

Official Proceedings of the Berrien County Board of Supervisors, 1937-'38

APRIL SESSION

Morning Session, April 13, 1937

The Berrien County Board of Supervisors met at the Court House in St. Joseph, Michigan, at 9:30 o'clock A. M. April 13th, 1937, and was called to order by the County Clerk, A. J. Hastings.

Roll call showed all the members present, as follows:

Paul Pelton, Bainbridge; P. G. Kenney, Baroda; J. J. Jakway, Benton; Emil Ruff, 1st Ward, Benton Harbor; Geo. Knapp, 2nd Ward, Benton Harbor; Wm. H. Weber, 3rd Ward, Benton Harbor; Raymond J. Neary, 4th Ward, Benton Harbor; Lawrence Smith, Berrien; Fred Koenigshof, Bertrand; Dean Clark, Buchanan Twp.; Harry Boyce, 1st Precinct, Buchanan City; Wm. Fette, 2nd Precinct, Buchanan City; Harley E. Squier, Buchanan City, at large; Fred D. Burgh, Chikaming; A. W. Baker, Coloma; Morton C. Hampton, Gallien; Simon Kreitner, Hagar; Carl Groth, Lake; Clarence Bartz, Lincoln; D. E. Patterson, New Buffalo; Thos. Hastings, Niles Twp.; Harry Wurz, 1st Ward, Niles; Mrs. Myra Storms, 2nd Ward, Niles; John Winn, 3rd Ward, Niles; Sheridan Cook, 4th Ward, Niles; Walter Eldson, Oronoko; Frank Sommer, Pipestone; Martin Kretchman, Royalton; Chas. Jackson, St. Joseph Twp.; Arthur Berk, St. Joseph; Alvin O. Knaak, St. Joseph; Loomis K. Preston, St. Joseph; H. L. Farnum, St. Joseph; Harry King, Sodus; Wm. P. Sawyer, Three Oaks; John Warman, Watervliet Twp.; A. W. Woodruff, Watervliet City; and Guy Smith, Weesaw Twp. Total 33. Absent, none.

It was moved by Supervisor Baker, supported by Supervisor Burgh, that Supervisor D. E. Patterson be elected temporary chairman of this Board. Motion carried. There being no other nominations, Mr. Patterson took the Chair as Temporary Chairman.

It was moved by Supervisor Eldson, supported by Supervisor Kreitner, that the board recess for fifteen minutes. The motion carried.

Supervisor Farnum, supported by Supervisor Clark, moved that the board adjourn until 1:30. The chair called for a rising vote, resulting in 16 yeas and 20 nays. The motion lost.

Supervisor Eldson nominated Clarence Bartz as Chairman. Nomination supported by Supervisor Kreitner. Supervisor Kenney nominated Lawrence Smith as Chairman. Nomination supported by Supervisor Fette. Supervisor Burgh made a motion, supported by Supervisor Baker, to appoint two tellers. Motion carried. Temporary Chairman, Mr. Patterson, appointed Supervisors Sommers and Jackson as tellers. Results of the ballot showed 20 votes for Supervisor Bartz, sixteen votes for Supervisor Lawrence Smith and one vote for Supervisor Guy Smith. Supervisor Smith moved that Mr. Bartz be the unanimous choice of the board, supported by Supervisor Hampton. Motion carried.

Motion by Supervisor King, supported by Supervisor Ruff, that the board adjourn until 1:30. Motion carried.

Afternoon Session, April 13, 1937

The Board reconvened and was called to order by Chairman Bartz.

Chairman Bartz outlined the various work that the Board would be called upon to do during the coming year.

Supervisor Preston moved that the Chairman introduce the new Supervisors. The following were introduced: Mrs. Myra Storms, 2nd Ward, Niles; Harry Wurz, 1st Ward, Niles; Thos. Hastings, Niles Township; Allen Woodruff, Watervliet; Carl Groth, Lake Twp.; Emil Ruff, 1st Ward, Benton Harbor; George Knapp, 2nd Ward, Benton Harbor; Arthur Berk, St. Joseph.

Minutes of the previous session were read and approved.

Supervisor Neary made an excellent report to the Board of the State Supervisors meeting, which was held in Lansing last February.

Judge Hatfield addressed the Board as to their procedure in matters pertaining to his office. Chairman Bartz thanked Judge Hatfield for his remarks.

Supervisor Warman made a brief financial report of the County Infirmary.

It was moved by Supervisor Baker, supported by Supervisor Sawyer that the Board adjourn until Wednesday morning at 9:30. Motion carried.

CLARENCE BARTZ, Chairman

A. J. HASTINGS, Clerk.

Morning Session, April 14, 1937

The Berrien County Board of Supervisors met at the Court House in St. Joseph, Michigan, at 9:30 o'clock A. M., April 14th, 1937, and was called to order by Chairman Bartz.

The roll was called, and all members were present except Supervisors Sommer, Farnum and Knaak.

Minutes of the previous day were read and approved, subject to the following correction: "that wherever Mrs. E. B. Storms name appeared in the minutes, that it should be changed to read Myra Storms."

Chairman Bartz requested the clerk to read communications in regard to noxious weeds and other agricultural pests, also letters in regard to cleaning and repairing of the county buildings. It was moved by Supervisor King, supported by Supervisor Berk, that the letters be given to the Chairmen of the Agricultural and County Building Committees. Motion carried.

A report of the County Jail was read by the clerk. It was moved by Supervisor Burgh, supported by Supervisor Myra Storms that the report be accepted and placed on file. Motion carried.

Supervisor Preston moved that the matter pertaining to electing Hospital Board of Trustees be made a special order of business for 2 o'clock this afternoon. Supervisor Baker suggested that there was not enough time for a full

report and asked to have the time set for Thursday afternoon at 2:00 o'clock. A vote was then asked for, which resulted in the following: Yeas, 10. Nays, 23. Supervisor Preston then made his motion to read Thursday afternoon at 2 o'clock. Supervisor Eldson supported the motion and it carried.

Supervisor Kretchman reported that the Ladies Aid Society of Royalton Township invited the board and all employees of the Court House to one of their famous dinners, Thursday at 12 o'clock.

Chairman Bartz appointed the following standing committees for one year:

AUDITING—Supervisors Eldson, Sommer, L. Smith, Knaak, Jackson.

EQUALIZATION—Supervisors Baker, Koenigshof, Preston, Jakway, Winn, Weber, Squier.

ROADS AND BRIDGES—Supervisors King, Kretchman and Hampton.

FINANCE—Supervisors Warman, Baker, Kretchman, King, Fette.

JUDICIARY—Supervisors Preston, Burgh, Jakway.

GENERAL CLAIMS—Supervisors Sawyer, Patterson, Farnum, Pelton, Clark, Weber, Kenney.

SHERIFF AND JUSTICE CLAIMS—Neary, Ruff, Wurz, Groth, Woodruff, Berk, Knapp.

CONTAGIOUS CLAIMS—Squier, Hampton, G. Smith, Hastings, Cook.

PER DIEM AND MILEAGE—Hampton, Ruff, Berk.

COUNTY POOR—Kreitner, Warman, Kretchman, Eldson, Koenigshof.

STATE TAX—Supervisors Farnum, Preston, L. Smith.

AGRICULTURAL EXTENSION—Supervisors Koenigshof, King, G. Smith, Clark, Groth.

EDUCATION AND SCHOOLS—Supervisors Boyce, Storms, Cook, Woodruff, Wurz.

COUNTY BUILDINGS—Supervisors Jackson, Farnum, Neary.

CONSERVATION—Weber, Storms, Hastings, Patterson, Berk.

SALARY—Supervisors Burgh, Fette, Neary, Winn, Sawyer, Squier, Hastings.

INSURANCE—Supervisors L. Smith, Boyce, G. Smith, Kenney, Knapp.

DRAINS—Supervisors Sommer, Burgh, Kreitner.

HEALTH, WELFARE AND MOTHERS PENSIONS—Supervisors Mrs. Myra Storms, Warman, Sommer, Kreitner, Clark.

LEGISLATIVE—Supervisors Pelton, Knaak, Boyce.

REJECTED TAX—Supervisors Patterson, Sawyer, Fette, Pelton, Winn.

The following supervisors, L. Smith, Warman, Kretchman, Preston, King, Pelton lead a discussion on county and Covert road bonds, refunding, etc.

Supervisor Ruff, supported by Supervisor Preston, moved that the board adjourn until 1:30. Motion carried.

Afternoon Session, April 14, 1937

The Board reconvened and was called to order by Chairman Bartz.

Chairman Bartz introduced Mr. Cox, Secretary of the Chamber of Commerce of St. Joseph, Michigan. Mr. Cox gave a short talk on the Blossom Festival and made a request for a donation. It was moved by Supervisor Patterson, supported by Supervisor Koenigshof that this be referred to the Finance Committee. Motion carried.

Wm. A. Vawter, II, Chairman of the Berrien County Road Commission gave a short talk on county roads. He introduced Mr. Jerome Wood, County Road Engineer, who spoke on the necessity of securing financial aid for repairing and building of county roads. It was moved by Supervisor L. Smith and supported by Supervisor G. Smith that this matter be referred to the Road and Bridges Committee and that they meet with the County Road Commissioners and make a report on Friday. Motion carried.

Supervisor Eldson reported on C. C. C. Drainage Camps. He read the following communication, which was made a part of the minutes, signed by the County Agricultural Agent, County Drain Commissioner and entire Board of Supervisors:

St. Joseph, Michigan,
April 14, 1937

Governor Frank Murphy,
Executive Offices,
Lansing, Michigan.

Dear Sir:—

In reference to recent communications and contacts made in behalf of securing a drainage camp for Berrien County, we wish to place emphasis on the very great benefits which would be derived by the establishment of a camp of this type for this County, also our neighboring Counties, namely Cass and Van Buren.

Cognizant of the fact that the State of Indiana has seven of these camps, and the State of Michigan, so far, has never had a camp of this type, we feel that due to the extent of agricultural interests, Berrien would indeed be a logical location for such a camp. The fact that Berrien County with its 5900 or more farmers who till an average acreage of 52 acres, it is easy to recognize the benefits to be derived.

There are approximately 114 miles of dredged ditches in Berrien County alone, not including the laterals leading into these main ditches. It has been impossible to keep

these dredge ditches in shape, due to the expense it would entail. The laterals however have been cleaned out with E. K. A. and W. P. A. labor, but the main ditches are grown over with weeds, so that the effectiveness of the work on the laterals was wasted to a great extent. It would be practically impossible to clean these ditches by hand satisfactorily.

By cleaning out these old ditches, much land which is now under water could be utilized, and the surplus water used during times of drought as a means of irrigation. This fact is also applicable to our neighboring Counties, who have expressed their enthusiasm regarding this matter.

Your very conscientious endeavors for the benefit of the people of this State and the interest you have shown in their welfare, leads us to believe that you will appreciate the value of such a camp in this County. It is a certainty that the entire populace of this County would be more than grateful for whatever assistance you might lend us in securing such a camp.

This movement to secure such a camp is sponsored by the County Drain Commissioner, and is heartily endorsed by the entire County Board of Supervisors, as attested by their signatures which follow, also the County Agricultural Agent.

H. J. LURKINS, Agricultural Agent.
ED FREEMAN, County Drain Commissioner.

Supervisors Clarence Bartz, Lincoln; W. P. Sawyer, Three Oaks; Lawrence V. Smith, Berrien; P. G. Kenney, Baroda; Simon Kreitner, Hagar; F. A. Koenigshof, Bertrand; Walter H. Eldson, Oronoko; Paul Pelton, Bainbridge; D. E. Patterson, New Buffalo; Wm. F. Fette, Buchanan City; Sheridan Cook, Niles City; F. D. Burgh, Chikaming Twp.; H. E. Squier, Buchanan City; Harry Boyce, Buchanan City; Dean Clark, Buchanan Twp.; Harry King, Sodus; Myra Storms, Niles.

It was moved by Supervisor Fred Burgh, supported by Supervisor Pelton that the board adjourn until Thursday morning, at 9:30. Motion carried.

CLARENCE BARTZ, Chairman

A. J. HASTINGS, Clerk.

Morning Session, April 15, 1937

The Berrien County Board of Supervisors met at the Court House in St. Joseph, Michigan, at 9:30 o'clock A. M., April 15th, 1937, and was called to order by Chairman Bartz.

The roll was called, and all members were present except Supervisors Kenney and Boyce.

The Minutes of the previous day were read and approved, except as to changing the wording of the letter to the Governor.

A general report of the Berrien County Road Commissioners was read. It was moved by Supervisor Clark, supported by Supervisor Ruff, that the report be accepted and placed on file. Motion carried.

The following petition was read by the Clerk:

April 9, 1937

"Honorable Board of Supervisors, Berrien County, Michigan:

"We, the undersigned legally qualified electors of Berrien County, Michigan, pray that there shall be submitted to the electors of Berrien County, Michigan, the question of whether or not Act No. 44 of the Public Acts of 1935, known as the Zoning Act, shall become operative within Berrien County, and pray that your Honorable Board shall order the submission of the question to the electors of Berrien County at the next regular election or at a special election to be called for that purpose in the discretion of your Board.

"This petition is filed to comply with Section 9 of said Act, the same being Section 2650 of the Compiled Laws of Michigan, as amended by said Act No. 44 of the Public Acts of 1935."

which petition was signed by several hundred property owners. Supervisor Jackson, supported by Supervisor Pelton, moved that this petition be turned over to the Judiciary Committee to report at this session. Motion carried.

The Clerk made a request to the Board to pay to the Register of Deeds office, the sum of \$145.85, balance due on authorized credit issued by the Board on Government loans for recording papers that was not collected. Supervisor Smith, supported by Supervisor Squier, moved that it be referred to the Finance Committee with full power to act. Motion carried.

Hon. Judge Evans addressed the Board in regard to employing a County Stenographer. It was moved by Supervisor Eldson, supported by Supervisor Clark, that this be referred to the salary committee. Motion carried.

County Surveyor, Alton Howard, addressed the Board in regard to old plats, surveys, and cabinet which he wished the Board to buy from the owners. There was a general discussion by Supervisor Jackson and Supervisor Preston on law in regard to this matter. Supervisor Baker moved that this be referred to the Judiciary Committee, supported by Supervisor Kreitner. Motion carried.

It was moved by Supervisor Preston, supported by Supervisor Hampton that the board elect a County Dog Warden, and one member of the Berrien County Relief Commission at 3 o'clock today. Motion carried.

Supervisor Jakway spoke briefly on the work he was doing, looking after the children in the district schools of the county. He advised the board that the Couzens fund would take care of 800 children. He wished the P. T. A. would report on children who are not financially able to obtain proper care. Supervisor Kretchman, moved by Supervisor Ruff, that the board adjourn and go to the dinner at Scottdale, and reconvene at 1:30. Motion carried.

Afternoon Session, April 15, 1937

The Board reconvened at 1:30 and was called to order by Chairman Bartz.

Chairman Bartz introduced Mr. Davis, District Superintendent of Old Age Assistance. Mr. Davis briefly outlined the new program by which the old age assistance would operate in the future. He asked the Board for \$50.00 or \$75.00, to buy furniture for a new office at Benton Harbor. It was moved by Supervisor Eldson, supported by Supervisor Squier that this be referred to the Finance committee. Motion carried.

Special order of business in regard to appointing a Board of Trustees for the County Hospital was taken up next. Supervisor Preston gave a brief talk on the legal question of how this should be done. Prosecuting Attorney E. A. Weston gave a short talk in regard to the law about the new county trustees, and suggested that he and the judiciary committee be given more time for consideration and report. It was moved by Supervisor Farnum, supported by Supervisor Koenigshof, that they be given more time for further deliberation. Motion carried.

Chairman Bartz announced the next order of business would be the election of a County Dog Warden for one year. Supervisor Jackson nominated County Dog Warden, C. O. Jordan, supported by Supervisor Ruff. Supervisor Sommer moved that nominations be closed, which was supported by Supervisor Squier. Motion carried. Supervisor Baker moved that rules be suspended and the clerk be authorized to cast the entire vote for C. O. Jordan, as County Dog Warden for the ensuing year. Motion supported by Supervisor Squier and carried. Mr. Jordan addressed the board and thanked them for their consideration and asked to meet with the Judiciary committee. Chairman Bartz declared Mr. Jordan elected for the ensuing year.

The election of one member to the Berrien County Relief Commission was taken up next. Supervisor Koenigshof nominated Supervisor Sommer. Supervisor Eldson nominated Supervisor Warman. Supervisor Burgh moved, supported by Supervisor Neary that the chair appoint two tellers. Motion carried. Chairman Bartz appointed Supervisors Jackson and Cook as tellers.

The chair declared the ballot closed. The result of the election was Supervisor Sommer 13 votes, Supervisor Warman 18 votes and Supervisor L. Smith 1 vote. Supervisor Warman was declared elected for one year on the Berrien County Welfare Committee. Supervisor Warman addressed the Board and thanked them for their consideration.

Supervisor Preston, chairman of the Judiciary committee asked that the Judiciary committee be excused to consult with Dog Warden Chester O. Jordan. Chairman Bartz complied with this request.

The Contagious Claims Committee reported as follows: "Your Committee on Contagious Claims and Accounts respectfully submit the following as their report, recommending the Allowance of the several amounts as given below, and that the Clerk be authorized to draw orders for the same."

CLAIMANT	CHARACTER OF CLAIM	CLAIMED & ALLOWED
American Legion Hospital	Services	\$2064.00
Easton's Grocery	Supplies	20.85
J. T. Riley Groc.	Supplies	30.04
Britton Coal & Ice Co.	Supplies	24.00
North Shore Dairy	Supplies	13.80
J. C. Penney Co.	Supplies	4.94
Sheffield Drug Co.	Supplies	18.50
Niles Lumber Co.	Supplies	8.00
Mack Mulder Mkt.	Supplies	23.75
H. G. Geisler	Supplies	12.80
North Shore Dairy	Supplies	13.50
Lucas Coal Co.	Supplies	7.00
J. H. Moon	Supplies	11.00

(Signed) H. E. Squier, M. C. Hampton, Guy H. Smith, Sheruan Cook, Thomas Hastings, Committee.

Dated April 15, 1937

Moved by Supervisor Squier, supported by Supervisor Hampton, that the claims be allowed. Motion carried.

Supervisor Preston read the following resolution: It is hereby resolved that the Prosecuting Attorney of Berrien County be directed, in accordance with Section 59 of Acts 172, Public Acts of 1929, as amended, to make application to the Circuit Court for the County of Berrien for the vacating of the following plats, for the reason that legal and valid assessment of taxes cannot be made upon the lots situated in the limits of the said plats.

Skamper's Subdivision, Hagar Twp. Section 2, T3S, R18W. Book 6 of Plats, Page 9.

Caroline L. Spear Subdivision, Lincoln Twp. Section 26, T5S, R19W. Book 8 of Plats, page 56.

Whitman's Addition to Village of Buchanan, Book of Plats, Page 4.

That part of Nathaniel B. Collins Addition to the Village of Buchanan, recorded in Book 30 of Deeds, page 42, which is included in the Plat of Maple Tract Addition to the City of Buchanan, recorded in Book 6 of Plats on Page 11.

Respectfully submitted this 15th day of April, 1937.

(Signed) Chairman, L. K. Preston, F. D. Burgh, J. J. Jakway, Judiciary Committee.

It was moved by Supervisor Preston, supported by Supervisor Squier that the resolution be adopted. Motion carried.

It was moved by Supervisor Kreitner, supported by Supervisor Knaak that the board adjourn until Friday morning at 9:30 o'clock. Motion carried.

CLARENCE BARTZ, Chairman

A. J. HASTINGS, Clerk.

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MAN—SLAVE
OR FREE

By
LEONARD A. BARRETT

The problem facing civilization today is whether it is advancing into a larger liberty or retrogressing into a state of slavery. It is a machine age and the question is whether man is to be mastered by the machine or he is to master it. If the machine is to produce profits only for that limited group who economically controls its product, then man is destined to slavery. If, on the other hand, the product is so distributed that the general level of life is lifted sufficiently high, then there is freedom and greater equality. The danger is that in our present economic system the machine will produce more than those who operate it can purchase; hence, a condition arises known as over-production, but which, in truth, is under-consumption. When buying power grows less as production increases, we are spiraled into a depression, and man out-mastered becomes a slave to economic conditions which he did not create and over which he has no control. Equitable distribution of the product of the machine is the social problem of today.

"What is the greatest qualification for a successful engineer?" was a question sent to 5,000 engineers. The report stated that 25 suggested technical knowledge, and 75 character. The explanation is obvious. Characterless technical skill can dynamite the universe.

The most dangerous person to society today is the educated man who is a slave to his baser instincts.

Only the man who is free from the bondage of evil intent can be trusted with the secrets of the scientific laboratory.

Another evil in our social system is misdirected altruism. No one will argue against the necessity of giving food and shelter to the man who needs it, but when we deny him the freedom to earn his own living, we are working in a vicious circle. The work of the Red Cross is magnificent, but the higher imperative argues for the removal of slavery to the God of War. Remove the conditions which create moral and economic slavery, and then man is free from the perils of injustice. Suppressed freedom means slavery. Censorship of one's individual rights like the freedom of the press, argues for a social order in which man becomes a slave to the driving force upon which his very life depends.

What are we going to do about it? The attitude of a smug complacency gets us nowhere. Every citizen has a voice and a vote, and it is the united power of public opinion to which society must look for the ultimate solution of its problems and the answer to the question—man, slave or free?

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Old English Sheep Dog

Bear-Like in Appearance

The origin of the old English sheep dog, says a writer in the Los Angeles Times is the same as that of other early herd dogs of Europe and they were first developed primarily to herd and protect cattle. It should be remembered that the dogs attending the flocks were called upon at that time to defend the herds from much larger foes than roam the plains at the present time. Protecting the cattle came first, herding second, and nature had much to do with creating a dog that could exist under the severest conditions.

Cold winds, rain and snow made it necessary that the coat be weather-resisting. Which it certainly is with this breed. About all you can see on first sight is hair and more hair. It covers every spot on their body, head, legs and feet. Underneath all the profuse covering is an exceptionally strong and well built body.

The front legs are heavily boned and as straight as any terrier's. The neck is long and graceful, fastened to sloping shoulders with the dog standing lower at the shoulders than at the loin. In size they average around twenty-two inches or more shoulder height, and in measurement they run about the same in length, giving a rather square effect.

Find Old Trees

Olivet, Mich.—Tree surgeons working on the Olivet College campus have found specimens which they say are more than 400 years old. The college, the campus of which is famous for its ancient oaks, has inaugurated a tree planting program to replace older trees.

Morning Session, April 16, 1937

The Berrien County Board of Supervisors met at the Court House in St. Joseph, Michigan, at 9:30 o'clock A. M., April 16th, 1937, and was called to order by Chairman Bartz.

The roll was called, and all members were present except Supervisors Kenney and Boyce.

Minutes of the previous day were read and approved.

A communication from the Auditor General's Dept. in regard to McNitt Act, that the Board of County Road Commissioners approval would be required on all plats, was read by the Clerk. It was moved by Supervisor Baker, supported by Supervisor Jackson that the communication be placed on file. Motion carried.

A communication from the Hon. Board of Berrien County Road Commissioners in regard to funds appropriated for Rocky Gap was read by the Clerk. It was moved by Supervisor Baker, supported by Supervisor Groth that this communication be referred to the Finance Committee. Motion carried.

Hon. Judge Evans appeared before the board of Supervisors, making some suggestions in regard to the qualifications of jurors selected by them.

Supervisor King read the following resolution:

RESOLUTION TO INSTITUTE A DEFINITE PROGRAM FOR THE IMPROVEMENT OF OUR TOWNSHIP ROAD SYSTEM

WHEREAS, under the provisions of the McNitt Act, Act 130, P. A. 1931, the BERRIEN COUNTY ROAD COMMISSION has taken over, and incorporated into their county road system all of the former township highways and all the dedicated streets and alleys in recorded plats outside of incorporated cities and villages; and

WHEREAS, under the provisions of this Act, Sec. 8 thereof, it states that, "The revenue provided under this act shall first be used for maintenance of the roads taken over. Any remaining funds may be used for improvement of said roads. Whenever, in the judgment of the board of county road commissioners, it shall become desirable or necessary to improve any of the mileage so taken over and incorporated into the county road system, such board of county road commissioners shall prepare an estimate of the cost of such improvement; Provided, however, that any funds remaining out of the amount apportioned to such county under the provisions of this act after all maintenance appropriations have been made shall be devoted to and appropriated for such improvement, and any additional appropriations shall be made only when such remainder out of such funds is not sufficient to cover the entire cost of the improvements found necessary. Such estimate, together with the proposed division of the cost between the townships and the county respectively, shall be submitted to the board of supervisors on or before the first meeting of the October Session of the board of supervisors in the year preceding that for which such expenditures are proposed to be made. The board of supervisors shall thereafter approve or deny such request for appropriations either in whole or in part, and shall have the power to fix or change the percentage to be paid by the county and townships respectively; and

WHEREAS, the monies appropriated under the provisions of this act are not even sufficient for the proper maintenance of these roads, leaving no balance for improvement or betterment work; and

WHEREAS, it is believed that a definite program for the improvement of our former township roads should be instituted in order that they may be safely and conveniently traveled the year round; and

WHEREAS, it is believed that this is a necessary step in the proper direction for the advancement and progress of BERRIEN COUNTY; Now, Therefore,

RESOLVED, that the Berrien County Road Commission prepare and submit to the Board of Supervisors each year, estimates of the cost of the improvement of one mile of road in each of the townships of the county, and that said mile of road to be improved shall be selected by the township board in their township; and

RESOLVED, that the Berrien County Road Commission shall improve at their own expense, each year, at least one other mile of road in each of the townships of the county, this mile to be selected by the road commission as they deem most advisable; and

RESOLVED, that the board of supervisors shall approve the appropriation for this program and fix the percentage to be paid by the county and townships respectively; and

RESOLVED, that the board of supervisors shall, upon approving the appropriation and fixing the percentages, direct the board of county road commissioners to file with the township clerk of the various townships, a statement showing the total appropriation made for the improving of the roads and show also, the percent of cost to be borne by the county and township. The township clerks shall present such statement to the township boards at its next annual meeting and said township boards shall thereafter submit to the next annual town meeting the question of appropriating funds for the construction of these roads.

ROADS AND BRIDGES COMMITTEE

Harry King, Martin H. Kretschman, Morton C. Hampton.

Supervisor King, supported by Supervisor Kreitner, moved that the resolution be referred to the Road and Bridges Committee. Motion carried.

Supervisor King read the following schedule of Covert Township-at-Large taxes for the year of 1937 and moved it be received and placed on file:

Bainbridge \$12,124.37; Baroda \$12,585.39; Bertrand \$11,972.58; Berrien \$12,779.29; Benton \$21,957.95; Benton Harbor City \$288.04; Buchanan City \$4,978.18; Buchanan \$20,926.12; Chikaming \$20,440.27; Coloma \$10,386.73; Galien \$12,931.80; Hagar \$7,521.81; Lake \$15,486.41; Lincoln \$17,860.39; New Buffalo \$20,693.62; Niles \$18,111.37; Niles City none; Oronoko \$27,055.81; Pipestone \$18,498.80; Royalton \$8,260.20; St. Joseph \$11,079.53; St. Joseph City none; So. Dixie \$11,725.63; Three Oaks \$20,922.02; Watervliet \$4,450.37; Watervliet City \$1,281.69; Weesaw \$11,418.70; Total \$333,737.07. Supervisor Hampton supported the motion. Motion carried.

The Sheriff & Justice Claims committee reported as follows: "Your Committee on Sheriff & Justice Claims and Accounts respectfully submit the following as their report, recommending the Allowance of the several amounts as

given below, and that the Clerk be authorized to draw orders for the same:"

CLAIMANT	CHARACTER OF CLAIM	CLAIMED & ALLOWED
Chas. Miller, Sheriff	Board bill expense	1611.45 99.49 1710.94
Raymond Granzow	Expense Undersheriff	107.40
E. H. Kubath	Expense Chief Deputy	45.20
Ben Drier	Deputy	105.75
Edw. Kucera	"	186.00
Jos. Kucera	"	76.00
Claude J. Huff	"	264.20
Chas. Davis	"	540.00
Vern Story	"	540.00
Leslie Speese	"	565.00
Wm. White	"	583.00
J. L. McOmber	"	578.40
Clarence Dunbar	"	12.00
Lowell Miller	"	602.85
Oscar Smith	"	27.00
Martin Myers	"	135.00
Robt. Rinker	Deputy	\$128.50
Ed Behnke	"	59.50
Leo Kopack	"	45.00
Clarence Butler	Justice	185.20
Joseph Collier	"	81.30
Thos. M. Farrell	"	82.50
John Rody	"	128.95
Chas. E. Warner	"	104.95
Lee Mathie	"	26.00
Walter Rohde	"	11.25
B. F. Phairas	Chief of Police	\$120
	dogs killed	\$1.00
Chas. Kocher	Chief of Police	\$68.65
	dogs killed	\$15.00
Wm. Frillwitz	Constable	4.50
Fred French	"	9.00
Ed Mitchell	"	7.50
O. K. Stinemann	Watervliet Police	3.00
Ed T. Drier	Justice, Claim.	\$113.50; all. 8.35

(Signed) Raymond J. Neary, Emil W. Ruff, Harry Wurz, Geo. E. Knapp, Carl Groth, Arthur H. Berk, Allen W. Woodruff, Committee.

Dated April 16, 1937.

Supervisor Neary moved its adoption. There was a general discussion by Supervisors Woodruff, King, Neary, Warman, Preston, Eldson and Kretschman in regard to the Chief of Police of Benton Harbor and St. Joseph charging for the killing of dogs, as the county now has an official dog pound open the year around in Benton Harbor. Supervisor Baker amended Supervisor Neary's motion, that the bills be allowed except the killing of dogs by the Benton Harbor and St. Joseph police and that this matter be referred to the Judiciary committee. The original motion as amended was supported by Supervisor Ruff. Motion carried.

The General Claims committee reported as follows: "Your Committee on General Claims and Accounts respectfully submit the following as their report, recommending the Allowance of the several amounts as given below, and that the Clerk be authorized to draw orders for the same:"

CLAIMANT	CHARACTER OF CLAIMS	CLAIMED & ALLOWED
Chas. H. Jackson, Sup.	Services	\$ 14.80
John Chaddock,	"	26.40
Thos. Green,	"	14.60
Simon Kreitner,	"	79.10
Gerald B. Wedel,	"	108.55
Wm. Fette,	"	88.45
Theodore Katzbach	"	184.50
Harry King,	"	37.60
F. W. Emerson,	"	94.70
H. L. Geddes,	"	25.20
Martin H. Kretschman	"	115.60
Clarence Bartz,	"	215.60
A. W. Baker,	"	10.40
Loomis K. Preston	"	17.10
E. D. Burgh,	"	17.00
John Winn,	"	35.00
Dean Clark,	"	25.20
Ray Neary,	"	35.00
W. H. Weber,	"	35.00
Walter H. Eldson,	"	206.70
John Warman,	"	279.29
Carl D. Hamilton	Soldiers Burial	75.00
R. J. Kenney	"	75.00
Morton C. Hampton	Burial Agent Fee	2.00
Frank Sommer	Services	41.00
Sheridan Cook	"	42.00
Leah N. Damon	Clerk Hire	40.00
Bernard J. Reiser	Coroner	46.70
Lee Mathie	Acting Coroner	16.80
Thos. M. Farrell	"	5.00
Louis Kerlikowske	Coroner	113.85
M. A. Miers	Sup't. of Poor	148.40
Jas. T. Clark	"	224.45
Wm. T. Richards	"	255.00
J. Walter Wood	Road Commr.	82.50
Wm. A. Vawter	"	77.00
Morris G. McGawn	"	89.50
Ada B. Greene	Probation Officer	6.00
Maude E. Fischbeck	Detention Home Matron	218.50
Don R. Pears	Co. Welfare Agent	103.38
E. A. Westin	Pros. Atty.	21.31
Dormer & Kerlikowske	Soldier's Burial	75.00
Mrs. Helen Butts	"	75.00
Lowell O. Swem	"	75.00
F. A. Rinker	Burial Agent fee	2.00
Milo Webster	"	2.00
L. B. Rough	"	2.00
Lorine Nuechterlein	Services	11.00
June Zink	"	3.00
Helen R. Caldwell	"	86.60
Alberta Root	"	36.90
Donna E. Sells	"	40.85
Jennie B. Mechem	School Commr.	79.85
Bessie Dunkelberg	Traut Officer	175.00
Harry Scott	Tax Mgr. Expense	19.60
Ed Freeman	Drain Commr.	219.50
Thomas Douglas	Soldiers' Relief mileage—	
	claimed, 82.50; allowed	37.50
M. Martinsen	Soldiers' Relief mileage—	
	claimed, 50.36; allowed	15.36
Howard Olson	Soldiers' Relief mileage—	
	claimed, 69.35; allowed	14.35
F. J. Woods	Soldiers' Relief Salary—	
	claimed 20.00; allowed nothing	

(Signed) W. P. Sawyer, Dean Clark, D. E. Patterson, Paul Felton, L. Farnum, W. H. Weber, Committee.

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It was moved by Supervisor Sawyer, supported by Supervisor Groth, that the claims be allowed. Motion carried.

It was moved by Supervisor Kreitner, supported by Supervisor Eldson, that the board adjourn until 1:30. Motion carried.

Afternoon Session, April 16, 1937

The Board reconvened at 1:30 and was called to order by Chairman Bartz.

Oscar Damon, Register of Deeds, appeared before the board in regard to the salary of his personnel. There were general discussions by Supervisors Guy Smith, Woodruff, Gleason, and Burgh. It was moved by Supervisor Patterson, supported by Supervisor King, that Mr. Damon's request be referred to the Salary committee. Motion carried.

Sheriff Charles L. Miller appeared before the board on a request that was made in January and put over until the April session in regard to raising the board bill of county prisoners from 45c to 60c a day. It was moved by Supervisor Eldson, supported by Supervisor Koenigshof that this request be referred to the Sheriff and Justice Claims committee. Motion carried.

Supervisor Burgh, Chairman of the Salary committee, reported on the request of Judge Evans for the hiring of a County Stenographer and recommended that the report of such request be deferred until the June session. Motion by Supervisor Preston that the recommendation of the committee be concurred in, and supported by Supervisor Myra Storms. Supervisor Guy Smith amended the motion that the matter be deferred until the October session, supported by Supervisor Ruff. The vote on the amendment was lost. The chair called for a vote on the original motion, and the motion carried.

Supervisor Neary, Chairman of the Sheriff and Justice Claims committee read the following resolution:

SHERIFF AND JUSTICE CLAIMS COMMITTEE REPORT

April 16, 1937
Due to the increased traffic on the highways of Berrien County during the summer months it is necessary to patrol said highways more frequently and thoroughly in order to reduce accidents and curtail the loss of life and make our highways as safe as possible for the public.

The Sheriff and Justice Claims Committee of the Berrien County Board of Supervisors after due consideration and investigation submit the following resolution:

BE IT RESOLVED, That Mr. Charles L. Miller, Sheriff of Berrien County, be and is hereby authorized to employ additional deputies to patrol the highways of Berrien county during the summer months of 1937, said deputies to begin their duties and cease working at the discretion of the Sheriff and to be under his direction and orders at all times during their employment. He is authorized to employ two deputies to act as a car patrol and three other deputies to act as motorcycle patrols, the compensation of said deputies to be determined and fixed by the Sheriff and Justice Claims Committee, and the Berrien County Board of Supervisors. Respectfully submitted,

(Signed) Raymond J. Neary, Emil W. Ruff, Arthur H. Berk, Allen W. Woodruff, Carl Groth, Harry Wurz, Geo. E. Knapp, Sheriff and Justice Claims Committee.

It was moved by Supervisor Neary, supported by Supervisor Ruff, that the resolution be adopted. Motion carried.

The Contagious Claims committee reported as follows: "Your Committee on Contagious Claims and Accounts respectfully submit the following as their report, recommending the Allowance of the several amounts as given below, and that the Clerk be authorized to draw orders for the same."

CLAIMANT	CHARACTER OF CLAIM	CLAIMED & ALLOWED
Dr. H. C. Blohm	Services	\$381.00
Dr. H. J. Burrell	"	144.00
Dr. I. E. Cole	"	76.00
Dr. R. C. Coneybeare	"	30.00
Dr. R. N. Dunnington	"	30.75
Dr. P. G. Hanna	"	153.00
Dr. Herbert C. Kling	"	15.00
Dr. George R. Landy	"	10.00
Dr. E. A. Miller	"	57.50
Dr. Carl Mitchell	"	33.50
Dr. C. M. Ryno	"	155.50
Dr. L. M. Rutz	"	156.00
Dr. R. H. Snowden	"	42.50
Dr. John Schram	"	222.00
Dr. J. C. Strayer	"	147.00
Dr. E. R. Taylor	"	84.50
Dr. Donald Thorup	"	70.00
Dr. R. S. Waterson	"	52.50
Dr. H. C. Fredrickson	"	70.00
Dr. Robt Henderson	"	70.00
	Claimed \$102.00; all.	72.00

(Signed) H. E. Squier, M. C. Hampton, Guy H. Smith, Thomas Hastings, Sheridan Cook, Committee.

Dated April 16, 1937.

It was moved by Supervisor Squier, supported by Supervisor Guy Smith that the claims be allowed. Motion carried.

The General Claims committee reported as follows: "Your Committee on General Claims and Accounts respectfully submit the following as their report, recommending that the Allowance of the several amounts as given below, and that the Clerk be authorized to draw orders for the same:"

CLAIMANT	CHARACTER OF CLAIM	CLAIMED & ALLOWED
Barnard Block Drug & Pt.	Supplies	\$ 28.00
Producers Creamery	"	30
Fette Clothing	"	2.00
Brooks Appliance Co.	"	4.00
L. C. Vosburg	"	9.00
Rutherford Funeral Home	"	4.00
Powell Cafeteria & Hotel	"	4.50
Hotel De Hamburger	"	27.05
Fee & Byers	"	160.25
Michigan Bell Phone	Services	28.29
Cast Drug Co.	Supplies	6.92
Elmer Myers Agencies	Services	57.40
Nichols Funeral Home	"	6.19
J. C. Penney Co.	Supplies	6.77
Florence Weber, R. N.	Services	14.00
The Gerlach Barlow Co.	Supplies	296.00
Fee & Byers	"	4.70
Swigert Furniture Shop	"	10.00
Gillespie's Drug Store	"	16.65

CLAIMANT	CHARACTER OF CLAIM	CLAIMED & ALLOWED
Grand Crossing Coal Co.	Rent	15.00
Chaddock Insurance Agency	Insurance	40.50
Swigert's Radio Shop	Services	4.40
Turner & Pifer	"	Claimed \$5.00; Allowed 4.00

(Signed) Wm. P. Sawyer, W. H. Weber, Dean Clark, D. E. Patterson, L. Farnum, Committee.

Dated April 16, 1937.

It was moved by Supervisor Sawyer, supported by Supervisor Patterson that the claims be allowed. Motion carried.

Attorney Phillip A. Hadsell of Niles gave a brief talk on Refunding district Covert road money in the vicinity of Galien Township. General discussion given by Supervisors Pelton and Burgh. It was moved by Supervisor Koenigshof, supported by Supervisor Winn, that the matter be referred to the Judiciary committee and report back. Motion carried.

The General Claims Committee reported as follows: "Your Committee on General Claims and Accounts respectfully submit the following as their report, recommending the allowance of the several amounts as given below, and that the Clerk be authorized to draw orders for the same:"

CLAIMANT	CHARACTER OF CLAIM	CLAIMED & ALLOWED
Addressograph Sales Agcy.	Services	\$ 11.33
Baker Vawter, Inc.	Supplies	122.80
Beattie Bernard Press	"	1000.00
Berrien Office Supply	"	58.00
Burroughs Add. Mach. Co.	Services	32.20
Coloma Courier	"	29.50
Doubleday Hunt Dolan Co.	Supplies	407.65
Fisher Print Shop	"	69.41
Gr. Rapids Loose Leaf Bind.	"	150.43
Halvorsens	Services	3.75
Ilhng Bros. Everard Co.	Supplies	19.52
Imperial Printing Co.	"	30.20
Journal Era	"	50.50
National Cash Register	"	1.00
Niles Printing Co.	"	5.07
Niles Daily Star	Services	1.80
Office Equipment Co.	Supplies	13.77
Office Supply & Equipment	"	2.95
Palladium Publishing Co.	Services	4.40
Don R. Pears	Supplies	9.28
Riegler Press	"	2.11
Royal Typewriter Co.	"	108.00
Twin City Typewriter	"	93.35
Twin City Business College	"	.45
Woodstock Metal Products	"	1.00
Burch Printers, Inc.	"	19.70
College Press	"	370.35
A. B. Morse Co.	"	233.05
St. Joseph Sanitarium	Services	547.75
Wavating Hospital	"	991.50
Mercy Hospital	"	1653.75
Doubleday Bros. & Co.	Supplies	Claimed 62.11; Allowed 57.98

(Signed) Wm. P. Sawyer, Les Farnum, W. H. Weber, D. E. Patterson, Dean Clark, Committee.

Dated April 16, 1937.

It was moved by Supervisor Sawyer, supported by Supervisor Patterson that the claims be allowed. Motion carried.

The Contagious Claims committee reported as follows: "Your Committee on Contagious Claims and Accounts respectfully submit the following as their report, recommending the Allowance of the several amounts as given below, and that the Clerk be authorized to draw orders for the same:"

CLAIMANT	CHARACTER OF CLAIM	CLAIMED & ALLOWED
Seth R. Atkinson	Supplies	\$ 8.00
North Shore Gro. & Mkt.	"	25.16
Bittner Bros.	"	4.08
A. & P. Co.	"	37.81

(Signed) H. E. Squier, M. C. Hampton, Guy H. Smith, Thomas Hastings, Sheridan Cook, Committee.

Dated April 16, 1937.

It was moved by Supervisor Squier, supported by Supervisor Hampton, that the claims be allowed. Motion carried.

The Committee on Per Diem and Mileage reported as follows: "Your Committee on Per Diem and Mileage submit the following report as the Pay Roll of the Board of Supervisors of Berrien County, Michigan, for the April session, 1937:"

Supervisors	Miles	Amount	Days	Amount	Total
Paul Pelton	32	3.20	4	16.00	19.20
P. G. Kenney	22	2.20	2	8.00	10.20
J. J. Jakway	10	1.00	1	16.00	17.00
Emil Ruff	4	.40	4	16.00	16.40
Geo. Knapp	4	.40	4	16.00	16.40
Wm. H. Weber	4	.40	4	16.00	16.40
Raymond J. Neary	4	.40	4	16.00	16.40
Lawrence Smith	44	4.40	4	16.00	20.40
Fred Koenigshof	60	6.00	4	16.00	22.00
Dean Clark	46	4.60	4	16.00	20.60
Harry Boyce	51	5.40	2	8.00	13.40
Wm. Fette	51	5.40	4	16.00	21.40
Harley E. Squier	54	5.40	4	16.00	21.40
Fred P. Burgh	42	4.20	4	16.00	20.20
A. W. Baker	24	2.40	4	16.00	18.40
Morton C. Hampton	48	4.80	4	16.00	20.80
Simon Kreitner	20	2.00	4	16.00	18.00
Carl Groth	31	3.10	4	16.00	19.10
Clarence Bartz	14	1.40	4	16.00	17.40
D. E. Patterson	64	6.40	4	16.00	22.40
Thomas Hastings	52	5.20	4	16.00	21.20
Harry Wurz	54	5.40	4	16.00	21.40
Mrs. Myra Storms	54	5.10	4	16.00	21.40
John Winn	54	5.40	4	16.00	21.40
Sheridan Cook	54	5.40	4	16.00	21.40
Walter Eidson	30	3.00	4	16.00	19.00
Frank Sommer	36	3.60	3	12.00	15.60
Martin Kretchman	16	1.60	4	16.00	17.60
Chas. Jackson	6	.60	4	16.00	16.60
Arthur Berk	2	.20	4	16.00	16.20
Alvin O. Knaak	2	.20	3	12.00	12.20
Louisin K. Preston	2	.20	4	16.00	16.20
H. L. Farnum	2	.20	3	12.00	12.20
Harry King	14	1.40	4	16.00	17.40
Wm. P. Sawyer	50	5.00	4	16.00	21.00
John Warman	20	2.00	4	16.00	18.00

Supervisors	Miles	Amount	Days	Amount	Total
A. W. Woodruff	28	2.80	4	16.00	18.80
Guy Smith	42	4.20	4	16.00	20.20
TOTALS	1170	\$117.00	145	\$580.00	\$697.00

(Signed) Morton C. Hampton, Emil W. Ruff, Arthur H. Berk, Committee.

Dated April 16, 1937.

It was moved by Supervisor Hampton, supported by Supervisor Jackson, that the report be accepted. Motion carried.

Supervisor Baker moved that Chairman Bartz appoint five members to contact our Representatives and Senator at Lansing in regard to relief on Covert roads, supported by Supervisor L. Smith. Motion carried.

Supervisor Preston, Chairman of the Judiciary committee advised the board there were two methods of electing the Board of Trustees for the County Hospital: One—by the vote of the people of the County, and another by the vote of the Board of Supervisors, and moved that this board exercise the option given it by law in the selecting of the Trustees for the Hospital by electing such Trustees instead of passing such election to the voters of Berrien County. Motion supported by Supervisor Kreitner.

Chairman Bartz called for a vote to decide which method would be used. Roll was called. Ayes, Supervisors Pelton, Jakway, Ruff, Knapp, Weber, Neary, L. Smith, Koenigshof, Clark, Fette, Squier, Burgh, Baker, Hampton, Kreitner, Groth, Patterson, Hastings, Wurz, Myra Storms, Winn, Cook, Eldson, Sommer, Kretschman, Jackson, Berk, Knaak, Preston, Farnum, King, Sawyer, Warman, Woodruff, G. Smith. 35 Ayes, no nays. Motion carried.

Supervisor Preston moved that the nomination and election of the seven Trustees shall be as follows:

First, any member of this Board may nominate qualified candidates and when there are no further nominations the chairman shall declare the nominations closed and Board shall proceed to elect seven Trustees from the ones nominated, in the following manner: the voting to be by ballot and every Supervisor voting may vote for seven candidates, upon the result of the balloting being announced those candidates who have received a majority of the votes cast shall be declared elected as Trustees. If seven candidates shall not be found to be elected on the first ballot then those who received a sufficient number of votes shall be declared elected and another vote taken and the candidates receiving the aforesaid majority vote shall be declared elected, PROVIDED HOWEVER, that should there be more than seven thus receiving such majority vote, on second ballot, then those declared elected on the first Ballot together with enough of the ones chosen on second ballot in order of the higher number of votes cast for them shall be declared elected as such Trustees, it being understood that all candidates so elected must have had at least a majority of the votes cast, a third and other ballots may be taken in order to determine the full seven Trustees if necessary. Provided, however, that one ballot shall be used by each Supervisor voting, each time, and that he may thereon vote for not more than seven candidates.

There was a general discussion by Supervisors Sommer, Fette, Patterson. Supervisor Preston offered an amendment to the motion to read as follows: If result of first ballot shows the election of one or more trustees, the difference between that number and number to be elected shall be shown on the next and succeeding ballots until the full number of trustees shall be elected. Motion supported by Supervisor Baker. Motion carried. Chair ruled that the original resolution and amendment prevail. Supervisor Groth raised the question of who is eligible to be elected trustees. Supervisor Preston informed the board that the Trustees must be taxpayers, American citizens, that three women may serve on the board and not more than three from the city, village or township in which the hospital is located, and that no doctors can be elected as Trustees. Supervisor Eldson, supported by Supervisor Storms, moved that they proceed with nomination of trustees. Motion carried.

Chairman Bartz asked for nominations:

Supervisor Squier nominated Wm. T. Richards, J. T. Clark and Miles Miers.

Supervisor Kreitner nominated Supervisor Preston. Supervisor Patterson nominated Supervisor Eldson. Supervisor Groth nominated Theodore Ketzbach. Supervisor Ruff nominated Supervisor Warman. Supervisor Eldson nominated Supervisor Myra Storms. Supervisor Baker nominated Clarence Bartz. Supervisor Sommer nominated Howard Westphal. Supervisor Cook nominated Eva Grathwohl. Supervisor L. Smith nominated Guy Helm. Supervisor Kretschman nominated Ed LaViolette. Supervisor Winn nominated Rev. Nicholson. Supervisor Knapp nominated E. F. Gleason.

Supervisor Ruff, supported by Supervisor Warman, moved that nominations be closed. Motion carried.

Supervisor Kreitner, supported by Supervisor Knapp, moved that the chair appoint two tellers. The chair appointed Supervisors Berk and Ruff.

It was moved by Supervisor Weber, supported by Supervisor Koenigshof that the board adjourn until Tuesday morning, April 20th, at 9:30 o'clock. Motion carried.

CLARENCE BARTZ, Chairman
A. J. HASTINGS, Clerk.

Morning Session, April 20, 1937

The Berrien County Board of Supervisors met at the Court House in St. Joseph, Michigan, at 9:30 o'clock, A. M., April 20th, 1937, and was called to order by Chairman Bartz.

The roll was called and all members were present.

Minutes of the previous session were read, corrected and approved as corrected.

Chairman Bartz announced that the board would proceed with the unfinished business of electing Trustees for the County Hospital. At Friday's session, before adjournment, the chair appointed Supervisors Ruff and Berk as tellers. Supervisor Ruff being absent for a few moments at the beginning of this session, the chair appointed Supervisor Patterson to take his place.

Chairman Bartz announced that we would proceed with the election and asked if all had voted and then declared the ballot closed. Result of the first ballot showed 37 votes cast, as follows: Wm. T. Richards, 23; James T. Clark, 21; Miles Miers, 25; Loomis K. Preston, 21; Walter Eldson, 13; Theodore Ketzbach, 19; John Warman, 15; Myra Storms, 14; Clarence Bartz, 26; Howard Westphal, 15; Eva Grath-

wohl, 13; Guy Helm, 4; Ed LaViolette, 11; Rev. Nicholson, 6; E. F. Gleason, 6; Martin Kretschman 1. Chairman Bartz announced that the following were elected: Wm. T. Richards, James T. Clark, Miles Miers, Theodore Ketzbach, Clarence Bartz, Loomis Preston.

Supervisor Cook gave a brief talk, stating that Niles should be presented on the Board of Trustees. Supervisor Knapp advised Supervisor Cook that Benton Harbor also should have a representative.

Chairman Bartz announced that we would proceed to the election of one more trustee. The chair asked if all had voted and then declared the ballot closed. Result of the second ballot showed 37 votes cast, as follows: Walter Eldson, 1; John Warman, 11; Myra Storms, 6; Howard Westphal, 6; Eva Grathwohl, 2; Ed LaViolette, 3; Rev. Nicholson, 6; E. F. Gleason, 1; Martin Kretschman, 1. The chair declared that no one received a majority on the second ballot and announced that we would proceed with the third ballot. The chair asked if all had voted and then declared the ballot closed. Result of the Third ballot showed 37 votes, as follows: Walter Eldson 1; John Warman 15; Myra Storms 4; Howard Westphal 6; Eva Grathwohl 2; Ed LaViolette 7; E. F. Gleason 1, and Martin Kretschman 1. Chairman Bartz announced that the third ballot showed that no one had received a majority and that we would proceed to the fourth ballot. The chair asked if all had voted and then declared the ballot closed. Result of the fourth ballot showed 37 votes cast, as follows: John Warman 16; Myra Storms 3; H. Westphal 5; Ed LaViolette 11; Gleason 2. The Chair again announced that no one had received a majority.

It was moved by Supervisor Baker, supported by Supervisor Squier that the meeting adjourn until 1:30 P. M. Motion carried.

Afternoon Session, April 20, 1937

The Board reconvened at 1:30 and was called to order by Chairman Bartz.

The Chair announced that we would proceed with the fifth ballot, and asked if all had voted and then declared the ballot closed. The Fifth ballot showed 36 votes cast, as follows: John Warman 20; Myra Storms 1; Howard Westphal 12; Ed LaViolette 3. Chairman Bartz declared John Warman elected. Supervisor Warman addressed the board and thanked them for their support. Chairman Bartz also thanked the board for their support in his election as one of the Trustees.

Supervisor Eldson read two letters, one from Prosecuting Attorney E. A. Westin and one from the Hon. Judge Evans, in regard to two doctor bills for services rendered in the recent Coleman murder case. It was moved by Supervisor Eldson, supported by Supervisor Neary that the bills be given to the Judiciary committee. Motion carried.

Supervisor Neary read the following report and moved its adoption:

"To the Honorable Board of Supervisors: Your Committee on Sheriff & Justice Claims respectfully submits the following report: The majority of the committee recommends that the board bill for county prisoners remain at 45c per day.

(Signed) Emil Ruff, Carl Groth, Geo. E. Knapp, A. W. Woodruff, Harry Wurz, Raymond J. Neary, Arthur H. Berk, Sheriff & Justice Claims Committee."

The above motion was supported by Supervisor Kenney. Motion carried.

Supervisor Squier, Chairman of the Contagious Claims Committee presented the following bills and asked that they be allowed:

Unley Grocery, supplies	\$111.43
Prince Grocery, supplies	10.03

Motion supported by Supervisor Hampton and carried.

Supervisor Warman, Chairman of the Finance Committee, to whom was referred the request of Mr. Cox, Secretary of the St. Joseph Chamber of Commerce for a contribution to the Blossom Festival fund, reported as follows: That the Berrien County Board of Supervisors appropriate \$400.00. Motion supported by Supervisor King, and carried.

Supervisor Warman, Chairman of the Finance Committee, to whom was referred the request of Mr. Davis, District Supt. of the Old Age Assistance Bureau, for furniture to equip their office in Benton Harbor, recommended that the Board allow \$50.00. Motion supported by Supervisor King and carried.

Supervisor Preston, Chairman of the Judiciary Committee to whom was referred the two bills, one of the Benton Harbor police of \$15.00 and the St. Joseph police of \$31.00 for killing dogs, read the following report and moved its adoption:

"To the Board of Supervisors of Berrien County:

Gentlemen:—Your Judiciary Committee to whom was referred the matter of the bill of the Benton Harbor Police force of \$15.00 for killing dogs, and of the St. Joseph police of \$31.00 for same, beg leave to report that after careful investigation in which policemen of Benton Harbor were interviewed and in regard to their bill for fifteen dogs, we find that five of them were killed and disposed of before the Dog Pound there was instituted, the other ten were handled because of the dangerous acts of the dogs in which no time was to be wasted in finding the Pound Master, this bill we consider fair and reasonable and in the matter of the St. Joseph bill, we find thirty one dogs were killed and disposed of, this bill was large because of the poisoning epidemic that occurred during the first part of the year. Some one used an unknown poison that first made the dogs blind and savage, running about and snapping and biting anyone or anything they ran into and of course dangerous and no time was lost in putting them out of the way, there were about ten of these, then among the balance there were numerous vicious dogs that were killed and some stray females that were vicious. All told, after the investigation we are convinced that the above bills are reasonable and should be paid and therefore recommend that an order be drawn in favor of the said Police forces on the Treasurer of this county.

Respectfully submitted April 20, 1937.

(Signed) Judiciary Committee, F. D. Burgh, J. J. Jakway, L. K. Preston.

There was a general discussion by Supervisors Berk, Squier, Fette, Sawyer, Cook, Winn, Jayway, Burgh, and Woodruff. Also many questions were asked of Supervisor Preston, which he answered to the satisfaction of all. The chair asked for a roll call vote in regard to this matter, which resulted as follows: Ayes, Supervisors Jakway, Ruff, Knapp, Weber, Neary, Smith, Boyce, Squier, Burgh, Baker,

Hampton, Groth, Bartz, Storms, Eldson, Jackson, Berk, Knaak, Preston, King, Warman—21 votes. Nays, Pelton, Koenigshof, Clark, Fette, Kreitner, Wurz, Winn, Cook, Kretschman, Sawyer, Woodruff, G. Smith—12 votes. The chair declared the motion carried by 21 votes.

Supervisor Preston, Chairman of the Judiciary Committee, to whom was referred the petition in regard to the county voting on a Zoning Ordinance, reported as follows:

"To the Board of Supervisors of Berrien County: Gentlemen: Your Committee on Judiciary to whom was referred the matter of the establishment in this County in portions thereof outside of the limits of municipalities, of districts or zones within which the use of land, natural resources and buildings, the height, the area, the size and locations of such buildings may be regulated by ordinance, the lighting and ventilating of the same be regulated, to regulate and determine the area of yards, courts, to regulate and determine what lands may be used for farming purposes, forestry and recreation, the establishment of County planning committee, etc., in accordance with the provisions of Act No. 44 of the Public Acts of 1935 has been considered and we therefore beg leave to report that the matter is so far reaching and of such importance that we request further time for more consideration, and report.

Respectfully submitted, April 20th, 1937.

(Signed) Judiciary Committee, F. D. Burgh, J. J. Jakway, L. K. Preston.

Supervisor Preston, Chairman of the Judiciary Committee to whom was referred the request of Attorney Philip Hadsell of Niles, with reference to refunding of assessments paid by taxpayers on Covert Road, reported as follows and moved its adoption:

"To the Board of Supervisors of Berrien County:

Gentlemen: Your Judiciary Committee to whom was referred the matter of the refunding or rebating certain parts of assessments paid by taxpayers on Covert Road Assessments on the road running East of Gallien from Cleveland Avenue for a distance of approximately three miles, beg leave to report as follows:

We investigated the matter at the County Road Commission's office and find that about one hundred and sixty taxpayers would come in for the refund in sums ranging from ten cents to twenty eight dollars, with a total refund of, as given us, \$270.00. This was due to the fact that the above taxpayers had paid in full the assessment levied against them either on the date of the first due payment or later. The Road Board informs us that this is the only one of the kind in the County and that the original estimate of cost of this road was much in excess of the actual cost, exceeding even the amount allowed extra for maintenance thereof, and that they would recommend that the refund be granted owing to the fact that justice and law both would warrant such refund.

We therefore recommend that the refund as above referred to be made, that the taxpayers as above be relieved in the matter and that from the authority vested in the Board by Act 150 of the Public Acts of 1927, as amended by Sec. 10-A1-1931, Public Acts, No. 81, be used and that such refunds be granted according to Law and that such refunds be taken from the funds that the Legislature sets out.

Respectfully submitted, April 20, 1937.

(Signed) Judiciary Committee, F. D. Burgh, J. J. Jakway, L. K. Preston.

Motion supported by Supervisor Squier, and carried.

Supervisor Preston, Chairman of the Judiciary Committee to whom was referred a request by Surveyor Alton Howard, that the county buy maps, tracings and cabinets, now in the county surveyor's office, reported as follows:

"To the Board of Supervisors of Berrien County:

Gentlemen: Your Judiciary Committee to whom was referred the matter of the advisability of purchasing the Tracings of the former County surveyor, John Howard, and the filing cabinet for the same, reports as follows: That we considered the matter and that we are convinced the purchase of the maps or tracings would, beyond any doubt, be of benefit to citizens of this County who have surveying to be done in the future providing the tracings are the ones they could use, that is, if Section corner posts wanted were set forth as to location. It no doubt could happen that all Tracings in the outfit might disclose the fact that a particular corner post had not been as yet located because no surveys had been made which called for that location. It was thought that the Tracings could be of great value to the Road Commission but they inform us that they could get along without them, that they have their own locations, that they are set forth in their Survey department and do very seldom have occasion to use said Tracings. A question in our minds was set clear by the fact that we do not consider the Tracings the property of the County; that they are the result of private surveys made by former County Surveyors who for years have seen fit to leave them where they are for the benefit of the public and surveyors in particular; that there is no question that some of the Tracings are valuable; that some Counties of this State have arrangements made whereby all Tracings are to be left in the County Surveyor's office for the public benefit. Others have no such arrangements and Berrien is one of these. The fact appears to be that these records are only of use and value in Berrien county, elsewhere they are worthless. It is difficult to conceive of any person destroying them. If they are in private hands we presume that they still will be available for surveyors at possibly so much per. This committee has not contacted Mr. Howard but we understand a figure of something like \$600.00 will buy the outfit. Now the question is whether they should be in private hands or purchased by the County for general use for the public. In either event we believe they will still be available to the public, at no cost to them if County owned, and a certain price for the use of those desiring the information they contain, if in private hands. We can see that if County owned, the services of a filing clerk will be necessary, other cabinets purchased and arrangements made for the purchase by the County of all new Tracings made by Surveyors. The questions that arise in a discussion of this matter are such that we feel this Board would need no advice from this Committee in the handling of them. We therefore report no recommendation in the premises.

Respectfully submitted, April 20, 1937.

(Signed) Judiciary Committee, F. D. Burgh, J. J. Jakway, L. K. Preston.

Supervisor Preston, Chairman of the Judiciary Committee, spoke to the Board of the bank fund in the old Buchanan and Berrien County Banks in regard to the collection of the balance due on county funds deposited in these two banks. A general discussion followed, and it was decided not to take any immediate action.

The General Claims committee reported as follows:

"Your Committee on General Claims and Accounts respectfully submit the following as their report, recommending the Allowance of the several amounts as given below, and that the Clerk be authorized to draw orders for the same:"

CLAIMANT	CHARACTER OF CLAIM	CLAIMED & ALLOWED
Dr. A. J. Anderson	Services	\$ 66.00
Dr. R. C. Allen	"	100.00
Dr. J. U. Allen	"	15.00
Dr. Walter Bartlett	"	21.00
Dr. A. F. Bliesmer	"	9.50
Dr. J. M. Brown	"	15.00
Dr. R. J. Brown	"	35.00
Dr. R. C. Conybeare	"	25.00
Dr. Irving Colef	"	123.00
Dr. R. N. Dunnington	"	12.00
Dr. W. C. Ellet	"	100.00
Dr. C. S. Emery	"	175.00
Dr. Kenneth Gamble	"	16.65
Dr. Clarence Gillette	"	50.00
Dr. Russell Hart	"	207.25
Dr. Noel J. Hershey	"	96.00
Dr. Robt. Henderson	"	114.50
Dr. Frank King	"	250.00
Dr. Frank King, Jr.	"	375.00
Dr. Herbert Kling	"	15.00
Dr. Harry Kok	"	70.00
Dr. Geo. Landy	"	50.00
Dr. John McDermott	"	53.00
Dr. Wm. MCK. German	"	10.00
Dr. Carl Mitchell	"	115.00
Oronoko Twp.	"	103.75
Dr. E. A. Miller	"	81.00
Dr. C. W. Merritt	"	2.50
Dr. Dean Richmond	"	50.00
Dr. L. M. Rutz	"	80.00
Dr. John Schram	"	58.00
Dr. W. A. Smith	"	5.00
Dr. J. C. Strayer	"	190.00
Dr. R. M. Swindell	"	3.00
Dr. Donald Thorup	"	10.00
Dr. R. S. Waterson	"	8.50
Dr. H. O. Westervelt	"	50.00
J. J. Jakway	Judiciary	4.80
F. D. Burgh	"	6.10
W. H. Brenner	Damage by Dogs	30.00
Blen Clapper	"	2.00
Richard Cuthbert	"	48.00
Edw. Feather	"	4.00
L. D. Fisher	"	6.50
Toy Gow	"	6.50
L. G. Hoffman	"	12.00
Gertrude Jochem	"	6.83
Louis Krenak	"	20.20
Arthur Larson	"	6.60
Ida Martin	"	8.25
Dan Murphy	"	21.60
H. M. Quade	"	29.30
Sommer Bros.	"	8.00
Edw. Streje	"	16.80
Belle Sweet	"	10.10
Peter Tatro	"	3.60
Aug. Viehr	"	2.00
O. Wyant	"	26.00
A. Schoenfeldt	"	44.40
Clarence Butler, Jus. fee	"	2.00
Joe Collier	"	2.10
Ed Drier	"	4.50
Ray Hicks	"	2.30
J. A. Parren	"	4.32
Chas. Priebe	"	2.10
O. J. Smith	"	4.40
Ben Scheyer	"	2.30
Paul Schmanski	"	2.30
Maurice Wells	"	7.00
W. E. Watson	"	4.55
Milton Francis	"	14.50; allowed
Rose Pinckney	"	24.00; allowed
Edw. Scheffler	"	8.00; allowed
J. M. Brunje	"	12.20; allowed

(Signed) Supervisors W. P. Sawyer, W. H. Weber, Dean Clark, Paul Pelton, D. E. Patterson, Les Farnum, Committee.

It was moved by Supervisor Sawyer, supported by Supervisor Clark that the above claims be allowed. Motion carried.

The Committee on Per Diem and Mileage reported as follows: "Your Committee on Per Diem and Mileage submit the following report as the Pay Roll of the Board of Supervisors of Berrien County, Michigan, for the April session, 1937."

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Mrs. Myra Storms	54	5.40	1	4.00	9.40
John Winn	54	5.40	1	4.00	9.40
Sheridan Cook	54	5.40	1	4.00	9.40
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Martin Kretschman	16	1.60	1	4.00	5.60
Chas. Jackson	6	.60	1	4.00	4.60
Arthur Berk	2	.20	1	4.00	4.20
Alvin O. Knaak	2	.20	1	4.00	4.20
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U. S. PHOTOGRAPHS ALASKAN WILD LIFE

Cameraman Travels 12,000 Miles for Pictures.

Seattle.—Frizzy-thatched Joseph Yolo, "Martin Johnson of the North," returned from Alaska's forested ranges with more than a mile of travel for every one of the 12,000 odd feet of 35-millimeter film he shot of wild animals, birds and fish.

Yolo was going home to Yakima, Wash. His "shots" were taken for the Alaska game commission and the forest service. After the film was edited and descriptive matter completed it was divided for "shorts" and educational features. Last May, after he had photographed Rainier National park and Mount Olympus for the forest service he was given 10 days' notice that he was to go to Alaska for the federal government.

He went and in the ensuing six months endured innumerable hardships. Bad weather limited his "shooting" time. He scaled high peaks for unusual shots and made four trips across the Gulf of Alaska. The trip cost \$10,000, or almost a dollar a foot of film.

Caught Bears Fishing. Yolo photographed grizzly bears fishing on Admiralty and Chichagoff islands. He traveled the old Richardson highway, the Valdez trail and the Steese highway—once, the Circle-Fairbanks trail, worn by padded feet of dog teams in gold-rush days.

North of Circle, on the Yukon river, Yolo found Indian tribes awaiting the migrating herds of caribou.

"The caribou are mysterious animals," Yolo said. "They appear and vanish—just as though you were rubbing an Aladdin's lamp. You can see them coming over a far-away mountain in a long, straight line. For seven days, thousands and thousands of them filed by our location. One herd of at least 25,000 took an hour to pass a certain point." Yolo said the Indian tribes gather where they know the caribou will

Supervisors	Miles	Amount	Days	Amount	Totals
Wm. P. Sawyer	50	5.00	1	4.00	9.00
John Warman	30	3.00	1	4.00	7.00
A. W. Woodruff	28	2.80	1	4.00	6.80
Guy Smith	42	4.20	1	4.00	8.20
TOTALS	1172	\$117.20	38	\$152.00	\$269.20

(Signed) Morton C. Hampton, Emil W. Ruff, Arthur H. Berk, Committee.

Dated: April 20th, 1937.

It was moved by Supervisor Hampton, supported by Supervisor Groth that the above be allowed. Motion carried.

Supervisor Preston, Chairman of the Judiciary Committee, to whom was referred the matter of two doctor bills in the Coleman case, stated the committee requested more time be given them for the consideration of the bills.

Chairman Bartz appointed the following supervisors as a committee to intercede for Berrien County in regard to Financing Covert Road Bonds: Supervisors Eldson, Jackway, Sawyer, Patterson and Burgh. Chairman Bartz advised the board that he had talked to Hon. State Representative Dean Morley in regard to this matter and Mr. Morley assured him of his cooperation in this matter.

Supervisor Kretschman, addressed the board in regard to a baseball team and moved the chair appoint a committee. Motion supported by Supervisor Fette and carried. Supervisor Berk addressed the board in regard to playing soft ball. Chairman Bartz appointed the following on the baseball committee, Supervisors Kretschman, Berk, and Ruff.

Supervisor Koenigshof introduced Harry Lurkins, County Agricultural Agent, Mr. Lurkins gave a lively talk on the outlook for the farmer for the coming year, also on the Japanese beetle, rust, and encouraged irrigation, also on inspection of plants. Chairman Bartz asked Supervisor Koenigshof to thank Mr. Lurkins for his inspiring talk.

Chairman Bartz in a very pleasing manner, thanked the board for their patience, tolerance and co-operation during his first session.

Supervisor Warman moved that the board adjourn until May 7th, at 9:30 o'clock A. M. as the budget of the county has to be made up by May 10th. Motion supported by Supervisor Koenigshof and carried.

CLARENCE BARTZ, Chairman.

A. J. HASTINGS, Clerk.

MAY SESSION

Morning Session, May 7, 1937

The Berrien County Board of Supervisors met at the Court House in St. Joseph, Michigan, at 9:30 o'clock A. M., May 7th, 1937, as per adjournment of April 20th, and was called to order by Chairman Bartz.

The roll was called and all members were present, except Supervisors Boyce and Sommer.

Minutes of the previous session were read, and approved.

A communication from the Blossom Festival Committee, thanking the board for their donation was read and placed on file.

Chairman Bartz introduced Harry Lurkins, County Agricultural Agent, who addressed the board in regard to members attending a dinner at the Hotel Vincent, May 8th, to hear Hon. Burr Lincoln, Commissioner of Agriculture, who was to talk on fruit and the marketing thereof.

Chairman Bartz spoke on the dedication of the new County Hospital and asked Mr. Preston, a member of the Board of Trustees to explain the progress and operation under the new set-up. Supervisor Preston told the board what the hospital would be used for and what benefits would be derived from this institution. Supervisor Preston and Mr. Richards, two members of the board of Trustees, drew up rules and regulations at a previous meeting of the trustees, and Supervisor Preston explained the main parts of the regulations. Chairman Bartz introduced Dr. F. J. Barkman, the new county Physician and Surgeon. Dr. Barkman gave a brief talk, first thanking the board for his appointment and assured the board that he would do everything possible to co-operate and assist in any way possible and that the hospital would be ready to operate in the very near future. He also stated that first the hospital must be put on the approved list. General discussion by Supervisors Guy Smith, and Weber, Supervisors Bartz and Preston explained and answered all questions to the satisfaction of all.

Chairman Bartz advised the board that the Berrien County Welfare would have to find new quarters, as the Benton Harbor School Board wanted the building now used by the Welfare for school purposes. The chair introduced Mr. Myers of the Welfare Department. He advised the board that he had obtained new quarters at 860 E. Main St., Benton Harbor and would take possession about May 15th. He also advised the board that the new building was quite large and if they wished to use a part of same for any purpose, that he would provide space for them. He suggested that if the new County Hospital was to hold a clinic once a week in Benton Harbor, that space would be available for them, also at the Niles Welfare office. Mr. Myers explained to the satisfaction of the board the extra cost for the month of March and gave figures on how it has been reduced since. Mr. Myers advised the board that in contagious cases the State Welfare Commission would furnish all necessities except medical on the same basis as other welfare cases. This had not been done prior to this time. Supervisor Eldson moved that the board accept Mr. Myers proposition in regard to contagious cases. Motion supported by Supervisor Weber and carried.

It was moved by Supervisor Weber, supported by Supervisor Kenney that the board adjourn until 1:30. Motion carried.

Afternoon Session, May 7, 1937

The Board reconvened at 1:30 and was called to order by Chairman Bartz.

Supervisor John Warman, Chairman of the Finance Committee read the budget prepared by the Finance Committee for the year 1938, and moved its adoption:

St. Joseph, Michigan.
May 7th, 1937.

To the Honorable Board of Supervisors, Berrien County, Michigan.

Gentlemen:

In submitting to you the estimated needs for the General Fund of Berrien County for the year beginning January 1st, 1938, the Finance Committee has carefully considered each item of expenditure for the past years and budget appropriations covering said items.

While we have set up a tentative schedule somewhat

different from former years, there should be certain advantages connected with this change and a hope of greater control. With state legislative matters in the making of a number of changes connected therewith and directly affecting this period of time, we feel such estimate is flexible enough and ample to carry through the year.

In submitting this budget, the Finance Committee requests that by the adoption of this resolution, the power is hereby granted said Committee to regulate and approve such expenditures as they may deem necessary for its successful operation.

To meet this and carry out the above provisions, the Finance Committee hereby recommends a tax rate of 3.7 mills for the General Fund of Berrien County, with the request to the County Tax Commission for its allowance under the 15 mill limitation law. A tentative classified schedule of estimated expenditures and revenues is hereto attached.

Respectfully submitted,

(Signed) John Warman, A. W. Baker, Martin H. Kretschman, Wm. F. Fette, Harry King, FINANCE COMMITTEE.

Salaries	\$ 76,460.00
Per Diem and mileage	25,375.00
Motor Cops	2,000.00
Traveling expenses	2,425.00
Telephone and telegraph	2,585.00
Postage	1,785.00
Freight, express, cartage	140.00
Printing and binding	10,250.00
Stationery and office supplies	1,500.00
Miscellaneous supplies	750.00
Equipment	800.00
Maintenance of equipment	540.00
Fees	16,550.00
Electric	1,750.00
Electric fixtures and supplies	200.00
Rent	480.00
Outside stenographic services	525.00
Gas	200.00
Investigation—Adult afflicted and insane	1,075.00
Board and meals	8,000.00
Photographic and radio service (jail)	100.00
Medical and drugs	200.00
Doctor and nurse (service outside hospital)	1,800.00
Treatment Tuberculosis	70,000.00
Supplies and provisions (Contagious diseases)	1,100.00
Livestock—damage by dogs	2,700.00
Appropriations	4,500.00
Laundry	300.00
Outside care of children	3,000.00
Clothing	200.00
Transportation	100.00
Plumbing and hardware	300.00
Water	600.00
Cool	800.00
Janitor's supplies	1,200.00
Maintenance buildings and grounds	1,100.00
Soldiers burials	1,500.00
Insurance	2,000.00
Miscellaneous	2,155.00
County Poor	15,000.00
County Hospital (adult afflicted)	25,000.00
Contingent	50,000.00
TOTAL	\$336,545.00

Estimated Revenue	
Register of Deeds	\$ 12,000.00
County Treasurer	30,000.00
Dog Warden	8,000.00
County Clerk	6,000.00
Friend of the Court	1,000.00
T. B. Sanitarium (state payments)	20,000.00
TOTAL	\$ 77,000.00

Estimated expenditures	\$336,545.00
Estimated revenue	77,000.00
Requirements for 1937 Tax Roll	\$259,545.00

The above motion was supported by Supervisor Ruff. The Chair called for a vote, resulting in 35 ayes, and no nays.

There was a general discussion on Township and County Covert Road Bonds. Supervisor Eldson introduced Mr. Wm. Vawter, II, of the Berrien County Road Commission. There was a general discussion by various supervisors. Mr. Vawter addressed the board on the finances of the Road Commission and a general discussion followed. Chairman Bartz advised the board that the present committee would continue to function and report at the June session.

A communication from the Berrien County Road Commission was read:

May 7, 1937.

To the Honorable Board of Supervisors, of the County of Berrien, Michigan.

Gentlemen:

In arranging the county finances for 1938 we request that you give earnest consideration to spreading a tax of one mill for county road purposes. There are a number of facilities and items of equipment that the county road commission should have that we are unable to get from funds at our disposal.

The county highway system now comprises about 1350 miles of road. On April 1st, 1937, over 125 miles of roads in rural subdivisions were added to the county system, with no funds provided for taking care of these additional roads. During the previous five years about 700 miles of former township roads were added to the county system, but the funds provided, all from gas and weight tax, amounted to less than \$45,000 per year or less than \$60.00 per mile per year.

The addition of this mileage has made more equipment and more garage facilities necessary. We need additional truck scrapers, mowing machines, and other special equipment. We need extra garage facilities at Gallen, Buchanan, Benton Harbor and other points.

In order to put these former township or McNitt Roads in proper condition gravel will be required, and we could save a great deal of money by having our own gravel equipment. Many of the roads on the original county system need repair and treatment beyond what we are able to give them with the funds at our disposal for that purpose.

Your Board will not lose sight of the fact that in Berrien County nearly half of the money for road purposes is being used toward payment for bonds and interest on Covert roads already built and that in comparison with other counties, Berrien has less funds to spend on the upkeep and maintenance of the original county road system and the former township roads that have been added to the system.

We hope you will see your way clear to spread a tax of this amount. Our needs call for a larger amount, but we thought it best to ask for what seems a reasonable tax spread.

Respectfully submitted,

BOARD OF COUNTY ROAD COMMISSIONERS OF THE COUNTY OF BERRIEN, MICHIGAN. Morris G. McGawn, J. Walter Wood, Wm. A. Vawter, II.

It was moved by Supervisor Burgh, supported by Supervisor Eldson that this matter be referred to the Finance Committee. Motion carried.

A communication from the State Association of County Treasurers was read, asking the Board of Supervisors to send their county treasurer to the State Treasurers Convention to be held in Escanaba, July 8th and 9th. It was moved by Supervisor Baker, supported by Supervisor Hampton that the communication be placed on file.

A communication from the State Association of County Clerks asking the board of Supervisors to send the Clerk and the Chairman of the Board of Supervisors to the convention which will be held at Crystal Falls July 7th, 8th and 9th. It was moved by Supervisor Guy Smith, supported by Supervisor Eldson that this communication be placed on file.

The Committee on Per Diem and Mileage reported as follows: "Your Committee on Per Diem and Mileage submit the following report as the Pay Roll of the Board of Supervisors of Berrien County, Michigan, for the May session, 1937."

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Guy Smith	42	4.20	1	4.00	8.20
TOTALS	1082	\$108.20	36	\$144.00	\$252.20

(Signed) Morton Hampton, Emil Ruff, Arthur Berk, Committee.

Dated: St. Joseph, May 7, 1937.

It was moved by Supervisor Hampton, supported by Supervisor Groth that the above be allowed. Motion carried.

Supervisor Preston, Chairman of the Judiciary Committee to whom was referred the bill of \$152.00 for Sheriff Miller's bond, reported that it be not allowed and made a motion to that effect. Motion supported by Supervisor Knapp and carried.

Supervisor Preston, Chairman of the Judiciary Committee read the following resolution and moved its adoption:

RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, various taxpayers in Gallen and Bertrand Townships in this county paid in advance for the year 1931 the assessments on their properties in said district, on the Covert Road running through Assessment District No. 64 as shown in the records in the office of the Board of County Road Commissioners of Berrien County, Michigan; and

WHEREAS, by virtue of the authority vested in the Board of Supervisors of Berrien County, by Act 150 of the Public Acts of 1927 as Amended, it is possible for this Board to refund to said taxpayers so paying in advance, the moneys paid for said year 1931, it appearing that moneys from the weight and gasoline taxes, so-called, returned to the County from the State Department, have been used in reducing the assessments, on said road; and

WHEREAS, this Board has been convinced, by proper legal proof, of the payment thereof by said taxpayers;

NOW, THEREFORE, Be it Resolved by this Board, that the moneys paid by all taxpayers in Assessment District No. 64 as set out in the office of the Board of County Road Commissioners of Berrien County, Michigan, be and the same are hereby declared to be due and owing to said taxpayers, and the proper officers of this Board are hereby directed to make, execute and deliver from the gasoline and weight tax moneys received by the County of Berrien, such sum or sums as shall be found to be due to the taxpayers having paid for the year 1931 the assessments on their properties in said assessment District No. 64.

Motion supported by Supervisor Koenigshof and carried. Supervisor Preston, Chairman of the Judiciary Committee, to whom was referred the two bills of the two doctors who testified in the Coleman murder case, stated his committee wished more time in regard to this matter, and the chair granted Mr. Preston's request.

Sheriff Charles L. Miller addressed the board and challenged the Board of Supervisors for a ball game.

Supervisor Warman, Chairman of the Finance Committee, to whom was referred the request of the Berrien County Road Commission, read the following:

St. Joseph, Michigan,
May 7, 1937.

To the Honorable Board of Supervisors, St. Joseph.

Michigan.

Gentlemen: Your Finance Committee to whom was referred the request of the Berrien County Road Commission for an allowance of one mill for County Road purposes has been fully considered and we recommend that this Board recommend to the County Tax Commission, that said County Road Commission be granted for county road purposes for 1938 one half (1/2) mill.

Respectfully submitted,

(Signed) Martin H. Kretschman, Wm. F. Fette, A. W. Baker, Harry King, Finance Committee.

and moved its adoption. Motion supported by Supervisor Eldson. There was a general discussion by Supervisors Guy Smith, Jakway, Preston, Patterson, Warman, L. Smith and Baker. The chair called for a vote, resulting in 26 ayes and 4 nays, and Supervisor Bartz declared the report of the Finance Committee carried.

Supervisor Kretschman, Chairman of the Committee on Baseball advised the board that his committee was ready to report and that Supervisor Berk would address the board. Supervisor Berk advised the board that they had set the day for June 18th, at 8 o'clock in the evening.

Supervisor Squiers supported by Supervisor Koenigshof moved that the board adjourn until June 28th, 1937 at 9:30 o'clock. Motion carried.

A. J. HASTINGS, Clerk.

CLARENCE BARTZ, Chairman.

JUNE SESSION

Morning Session, June 28, 1937

Pursuant to adjournment the Berrien County Board of Supervisors met at the Court House in the City of St. Joseph on Monday, June 28th, 1937, and was called to order by Chairman Bartz.

All members responded to roll call with the exception of Supervisor Boyce of Buchanan.

Minutes of the previous session were read and approved as read.

Supervisor Preston addressed the Board, advising them as to the present set up at the County Hospital and informing them that a clinic for the treatment of social diseases will be held at the County Welfare Building in Benton Harbor on Tuesday and Friday of each week, the hours being from 2:00 to 4:00 P. M. and at the Niles County Welfare Building on Thursday of each week from 2:00 to 4:00 P. M.

Chairman Bartz advised the Board that the County Hospital is now an accepted member of the American Hospital Association, having complied with all their rules and regulations.

General discussion was had by Supervisors Sommer, Knapp and Patterson relative to action taken in the hospitalization of emergency non-resident indigents. When it is necessary for an emergency case to be taken to the Hospital at night, the Hospital is to be notified at once.

Supervisor Kretschman extended an invitation to members of the Board to attend a strawberry shortcake dinner to be given at Scottdale on Tuesday of this week.

Supervisor Ruff reported on the ball game of June 18th between the Deputies and the Supervisors and stated that approximately \$100.00 was the sum realized for aid in the work of the Crippled Children's Association.

Sheriff Miller appeared before the Board, complimenting them on the outcome of their ball game and inviting them to dinner at the jail on Thursday, June 20th.

It was moved by Supervisor Knapp that the invitation of Sheriff Miller be accepted. Motion supported by Supervisor Burgh and carried.

Chairman Bartz advised the Board that the County Welfare offices in Benton Harbor would be open for inspection some time this week and that a definite date would be set later.

Moved by Supervisor Jakway, supported by Supervisor Warman, that the Board adjourn to 1:30. Motion carried.

Afternoon Session, June 28, 1937

The Board reconvened and was called to order at 1:30 by Chairman Bartz.

Representative W. J. B. Jarvis appeared before the Board and gave a review of the laws passed by recent session of the Michigan legislature.

Supervisor Preston of the Judiciary Committee made oral report in regard to the payment of doctor bills in the Coleman murder case and, on behalf of the Judiciary Committee, moved that Dr. C. G. Stuart be allowed \$400.00 and Dr. F. P. Currier \$165.00 with the understanding that these amounts are payment in full by the county for services rendered in such case. Motion supported by Supervisor Burgh and carried.

The remainder of the afternoon was spent in committee work.

Moved by Supervisor Koenigshof, supported by Supervisor Kreitner, that the Board adjourn to 9:30 Tuesday morning, June 29th, 1937. Motion carried.

CLARENCE BARTZ, Chairman

A. J. HASTINGS, Clerk.

Morning Session, June 29, 1937

Pursuant to adjournment the Berrien County Board of Supervisors met at the Court House in the City of St. Joseph and at 9:30, June 29th, 1937 was called to order by Chairman Bartz.

Roll call found all members present with the exception of Supervisors Boyce and Hastings.

Minutes of the previous session were read and approved.

Chairman Bartz advised the Board that on Friday at noon, dinner would be served at the County Welfare Building in Benton Harbor and urged all members of the Board to be present for this get-together meeting of Welfare and Board members and to hear reports to be made by the Berrien County Relief Commission, Old Age Assistance Bureau and Berrien County Medical Director.

The greater part of the morning was spent in the work of the various committees.

Supervisor Kreitner moved that the Board adjourn to 1:30. Motion supported by Supervisor King and carried.

OLD DICKENS HOUSE OPENED TO PUBLIC

Rooms Where Writer Worked Fully Restored.

London.—As snowflakes lent an appropriate Dickens' setting, the novelist's old house at 48 Doughty street, London, where he wrote "Oliver Twist" and "Nicholas Nickleby" was opened today, restored as nearly as possible to the condition it was in in 1837. The ceremony was performed by Lady Dickens, eighty-six-year-old widow of the novelist's son who became a judge.

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Afternoon Session, June 29, 1937

The Board reconvened and was called to order at 1:30 by Chairman Bartz.

The General Claims Committee reported as follows:

To the Honorable Board of Supervisors:

Your Committee on general claims and accounts respectfully submit the following as their report, recommending the allowance of the several amounts as given below, and that the Clerk be authorized to draw orders for the same.

CLAIMANT	CHARACTER OF CLAIM	CLAIMED	ALLOWED
Mrs. A. Austin	Damage by dogs	28.50	18.85
Glen Adams	"	2.25	2.25
August Bettig	"	3.00	3.00
John Culby	"	11.75	10.00
Minnie Dana	"	7.00	5.84
Geo. Firehammer	"	20.00	Nothing
Frank Fischer	"	18.00	18.00
J. R. Gilbert	"	11.00	10.56
Toy Gow	"	14.86	14.86
Chas. Jonatzke	"	6.00	6.00
Leo Kirk	"	60.40	57.40
John O. Kramer	"	16.20	12.15
Ora Malsch	"	9.00	5.00
Paul McCarten	"	35.00	35.00
Hugo Tober	"	26.20	12.00
Chas. Walker	"	30.55	30.55
Julius Priefer	"	4.35	4.35
W. R. Piggott	"	8.84	8.84
Carl Rudowski	"	7.30	7.30
Otto Rennhack	"	10.68	10.68
John Randazzo	"	29.50	29.50
A. G. Smith	"	7.50	7.50
David N. Walker	"	16.00	16.00
Wm. White	"	16.80	8.80
Oscar Wyant	"	16.00	14.00
John Whitright	"	16.00	16.00
Thos. Moran	"	19.00	17.00
Foster Bros.	"	32.30	32.30
Paul Hastings	"	18.00	17.00
Russell Collins	"	16.00	16.00

JUSTICE FEES IN FOREGOING CASES

CLAIMANT	CHARACTER OF CLAIM	CLAIMED & ALLOWED
Clarence Butler	Justice	4.00
H. K. Cupp	"	2.00
Joe Collier	"	2.10
John W. Clark	"	2.25
Ed T. Drier	"	4.55
Chas. Hendrix	"	2.10
Ray Hicks	"	7.20
James Kibler	"	2.30
Fred Lull	"	2.25
Guy Newton	"	2.00
Chas. A. Reck	"	2.30
P. H. Schmanski	"	2.25
Maurice Wells	"	2.30
W. E. Watson	"	9.95
Oscar Wyant	"	4.50
Chas. H. Priebe	"	2.10

(Signed) Wm. P. Sawyer, D. E. Patterson, Dean Clark, Paul Pelton, W. H. Weber, Committee.
Dated: June 29, 1937.

Moved by Supervisor Sawyer, supported by Supervisor Patterson, that the recommendations of the General Claims Committee be concurred in. Motion carried.

Supervisor Jackson read a letter from the Rectigraph Company in regard to Daylight Duplex Photo copy work and a general discussion was had by Supervisor Jackson, Judge of Probate Hatfield and Register of Deeds Damon in regard to the necessity of such a machine in the work of the various offices. Supervisor Jackson moved that the Chairman appoint a committee to investigate the merits of such a machine. Mr. Warman moved as an amendment to this motion that a committee of three be appointed who, together with the Chairman, should investigate the necessity of a photostatic machine and that such committee have full power to act. Motion supported by Mr. Kretzman and carried. Original motion as amended carried.

The Sheriff and Justice Claims Committee reported as follows:

To the Honorable Board of Supervisors:

Your Committee on Sheriff and Justice claims and accounts respectfully submit the following as their report, recommending the allowance of the several amounts as given below and that the Clerk be authorized to draw orders for the same.

CLAIMANT	CHARACTER OF CLAIM	CLAIMED & ALLOWED
Robert Rinker	Deputy Sheriff Service	\$ 74.00
M. H. Myers	"	6.00
Claude J. Huff	"	243.70
Ben Drier	"	130.70
Oscar J. Smith	"	63.00
Joe Kucera	"	42.00
Chas. L. Miller	Sheriff	1172.85
Ed Kucera	Deputy Sheriff Service	135.00
Clarence Dunbar	"	132.00
Wm. C. White	"	497.00
J. L. McOmber	"	467.00
Chas. W. Davis	"	456.00
Erwin H. Kubah	"	44.45
Ray Granow	"	25.00
Leslie Speese	"	469.50
Lowell Miller	"	641.81
Vern Story	"	456.00
Clarence E. Butler	Justice of Peace Services	157.30
John W. Rody	"	188.10
Joe R. Collier	"	86.70
Chas. E. Warner	"	62.20
Lee Mathie	"	15.55
Lee W. Magill	"	18.75
Walter H. Rhode	"	15.00
John W. Weber	Constable	4.80
Chas. Koehler	Chief of Police	142.75
B. F. Phairas	"	61.50

(Signed) Raymond J. Neary, A. W. Woodruff, Emil Ruff, Carl Groth, Harry Wurz, Geo. E. Knapp, Committee.
Dated: June 29, 1937.

Following a general discussion of the Police Department bills, Supervisor Neary moved that the report of the Sheriff and Justice Claims Committee be adopted with the exception of the bills of the Benton Harbor and St. Joseph Police Departments and that these two bills be referred to the Judiciary Committee for investigation and report. Motion supported by Supervisor Ruff and carried.

A communication in regard to the Dog Pound in Benton Harbor was read by the Clerk.

Moved by Supervisor Guy Smith that foregoing communication be referred to the Judiciary Committee. Motion supported by Supervisor Burgh and carried.

Supervisor Kretzman, supported by Supervisor Kenney, moved that the Board adjourn to 9:30 Wednesday morning, June 30th. Motion carried.

CLARENCE BARTZ, Chairman.

A. J. HASTINGS, Clerk.

Morning Session, June 30, 1937

Pursuant to adjournment the Board of Supervisors met at the Court House in the City of St. Joseph on Wednesday, June 30th, 1937 and was called to order at 9:30 by Chairman Bartz.

All members responded to roll call with the exception of Supervisor Boyce.

Minutes of the previous session were read and approved.

Mr. Eldson submitted for the consideration of the Board, a resolution on Township Covert Road Bonds as follows:

1. WHEREAS, The Board of County Road Commissioners of the County of Berrien, Michigan, has heretofore issued certain Refunding Covert Road Bonds, which Covert Road Bonds are obligations of the respective townships of Berrien County; and

2. WHEREAS, of said Covert Township Road Bonds, refunded and now outstanding, on May 1, 1938, the bonds set forth in the annexed schedule, aggregating \$243,400.00, Principal, and \$65,616.63 interest, will become due and payable; and

3. WHEREAS, It is the sense and judgment of the Board of Supervisors of Berrien County, Michigan, now in session, that townships owing the said bonds which will become due and payable on May 1, 1938, as set forth in said schedule, should not be required and called upon to pay more than the accrued interest on said bonds; due and owing May 1, 1938, and 50% of the principal thereof; and

4. WHEREAS, It is the sense and judgment of the Board of Supervisors of Berrien County, Michigan, now in session, that to require said townships to raise the full amount of the principal and interest owing on said bonds on May 1, 1938, as reflected and set forth in said schedule, would place a heavy tax burden upon said Townships; and

5. WHEREAS, In the judgment of the Board of Supervisors of Berrien County, Michigan, now in session, the said townships should be relieved from the payment of 50% of the amount of the principal due on said bonds on May 1st, 1938, for the present, and the payment of 50% of said principal should be postponed to some future date by the issuing of bonds equal to 50% of the amount of the principal due on said bonds on May 1, 1938; NOW, THEREFORE,

6. RESOLVED, That the Board of Supervisors of Berrien County, Michigan, now in session do hereby request the Board of County Road Commissioners of the County of Berrien, Michigan, to formulate and adopt a plan for the refunding of 50% of the principal of the said bonds coming due May 1, 1938; and to take such steps and proceedings as may be necessary to issue refunding bonds equal to 50% of the principal of the bonds coming due May 1, 1938, to provide funds which, together with the amount raised by taxation, will be sufficient to fully pay the principal and interest due on said bonds on May 1st, 1938; and

7. RESOLVED, That the Board of County Road Commissioners of the County of Berrien, Michigan, be requested to submit such refunding plan to the Board of Supervisors of Berrien County, Michigan, for consideration at its next October Session, 1937; and

(corrected to read "at its August 16th, 1937 adjourned session")

8. RESOLVED, That it is the sense and judgment of the Board of Supervisors of Berrien County, Michigan, now in session, that such refunding bonds should become due and payable ten (10) years from the date thereof; provided, that each of said refunding bonds shall contain a call provision so that any of said bonds may be called for payment on any annual interest date, and

9. RESOLVED: That the Clerk of Berrien County, Michigan, be and hereby is, instructed to forward this resolution to the Board of County Road Commissioners of the County of Berrien, Michigan.

(Signed) Walter H. Eldson, J. J. Jakway, W. P. Sawyer, D. E. Patterson, F. D. Burgh, Committee.

Attorney Wm. P. Harvey appeared before the Board and gave detailed information concerning the refunding of these bonds. After considerable discussion by members of the Board, it was moved by Mr. Eldson, supported by Mr. Jackson, that the Resolution be adopted. Motion carried.

Mr. Baker moved that the wording of the Resolution in Paragraph 7 "for consideration at its next October 1937 Session" be amended to read "for consideration at its August 16th, 1937 adjourned session." Motion supported by Mr. Eldson and carried.

Mr. Baker moved that when the present session of the Board adjourns it adjourn to Aug. 16, 1937. Motion supported by Mr. Preston and carried.

Mr. Preston, Chairman of the Judiciary Committee, to whom was referred the communication concerning the dog pound in Benton Harbor moved that such communication be placed on file. Motion supported by Mrs. Storms and carried.

Mr. Preston also reported on the matter of the bills of the St. Joseph and Benton Harbor Police Departments and moved that said bills be allowed in the sum of \$142.75 for the Benton Harbor Police Dept. and \$61.50 for the St. Joseph Police Department. Motion supported by Mr. Neary. The Chairman being in doubt as to the result of vote given on this motion called for an aye and nay vote which resulted, as follows:

Ayes: Ruff, Knapp, Weber, Neary, Baker, Eldson, Kretzman, Jackson, Berk, Knack, Preston, Farnum, Warman.

Nays: Pelton, Kenney, Jakway, Lawrence Smith, Clark, Fette, Squier, Burgh, Kreitner, Groth, Patterson, Wurz, Storms, Winn, Sommer, King, Sawyer Woodruff, Guy Smith.

Ayes: 13. Nays: 19. The Chair declared the motion lost.

Mr. Preston moved that the bills of the Police Department for killing dogs be allowed in full. Motion supported

by Mr. Weber and carried.

Mr. Ruff, supported by Mr. Knapp, moved that the Board adjourn to 1:30 P. M. Motion carried.

Afternoon Session, June 30, 1937

The Board reconvened at 1:30 and was called to order by Chairman Bartz.

The General Claims Committee submitted the following report:

Your Committee on General Claims and Accounts submit the following as their report, recommending the allowance of the several amounts as given below, and that the Clerk be authorized to draw orders for the same.

CLAIMANT	CHARACTER OF CLAIM	CLAIMED & ALLOWED
A. W. Baker	Services	\$41.60
Clarence Bartz	"	95.57
Harry King	"	37.60
Martin Kretzman	"	41.80
Walter Eldson	"	45.25
F. D. Burgh	"	24.40
Frank Sommer	"	11.60
John Warman	"	80.10
Simeon Kreitner	"	31.40
Chas. H. Jackson	"	52.10
Loomis K. Preston	"	65.92
Lawrence Smith	"	24.30
Alvin O. Knaak	"	33.80
Lester Farnum	"	21.00
Raymond Neary	"	28.00
Wm. Fette	"	46.90
Jas. Jakway	"	10.00
D. E. Patterson	"	21.60
W. P. Sawyer	"	19.50

CLAIMANT	CHARACTER OF CLAIM	CLAIMED & ALLOWED
M. A. Miers	Poor Commr.	\$ 89.55 \$ 75.95
Wm. T. Richards	"	309.65 260.35
James Clark	"	70.30 70.30
Robert P. Small	Asst. Pros.	18.20 18.20
Ada B. Greene	Probation Officer	7.00 7.00
Jennie Mechem	School Commr.	55.85 55.85
Bessie Dunkleberg	Truant Officer	70.00 70.00
Morrie McGowan	Road Commr.	89.00 89.00
Wm. Vawter II	"	80.00 80.00
J. Walter Wood	"	68.00 68.00
Helen Caldwell	Services	34.65 34.65
W. H. Weber	Burial Agent	2.00 2.00
Harry Ealhorst	Soldiers Burial	75.00 75.00
Raymond Neary	"	77.00 77.00

CLAIMANT	CHARACTER OF CLAIM	CLAIMED & ALLOWED
Slaughter & Beardsley	"	75.00 75.00
Geo. Knapp	"	2.00 2.00
Don Pears	Co. Welfare Agent	113.15 113.15
Maude Fischbeck	Juvenile Matron	362.70 362.70
E. A. Westin	Pros. Atty.	13.00 13.00
L. W. Kerlikowski	Coroner	83.20 83.20
Bernard J. Reiser	"	84.80 77.60
Harry Scott	Mileage	15.85 15.85
Maxine Morey	Services	7.80 7.80

(Signed) W. P. Sawyer, D. E. Patterson, P. G. Kenney, Paul Pelton, W. H. Weber, Dean Clark, Committee.
Dated: June 30, 1937.

Moved by Mr. Sawyer, supported by Mr. Patterson, that the report of the General Claims Committee be adopted. Motion carried.

Secretary of State Leon Case appeared before the Board and gave them some valuable information concerning the new laws on license plates.

Chairman Bartz appointed Supervisors Jackson, Guy Smith and Warman as Committee to investigate the advisability of the purchase of a photostatic machine.

Mr. Fette, Chairman of the Special Justice Claims Committee, reported that the work of this Committee was still incomplete and moved that the Chairman appoint a committee of two to go on with this work. Motion supported by Mr. Warman and carried.

Mr. Ruff thanked the Board of Supervisors for their cooperation in putting over the ball game for the benefit of the crippled children and reported that \$90.00 was cleared over and above expenses.

The Chairman asked Mr. Kretzman, Chairman of the Special Benefit Game Committee, to turn over to Burton G. Starke, member of the Crippled Children's Association the \$90 proceeds of the game. Mr. Starke, on behalf of the Association, expressed their appreciation of this much needed help.

Judge Malcolm Hatfield gave a talk on the new juvenile age limit law and discussed the problems arising from this new legislation. The chairman referred this matter to the Health, Welfare and Mothers Pension Committee for consideration and study.

Mr. Burgh, supported by Mr. Kreitner, moved that the Board adjourn to 9:30, Thursday morning, July 1st, 1937. Motion carried and they so adjourned.

CLARENCE BARTZ, Chairman.

A. J. HASTINGS, Clerk.

Morning Session, July 1, 1937

The Board of Berrien County Supervisors met in the Court House in the City of St. Joseph, Michigan on Thursday morning, July 1st, 1937 and was called to order at 9:30 by Chairman Bartz.

All members responded to roll call with the exception of Supervisor Boyce.

Minutes of the previous session were read and approved as read.

Two telegrams were received and read regarding the new welfare legislation and same were laid on the table for further consideration on Friday.

The following report of the Contagious Claims Committee was read by the Clerk:

To the Honorable Board of Supervisors:

Your Committee on Contagious Claims and Accounts respectfully submit the following as their report, recommending the allowance of the several amounts as given below, and that the Clerk be authorized to draw orders for the same.

CLAIMANT	CHARACTER OF CLAIM	CLAIMED & ALLOWED
Dr. J. M. Miller	Services	\$ 15.00
O. D. Price	Supplies	8.06
Watervliet Twp.	"	10.30
J. H. Moon	"	10.54
Abe Frank	"	6.50
Great Atlantic & Pacific	"	4.38
American Legion Hosp.	Services	1887.50
Producers Creamery	Supplies	3.24
Hart & Son Dairy	"	5.85

CLAIMANT	CHARACTER OF CLAIM	CLAIMED & ALLOWED
Madden & Taylor	"	21.30
New Troy Mills	"	12.08
Seth R. Atkinson	"	7.20
Sheffield Drug Store	"	8.00
Max Schwartz	"	16.97
Dorothy Haas	"	31.12
Frank S. Betz Co.	"	391.32
Consumers Coal Co.	"	4.12
Rapp & Prudeaux	"	3.00
Dr. C. E. Baggerly	Services	25.00
Dr. R. N. Dunnington	"	53.50
Dr. H. J. Burrell	"	30.00
Dr. J. W. Gunn	"	106.00
Dr. O. J. Howard	"	10.00
Dr. Frank King	"	54.00
Dr. Carl Mitchell	"	7.50
Dr. R. E. Reagan	"	26.00
Dr. C. M. Ryno	"	73.00
Dr. John Schram	"	70.00
Dr. Arthur A. McNabb	"	104.00
Dr. H. C. Blohm	"	584.00 \$560.00
Dr. F. W. Brown	"	42.50 34.00
Dr. Robert Henderson	"	333.25 299.25
Dr. E. R. Taylor	"	333.50 328.50
Dr. E. L. Kreiger	"	70.00 45.00
Mrs. Roscher	Rent	30.00 00.00

(Signed) H. E. Squier, Morton Hampton, Guy H. Smith, Thos. Hastings, Committee.
Dated: July 1, 1937.

Mr. Hampton moved that the report of the Committee be adopted and the Clerk authorized to draw orders for the various amounts. Motion supported by Guy Smith and carried.

Chairman Bartz appointed Supervisors Fette and Preston to act as Special Justice Claims Committee.

Mr. Knapp, supported by Mr. Neary, moved that the Board adjourn to 1:30. Motion carried.

Afternoon Session, July 1, 1937

The Board reconvened at 1:30 and was called to order by Chairman Bartz.

Mr. Oscar Burch appeared before the Board on behalf of the Berrien County Printing & Publishing Association and suggested that the Purchasing Committee of the Board of Supervisors consult this Association on specifications previous to authorizing bids and that more time should be allowed on such bids. He also protested against printing business being let to firms outside the county.

Mr. Burgh, supported by Guy Smith, moved that this matter be referred to the Finance Committee.

Mr. H. J. Lurkins, Agricultural Agent, addressed the Board relative to the many problems brought to him in his line of work.

Judge Malcolm Hatfield addressed the Board on social service aid from college graduates in research social service work in Berrien County.

Chairman Bartz delegated Mr. Ruff and Mrs. Storms to present to Mrs. Chas. L. Miller, on behalf of the Board of Supervisors, a gift as a slight token of their appreciation of her work and the sumptuous meal served by her for their enjoyment.

Mr. Warman, Chairman of the Finance Committee, informed the Board as to their method of ordering the necessary printing matter for the county officials.

The General Claims Committee reported as follows: Your Committee on general claims and accounts submit the following as their report, recommending the allowance of the several amounts as given below and that the Clerk be authorized to draw orders for the same.

CHARACTER OF CLAIM —		SERVICES OF PHYSICIAN	
CLAIM- ANT	CLAIMED & ALLOWED	CLAIM- ANT	CLAIMED & ALLOWED
Dr. R. C. Allen	\$ 170.00	Dr. A. J. Anderson	\$ 115.00
Dr. R. J. Brown	10.00	Dr. J. M. Brown	15.00
Dr. R. N. Dunnington	75.00	Dr. R. C. Conybeare	8.00
Dr. C. S. Emery	100.00	Dr. Robt. Henderson	115.00
Dr. Noel Hershey	64.50	Dr. F. A. King	169.50
Dr. Ford Keppen	100.00	Dr. Harry Kok	70.00
Dr. Geo. Landy	50.00	Dr. Wm. Littlejohn	89.00
Dr. John McDermott	11.00	Dr. E. A. Miller	26.00
Dr. C. A. Mitchell	57.50	Dr. Donald Thorup	75.00
Dr. John Schram	56.00	Dr. J. C. Strayer	166.50
Dr. B. G. Watson	6.00	Mercy Hosp., serv.	1049.25
Pawating Hosp., serv.	737.06	St. Joseph San., serv.	824.05
Blodgett Memorial Hospital, services	10.00		

of Supervisor Boyce.

Minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved as read.

The following report of the General Claims Committee was read by the Clerk:

Your Committee on General Claims and Accounts respectfully submit the following as their report, recommending the Allowance of the several amounts as given below, and that the Clerk be authorized to draw orders for the same:

CLAIMANT	CHARACTER OF CLAIM	CLAIMED & ALLOWED
Barlow Bros. Laundry	Services	\$ 7.50
Chaddock Super Station	Supplies	8.04
Natl. Auto Title Identification Bureau	"	3.00
Square Drug	"	14.16
Myers Automotive Sup.	"	20.00
Savage Sign Service	Services	1.50
Jennie B. Mecham	Expense	25.25
Fee & Byers	Services	4.85
Rutherford Funeral Home	"	2.50
Broad St. Barber Shop	"	1.60
J. C. Penny Co.	Supplies	19.27
St. Jos. Police Dept.	"	2.50
State Dept. of Agr.	"	159.01
Keefer Radio Co.	Services	2.49
Kenneth Boyer	"	12.00
Ed Freeman, Drain Com.	"	215.20
Ray Hicks	Justice fees on Chickens	4.65
Leonard Hardacre	Dog damage	7.00
Mrs. Emma Bard	"	4.25
The Enders Co.	Supplies	70.75
Beattie-Bernard	"	20.75
Gregory, Meyer & Thom Co.	"	21.00
Mrs. Curt Bautzmann	Damage by dogs	18.00
R. J. Kinney	Justice Fees	2.10
Gerlach-Barklow Co.	Supplies	55.00
Henry C. Gersonde Co.	"	3.00

(Signed) W. P. Sawyer, Paul Pelton, Dean Clark, D. E. Patterson, P. G. Kenney, Les Farnum, Committee.

Dated: July 1, 1937.

Mr. Sawyer moved that the report of the Committee be adopted and the Clerk authorized to draw orders for the various amounts. Motion supported by Mr. Pelton and carried.

Mr. Sawyer, Chairman of the General Claims Committee asked the board about the bill for salaries of the Berrien County Soldiers Relief Committee. General discussion followed by Supervisors Eidson, King and Warman. Chairman Bartz suggested that they call Mr. Howard Olson of the Soldiers Relief Committee to explain the bill.

Mr. Sommer, Chairman of the Committee on Drains spoke on having the books of the Drain Commissioner audited, relative to various drain assessments. Mr. Pelton moved to have the books audited, also to ask for bids on a light truck, and that the Drain Committee have the power to act. Motion supported by Mr. Patterson. Discussion by Mr. Warman and Drain Commr. Ed Freeman. Motion carried.

Chairman Bartz, introduced Mr. Howard Olson of the Soldiers Relief Committee. Mr. Olson gave a brief talk explaining the bill of the Soldiers Relief salary. General discussion followed by Supervisors Eidson and Warman. It was moved by Mr. Eidson, supported by Mr. Ruff, that this bill be allowed. Motion carried.

Mr. Burgh, Chairman of the Salary committee read the following report and moved its adoption:

July 2, 1937.

To the Honorable Board of Supervisors:
Gentlemen: Your Salary Committee begs to report the following changes in salary to become effective as of July 1st, 1937.

Office of County Clerk.	
Joe Betchek	\$100.00
Margaret Rupp	100.00
Office of Register of Deeds.	
Mary Maul	100.00
Dorothy Cutler	80.00
Ruth Benjamin	80.00
Office of Drain Commissioner.	
Jewel Meyers	80.00

We would also recommend that the salary of Harry Scott of the Tax Description Office be increased to \$2400.00.

(Signed) F. D. Burgh, Ray Neary, W. P. Sawyer, Thomas Hastings, Wm. F. Fette, H. E. Squier, John J. Winn, Salary Committee.

Mr. Neary supported the motion. Mr. Ruff moved that the resolution be amended that Joseph Betchek receive \$125.00 a month. Supported by Mr. Eidson. General discussion followed. Chairman Bartz asked for roll call on the amendment to the motion, resulting as follows: Naves—Pelton, Lawrence Smith, Clark, Fette, Hampton, Groth, Patterson, Wurz, Storms, Sommer, Kretzman, Jackson, Knaak, Harry King, Sawyer, Woodruff, Ayes—Ruff, Neary, Kreitner, Eidson, Berk, Warman and Guy Smith. Chairman Bartz declared the amendment lost and the original motion carried.

Mr. Neary, Chairman of the Sheriff and Justice Claims Committee, presented the bill of Ed Behnke, Deputy Sheriff of Sawyer for payment, and moved that said bill be paid. Supported by Mr. Eidson and carried.

The Clerk read communications inviting the Treasurer, Register of Deeds, Clerk and Drain Commissioner to the Annual State Conventions. Mr. Ruff moved that the communications be accepted and placed on file. Supported by Mr. Warman. Mr. Woodruff made a motion to amend the previous motion to send the County Treasurer to the Treasurers State Convention. Supported by Mr. Eidson. Mr. Sommer offered a second amendment to the motion to send all four county officials to their respective State Conventions, allowing each one \$35.00 for expenses. Mr. Warman and Mr. King offered remarks. Mr. Farnum moved, supported by Mr. Kreitner, that the Board adjourn until 1:30 P. M. Motion carried.

Afternoon Session, July 2, 1937

The Board reconvened at 1:30 and was called to order by Chairman Bartz. The Board proceeded to vote on motion on table. Second amendment lost 18-16 on an aye and nay vote, as follows: Ayes—Supervisors Kenney, Weber, Neary, Koenigshof, Squier, Kreitner, Groth, Wurz, Cook, Eidson, Sommer, Berk, Knaak, Farnum, Woodruff, and Guy Smith. Naves—Pelton, Jakway, Ruff, Knapp, L. Smith,

Clark, Fette, Burgh, Baker, Hampton, Patterson, Hastings, Storms, Kretzman, Jackson, King, Sawyer, and Warman. First amendment lost and motion lost.

Mr. Neary Chairman of the Sheriff and Justice Claims Committee read the following report and moved its adoption:

July 2, 1937.

To the Honorable Board of Supervisors: Your Sheriff and Justice Claims Committee respectfully submit the following report: Due to the increased costs of food stuffs and commodities we, the Sheriff and Justice Claims Committee, recommend that the allowance for the Sheriff's fees be increased from 45c to 50c per day, for feeding prisoners. The above to become effective as of June 1st, 1937.

(Signed) Ray Neary, Chairman, Emil Ruff, Geo. E. Knapp, Carl Groth, Arthur Berk, Harry Wurz, A. Woodruff, Sheriff and Justice Claims Committee.

Motion supported by Mr. Groth. Discussion by Mr. Guy Smith and Mr. Cook. Motion carried.

Mr. Baker, Chairman of the Equalization Committee read the Equalization report and moved its adoption. Motion supported by Mr. Koenigshof. Supervisors Knapp, Ruff and Weber spoke at length opposing the adoption of this report. Mr. Baker explained the finding for this report. Chairman Bartz asked for an aye and nay vote which resulted as follows: Ayes—Supervisors Pelton, Kenney, Jakway, L. Smith, Koenigshof, Clark, Fette, Squier, Burgh, Baker, Hampton, Kreitner, Groth, Bartz, Patterson, Hastings, Storms, Eidson, Sommer, Kretzman, Jackson, Berk, Knaak, Preston, Farnum, King, Sawyer, Warman and Guy Smith. Naves—Ruff, Knapp, Weber, Neary, Wurz, Winn, Cook, Woodruff. Chairman Bartz declared the motion carried.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON EQUALIZATION

Your Committee, to whom was referred the several Assessment Rolls of the respective townships and cities of Berrien County, Michigan, have had the same under careful and impartial consideration, and respectfully submit the following report:

Twp. or Ward	No. Acres	Real	Personal	As Assessed	Real	Personal	Equalized
Bainbridge	20,850	\$1,270,000	\$5,500	\$1,275,500	\$1,351,500	\$5,500	\$1,357,000
Baroda	11,137	925,750	44,400	970,150	910,600	44,400	955,000
Bertrand	21,861	1,032,680	40,240	1,122,920	1,006,760	40,240	1,047,000
Berrien	21,905	1,315,700	127,450	1,443,150	1,223,550	127,450	1,351,000
Benton	20,232	3,564,400	190,000	3,754,400	3,233,000	190,000	3,423,000
Benton Harbor City	12,818,800	2,688,842	15,507,642	14,142,158	2,888,842	15,507,642	16,831,000
Buchanan City	2,657,575	721,800	3,379,375	2,164,200	721,800	3,379,375	2,886,000
Buchanan Twp.	20,759	927,060	70,115	997,175	789,885	70,115	860,000
Chikaming	13,689	2,147,400	64,100	2,211,500	1,910,900	64,100	1,975,000
Coloma	11,390	1,789,450	133,550	1,923,000	1,595,450	133,550	1,729,000
Gallen	12,922	938,850	69,050	1,007,900	840,950	69,050	910,000
Hagar	11,540	1,251,040	48,050	1,299,090	1,207,950	48,050	1,256,000
Lake	13,856	1,311,590	88,750	1,400,340	1,260,250	88,750	1,349,000
Lincoln	10,998	1,716,850	81,600	1,798,450	1,716,400	81,600	1,798,000
New Buffalo	12,167	2,551,725	81,450	2,633,175	2,214,550	81,450	2,296,000
Niles City	7,837,550	1,623,775	9,561,305	8,117,225	1,623,775	9,561,305	9,741,000
Niles Twp.	22,820	1,819,400	159,150	1,978,550	1,523,850	159,150	1,683,000
Oronoko	19,555	2,627,450	153,360	2,780,810	2,327,640	153,360	2,481,000
Pipestone	22,770	1,222,800	73,575	1,296,375	1,176,425	73,575	1,250,000
Royalton	11,549	1,248,650	57,475	1,306,125	1,064,550	57,475	1,122,000
St. Joseph Twp.	4,810	1,968,850	26,850	1,995,700	1,745,150	26,850	1,772,000
St. Joseph City	6,491,800	1,632,600	8,124,400	6,269,400	1,632,600	8,124,400	7,902,000
Sodus	12,394	1,058,700	73,150	1,131,850	1,047,850	73,150	1,121,000
Three Oaks	14,530	1,621,940	417,375	1,939,315	1,378,625	417,375	1,796,000
Watervliet Twp.	8,540	968,500	34,200	1,002,700	922,800	34,200	957,000
Watervliet City	1,031,100	209,150	1,240,250	898,850	209,150	1,240,250	1,108,000
Weesaw	22,346	1,339,800	48,675	1,388,475	1,177,325	48,675	1,226,000
TOTALS	342,650	\$65,604,290	\$9,039,232	\$74,643,522	\$63,197,768	\$9,039,232	\$72,237,000

(Signed) A. W. Baker, J. J. Jakway, Loomis K. Preston, F. A. Koenigshof, H. E. Squier, Committee.

Mr. Hampton, Chairman of the Committee on Per Diem and Mileage, read the following report:

Your Committee on Per Diem and Mileage submit the following report as the Pay Roll of the Board of Supervisors of Berrien County, Michigan, for the June Session, 1937.

Supervisors	Miles	Amount	Days	Amount	Totals
Paul Pelton	32	3.20	5	20.00	23.20
P. G. Kenney	22	2.20	5	20.00	22.20
J. J. Jakway	10	1.00	5	20.00	21.00
Emil Ruff	4	.40	5	20.00	20.40
Geo. Knapp	4	.40	5	20.00	20.40
Wm. H. Weber	4	.40	5	20.00	20.40
Raymond J. Neary	4	.40	5	20.00	20.40
Fred Koenigshof	44	4.40	5	20.00	24.40
Dean Clark	60	6.00	5	20.00	26.00
Harry Boyce	46	4.60	5	20.00	24.60
Wm. Fette	54	5.40	5	20.00	25.40
Harley E. Squier	54	5.40	5	20.00	25.40
Fred D. Burgh	42	4.20	5	20.00	24.20
A. W. Baker	24	2.40	5	20.00	22.40
Morton C. Hampton	48	4.80	5	20.00	24.80
Simon Kreitner	20	2.00	5	20.00	22.00
Carl Groth	31	3.10	5	20.00	23.10
Clarence Bartz	14	1.40	5	20.00	21.40
D. E. Patterson	64	6.40	5	20.00	26.40
Thos. Hastings	59	5.90	4	16.00	21.90
Harry Wurz	54	5.40	5	20.00	25.40
Myra Storms	54	5.40	5	20.00	25.40
John Winn	54	5.40	5	20.00	25.40
Sheridan Cook	54	5.40	5	20.00	25.40
Walter Eidson	30	3.00	5	20.00	23.00
Frank Sommer	36	3.60	5	20.00	23.60
Martin Kretzman	16	1.60	5	20.00	21.60
Chas. Jackson	6	.60	5	20.00	20.60
Arthur Berk	2	.20	5	20.00	20.20
Alvin O. Knaak	2	.20	5	20.00	20.20
Loomis K. Preston	2	.20	5	20.00	20.20
H. L. Farnum	2	.20	5	20.00	20.20
Harry King	14	1.40	5	20.00	21.40
Wm. P. Sawyer	50	5.00	5	20.00	25.00
John Warman	30	3.00	5	20.00	23.00
A. W. Woodruff	28	2.80	5	20.00	22.80
Guy Smith	42	4.20	5	20.00	24.20
TOTALS	1,116	\$111.60	184	\$736.00	\$847.60

(Signed) Morton, Hampton, Emil Ruff, Arthur Berk, Committee.

Dated: St. Joseph, July 2nd, 1937.

The motion was supported by Mr. Ruff and carried.

Chairman Bartz thanked the Board for their consideration and co-operation and Mr. Koenigshof moved the board adjourn until August 16, 1937. Motion supported by Mr. Warman and carried.

CLARENCE BARTZ, Chairman.

A. J. HASTINGS, Clerk.

AUGUST SESSION

Morning Session, August 16, 1937

The Board of Berrien County Supervisors met in the Court House in the City of St. Joseph, Michigan, on Monday morning, August 16th, 1937 and was called to order at 9:30 by Chairman Bartz. This meeting was an adjourned meeting of the regular June Session of the Board of Supervisors.

All members responded to roll call with the exception of Supervisor Boyce.

Minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved as read.

Mr. Eidson read the following resolution and moved its adoption:

WHEREAS, on August 6, 1937, the Board of County Road Commissioners of the County of Berrien, Michigan, adopted a certain Resolution relative to refunding outstanding Covert Township Road Bonds which will become due and payable on May 1, 1938; and for the purpose of providing part of the funds, to pay the said Covert Township Road Bonds coming due May 1, 1938, the said Board of County Road Commissioners of the County of Berrien, Michigan, proposes to issue new and refunding bonds in the amount of \$121,700.00; and

WHEREAS, the Board of County Road Commissioners of the County of Berrien, Michigan, has prepared and submitted to the Board of Supervisors of Berrien County, Michigan, now in session, a certified copy of said Resolution, in which Resolution, the said plan for refunding Covert Township Road Bonds of the par value of \$121,700.00 is fully set forth, and in which Resolution, and refunding plan, all bonds to be refunded, aggregating \$121,700.00, are fully described; and

WHEREAS, the said plan for the refunding of said bonds, aggregating \$121,700.00 adopted and approved by the Berrien County Road Commissioners of the County of Berrien, Michigan, is deemed necessary to relieve the several Townships of Berrien County, Michigan, from excessive taxation, and is deemed necessary to provide sufficient funds

Bartz then asked for an Aye and Nay vote, which resulted as follows: Ayes—Supervisors Pelton, Kenney, Jakway, Knapp, Weber, Neary, Lawrence Smith, Koenigshof, Clark, Fette, Squier, Burgh, Baker, Hampton, Kreitner, Groth, Bartz, Patterson, Hastings, Wurz, Storms, Winn, Eidson, Sommer, Kretzman, Jackson, Berk, Knaak, Preston, Farnum, King, Sawyer, Warman, Woodruff, and Guy Smith. 35 Ayes, no Nays, 3 absent. Motion carried.

Chairman Bartz then introduced Mr. Chas. Jackson, Chairman of the Building Committee, who reported on the new Photostat Machine purchased for the Register of Deeds office. Mr. Jackson went into detail in regard to the purchase of this machine and explained it very thoroughly to the members of the board, advising them that after it was installed the board would not have to purchase it, if it did not meet with their approval and do satisfactory work. Mr. Preston, Chairman of the Judiciary Committee, asked Mr. Jackson if they had made any arrangements with the two abstract offices in regard to selling them photostatic service. Mr. Jackson advised him that they did not have a contract with the abstract offices, but that they would deal with the county in this regard, if the prices were the same as the present expense of taking off papers. Mr. Jackson then asked the Board to inspect the Court Room, and other offices which were recently re-decorated by the Building Committee, also to look over the Register of Deeds office.

Mr. Preston, Chairman of the Judiciary Committee, gave a short talk on paying bills for rables and buying vaccine for treatment. He advised the board that they were paying a lot of unnecessary bills for this vaccine, as he had communications from the State Department that this would be furnished free upon request, and that no Supervisor should O. K. any bill for the same. Supervisor Lawrence Smith advised the board that he always got vaccine from the State. Mr. Preston advised the Board that this vaccine was now being kept at the County Hospital, since the new set up.

It was moved by Supervisor Eidson, supported by Mr. Sawyer, that the board adjourn until 1:30. Motion carried.

Afternoon Session, August 16, 1937

The Board reconvened at 1:30 and was called to order by Chairman Bartz.

The Clerk read the following communication:

HONORABLE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS of the County of Berrien, State of Michigan.

Gentlemen:

Please take notice that the following is a claim for damages against the County of Berrien on the part of the undersigned, caused by an over-flow of the Driedick Drain at Coloma Township, Berrien County, Michigan. Said over-flow being caused by the former drain Commissioner Oscar Damon cleaning out said drain at its lower end where it enters Little Paw Lake and leaving growing willows and other brush and debris in the upper part of said drain where it crosses claimant's land and going up-stream from claimant's land and removing the willows and other debris and bushes from said drain, which resulted in the water being carried off the land above claimant's land and because the drain on the upper part of claimant's land was clogged by willows and other plants and shrubs causing claimant's land to be flooded and washed away, destroying the top soil; destroying the crops thereon and depositing on claimant's land quicksand to the approximate depth of one foot.

Claimant further shows that the portion of his farm flooded on account of the negligence of the said Oscar Damon and the County of Berrien in opening the drain above claimant's land and leaving it clogged on claimant's land, was made up of rich soil used for growing strawberries and garden truck and was rich, heavy soil.

Claimant shows that his damages are as follows:

For the over-flow of 1935:

Loss of a crop of strawberries from 4000 plants which rotted out by over-flow of drain	\$ 150.00
Loss of crop of strawberries from patch consisting of 400 plants, bearing, over-flowed and rotted	250.00
Loss of garden which decayed because of being covered by water	50.00
From 1936 over-flow:	
Loss of season on strawberry patch except 15 cases picked before over-flow of drain	175.00
Loss of 25 cases of lima beans, rotted by over-flow	75.00
From 1937 over-flow:	
Loss of garden	25.00
Loss of 1900 growing tomato plants	400.00
Loss of 800 pepper box plants	350.00
Loss of 20 cases of strawberries	40.00
Loss of 300 boxed melon plants	10.00
376 cubic yards top soil washed away	564.00
Damage done to land by 73 cubic yards of quicksand being deposited on surface soil; cost of removal	50.00
	\$2,139.00

It is the contention of claimant that his land would not have over-flowed if the drain on his place had been opened or if the drain above had not been open; that the Drain Commissioner and the County of Berrien were negligent in opening the drain above claimant's land so that the water would flow freely to his land where it was stopped by the drain being full of growing willow shrubs, causing the over-flow of the drain and the damage above set forth.

Dated: July 30, 1937 WING ROBINSON

STATE OF MICHIGAN,
County of Berrien, ss:

Wing Robinson being first duly

Also a communication from the Benton Harbor-St. Joseph Typographical Union No. 762, as follows:

To the Berrien County Board of Supervisors:

WHEREAS, It is a well established principal of all agencies in a community to patronize local business firms, wherever possible, in order to promote the general welfare of all the people, and

WHEREAS, Benton Harbor-St. Joseph Typographical Union, No. 762, being reliably informed that the Berrien County Board of Supervisors have been awarding contracts for county printing to firms outside of the county—also to semi-religious institutions, and what is commonly known as "bedroom" printshops within the county—where wages and conditions of the workers are beyond legitimate competition, therefore be it

RESOLVED, that Benton Harbor-St. Joseph Typographical Union No. 762, respectfully petition the Board of Supervisors to refuse to accept bids for county printing from the aforementioned printers, to the end that legitimate printers in the county may be relieved of this unfair and disastrous competition, and be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of these resolutions be sent to the chairman of the Board of Supervisors and also to every newspaper in the county for the purpose of acquainting the public with the existing situation.

(Signed) B. H.-St. Joe Typo. Union, No. 762, Ivan Young, President; R. H. Chapman, Secretary.

Mr. Warman explained the activities of the Finance Committee in regard to this communication. After a few remarks by Mr. Eldson, he moved that the communication be placed on file. Supported by Mr. Koenigshof and carried.

Mr. Eldson, of the C. C. C. Camp Committee, special committee on drains, talked to the board in regard to securing one for Berrien County. He advised the board that the committee was quite discouraged in this matter and Drain Commissioner Ed Freeman suggested that they make a trip to Washington to help secure this camp. Mr. Farnum communicated with United States Senator Prentiss M. Brown, by phone, and made an appointment. Mr. Farnum, Mr. Freeman, Chairman Bartz, and Mr. Eldson went to Washington on this matter, and following are the communications in regard to it.

UNITED STATES SENATE COMMITTEE ON FINANCE

August 4, 1937.

Honorable Robert Fechner, Director
Civilian Conservation Corps,
Washington, D. C.

My dear Mr. Fechner:

I want to strongly urge and recommend that there be established in Berrien County, Michigan, an Emergency Conservation Work camp to conduct a drainage project.

I assure you that in the public interest there is a great need for such a project in Berrien County, Michigan. I realize the necessity for reduction in the number of camps recently, and my purpose in addressing you this letter is to request that the claims of Berrien County, Michigan, for such a project be placed on your preferred list for favorable consideration at the very earliest opportunity. In the interest of general health conditions and to the county highway system, such a project would be invaluable to the people of Berrien County.

If a camp were established in the vicinity of Berrien Springs, the work to be done would be highly beneficial; not only to Berrien County but to the swampy portion of Van Buren and Cass Counties. Among the important work to be done would be the cleaning of some one hundred miles of drainage ditches already in existence in Berrien County. The three counties mentioned are in the heart of Michigan's fruit belt, probably Michigan's richest agricultural section.

In my judgment this is a high meritorious project. I hope you will accept this recommendation and make my letter a part of the file in the matter, as I wish to record myself as strongly favoring the establishment of such a C. C. C. drainage camp in the public interest.

Yours truly,

(Signed) Prentiss M. Brown

UNITED STATES SENATE
COMMITTEE ON FINANCE

August 9, 1937.

Mr. H. Lester Farnum, Chairman,
Berrien County Democratic Committee,
St. Joseph, Michigan.

Dear Mr. Farnum:

In response to my letter of August 4 to the Director of the Civilian Conservation Corps, urging the establishment of a C. C. C. drainage camp in Berrien County, Michigan, I have just received the attached communication. It is self-explanatory.

With best wishes, I am

Sincerely yours,

Enclosure

(Signed) Prentiss M. Brown

CIVILIAN CONSERVATION CORPS
OFFICE OF THE DIRECTOR
WASHINGTON, D. C.

August 7, 1937.

Honorable Prentiss M. Brown,
United States Senate,
Washington, D. C.

My dear Senator Brown:

Receipt is acknowledged of your letter of August 4, 1937, urging and recommending that there be established in Berrien County, Michigan, a camp of the Civilian Conservation Corps to conduct a drainage project, it being your judgment that the project in question is highly meritorious.

In reply you are advised that your interest in this matter is deeply appreciated and that your recommendation will be given the most serious consideration prior to the establishing of C. C. C. camps for the Tenth Period of work commencing October 1, 1937, and a copy of your letter has been referred to the Department of Agriculture, Forest Service, for their consideration when preparing their recommendations for the approval of the Directors, Civilian Conservation Corps.

Sincerely yours,

(Signed) Chas. H. Taylor, Assistant Director.

Mr. Eldson then remarked that the situation looked very promising for Berrien County securing one of the C. C. C. camps.

Mr. Sommer, Chairman of the Drain Committee, advised the board that they had bids out on a new Ford truck for the Drain Commissioner and that the lowest bidder was

the Eau Claire Garage, who received the bid. Mr. Sommer also spoke in regard to the audit of the Drain Commissioners books and advised the Board that they had many applicants for this audit but all of them, excepting one were not C. P. A. or registered accountants. They had the matter up with Mr. Lawrence Fish, C. P. A. from Benton Harbor, and the prices were almost prohibitive. Mr. Guy Smith advised the board that if they would get in touch with the Auditor General's Office and explain the situation, that the State would audit the books practically free. Mr. Warman advised the Board that he believed Mr. Smith was right relative to the above matter. Chairman Bartz suggested the Drain Commissioner call the Auditor General's office and find out what cost, if any, there would be to audit the Drain Commissioners books.

Mr. Preston, Chairman of the Judiciary Committee gave a very lengthy and interesting explanation of the new 1937 laws passed by the State Legislature, dwelling at length on the new Welfare law.

Mr. Jakway made a brief talk on the new dog law.

Mr. Preston gave a brief talk outlining to the board the necessity of finding quarters for all the present and future Governmental agencies now operating in this county under the new welfare legislation.

Mr. Warman, Chairman of the Finance Committee, advised the board that when they rented the new Welfare headquarters, and looking forward to the future that they had taken an option on the present property now occupied by the Welfare and this option would expire in November. Mr. Warman, Mr. Baker and Mr. Bartz all spoke very briefly in regard to the purchase of this property and the housing of the various agencies now operating in this county.

Mr. Sommer, Chairman of the Drain Committee, reported on the phone call to the Auditor General's office in regard to the audit of the books and advised the board he believed the State would audit the books in the near future. Chairman Bartz advised the board that he would suggest the Drain Committee handle this matter.

Mr. Preston advised the board that dog tags could be purchased cheaper elsewhere than from the State Department and made a motion to that effect. Motion supported by Mr. Groth. Mr. Jordan then advised the board that these tags could be purchased from a Grand Rapids firm much cheaper and save the county about \$19.00 and that they would receive a tag made of better quality. Mr. Sommer asked why these tags were not let out to bid. Mr. Warman advised the board that all supplies came through the Finance Committee. Mr. Baker gave a brief talk and said that this would be contrary to a former resolution already passed by the board in regard to purchasing supplies. Mr. Preston then advised the board they would ask for bids. Motion lost.

The Committee on Per Diem and Mileage reported as follows:

Your Committee on Per Diem and Mileage submit the following report as the Pay Roll of the Board of Supervisors for Berrien County, Michigan, for the Special August session, 1937.

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Myra B. Storms	54	5.40	1	5.00	10.40
John Winn	54	5.40	1	5.00	10.40
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Frank Sommer	36	3.60	1	5.00	8.60
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Chas. Jackson	6	.60	1	5.00	5.60
Arthur Berk	2	.20	1	5.00	5.20
Alvin O. Knaak	2	.20	1	5.00	5.20
Loomis K. Preston	2	.20	1	5.00	5.20
H. L. Farnum	2	.20	1	5.00	5.20
Harry King	14	1.40	1	5.00	6.40
Wm. P. Sawyer	50	5.00	1	5.00	10.00
John Warman	30	3.00	1	5.00	8.00
A. W. Woodruff	28	2.80	1	5.00	7.80
Guy Smith	42	4.20	1	5.00	9.20
TOTALS	1116	\$111.60	37	\$185.00	\$296.60

Dated: St. Joseph, August 16, 1937.

(Signed) M. C. Hampton, Emil Ruff, Arthur Berk, Committee.

It was moved by Mr. Hampton, supported by Mr. Baker that the above be allowed. Motion carried.

Mr. Warman supported by Mr. Jackson made a motion authorizing the Chair to appoint a committee not to exceed five members of the Board to investigate housing facilities for the new welfare board and report recommendations at the October Session of the Board. The chair appointed Supervisors Knapp, Knaak, Warman, Jakway, and Patterson.

It was discovered that there was a slight error in per diem and mileage report and that the supervisors were overpaid in their mileage. It was moved by Supervisor Hampton supported by Supervisor Ruff that as the checks were already made out and signed, that they allow this report and deduct the amount overpaid in the October session. Motion carried.

Chairman Bartz thanked the board for their consideration and co-operation and wished all members well until the next meeting, which will be held October 11th, 1937.

It was moved by Mr. Neary, supported by Mr. Ruff that the board adjourn until October 11th, 1937. Motion carried.

CLARENCE BARTZ, Chairman.

A. J. HASTINGS, Clerk.

OCTOBER SESSION

Morning Session, October 11, 1937

The Board of Berrien County Supervisors met in the Court House in the City of St. Joseph, Michigan, on Monday morning, October 11th, 1937, and was called to order at 9:30 by Chairman Bartz.

All members responded to roll call with the exception of Supervisor Boyce.

Minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved as read.

The Clerk read a communication from the City of Buchanan, as follows:

Mr. A. J. Hastings, County Clerk, St. Joseph, Mich.: Dear Sir: I hereby beg to advise you that at the regular meeting of the City Commission held on October 4th, 1937, Mr. Harry Boyce tendered his resignation as Supervisor of the first precinct, City of Buchanan, to take immediate effect.

The City Commission by resolution accepted the resignation of Mr. Boyce, and immediately appointed Mr. Harold E. Boyce, to fill the unexpired term.

Harold E. Boyce, on October 5th qualified and took the oath of office, and therefore is entitled to be seated at the next meeting of the board of supervisors.

Yours very truly,

(Signed) Harry A. Post, City Clerk.

It was moved by Mr. Kenney, supported by Mr. Hampton, that the resignation of Mr. Boyce be accepted, and Harold Boyce fill the unexpired term of his father. Motion carried.

Chairman Bartz introduced Mr. Boyce to the Board members and Mr. Boyce gave a short talk.

Mr. Eldson, Chairman of the Road Refunding Bonds Committee, read the following resolution:

St. Joseph, Michigan,

October 11, 1937.

TO THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF BERRIEN COUNTY, MICHIGAN:

Your Committee to whom was referred the matter of refunding the Township portion of the Covert Road Bonds met with the Board of County Road Commissioners of the County of Berrien, Michigan, and carefully examined the annexed proposed plan submitted to the Board of Supervisors of Berrien County, by the Board of County Road Commissioners of the County of Berrien, Michigan.

The Committee finds that the proposed plan, if carried out, will give much needed relief to the Townships having a large Covert Bond indebtedness, which in no way impairs the credit of Berrien County.

We therefore recommend the adoption of the Resolution and proposed refunding plan as submitted by the Board of County Road Commissioners of the County of Berrien, Michigan, the same being hereto annexed and made a part hereof.

(Signed) Walter H. Eldson, F. D. Burgh, Wm. P. Sawyer, D. E. Patterson and J. J. Jakway.

WHEREAS, On October 8, 1937, the Board of County Road Commissioners of the County of Berrien, Michigan, adopted a certain Resolution relative to refunding outstanding Covert Township Road Bonds which will become due and payable on May 1, 1938; and for the purpose of providing part of the funds, to pay the said Covert Township Bonds coming due May 1, 1938, the said Board of County Commissioners of the County of Berrien, Michigan, proposes to issue new and refunding bonds in the amount of \$121,700.00; and

WHEREAS, The Board of County Road Commissioners of the County of Berrien, Michigan, has prepared and submitted to the Board of Supervisors of Berrien County, Michigan, now in session, a certified copy of said Resolution, in which Resolution, the said plan for refunding Covert Township Road Bonds of the par value of \$121,700.00 is fully set forth, and in which Resolution and refunding plan, all bonds to be refunded, aggregating \$121,700.00 are fully described; and

WHEREAS, The said plan for the refunding of said Bonds, aggregating \$121,700.00 adopted and approved by the Berrien County Road Commissioners of the County of Berrien, Michigan, is deemed necessary to relieve the several Townships of Berrien County, Michigan, from excessive taxation, and is deemed necessary to provide sufficient funds and monies to retire and pay the principal and interest on all of said Covert Township Road Bonds coming due May 1, 1938, and is deemed necessary to prevent a default occurring in the payment of such bonds, and that said bonds aggregating \$121,700.00, should be refunded as a matter of sound municipal financing, and refunding of said bonds aggregating \$121,700.00, in accordance with the said Resolution and plan adopted by the Board of County Road Commissioners of the County of Berrien, Michigan, will be of benefit to the respective Townships of Berrien County obligated to pay such bonds coming due May 1, 1938; Now Therefore,

RESOLVED, That the said refunding plan, adopted by the Board of County Road Commissioners of the County of Berrien, Michigan, on August 8th, 1937, as set forth in said certified copy of the Resolution and refunding plan hereto attached, and made a part hereof, be, and the same is hereby approved and adopted by the Board of Supervisors, of the County of Berrien; and

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution, adopting and approving said refunding plan, be referred to the Public Debt Commission of the State of Michigan for its approval in accordance with the provisions of the statutes of the State of Michigan; and

RESOLVED, That the amended refunding plan as approved and adopted by the Board of County Road Commissioners of the County of Berrien, Michigan, on October 8, 1937, be in lieu of and an amendment of the refunding plan approved by this Board of Supervisors on August 16, 1937.

Annexed to the Resolution and Report as read, was a Refunding Plan prepared and submitted by the Board of County Road Commissioners of the County of Berrien, Michigan, adopted by the said Board of County Road Commissioners of the County of Berrien, Michigan, on October 8, 1937, which Refunding Plan is on file in the office of the Clerk of Berrien County.

Mr. Eldson moved the adoption of the Resolution and Report of the Committee. Motion was supported by Mr. Farnum.

Chairman Bartz then introduced Mr. W. P. Harvey, and he explained the necessary steps that had to be taken in preparing the set-up for the refunding of the Covert Road Bonds.

He also explained that the Refunding Plan heretofore submitted to the Public Debt Commission was not satisfactory for the reason that said Plan did not require certain Road Districts to raise funds to pay the principal of the Bonds each year; whereas, the new Plan does require all Townships to raise both the interest and principal of bonds each and every year.

He further explained that the original plan prepared by Miss Dyar was in accordance with the original suggestions made by the Public Debt Commission.

Vote was taken on the Motion with the following result:

Ayes: Supervisors Felton, Kenney, Jakway, Neary, L. Smith, Koenigshof, Clark, Boyce, Fette, Squier, Burgh, Baker, Hampton, Kreitner, Groth, Bartz, Patterson, Hastings, Wurz, Storms, Winn, Cook, Eldson, Sommer, Kretschman, Jackson, Berk, Knaak, Preston, Farnum, King, Sawyer, Warman, Woodruff and G. Smith. 35 votes.

Nayes: None.

Not voting: 3.

Absent: None.

Motion carried. It was moved by Mr. Baker, supported by Mr. Eldson that Mr. Harvey or some other person go to Lansing, to confer with the State Debt Commission, at the expense of the Berrien County Road Commission. Motion carried.

The Clerk read letters from the Starr Commonwealth for Boys and The Salvation Army. It was moved by Mr. G. Smith, supported by Mr. Knaak that the letters be referred to the Finance Committee. Motion carried.

A communication from H. L. Lynch Agency was read. It was moved by Mr. Knaak, supported by Mr. Eldson, that the matter be laid on the table. Motion carried.

A note of thanks (for the floral tribute sent by the Board) from the A. N. Woodruff family was read. It was moved by Mr. Sommer, supported by Mr. Eldson that it be made a part of the records. Motion Carried.

Mr. Fette, Chairman of a special committee, reported on the Cullinane Docket. It was moved by Mr. Baker, supported by Mr. Kenney, that the report be adopted, and a vote of thanks was also extended to Mr. Fette. Motion carried.

Mr. Patterson read a resolution rectifying the Per Diem and Mileage received at the August 16th meeting. It was moved by Mr. Patterson, supported by Mr. Neary that the resolution be accepted. Motion carried.

Mr. Kreitner, Chairman of the County Poor Committee, read the following:

October 11, 1937.

To the Hon. Board of Supervisors:

Your Committee on County Poor met at the offices of the Berrien County Road Commission for the purpose of receiving bids on reinforced concrete for driveway and parking area at the County Infirmary.

The Committee accept the bid of John G. Yerington and Getman Bros. for the sum of \$1,690.00, subject to your approval.

The Committee recommends to the Berrien County Board of Supervisors the adoption of this report of this committee so that the work may be done forthwith.

(Signed) Simon Kreitner, Chairman; F. C. Koenigshof, Walter H. Eldson, John Warman, Martin H. Kretschman, County Poor Committee.

It was moved by Mr. Kreitner, supported by Mr. Koenigshof, that the report be accepted. Mr. Bartz asked for a vote, which resulted as follows:

Ayes: Supervisors Felton, Kenney, Jakway, Ruff, Knapp, Weber, Neary, L. Smith, Koenigshof, Clark, Boyce, Fette, Squier, Burgh, Baker, Hampton, Kreitner, Groth, Bartz, Patterson, Hastings, Wurz, Storms, Winn, Cook, Eldson, Sommer, Kretschman, Jackson, Berk, Knaak, Preston, Farnum, King, Sawyer, Warman, Woodruff and G. Smith. Motion carried.

It was moved by Mr. Ruff, supported by Mr. Neary that the board adjourn until 1:30. Motion carried.

Afternoon Session, October 11, 1937

The Board reconvened and was called to order by Chairman Bartz.

The Chair appointed Harold Boyce of Buchanan to the same committees on which his father formerly served.

Jim Clark, one of the County Poor Commissioners, invited the board to dinner at the Infirmary, Thursday noon, also to inspect the new hospital. Moved by Mr. Squiers, supported by Mr. Weber that the board accept the invitation. Motion carried.

Mr. Preston, Chairman of the Judiciary Committee advised the board that the Buchanan State Bank still owed \$5,500.00 to the county, and the county could collect interest in the amount of \$5,800.00, also he wished the Board to advise his committee because of one of the bondsmen, Mr. Fred Lee of Dowagiac who passed away, if his committee should add interest in the suit against the bondsmen in order to protect this account. General discussion followed by Mr. Baker, Mr. Squiers, Mr. Burgh and Mr. Sommer. Moved by Mr. Fette supported by Mr. Koenigshof that the Judiciary committee continue as in the past with full power to act. Motion carried.

Chairman Bartz asked the members of the board to bring the Township Clerks reports, so that the Finance Committee could work on them. Mr. Warman gave a short explanation of these reports.

Mr. Sommer, Chairman of the Drain Committee, advised the board that one of the State Auditors would be here Thursday morning to talk to the board in regard to the audit of the grain books and other matters.

Drain Commissioner, Ed Freeman, talked to the board and made a report on the new truck, how much they had saved since the purchase of same and advised the board they would get a refund of 4c per gallon on all gasoline used. He also advised the board that the Revolving Drain fund was in the red. Discussion by Mr. Warman and Mr. Preston. Moved by Mr. Sommer, supported by Mr. Koenigshof that this matter be referred to the Finance Committee. Motion carried.

It was moved by Mr. Farnum, supported by Myra Storms that the request of Rev. Williams, head of the Historical Survey be given permission to search the records of the Clerks office that are stored in the basement to complete his early history of Berrien County. Motion carried.

It was moved by Mr. Koenigshof, supported by Mr. Squiers that the Board adjourn until Tuesday morning at 9:30. Motion carried.

CLARENCE BARTZ, Chairman.

A. J. HASTINGS, Clerk.

ERECT FENCES TO PUSH OCEAN BACK

'Graveyard of the Atlantic' Scene of Big Fight.

Hatteras, N. C.—Four hundred years ago some unknown ship broke up upon this "graveyard of the Atlantic" and thereby struck the banks a blow that left them shuddering ever since. Because of that ship, great dunes have rolled over and devoured mighty forests, storms have opened new inlets from ocean to sound, and have closed old inlets to navigation and the natural migration of fish.

The thin line of outer banks which create North Carolina's numerous sounds were built up by the ocean, and engineers think the slow building process would have continued except for that shipwreck and others which followed. Horses from the shipwrecks reached shore, bred into great droves of wild ponies which overran the banks, and pawed up the vegetation. When considerable areas of the land became thus exposed to wind and water, the erosion now threatening the geography of North Carolina began. It gained acceleration as it progressed, until Hatteras and the other serpentine islands became the easy prey of every whim of the elements.

Now the government is attempting to preserve the mile upon mile of lovely, wreck-strewn beach for a National Coastal park authorized by congress, and to anchor the banks down so that they will be more habitable for the fishermen who live there and the sportsmen who visit the region.

Battle Is Under Way.

For more than 150 miles, upon the stormy side of five thin islands, the battle against the waves and wind is under way, and for the first time engineers see a chance for victory.

Great mountains of loose sand which for years have drifted willy-nilly up and down the banks blotting out forests and freshwater lakes—sanctuaries of waterfowl—have been halted by plantings of beach grass or by sand fences which check short the momentum

Morning Session, October 12, 1937

The Berrien County Board of Supervisors met at the Court House in St. Joseph, Michigan, at 9:30 o'clock A. M., October 12th, 1937 and was called to order by the Chairman, Mr. Clarence Bartz.

The roll was called and all the members were present.

The Minutes of the previous day were read and approved as read.

Miss Adelaide Lounsbury, Secretary of the St. Joseph District of the Michigan Children's Aid Society gave a talk on the good work being done by this society and accounting for the money expended and taken in, and asked the board for their usual contribution. Moved by Mr. Farnum, supported by Mr. Koenigshof that the report be referred to the Finance Committee. Motion carried.

Hon. Wm. T. Richards, Secretary of the Poor Commission, asked that the matter of division of costs between the County Infirmary and Hospital be referred to the Finance Committee. A general discussion by Mr. L. Smith, Mr. Burgh, Mr. Jakway, Mr. Knapp and Mr. Sommer, Mr. Warman and Mr. Preston explained to the board the operating costs and why it was difficult to come to a decision. Moved by Mr. Eidson, supported by Mr. Squier that this be referred to the Finance Committee. Motion carried.

The Clerk read the Financial Statements of the Cities and Township, as follows: Bertrand, Three Oaks, and Lincoln Townships and Buchanan, Watervliet and St. Joseph Cities. Moved by Mr. Baker, supported by Mr. Woodruff that these be referred to the Finance Committee. Motion carried. Chairman Bartz again requested the board to bring their financial statements not later than tomorrow morning, as the Finance Committee had to work on them before making their final report.

Mr. King, Chairman of the Conservation Committee reported on a conservation project at Rocky Gap and moved that this be referred to the Finance Committee. Supported by Mr. Eidson. Motion carried.

It was moved by Mr. G. Smith, supported by Mr. Winn that the board make a special order of business at 2 o'clock Thursday for the election of a Poor Commissioner. Motion carried.

Motion by Mr. Koenigshof, supported by Mr. King that the board adjourn until 1:30. Motion carried.

Afternoon Session, October 12, 1937

The Board reconvened and was called to order by Chairman Bartz.

Mrs. Wittaker, one of the Representatives of the Starr Commonwealth School of Albion gave a very interesting talk on the good they were doing for the boys that are sent to their school. She explained the activities and expenses connected therewith and asked the board to be as liberal as possible in contributing to the support of the school. Mr. Don R. Pears, County Juvenile Officer gave a short talk in regard to this school, verifying in every way Mrs. Wittaker's remarks. It was moved by Mr. Knapp, supported by Mr. Kreitner that this be referred to the Finance Committee. Motion carried.

Mr. Wm. Vawter, II, Chairman of the Berrien County Road Commission read his report to the board. He also gave a short talk on the expenses and receipts of the Road Commission, also the condition of the roads and bridges and the equipment they have to maintain for the many miles of county roads. It was moved by Burgh, supported by Mr. Squier that the report be placed on file. Motion carried.

Mr. Jerome Wood, Engineer for the Berrien County Road Commission spoke to the board in regard to the building of new township roads and had prepared estimates of the costs for Buchanan, Oronoko, Lincoln, Gallen and Sodis Townships. Mr. Clark inquired of Mr. Wood what procedure was necessary to build these roads, and Mr. Wood explained the necessary methods to pursue. It was moved by Mr. Eidson, supported by Mr. Clark that this be referred to the Roads and Bridges Committee. Motion carried.

The Clerk read the following report in regard to bee inspection:

September 23, 1937.

To the Clerk of the Board of Supervisors, Berrien County.

Dear Sir: I am submitting herewith to the Board of Supervisors of Berrien County a report of the bee inspection work done in their county during the summer of 1937.

The number of counties appropriating money for this work has increased rapidly since the present law went into effect in 1935. It is obvious that counties not appropriating enough money to defray one half the cost cannot be given complete inspection in 1938.

I trust that this report is self explanatory and you will make your 1937 appropriation in accordance with the conditions set forth in this letter.

Mr. Lavale Sherburn who is one of our field men will be in Berrien during the week of October 4th, to discuss the work with you in greater detail.

A copy of this letter is being sent to your county agent, Mr. H. J. Lurkins of St. Joseph. Our fullest cooperation is assured.

Respectfully,

(Signed) John B. Strange, Commissioner
by V. E. Mock, Chief Apiary Inspector.

BERRIEN COUNTY BEE INSPECTION REPORT

	1935	1936	1937
Area Inspected	N. One-third of County	Complete	Complete
Yards Inspected	304	706	490
American foulbrood yards	106	235	68
Colonies inspected	1839	4374	1890
American foulbrood Colonies	557	906	90
% American foulbrood Colonies	30.2	18.8	4.7
County Appropriation	\$200	\$500	\$450.00
State Expenditure			\$471.58
Total Cost			\$921.58

Mr. L. Sherburn, one of the field men gave a short talk on their activities in regard to the bee inspection and asked the board to appropriate \$450.00 the same amount as appropriated last year. Mr. Klagle, who is the owner of a large colony of bees, gave a short talk on the benefits received from the bee inspection and asked the board to give every consideration possible to the request of Mr. Sherburn. Moved by Mr. Eidson, supported by Mr. Kenney that it be referred to the Finance Committee.

Mr. Eidson read the following resolution and moved its adoption:

To the Honorable Board of Supervisors:

WHEREAS, on the 8th day of January, 1937, Lewis E. Kephart of Berrien Springs, Michigan, paid to the Township Treasurer the sum of One Dollar for the license tag of his dog and later on the 29th day of June, 1937, Mr. Kephart was forced to pay an additional dollar plus one dollar fine on the same dog, owing to the fact that he could not find the tax receipt for the first dollar paid when the tax collector came; and Mr. Kephart in his request for a refund has filed a sufficient affidavit covering the facts.

WHEREAS, it is not the intent of the law to force a man to pay twice a year on the same dog and there being no other way in which a refund could be made to Mr. Kephart than by resolution of this board,

BE IT RESOLVED, that an order be drawn on the Treasurer in the sum of \$2.00 in favor of Mr. Lewis E. Kephart for the sum of \$2.00 in order to recompense him for the double license tax he was forced to pay.

Respectfully submitted this 12th day of October, 1937.
(Signed) Walter H. Eidson, Supervisor of Oronoko Twp.

A general discussion followed and Mr. Preston requested that the Dog Warden be called to explain to the board what happened in this case. Mr. Jordan being absent, the Clerk was requested to call him. Chairman Bartz advised the board there was a motion before the house. The motion was supported by Mr. Knapp and carried.

Former Supervisor, Harvey H. Geddes, addressed the board, advising them that while he served as one of their members he enjoyed the work and companionship of the board so much it was almost impossible for him to stay away.

Mrs. Mecham addressed the board in regard to a request she had from Lansing of the actual millage levied for 1937 and 1938. Mr. Warman advised her that this would be ready before the board adjourned this week.

The Clerk read the Financial Statements of St. Joseph, Benton, Lake and Coloma Townships. Moved by Mr. Jackson, supported by Mr. L. Smith that these be referred to the Finance Committee. Motion carried.

Myra Storms, Chairman of the Health, Welfare & Mothers Pensions Committee, read the following report:

To Berrien County Board of Supervisors:

On September 24th, the Welfare Committee, comprised of Mr. John Warman, Mr. Frank Sommer, Mr. Simon Kreitner, Mr. Dean Clark, Mr. Clarence Bartz, Chairman of Board and the committee chairman, Mrs. E. A. Storms, visited Kalamazoo Juvenile Detention Home. This is a large building costing \$114,000.00, (portion P. W. A. funds) is the institutional type which good social practice today does not advocate, because we feel children placed in a normal home surrounding is the best method.

Next, we visited the Calhoun County Juvenile Home at Marshall. Mrs. Wilson, the matron has had this home for eight years and is a splendid type of person for her job.

The home is a large, old frame house, 2 stories, porch on three sides, 1 acre of ground. Children are segregated, 1 room for girls and 2 rooms for boys. This is a real home, Mrs. Wilson eating with the children and unless a very serious case, children are not locked up during the day, but use the house as their home, and they learn many worth-while lessons during the time detained in her home.

(Signed) Myra Storms, John Warman, Dean Clark, Frank Sommer, Simon Kreitner.

Moved by Mr. Patterson, supported by Mr. Kreitner, that the report be accepted and placed on file. Motion carried.

The Clerk read the report of the County Jail. Moved by Mr. Jackson, supported by Mr. Squier that the report be accepted and placed on file. Motion carried.

Chairman Bartz advised the board that the communication from the Michigan State Tourist Association has been misplaced, but explained that their annual meeting would be held in Grand Rapids and that he was a member of the Association and could not go on account of the Board meeting. He asked the board if they wished to send a representative, and it was moved by Mr. Woodruff, supported by Mr. Weber that the board send Harvey Geddes as their representative to the Michigan Tourist Association Annual meeting at Grand Rapids. Motion carried.

The County Dog Warden, Mr. Jordan, appeared before the Board in regard to the resolution read by Mr. Eidson, and explained to the satisfaction of all the reason for this resolution. Moved by Mr. Patterson, supported by Mr. Eidson that Mr. Jordan's explanation be accepted. Motion carried.

Mr. Warman, Chairman of the Finance Committee gave a lengthy explanation of the division of costs between the County Infirmary and Hospital. General discussion followed by Mr. Kenney, Mr. Patterson and Mr. Pelton. Mr. Warman moved the adoption of the report of the Finance Committee in this matter, supported by Mr. Clark. Motion carried.

It was moved by Mr. Farnum, supported by Mr. Koenigshof that the Board adjourn until Wednesday morning at 9:30. Motion carried.

CLARENCE BARTZ, Chairman.

A. J. HASTINGS, Clerk.

Morning Session, October 13, 1937

The Board of Berrien County Supervisors met at the Court House in the City of St. Joseph, Michigan, on Wednesday morning, October 13th, 1937, and was called to order at 9:30 by Chairman Bartz.

The roll was called and all the members were present. Minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved as read.

Mr. Koenigshof thanked the board for the flowers sent to his son who is in the Pawating Hospital in Niles.

The Clerk read the Financial Statements of the City of Niles, and the Townships of Gallen, Baroda, Watervliet, New Buffalo, Sodis, Hagar, Weesaw, Buchanan, Lake, Bainbridge and Chikaming. Also Royalton, Berrien, Oronoko, Pipestone, and Niles Townships and the City of Benton Harbor. Moved by Mr. Woodruff, supported by Mr. Kenney that these reports be referred to the Finance Committee. Motion carried.

Dr. Perrin, Chairman of the Berrien County Emergency Relief Commission briefly addressed the board and introduced Mr. Bryant, Chairman of the State Welfare Department. Mr. Bryant gave a very fine talk, explaining to the board the new welfare set-up and answered all questions asked by the members of the board.

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Mr. Granger, Deputy Administrator of the State Emergency Relief Commission spoke to the board in regard to the new Welfare Legislation and discussed some of the current welfare problems. Mr. Pagorsky, State Director of the Old Age Assistance Bureau discussed matters appertaining to his department. Discussion by Mr. Baker and Mr. Sommer followed.

The Chairman thanked the various members of the State Department for their presence and the information that was given the board generally.

It was moved by Mr. Fette, supported by Mr. Winn that the board adjourn until 1:30. Motion carried.

Afternoon Session, October 13, 1937

The Board reconvened and was called to order by Chairman Bartz.

Chairman Bartz introduced Mr. H. S. Gray, who addressed the board in regard to the crippled children. Mr. Gray spoke on the wonderful care and attention given these children and asked the board to appropriate \$500.00. It was moved by Mr. Koenigshof, supported by Mr. Weber that this matter be referred to the Finance Committee. Motion carried.

Mr. Koenigshof, Chairman of the Agricultural Extension Committee submitted the financial report of the County Agricultural Agent, and moved its adoption:

The Agricultural Committee of the Board of Supervisors have this 12th day of October, 1937, audited the books of the County Agricultural Agent's office and find the statement to be true:

Debit, Sept. 30, 1937	Credit, Oct. 1, 1937
Telephone \$ 135.00	Balance \$ 571.42
Office Supplies 115.01	Appropriation 3,200.00
Literature 7.80	Appropriation for 4-H Club Expense 75.00
Office Help 1,450.50	
Meals and Lodging outside St. Joseph 60.94	
Sal'y Co. Agri. Agt. 1,000.00	
Mileage @ 5c per mi. 692.40	
Expense 4-H District Club Agent 74.00	
Balance 310.68	
	\$3,846.42

Itemized statements of above items are on file in the County Agricultural Agent's office.

(Signed) F. A. Koenigshof, Harry King, Dean Clark, Carl Groth, Guy H. Smith, Committee.

The motion was supported by Mr. King and carried.

Harry S. Lurkins, Agricultural Agent submitted his annual report to the Board. The report was very interesting and instructive and was very well received. Chairman Bartz thanked Mr. Lurkins for his report and address to the board.

The Clerk read the report and communication of the County Nurse, Emma Arnold, as follows:

REPORT OF RURAL NURSING SERVICE IN BERRIEN COUNTY, MICHIGAN

October 1936 to October 1937

Calls on schools	419
Pupils excluded from school for symptoms of communicable diseases	37
Tuberculosis clinics	6
Total number of patients at clinics	104
Calls on pre-school and school children	201
Miscellaneous calls, including business calls for various organizations	64
Patients conveyed to hospitals for X-ray and treatments	18
Tuberculosis and Schick tests made on children	36
Dental Survey:	
Number of children examined	6,406
Number of children O. K. (31.7%)	2,030
Number of children deficient (68.3%)	4,376
Number of children with cavities in permanent teeth	2,606
Number of children with permanent teeth needing extraction	417

Following are the townships with the percentage of children needing dental work:

Bainbridge	65.2%	Lincoln	75.3%
Baroda	74.6%	New Buffalo	72%
Benton	65.5%	Niles	65%
Berrien	68.3%	Oronoko	64.5%
Bertrand	65.8%	Pipestone	69.4%
Buchanan	68%	Royalton	68.8%
Chikaming	69.6%	St. Joseph	54.4%
Coloma	63.9%	Sodis	67.1%
Gallen	81.5%	Three Oaks	78.2%
Hagar	65.7%	Watervliet	72.6%
Lake	72.9%	Weesaw	59.9%

Through the generosity of the Children's Fund of Michigan we have had the services of a dentist, Dr. George Swan of Detroit, for a period of 12 weeks this summer. A total of 523 children received dental work from 29 schools in various parts of the county.

We are grateful to the following school boards for the use of their schools for this free dental work:

Bard school, St. Joseph, Gallen, Niles.

With the cooperation of the Doctors of Berrien County we are planning on giving all children the opportunity of a free physical examination in the very near future.

Respectfully submitted,

Emma A. Arnold, County Nurse

Moved by Mr. Burgh, supported by Mr. Koenigshof that the report be accepted and the request be referred to the Finance Committee. Motion carried.

Mr. Berk read the following resolution, and moved its adoption:

October 13, 1937.

To the Hon. Board of Supervisors, Berrien County, Michigan.

WHEREAS, it is deemed advisable for the more efficient method of handling the items of flowers and the purchasing of same for the members of the Board and their immediate families who may be ill and a little remembrance on the part of this board as an expression of friendship and sympathy, and in order to aid the clerk in carrying out the expression of the board in such matters,

BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED, that the Clerk of this Board be and he is hereby authorized to collect the sum of \$1.00 from each member of this board and also including himself, in order that a fund may be originated whereby much time is saved in the collecting of small sums for the same purposes at various times.

BE IT ALSO RESOLVED, that the said Clerk is hereby required at each session of this board to render an ac-

counting of the expenditures from said fund, and a report of the remaining balance of cash in his hands.

Respectfully submitted this 13th day of October, 1937.
(Signed) Arthur Berk

Motion supported by Mr. Koenigshof and carried.

Mr. Sawyer, Chairman of the General Claims Committee submitted the following: Your Committee on General Claims and Accounts respectfully submit the following as their report, recommending the Allowance of the several amounts as given below, and that the Clerk be authorized to draw orders for the same.

CLAIMANT	CHARACTER OF CLAIM	CLAIMED & ALLOWED
F. D. Burgh	Services	\$ 26.40
Clarence Bartz	" and Expense	223.53
F. W. Emerson	"	7.45
Walter H. Eidson	" and Expense	194.20
Lester Farnum	"	85.50
Wm. Fette	"	83.70
Morton Hampton	"	7.40
Chas. Jackson	"	115.90
P. G. Kenney	"	18.30
Alvin O. Knaak	"	25.60
Martin Kretzman	"	59.10
Simon Kreitner	"	78.55
Geo. Knapp	"	21.80
Ray Neary	"	24.00
Loomis K. Preston	"	80.70
Emil Ruff	"	2.10
Frank Sommer	"	53.10
Wm. P. Sawyer	"	7.50
Myra Storms	" and Expense	23.95
John Warman	"	157.35
Fred Koenigshof	"	23.00
Harry Boyce	"	7.70
A. W. Baker	"	42.40
Dean Clark	"	14.60
Lawrence Smith	"	41.80
D. E. Patterson	"	24.60
Guy Smith	"	23.50
Harry King	"	38.90
Théodore Katzbach	"	12.00
J. J. Jakway	"	17.40
Dr. A. W. Corey	"	17.50
Dr. A. J. Anderson	"	58.65
Dr. Roland Brown	"	20.00
Dr. A. F. Eliesmer	"	2.50
W. Victor Crittenden	"	3.50
Dr. Emery	"	10.00
Dr. Kenneth Gamble	"	7.75
Dr. Russell Hart	"	57.50
Dr. R. B. Howard	"	10.00
Dr. F. E. Hubbard	"	27.50
Dr. M. J. Kotler	"	25.00
Dr. Frank A. King, Jr.	"	37.50
Dr. E. A. Miller	"	18.50
Dr. Wm. McK German	"	10.00
Dr. D. M. Richmond	"	20.00
Dr. J. C. Strayer	"	25.00
Dr. R. B. Taber	"	10.00
Dr. Schram	"	11.00
Dr. E. R. Taylor	"	20.00
Dr. B. G. Watson	"	10.50
Dr. Noel J. Hershey	"	12.50
Pawating Hospital	"	20.25
St. Joe Sanitarium	"	27.50

Dated: October 13, 1937.

(Signed) W. P. Sawyer, P. G. Kenney, D. E. Patterson, Dean Clark, Paul Pelton, W. H. Weber, Committee.

It was moved by Mr. Sawyer, supported by Mr. Pelton that the above be adopted. Motion carried.

Moved by Mr. G. Smith, supported by Mr. Kreitner, that the Board adjourn until Thursday morning at 9:30. Motion carried.

A. J. HASTINGS, Clerk. CLARENCE BARTZ, Chairman.

Morning Session, October 14, 1937

The Board of Berrien County Supervisors met at the Court House in the City of St. Joseph, Michigan on Thursday morning, October 14th, 1937, and was called to order at 9:30 by Chairman Bartz.

The roll was called and all the members were present. Minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved as read.

The Clerk read the charged back account from the County Treasurer's office. General discussion by Mr. Jackson, Mr. King, Mr. Pelton and Mr. Warman. Moved by Mr. Eidson, supported by Mr. King, that it be referred to the Finance Committee. Motion carried.

The Clerk read the report of the spread of the Covert Road Tax. It was moved by Mr. Koenigshof supported by Mr. Eidson, that it be referred to the Finance Committee. Motion carried.

The Annual report of the County Hospital Board was read by Wm. T. Richards, Secretary of the Board. There was a general discussion by Mr. Ruff, Mr. Woodruff, Mr. G. Smith, Mr. Warman, Mr. Knapp, Mr. Preston, Mr. Sommer and Mr. Patterson. Moved by Mr. King, supported by Mr. Pelton that the report be adopted and referred to the Finance Committee. Motion carried.

Mr. Sommer, Chairman of the Drain Committee, introduced Mr. Rowe, Chief Auditor of the Auditor General's Department. Mr. Rowe spoke on the drain books in general. Remarks by Ed Freeman, County Drain Commissioner. Moved by Mr. Preston, supported by Mr. Kenney that this be referred to the Drain Committee. Motion carried.

Moved by Mr. Preston, supported by Mr. Sommer, that Mr. Rowe be invited to attend the dinner at the County Infirmary.

Moved by Mr. Sommer, supported by Mr. Woodruff that the board adjourn until 1:30. Motion carried.

The Official Report of the Berrien County Board of Supervisors will be continued in a second and final installment in the Berrien County Record at an early date. For a complete copy of the Proceedings save this installment until the next appears.

BONAPARTE ESTATE IS NOW IN RUINS

U. S. Home of Napoleons' Kin Is Sold by Court.

Bordertown, N. J.—Point Breeze, the country estate that was home to Joseph Bonaparte, Comte de Surville and former king of Naples and of Spain, during 20 years of his exile, has been sold under the auctioneer's hammer.

Little remains on the dilapidated estate to identify it as the American home of Napoleon's brother. A beautiful artificial lake once dotted with swans and pleasure craft is a dry, weed-filled depression, remnants of the lake house crumbling at one edge.

The lake house was built by Joseph for his daughter, Princess Zénaide, and near by is the entrance to a subterranean passage which he built to protect her from bad weather on her frequent visits to her father's home, of which there is no trace. The stone-lined passage now is clogged by debris and earth 20 feet from its entrance.

Joseph's first home was destroyed by fire in 1820, but there remains no trace today of the manor house he built to replace it. The only house at Point Breeze now is a mansion built 80 years ago and remodeled in 1912 by Harris Hammond, son of the late mining engineer, John Hays Hammond.

Bonaparte bought the 1,000-acre estate for \$10,000 shortly after his flight to Philadelphia with his secretary and nine servants following his brother's crushing defeat at Waterloo.

Hammond had the grounds landscaped extensively when he bought the remaining 242 acres of the estate 25 years ago, built three swimming pools and used it as a summer home until 1932.

Charles Forko, caretaker, and his family have attempted to keep the grounds well groomed, but weeds and the elements have done much to return Point Breeze to a state of dilapidation.

Several months ago Hammond filed a petition in bankruptcy in New York federal court and the remnants of Bonaparte's once-prized estate were sold to satisfy a judgment.

Spinach "Good for You," but Has Its Weak Points

Ithaca, N. Y.—Mothers may be over-rating the value of spinach when they plead with their children to "eat your spinach, dear, it's good for you."