Township, signed by Ellef Pederson and others was presented to the Board.  
On motion, the chairman, appointed a committee to inspect site of bridge petitioned for, consisting of Commissioners Sulland, Johnson and Horner.  
On motion, the report of W. Va. ... have found it to be a very effective and valuable, powerful remedy for stomach ailments. I recommend it to my friends

By J. A. CARLSON, Deputy.  
Sherbrooke, N. Dak., January 6th, 1903  
The Board of County Commissioners convened at 9 o'clock A. M., pursuant to adjournment. All members present.  
The Board proceeded to the County Treasurer's office for the purpose of checking up the books, accounts and vouchers of the County Treasurer.  
On motion, the Board adjourned until 1:30 o'clock P. M. of the same day.

**AFTERNOON SESSION.**  
The Board reconvened at 1:30 o'clock P. M., pursuant to adjournment. All members present.  
On motion, the chairman was authorized to appoint a committee of three to check up the Register of Deeds' office, and a committee of two to check up the Clerk of Court's office and the County Judge's office.  
Chairman Elliott appointed committees as follows:  
Commissioners Horner, Gray and Sulland to check up Register of Deeds' office.  
Commissioner Johnson and Chairman Elliott to check up Clerk of Court's and County Judge's offices.

The committee appointed to check up the Clerk of Court's and County Judge's offices reported that they found their books and accounts satisfactory.  
On motion, the report of the committee was accepted and the committee discharged.  
On motion, the Board adjourned until 9 o'clock A. M., Thursday, Jan. 8th, 1903.

T. S. HUNT, County Auditor.

By J. A. CARLSON, Deputy.  
Sherbrooke, N. Dak., Jan. 7th, 1903.  
The Board of County Commissioners convened at 9 o'clock A. M., pursuant to adjournment. All members present.  
Minutes of meetings held January 6th and 7th were read and, on motion, approved.  
The application of Frank A. Sinner for a six year lease of all block one, village of Sherbrooke, and offering for same the sum of four dollars per annum, was, on motion, granted, the county reserving the right to sell said lots at any time.  
On motion, the Auditor was authorized to issue warrant for transfer of \$76.05, excess in Register of Deeds' salary fund to the county general fund.

The Sheriff's report of uncollectible personal property taxes in Steele County was taken under consideration by the Board.  
On motion, the personal property tax of the following individuals was cancelled as being uncollectible:

**TAXES FOR 1901.**  
Martin Nordmark \$10.49, Olof Nurngard \$7.29, Andrew Olson \$5.41, E. M. Jacobson \$6.52, Ole L. Bakken \$1.12, Hans Haast \$8.46, Oscar Loken \$16.16, John G. Jacobs \$10.96, George H. Johnson \$20.00, Ray Gable \$1.71, Torne Hanson \$2.00, M. T. Kennedy \$2.53, Andrew Jacobson \$4.41, N. E. Iverson \$14.63, Christian Frontoen \$7.29, F. G. Bailey \$12.12, Erick Aho \$15.3, Ole Anderson \$11.21, Erick Carlson \$13.02, R. C. Green, \$7.78, J. J. Munson \$1.19, R. J. Brock \$12.87, J. A. Bell \$10.35, Charles Green \$3.23, Edwin Knutson \$14.05, Morris Oblesnes \$11.21, L. L. Palmer \$12.09, Wm. Heckman \$4.84, S. P. C. Jensen \$2.35, E. E. Morrison \$3.80, J. L. Pur \$13.64, J. H. Allgeier \$15.47, Mat Brandon \$10.91, C. P. Meyer \$2.05, W. C. Spencer \$24.01, Herman Vold \$3.87, Scott Broken \$6.53, J. W. Ward \$3.42, Frank Dagg \$15.63, L. A. Freeland \$7.86, T. A. Allen \$1.06, J. A. Elzer \$17.81, J. H. Hart \$1.02, Geo. H. Isenminger \$9.00, C. R. Jackson \$5.61, J. T. Killas \$1.71, Ernest Luce \$2.68, John A. Logan \$11.12, J. J. Merry \$4.11, E. S. Poorman \$11.12, John H. VanDusen \$18.68, D. N. VanDusen \$10.2.

**TAXES FOR 1902.**  
Frank Barrett \$5.09, Syver Aneson \$1.33, A. C. Hoyt \$2.30, Bardus Nelson \$1.87, T. T. Poir \$7.42, Daniel Wilson \$1.07, Ole Johnson \$11.23, Will Gilcox \$1.81, G. H. Rouds \$3.47, Peter Kilgard \$3.77, E. S. Poorman \$17.63.

**TAXES FOR 1890.**  
Martin Aneson \$3.03, Thomas Phelps \$5.52, Charles Taylor \$6.81, Eyer Eversen \$2.88, T. T. Poir \$2.80, Wm. McCarty \$6.63, W. H. Mc Coy \$3.63, S. M. Huntley 2.20, Sam Sorendson 4.47, Gilbert Auren 1.42, W. J. Watkins 9.92, A. E. Crowl 4.16, Walter Cooley 1.00, Joseph Pratt 3.01, T. M. Major 4.27, R. E. Whinnand 2.25, Nels Jensen 2.63, Elmer L. Pullmer 1.28, R. E. Moorehouse 1.40, R. A. McLean 1.37, T. M. McMahon 1.73, Theodore Stitt 1.40, J. A. Warner 3.03, Frank McDonald 3.63.

**FOR TAXES OF 1889.**  
Cyrus E Brown \$2.73.  
**FOR TAXES OF 1888.**  
C. H. and H. E. Fletcher 244.33.  
Samuel Linn appeared before the Board and made settlement in full for fees illegally charged in making sale of delinquent taxes under the tax judgment law Dec. 23rd, 1887, and paid to the county treasurer, the sum of \$282.69.  
The committee appointed to inspect the bridge site in section 27, Newburgh Township, reported that the petition of same be granted.  
On motion, the report of the committee was accepted and committee discharged.  
On motion, the following bills were allowed and ordered paid:  
J. O. Collins, Fuel for county and hauling same ..... \$ 16.20  
W. J. Sund, Agent, Fuel for Court ..... 8.75  
..... advanced Pet- ..... 14.70  
..... and diem and

Beckerjock & Langner, provisions for Mrs. Kellor, pauper ..... 4 15  
On motion, the county auditor was ordered to advertise for bids for 24,500 feet of plank. All of said plank to be 3x12-13 ft. long and delivered at Hope, N. Dak.  
On motion, the Board adjourned until 1:30 P. M. of the same day.

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T. S. HUNT, County Auditor.

By J. A. CARLSON, Deputy.  
Sherbrooke, N. Dak., January 8th 1903.  
The Board of county commissioners convened at 9 o'clock a. m., pursuant to adjournment. All members present.  
Minutes of meeting of Jan. 7th were read and, on motion, approved.  
The Board continued to check up the books of the register of deeds' office.  
H. J. Rindy presented treasurer's receipt for \$57.00 and made report on collection for sale of old bridge material of the Enger and Thompson bridges.

Chairman Elliott presented treasurer's receipt for \$16.00 and made report on collection for sale of old bridge material of the Linn bridge.  
The committee appointed to check up the books of the register of deeds' office reported that they found the books and accounts satisfactory.  
On motion, the report was accepted and the committee discharged.  
On motion, the following bills were allowed and ordered paid:

Pepper & Keene, stationery for county officers and legal printing ..... \$36 00  
O W Williams, cash advanced for telephoning ..... 1 10  
The Justice report of C. G. Boise, Justice of the Peace, for quarter ending Dec 31st 1902, was, on motion, approved and fees ordered paid as follows:  
C. G. Boise, justice fees, State vs. Barnes et al. .... \$ 1 45  
E. J. Pepper, sheriff fees, State vs. Barnes et al. .... 15 00  
The Justice report of E. D. Washburn, Justice of the Peace, for quarter ending Dec 31st 1902, was, on motion, approved and fees ordered paid as follows:  
Case of State vs. Pat Murphy, E. D. Washburn, balance justice fees ..... 25  
Case of State vs. Frank, E. D. Washburn, justice fees ..... 4 00  
L. A. Jacobson, deputy sheriff fees 10 65  
Case of State vs. Ortine, E. D. Washburn, justice fees ..... 1 95  
E. J. Pepper, sheriff fees ..... 51 25  
Case of State vs. Marlette, E. D. Washburn, justice fees ..... 2 25  
L. A. Jacobson, deputy sheriff fees 5 80  
The official bond of E. D. Washburn, Justice of the Peace, in the sum of \$400 and J. H. McCollom and John J. Wamborg, as sureties thereon was, on motion approved.

The official bond of C. G. Boise, Justice of the Peace, in the sum of \$500 and S. H. Nelson and P. H. Gilbertson as sureties thereon was, on motion, approved.  
The bonds of the Hope State Bank in the sum of \$20,000 and the sureties thereon were, on motion, approved.  
On motion, the Hope State Bank was designated a county depository for one-fourth of the county deposits for the ensuing period of two years and until its successor shall be duly designated.  
On motion, Board adjourned until 1:30 o'clock P. M., of same day.

**AFTERNOON SESSION.**  
The Board reconvened at 1:30 o'clock P. M., pursuant to adjournment. All members present.  
The official bond of H. A. Ferner, constable, in the sum of \$500 and L. A. Jacobson and J. H. McCollom as sureties thereon were, on motion, approved.  
The official bond of T. O. Schjeldahl, county treasurer, in the sum of \$25,000 and the Northern Trust Co., of Fargo, N. D., as surely thereon was, on motion, approved.

On motion duly seconded and carried, the county treasurer was authorized to advance \$100 to the Northern Trust Co., of Fargo, N. D., for payment in full of premium for two years on county treasurer's bond.  
On motion, the following bills were allowed and ordered paid:  
G O Johnson, 2 days on poor board and mileage ..... 5 00  
Frank Gray, commissioner, 4 days and mileage ..... 17 90  
G O Johnson, commissioner, 4 days and mileage ..... 17 20  
K S Sulland, commissioner, 4 days and mileage ..... 17 20  
W E Elliott, commissioner, selling Newburgh lumber, inspecting Newburgh bridge and mileage ..... 21 70  
H N Horner, commissioner 4 days and mileage and inspecting bridge in Newburgh and mileage ..... 24 00  
On motion, Board adjourned until 9 o'clock a. m., Jan. 23th 1903.  
T. S. HUNT, Auditor.  
By J. A. CARLSON, Deputy.