

The Board of County Commissioners of Montezuma County, Colorado, met in regular session, this 1st day of October, 1917.

There were present

R. B. Dunham,	Commissioner.
C. B. Kelly,	Commissioner.
W. I. Myler,	Commissioner.
Samuel M. Burke,	Clerk.
W. F. Mowry,	County Attorney.

Absent by leave

The minutes of the meeting of September 4th, 5th, 6th, 7th, 8th, 10th, 11th, 12th, 18th and 19th. were read and approved by the Board.

Resignatn.
W. F. Mowry
accepted.

The resignation of W. F. Mowry as County Attorney was presented to the Board. Same was accepted.

Appointment
of County
Attorney.

There being a vacancy in the office of County Attorney, the Board proceeds to consider the applications on file to fill such vacancy, there being two in number, namely, W. H. Cofield and S. W. Carpenter.

It was moved by Commissioner Myler, and seconded by Commissioner Kelly, that election of County Attorney to fill such vacancy be made by ballot, and that the Clerk act as teller.

Result of first vote: Carpenter --- 3 votes. Cofield ---- 0 votes.

S. W. Carpenter having received the greatest number of votes, he was thereupon declared the duly elected County Attorney to fill said vacancy.

Bond of
S. W. Carpenter
approved.

The Official Bond of S. W. Carpenter as County Attorney, was approved and ordered recorded.

Part pay-
ment on
Thompson
Canon Road
contract.

In the matter of the John Lill contract on Thompson Canon Road, it was ordered by the Board, that upon filing of estimate of County Surveyor as to amount of work done to October 1st, 1917, and presentation by contractor of his affidavit that all claims for labor and material to said date have been fully paid, accompanied by the proper receipts in that connection, a warrant shall be drawn upon the Road Fund of the County in payment of 75% per cent. of the amount of said estimate.

Additional
time given
Lill to
complete
contract.

John Lill was granted an additional 30 days in which to complete contract on the Thompson Canon Road.

Warrant to
State Land
Board for
R of W.

It was ordered by the Board, that a warrant be drawn on the Road Fund of the County in favor of The State Board of Land Commissioners, in the sum of \$10.50, to cover fee for right-of-way deed to State Lands through which proposed change in State Road NO. 14 passes.

Co. Surveyor
to do work
on St. High-
way 14

It was ordered by the Board, that the County Surveyor be directed to do work in connection with proposed change in State Road NO. 14, required by the State Board of Land Commissioners.

Coal Contr-
act let to
Carlile-
Moffitt
Coal Co.

As per advertisement heretofore made for sealed bids for furnishing the County with 30 tons of coal for the use of the several County offices and jail, and this being the date designated for opening such bids, the Board proceeds to open the bids filed with the Clerk, there being two in number, namely, that of Geo. L. Todd, \$6.75 per ton, and of Moffitt-Carlile Coal Co., \$5.00 per ton. Upon due consideration of said bids, it appearing to the Board that the bid of Moffitt-Carlile Coal Co., was the lowest and best bid offered, it was ordered by the Board that Moffitt-Carlile Coal Co., be awarded the contract for furnishing said 30 tons of coal at the price of \$5.00 per ton as bid, and upon the conditions set forth in said advertisement.

It was ordered by the Board that Road Overseer, Ernest Higman, be directed to open

C.H. & Jail
inspected.

The Court House and Jail were inspected by the Board and found to be in a satisfactory condition.

Reports of
Sheriff &
Clark audtd

The Quarterly Reports of the Sheriff and County Clerk were audited and approved by the Board.

Tax Sale
Certificates
sold to
C.H. Bopp.

C. H. Bopp presented to the Board an application to purchase Tax Sale Certificate 2863 and 3029, covering respectively, the last half tax for 1911 and full tax for 1912, assessed against the E $\frac{1}{2}$ of E $\frac{1}{2}$ of NE $\frac{1}{4}$ of Section 6, Township 36 North, Range 15 W. N.M.P.M. assessed in the name of Potter and Bopp, and agreeing to pay the sum of \$1.00 each together with the Irrigation District General Fund tax with interest at the rate of 6% for each year; also, agreeing to pay the flat tax for State, County and School, and the Irrigation District general fund taxes with 6% interest and the Irrigation District Interest fund taxes with 8% interest for the years 1913, 1914 and 1915, and the taxee in full on said property for the year 1916, with all necessary Certificate fees.

Upon due consideration of said offer the Board deeming the acceptance of the same for the best interests of the County, and the Montezuma Valley Irrigation District, it was ordered by the Board that said offer be accepted, and that said Certificate be assigned to said applicant accordingly, upon the payment of the amounts offered, provided, however, that the same be tendered the County Treasurer within 30 days from this date.

Application
J.H. Doctor
to purchase
T.S. Certs.
rejected.

J. H. Doctor presented to the Board an application to purchase Tax Sale Certificates No. 2863 and 3029 respectively, which, after due consideration by the Board, was denied.

T.S. Certs.
sold to
J.A. Cook.

J. A. Cook presented to the Board an offer to purchase Tax Sale Certificates No. 4425 and 4454, covering the 1912 and 1913 taxes on Lot 50 feet by 100 feet, commencing 50 feet west of S. W. corner of the Ida Squires Lot, Dolores, Colorado, assessed to G. H. Knoth for the former year and to Mattie Knoth for the latter year, and agreeing to pay therefor the respective sums of \$10.00 and \$19.36, together with all other taxes on said property, and all necessary certificate fees.

Upon careful consideration of said offer, it appearing to the Board that the acceptance of the same would be for the best interests of the County, it was ordered by the Board that said offer be accepted, and that said Tax Sale Certificates be assigned to said applicant, accordingly; provided, however, that such payments be made within 30 days from this date.

T.S. Certs.
sold to
R.F. McGee

R. F. McGee presented to the Board an offer to purchase Tax Sale Certificate NO. 4334, covering the taxes for the year 1913, assessed against the SE $\frac{1}{4}$ of Section 17, Township 36 N. R. 16 W.N.M.P.M. agreeing to pay therefor the sum of \$630.03, being the flat County, State and School tax, plus the Irrigation District Interest and General Fund taxes flat, with 6% and 8% respectively added, and agreeing to pay all subsequent taxes in full including interest, penalties and certificate fees;

The foregoing offer being made subject to the right of Crosby and Rapp, the owners of said lands to avail themselves of the same offer.

Upon due consideration of said Offer the Board deeming the acceptance of the same for the best interests of the County and the Montezuma Valley Irrigation District, it was ordered by the Board that said Certificates be assigned to said applicant, accordingly; provided, however, that he pay the County Treasurer the amounts offered within 30 days from this date.

Apportion-

WHEREAS. The Colorado State Tax Commission in accordance with law, has transmitted

doing business in the County of Montezuma, Colorado, for the year 1917, as follows, to-wit:

Statement of
mileage of
Companies.

Wells Fargo Express Company	62.69 Miles	at	\$286.33 per mile	\$17,950.
Montezuma County Tel. Company	526.40	" "	37.56 " "	19,770.
Mountain States Tel. & Tel. Co.	164.00	" "	46.41 " "	7,610.
Western Union Telegraph Co.	123.00	" "	82.41 " "	10,140.
Montezuma Electric Company				8,690.
Redd-Bayles Telephone Co.	8.00	" "	28.75 " "	230.
" " " "	15.00	" "	66.67 " "	1,000.
Rio Grande Southern R.R. Co.	62.69	" "	13,718.00 " "	859,980.

Wells Fargo
Express Co.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, declared and ordered by the Board of County Commissioners that the mileage of the Wells Fargo Express Company, having a total length of 62.69 miles in the County and the assessment against the same for the year 1917 of \$286.33 per mile, making a total valuation of \$17,950.00 be apportioned among the several School Districts and Municipalities through which said line passes, as follows, to-wit:-

School District NO. 4	7.1 miles	at	\$286.33 per mile	\$2,032.94
" " " 6	9.9	" "	" " " "	2,834.66
" " " 17	8.15	" "	" " " "	2,333.58
" " " 22	8.6	" "	" " " "	2,462.43
" " " 10	4.7	" "	" " " "	1,345.75
" " " 14	5.7	" "	" " " "	1,632.08
" " " 16	13.34	" "	" " " "	3,819.64
" " " 20	5.2	" "	" " " "	1,488.91
Town of Mancos	1.1/8	" "	" " " "	322.12
Town of Dolores	.9	" "	" " " "	257.69

Montezuma
County Tel.
Company.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, declared and ordered by the Board of County Commissioners that the mileage of the Montezuma County Telephone Company having a total length of 526.40 miles in the County, and the assessment against the same for the year 1917 of \$37.56 per mile, making a total valuation \$19,770.00 be apportioned among the several School Districts and Municipalities through which said line passes, as follows, to-wit:

School District NO. 1	140.4 miles	at	\$37.56 per mile	\$5,273.30
" " " 2	42.	" "	" " " "	1,577.40
" " " 3	32.	" "	" " " "	1,201.80
" " " 4	90.	" "	" " " "	3,380.27
" " " 5	62.	" "	" " " "	2,328.59
" " " 6	47.	" "	" " " "	1,765.20
" " " 7	16.	" "	" " " "	600.84
" " " 8	44.	" "	" " " "	1,652.52
" " " 9	20.	" "	" " " "	751.08
" " " 12	12.	" "	" " " "	450.60
" " " 13	8.	" "	" " " "	300.48
" " " 15	10.	" "	" " " "	375.48
" " " 22	5.	" "	" " " "	112.56
Town of Cortez	25.	" "	" " " "	939.00
" " Dolores	26.	" "	" " " "	976.56

Mountain
States Tel.
& Tel. Co.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, declared and ordered by the Board of County Commissionere that the mileage of the Mountain States Telegraph and Telephone Company, having a total length 164 miles in the County, and the assessment against the same for the year 1917 of \$46.41 per mile, making a total valuation of \$7,610.00, be apportioned among the several School Districts and Municipalities through which said line passes, as follows, to-wit:

School District NO. 17	54 miles	at	\$46.41 per mile	\$2,506.14
" " " 6	110	" "	" " " "	5,106.10
Town of Mancos	61	" "	" " " "	2,831.01

Western
Union Tel.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, declared and ordered by the Board of County Commissioners that the mileage of the Western Union Telegraph Company, having a total length of 123 miles in the County, and the assessment against the same for the year 1917, at \$82.41 per

mile, making a total valuation of \$10,140.00, be apportioned among the several School Districts and Municipalities through which line passes, as follows, to-wit:

School District NO.	4	16.4	miles	at	\$82.41	per mile	\$1,351.52
"	"	6	18.4	"	"	"	1,516.34
"	"	10	10.5	"	"	"	865.30
"	"	14	15.	"	"	"	1,236.15
"	"	16	23.2	"	"	"	1,911.91
"	"	17	14.	"	"	"	1,153.74
"	"	20	9.5	"	"	"	782.89
"	"	22	16.	"	"	"	1,318.56
Town of Mancos		1.1-8	"	"	"	"	92.12
Town of Dolores		.9	"	"	"	"	74.16

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, declared and ordered by the Board of County Commissioners that the mileage of the Redd-Bayless Telephone Company having a total length of 23 miles in the County, and the assessment against the same for the year 1917, 8 miles at \$28.75 per mile and 15 miles \$66.67 per mile, making a total valuation of \$1,230.00, be apportioned among the several School Districts and Municipalities through which said line passes, as follows to-wit:

School District NO.	4	2.	miles	at	\$28.75	per mile	\$ 57.50
"	"	5	2.	"	"	"	57.50
"	"	8	2.	"	"	"	57.50
"	"	9	2.	"	"	"	57.50
"	"	9	5.	"	66.67	"	333.35
"	"	21	10.	"	"	"	666.70
Town of Dolores							

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, declared and ordered by the Board of County Commissioners of Montezuma County, that the mileage of The Rio Grande Southern Rail Road Company having a total length of 62.69 miles in the County, and that the assessment against the same for the year 1917, at \$13,718.00 per mile, making a total valuation of \$859,980.00, be apportioned to the several School Districts and Municipalities through which said line passes, as follows, to-wit:

School District NO.	4	7.1	miles	at	\$13,718.00	per mile	\$ 97,397.00
"	"	6	9.9	"	"	"	135,808.20
"	"	10	4.7	"	"	"	64,474.60
"	"	14	5.7	"	"	"	78,192.60
"	"	16	13.34	"	"	"	182,998.12
"	"	17	8.15	"	"	"	111,801.70
"	"	20	5.2	"	"	"	71,333.60
"	"	22	8.6	"	"	"	117,974.80
Town of Mancos		1.1-8	"	"	"	"	15,432.75
Town of Dolores		.9	"	"	"	"	12,346.20

The Board then adjourned until the following day.

Attest: *Samuel M. Banks* County Clerk.

R. B. Darr
Chairman.

The Board of County Commissioners of Montezuma County, Colorado, met in adjourned session this 2nd day of October, 1917.

There were present

R. B. Dunham, Commissioner.
C. B. Kelly, Commissioner.
W. I. Myler, Commissioner.
S. W. Carpenter, County Attorney.
Samuel M. Burke, Clerk.

The following claims were allowed and warrants ordered drawn upon the proper funds of the County in payment thereof.

Claims
allowed
& ordered
paid.

Claim NO.	To whom paid	O.C.R. FUND For	Amount.
14988	Cortez Herald	Printing	\$ 31.60
14993	W. F. Mowry	Salary Co. Atty.	50.00
14994	" " "	" " "	50.00
14990	Anti-Dust Chem. Co.	Brushes, etc.,	8.75
14988	A. C. Kittell	Salary De. Co. Assessor	58.33
15011	Cortez Herald	Printing	3.93
14991	Burroughs Add. Mch. Co.	Repair Service Add. Mch.	6.00
15013	Geo. R. Lee	Board Prisoner	4.00
15010	C. A. Frederick	Printing	4.60
14997	E. H. Kittell	Salary Co. Assessor	108.34
14996	E. E. Johnson	" " Physician	50.00
14989	State Brd. Agriculture.	a/c " Agriculturist	212.50
14999	C. R. Hickman	Salary " Judge	100.00
15018	E. E. Johnson	Lunacy Comr.	10.00
"	R. W. Calkins	" "	10.00
"	W. H. Coffield	" "	10.00
15000	Frank Philley	Janitor and Jailor (Aug. & Sept)	70.00
15002	Henry L. Crawford	Sheriff	118.85
15001	" " "	" "	55.65
15016	C. A. Frederick	Justice of the Peace	30.20
14995	E. E. Johnson	County Coroner	42.15
14865	Geo. W. Lane	Dist. Attorney	20.00
14866	" " "	" " "	10.00
14869	" " "	" " "	58.55
15043	Samuel M. Burke	Clerk Comrs. Stamps, Express, etc.	74.15
15015	Guillet Brothers	Supplies	1.00
13979	H. V. Pyle	Justice of the Peace	2.50
14089	A. W. Dillon	" " " "	7.15
15024	Jas. M. Clark	Supplies	.70
15028	S. W. Carpenter	Salary Co. Attorney <i>Lunacy Comr.</i>	10.00
15044	Geo. W. Lane	District " "	45.35
15047	" " "	" " "	25.00
15049	C. B. Kelly	County Commissioner	175.00
15048	W. I. Myler	" "	175.00
15044	Geo. W. Lane	District Attorney	45.35
15045	Artie E. Lewis	Salary CO. Supt. Schools	228.50
15025	Out West P. & S. Co.	Books, Blanks, etc.,	31.09

Claim NO.	To whom paid	ROAD FUND For	Amount.
15015	Guillet Brothers	Supplies	6.50
15038	Wm. Carter	Road Work	14.28
15031	C. G. Walden	" "	12.00
15033	Geo. Scott	" "	50.75
15039	C. W. Carter	" "	13.50
15035	W. H. Smouse	" "	30.00
15034	Ben Willson	" "	38.50
15040	Frank Chambers	" "	20.00
15030	T. H. Omo	" "	60.50
15032	Joe Stavely	" "	56.00
15042	Cortez Merc. Co.	Supplies	13.60
15036	Melvin Millard	Road Work	25.50
15037	J. B. Millard	" "	31.55
15009	Murt Tighe	" "	24.00
15006	L. H. Soens	Blacksmithing	8.75
15003	C. C. Knight	Surveying	10.00
15007	H. A. Freeman	Dragging Road	9.45
14992	S. P. Thomas	Road Work	9.00
14986	Monte. Val. Natl. Bk	" " (Order Chas. Brown)	21.00
15004	R. C. Kermode	Hauling	2.00
15008	Martin Tighe	Road Work	48.00
14924	J. K. P. Golloway	Rip-rapping	100.00
14987	A. W. Muse	Road Work	10.00
14985	A. D. Gibson	Blacksmithing	6.40
15005	W. C. Longenbaugh	Road Overseer	406.00
15021	Ernest Higman	" "	153.00
15019	A. M. Decker	" "	48.00
15022	J. S. Roatcap	" "	80.00
15023	J. H. Longwill	" "	70.50
15020	A. M. Decker	" "	97.50
15046	Rust Lbr. & Merc. Co.	Lumber	29.95
15029	C. S. Winter	Blacksmithing & Supplies	141.68
15050	Travis & McDonald	Lumber	40.00

Claim No.	To whom paid	Poor Fund. For	Amount.
15015	Guillet Brothers	Supplies for the Poor	17.55
14994	H. T. Thomas	Board of Poor	30.00
15012	First National Bank, Cortez,	Rent acct Kirk family,	24.75
15041	Lebanon Supply Co.	Supplies for Wolf,	53.15
15026	M. A. Bardin,	Care Hagee,	28.75
15024	James M. Clerk	Supplies	9.35

Old claims
 ordered
 paid.

It appearing to the Board that there are now funds available to pay a part of the of 1915 and prior years, claims filed against the County Ordinary Revenue fund, previously allowed by this Board, it was ordered by the Board that warrants be drawn on the said fund of the year 1915 and prior years in payment thereof:-

Claim No.	To whom paid	for	Amount.
14315	The Burroughs Adding Mch. Co.	Machine repairs	6.00
14283	E. E. Johnson,	Health officer	20.00
14200	C. F. Hoeckel B.B.L.Co.	Blanks Etc.	14.02
14118	Burroughs Adding Mch. Co.	Machine Repairs	3.32
14303	E. H. Kittell	Salary County Assessor,	100.00

Special
 O.C.R. Funds
 transferred
 to O.C.R.
 fund of
 1915 &
 prior yrs.

Whereas, it appears from a statement furnished by the County Treasurer that there is now in the Special O. C. R. Fund the sum of \$67.33; that all claims filed against the same have been paid or provided for, it was ordered by the Board that said amount of \$67.33 and all other moneys that may in the future come into said Special Fund be transferred to the Ordinary County Revenue Fund of the year 1915 and prior years.

Request for
 increased
 tax levy.

Whereas, The Board of County Commissioners have made careful and conservative estimate of the amount of money required to be raised by taxation to meet and defray the ordinary county expenses of said county for the ensuing year, including the support of the poor and unforeseen contingent expenses, and have figured each item of such expenditures at the lowest amount consistent with the probable expenditures respectively chargeable to in that connection, and find it will be necessary in order to defray said expenses to raise by taxation the sum of \$35,311.00.

And, Whereas, It appearing from the returns of the County Assessor of said County that the assessed valuation of the taxable property in said County for the year 1917 is \$5,885,213.00; and the statutory limitation upon the number of mills which can be levied by said County and this Board for the taxes to be levied to meet and defray said expenditures is insufficient to produce the amount of revenue to be raised in that behalf and that a levy of six (6) mills will be required to meet and defray said amount of expenditures as so estimated and necessary to be raised, and there is not and will not be any balance in the Ordinary County Revenue Fund aforesaid to apply upon said expenses; and each of the respective items of said expenditures has been figured by this Board at the lowest possible amount necessary and which will be required to meet said expenses; the same being materially increased over the estimate for the year 1917 by the necessity of providing for defraying the expenses of the elections to be held in 1918, and necessary increase in amount of certain of the other items of the County chargeable to said Ordinary County Revenue Fund.

NOW, Therefore Be It Resolved by the Board, that the Honorable State Tax Commission of Colorado be, and it is hereby requested to recommend and authorize an increase in the levy by this Board for the purposes aforesaid to the total amount of six (6) mills.

In accordance with the Statutes in that behalf made and provided the following Resolution was adopted by the Board of County Commissioners to be known as the Annual Appropriation Resolution;

RESOLVED, That the following be and the same is hereby appropriated to defray the necessary expenses and liabilities of the County for the fiscal year 1918;

Annual
 appropriation.

Annual
appropriation.

District Court Expenses.....	\$4000.00	
County Court Expenses.....	1000.00	
Justice Court Expenses.....	300.00	
County Judge.....	1800.00	
Court House Rent	1200.00	
Jailor and Janitor	600.00	
Water Commissioner	400.00	
Agriculturist, Bee Inspector, Pest Inspector & Horticulturist	2000.00	
County Treasurer.....	2700.00	
County Sheriff.....	2200.00	
County Coroner.....	200.00	
County Assessor.....	2400.00	
County Superintendent of Schools.....	1100.00	
County Clerk and Recorder.....	3350.00	
County Commissioners.....	2100.00	
County Attorney.....	600.00	
Printing and Stationary.....	1800.00	
Advertising.....	500.00	
Redemption Fund Bonds.....	3000.00	
Interest Redemption Fund Bonds.....	500.00	
Contingent Fund.....	2000.00	
Support of the Poor.....	3200.00	
General Road.....	40000.00	40,000.00
Workman's Compensation Insurance.....	750.00	
Elections.....	4000.00	
Bounty Fund.....	2000.00	

Treasurers
reports
audited.

The quarterly reports of the County Treasurer were audited and approved.

Road overseer
reports approved.

The road reports of the several Road Overseers were examined and approved.

Tax Sale
Certificates
sold to
H. McEwen.

H. Mc Ewen presented the Board an application to purchase Tax Sale Certificates 4025-4029-4054 and 4093, covering the 1909-1910-1911 and 1912 taxes assessed against the Lots numbered 13 and 14, in Block numbered 30, Town of Cortez, the same being assessed for the first two years mentioned in the name of Cato and Son, and for the last two years in the name of Urias Cato; agreeing to pay for each of said certificates the sum of \$10.00, and to pay all subsequent taxes in full, together with the necessary certificate fees.

It appearing to the Board after due consideration of said offer that the acceptance of the same would be for the best interests of the County, it was ordered by the Board that said Certificates be sold to said applicant at the prices named in his offer, provided; however, that he pay at the time of assignment of said Certificates to him by the County, all subsequent taxes in full on said property as offered, together with necessary certificate fees; provided, also, that such sums be tendered the County Treasurer within thirty days from this date.

Tax Sale
Certs. sold
to

H. Carlile

W. H. Carlile presented to the Board an offer to purchase Tax Sale Certificate NO. 2305, covering the 1908 tax assessed against Treec and Croft on Lots 1 and 2 in Block 28 in the Town of Cortez, agreeing to pay therefor the sum of \$1.00, and to pay two-fifths of the flat tax for the years 1909, 1910, 1911, 1912, 1913, 1914 and 1915, and the full tax for the year 1916, together with all certificate fees;

Upon due consideration of said offer it appearing to the Board that the acceptance of the same would be for the best interests of the County, it was ordered that said Tax Sale Certificate be sold to said W. H. Carlile for the sum of \$1.00, provided, that he pays at the time of assignment of said Certificate to him by the County, two-fifths of the flat tax on said property for the years 1909 to 1915, inclusive, and the full tax for the year 1916, as offered, including necessary certificate fees, and provided, farther, that such amounts be tendered the County Treasurer within 30 days from this date.

Tax Sale
Certs. sold
to
S. J. Smith.

S. J. Smith presented to the Board an application to purchase Tax Sale Certificates 2842-2887-2982 and 3075, covering the taxes on the S¹/₄ of Section 32, Township 36 N. R. 15 W.N.M.P.M. for the years 1911 and 1912, assessed, to-wit; An undivided one-half

School Taxes for the years 1913-1914 and 1915, and the full tax for the year 1916; also, all necessary certificate fees.

The Board having carefully considered said applications, and it appearing that the acceptance of the same would be for the best interests of the County, it was ordered by the Board that said offer be accepted, and that said said certificate be assigned to said applicant accordingly, provided, that he tenders the amount offered for said Certificates and the amount of subsequent taxes and certificate fees, within thirty days from this date.

H. Brigham, Jr., presented to the Board an offer to purchase Tax Sale Certificate Nos. 2768-2816 and 2932, covering the taxes for the respective years 1910-1911 and 1912, assessed to Brigham and Smith, on the NW $\frac{1}{4}$ of the NW $\frac{1}{4}$ of Section 35, in Township 36 North Range 16 W.N.M.P.M. and to pay therefor the sum of \$1.00 each; together with all General Fund, Irrigation District taxes levied in said years, with interest at the rate of Six per cent. per annum, and also at the time of the assignment of said Certificates pay the flat amount of all taxes subsequently assessed against said land, with interest at the rate of Six per cent. per annum on all Irrigation District, General Fund taxes, and with interest at the rate of Eight per cent. per annum on all Irrigation District, Interest Fund taxes; also, to pay the customary fees for the issuance and assignment of said Certificates. Taxes of 1916 to be paid in full.

The Board having carefully considered said offer, and it appearing that the acceptance of the same would be for the best interests of the County and The Montezuma Valley Irrigation District, it was ordered by the Board that said offer be accepted and that assignment of said Certificates be made accordingly, provided, that such payments be made within 30 days from this date.

Albert Hagee, having made formal application to the Board for aid, account of being in poor health and unable to work; the Board upon due investigation of the case, ordered that said applicant be allowed, for the time being, \$1.25 per day.

G. W. Booth and wife, having made formal application to the Board for aid, account of old age and poor health and being unable to support themselves; the Board after due investigation of the case ordered that they be allowed, until further orders, the sum of \$20.00 per month.

The Board then adjourned until the following day.

Attest;

Samuel M. Parker
County Clerk.

R. B. Darnham
Chairman.

Tax Sale
Certs. sold
to
H. Brigham, Jr.

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Booth.

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Proceedings Board of County Commissioners, 8th day October Term, 1917, November 7th, 1917.

The Board of County Commissioners of Montezuma County, Colorado, met in adjourned session this 7th day of November, 1917.

There were present,

R. B. Dunham,	Chairman.
C. B. Kelly,	Commissioner.
W. I. Myler,	Commissioner.
S. W. Carpenter,	Co. Attorney.
Samuel M. Burke,	Clerk.

In the matter of the demand of Charles A. Johnson for a levy to pay judgment against The Montezuma Valley Irrigation District.

Whereas, Charles A. Johnson has filed with the County Clerk of this County and has this day presented to this Board his Demand upon the Board of County Commissioners of this County for the levy by said Board of a tax upon the lands in said Irrigation District in this County subject to taxation for Irrigation District purposes, for the purpose of paying a certain judgment rendered in the District Court of the County of Montezuma, Colorado, on October 14th, 1910, in the amount of \$472.00 damages, and costs of suit, in

Demand of
C.A. Johnson
for Levy
to pay
Judgt. against
M.V.I. Dist.

Claims
allowed.

The following claims filed against the County, were allowed and warrants ordered drawn on the proper funds in payment thereof:

C.C.R. FUND

Claim NO.	To Whom paid	For	Amount.
15120	A. C. Kittell	Deputy Assessor	\$ 58.33
15121	E. H. Kittell	County Assessor	108.33
15127	G. R. Lee	Board Prisoners	2.00
15126	J. H. Treese	Witness	5.90
15140	Montezuma Val. Nat'l. Bk	Juror's Certs. Sundry persons	82.10
15146	Out West P. & S. Co.	Blanks, Books, etc.,	63.39
15151	Cortez Herald	Printing & Stationary	5.40
15156	W. J. Marshall	Wood, etc.,	4.20
15142	Montezuma Val. Nat'l. Bk	Order Peters Crt Stenographer	70.00
15083	Henry Williams	Witness Cert.	5.60
15084	F. L. Miller	" "	2.65
15087	Clarence Carrol	" "	5.60
15085	Wm. Ellermyer	" "	5.90
15086	E. E. Johnson	" "	5.15
15089	Minnie Williams	" "	5.60
15090	N. E. Carpenter	" "	5.15
15088	Wm. Robinson	" "	5.45
15058	F. W. Reddert	Juror	6.40
15055	R. B. Wilson	" "	5.50
15054	Sam Slade	" "	5.65
15056	Dave Halls	" "	5.80
15057	Albert Wagner	" "	5.65
15059	John Weaver	" "	5.60
15060	W. A. Miller	" "	5.50
15071	C. M. Forquer	" "	6.10
15072	Guillet Brothers	" "	10.20
15077	S. E. Jester	" "	13.50
15080	Geo. P. Moore	" "	9.30
15079	Geo. R. Mallett	" "	10.50
15078	Geo. E. Leavell	" "	11.85
15081	First Nat'l. Bk Mancos	" " Sundry Persons	19.75
15082	" " " "	" " " "	62.30
15075	Jno. H. Farmer	" "	7.95
15074	Pete Fisher	" "	5.50
15076	J. F. Fitte	" "	8.10
15073	G. M. Longenbaugh	" "	7.80
15063	First Nat. Bk. Mancos	" " " "	32.65
15099	C. A. Frederick	Printing & Stationary	42.20
15066	Richard Baker	Baliff	15.00
15062	Dr. E. E. Johnson	Vital Statistics	8.75
15067	C. H. Creveling	Board Jurors	39.00
15124	Cortez Mero. Co.	Court House Supplies	20.35
15147	E. E. Johnson	Coroner	7.40
15138	C. B. Kelly & Son	Auto Hire	2.50
15144	Guillet Brothers	Court House Supplies	2.15
15150	Lipscomb Bros. Merc. Co.	Supplies	1.85

ROAD FUND

15123	Harris Bros. Mero. Co.	Supplies	5.60
15107	T. H. Omo	Bridge Work	105.25
15110	" " "	" Rods	9.50
15157	Geo. Spencer	Salts	10.80
15153	Lipscomb Bros. Merc. Co.	Order John Gray Rd work	9.00
15152	Grant Hughes	Blacksmithing & Repairs	22.85
15149	C. C. Knight	Surveyor's Estimate	10.00
15141	Mon. Val. Nat'l. Bank	Order Shotwell Rd work	40.25
15148	Gibson Lbr. & Coal Co.	Lumber	43.20
15139	Jackson Hdw. Co.	Plow	45.00
15115	Chas. Mott	Hauling	9.00
15116	Perry Baskett	" "	6.00
15122	Chas. Engle Merc. Co.	Explosives	30.35
15118	Charles Pinkerton	Surveyor's helper	21.00
15095	E. Higman	Road Overseer	36.00
15113	Geo. Scott	Bridge Work	67.35
15112	Joe Staveley	" "	71.75
15114	W. H. Smail	" "	99.75
15117	D. M. Longenbaugh	Culvert & Hauling	3.00
15105	J. D. Lamb	Cash adv. for Material & Lbr.	15.60
15111	C. G. Walden	Bridge Work	57.75
15100	Gibson Lbr. & Coal Co.	Lumber	56.95
15098	Val Rauh	Dragging	8.50
15070	Dolores County	Part cost of bridge	150.00
15091	N. E. Carpenter	Road Work	6.00
15096	Andrew Thompson	" "	6.00
15068	Geo. Mills	Locating abutment site	5.00
15097	P. A. Pedersen	Road Work	6.00
15065	J. E. Case Thrs. Mch. Co.	Casting	3.50
15061	Turkey Creek Lbr. Co.	Lumber	190.00
15053	W. J. Moffitt	Order Ben Wilson Bridge Work	7.00
15101	J. D. Lamb	Road Overseer	114.00
15103	" " "	" "	120.00
15106	A. M. Decker	" "	145.50
15094	E. Higman	" "	120.00

favor of one Alfred Granath and against The Montezuma Valley Irrigation District, which judgment was thereafter assigned to said Charles A. Johnson, as appears from certified transcript of said judgment and of the assignment thereof, filed with said demand, which judgment, as alleged in said demand remains unsatisfied in the amount of \$525.00 and interest thereon at the rate of 8 per cent per annum from November 30, 1915, for which balance and interest demand is made for said levy; and whereas, this Board is in doubt as to its power to comply with said demand; and whereas, said The Montezuma Valley Irrigation District has filed with this Board a certified copy of a resolution of the Board of Directors of said Irrigation District, requesting this Board to deny the said demand for levy, and levy, and agreeing that it will, at the sole cost and expense of said District, defend any action, suit or proceeding that may be brought against this Board by reason of the denial of said demand, and that said District will indemnify and save harmless this Board and the individual members thereof and their successors in office from any loss or damage or costs resulting from such denial of said demand; now, therefore, be it resolved, that the said demand for levy be and the same is hereby refused.

Tax Sale certificate sold to S.J. Smith.

S. J. Smith presented to the Board an offer to purchase Tax Sale Certificate NOS. 4043, 4079 and 4132 covering the taxes for the respective years 1910, 1911 and 1912 assessed against Lots 11 and 12 in Block 31 in the Town of Cortez, agreeing to pay therefor the sums of \$1.00 for each certificate, and to pay all subsequent taxes on said property without interest, excepting the taxes for the year 1916, which the applicant agrees to pay in full.

It appearing to the Board after due consideration of said offer that the acceptance of the same, with the modification that no rebate of interest on subsequent taxes, would be for the best interests of the County, it was ordered by the Board that said certificate be assigned to said applicant upon the payment of \$1.00 for each certificate, and all subsequent taxes including interest and penalties thereon; provided, however, that such payments be made to the County Treasurer within 30 days from this date.

Condemnation proceedings against W.J. Exon.

In the matter of condemnation proceedings against Wm. J. Exon, in County Court of this County, it was ordered that warrant be drawn for \$130.60 to order of C. R. Hickman Clerk of the County Court, for deposit in said Court under order of possession for roadway upon the land of said Exon entered this day by said Court, and that upon expiration of limit fixed by said order for taking possession as aforesaid, the Road Overseer of the Road District in which said road is located shall proceed to open said road for travel along said roadway upon said land of said Exon.

Tax Sale certificate sold to H. Hill.

C. H. Rudy, Agent for Harrison Hill presented to the Board an application to purchase Tax Sale Certificate NO. 4628, covering the 1913 tax on the NW $\frac{1}{4}$ of the NE $\frac{1}{4}$ and the SE $\frac{1}{4}$ of the NE $\frac{1}{4}$ of Section 21, Tp. 36 N. R. 16 W.N.M.P.M. in the name of D. R. Tschop. Partial redemption of said Certificate covering the NE $\frac{1}{4}$ NE $\frac{1}{4}$ of said Section 21, having been ordered by the District Court of Montezuma County, Colorado, October 12th, 1917. Said applicant agreeing to pay for said Certificate the flat amount of the County, State and School taxes, the General Fund Irrigation District Taxes with interest at 6% and the Irrigation District Interest Fund tax with interest at 8% assessed for the year 1913 and to pay also all subsequent taxes against the remainder of the first above described land, to-wit: The NW $\frac{1}{4}$ of NE $\frac{1}{4}$ and the SE $\frac{1}{4}$ of NE $\frac{1}{4}$ of said Section 21, together with the necessary certificate fees.

ceptance of the same would be for the best interests of the County and The Montezuma Valley Irrigation District, it was ordered by the Board that ^{said} certificate be assigned to said applicant upon the payment of the County Treasurer of the flat amount of the County, State and School taxes, and the full amount of the Irrigation District General fund tax at 6% and the Irrigation District Interest Fund tax at 8% interest, provided, however, that he pays at the time of assignment, all subsequent taxes assessed against the NW $\frac{1}{4}$ of the NE $\frac{1}{4}$ and the SE $\frac{1}{4}$ of the NE $\frac{1}{4}$ of said Section 21, together with all necessary certificate fees. And provided, further, that the amount of such taxes be tendered the County Treasurer within 30 days from this date.

Tax Sale
certificate
sold to
.Rudy.

C. M. Rudy, Agent for Harrison Hill, presented to the Board an offer to purchase Tax Sale Certificate NO.4620, now held by the County and covering the 1913 tax assessed in the name of D. R. Tschop, against the SW $\frac{1}{4}$ of SE $\frac{1}{4}$, of Section 16, Twp.36 N.R. 16 W.N.M.P. M. agreeing to pay therefor the flat amount of the County, State and School taxes, the Irrigation District General Fund tax with interest at 6%, and the Irrigation District Interest Fund tax with interest at 8%; also, agreeing to pay all subsequent taxes on said land together with necessary certificate fees.

It appearing to the Board that the acceptance of said offer would be for the best interests of the County and of the Montezuma Valley Irrigation District, it was ordered by the Board that said certificate be assigned to said applicant upon the payment of the flat amount of County, State and School Tax and Irrigation District General fund tax, with interest at 6%, and the Irrigation District Interest fund tax at 8%, provided that he pays at the time of such assignment all subsequent taxes and necessary certificate fees, and that such payments be made within 30 days from this date.

Tax Sale
Certificate
sold to
C.R.Rudy.

C. H. Rudy presented to the Board an offer to purchase Tax Sale Certificate NO.3052 now held by the County, and covering the 1912 taxes assessed against the E $\frac{1}{2}$ of W $\frac{1}{2}$ and SW $\frac{1}{4}$ of SW $\frac{1}{4}$ of Section 10, Township 35 N. R. 16 W. N. M. P. M. in the name of C. H. Rudy, agreeing to pay therefor the sum of \$1.00 in settlement of the County, State and School taxes, and further agreeing to pay the Irrigation District General Fund tax with interest at 6% and further agreeing to pay all subsequent taxes on said property, together with the necessary certificate fees.

It appearing to the Board after due consideration of said offer that the acceptance of the same would be for the best interests of the County and The Montezuma Valley Irrigation District it was ordered by the Board that said certificate be assigned to said applicant upon the payment of the sum of \$1.00 in settlement of the County, State and School tax, and to pay the Irrigation District General Fund tax at 6%, provided, however, that he pays at the time of such assignment all subsequent taxes, as offered, and provided, farther, that such payments be made to the County Treasurer within 30 days from this date.

It is also ordered by the Board that the Treasurer be directed to place the said sum of \$1.00 to the credit of the County, State and School funds, and the remainder of the amount received for said Certificate to the Irrigation District General Fund Tax.

The following claims filed against the County, were allowed and warrants ordered drawn on the proper funds in payment thereof.

Claims allowed.	Claim NO.	To Whom Paid	O.C.R. FUND For	Amount.
	15137	Geo. W. Lane	District Attorney	\$ 10.00
	15136	" " "	" "	5.00
	15135	" " "	" "	10.00
	15134	" " "	" "	33.75
	15133	" " "	" "	10.25
	15132	" " "	" "	10.00
	15131	" " "	" "	5.00
	15130	" " "	" "	10.00
	15129	" " "	" "	29.25
	15128	" " "	" "	25.75
	15170	Samuel M. Burke	Clerk to Board, Stamps, Ex., etc	55.50
	15168	R. B. Dunham	County Commissioner	22.80
	15165	C. R. Hickman	Salary County Judge	100.00
	15169	W. H. Coffield	Witness Cer't.	9.20
	15166	Mrs. M. Ince	Meals for Prisoner	11.00
	15027	Montez. Tele. Co.	Rent & Calls	61.23
	15160	E. D. Smith	County Agriculturist	29.15
	15017	F. L. Miller	J. P. Fees	16.45
			ROAD FUND.	
	15162	W. C. Longenbaugh	Road Overseer	110.25
	15163	" " "	" "	249.00
	15164	Henry Neehouse	" Work	4.00
	15161	David Halls	" Dragging	23.25
			POOR FUND	
	15167	R. B. Dunham	Sup't. of the Poor	5.00

The Board then adjourned until 1 o'clock P. M., the following day.

Attest: *Samuel M. Burke*
Clerk.

R. B. Dunham
Chairman.

The Board of County Commissioners of Montezuma County, Colorado, met in adjourned session this 3rd day of December, 1917.

There were present,

R. B. Dunham,	Chairman
C. B. Kelly,	Commissioner,
W. I. Myler,	Commissioner,
S. W. Carpenter,	County Attorney
Samuel M. Burke,	Clerk.

The minutes of the meeting of November 5th, 6th, 7th, 8th and 17th, 1917, were read and approved.

Whereas, through inadvertence, there was omitted from the Resolution of this Board, adopted November 6th, 1917, levying the taxes for the year 1917 for State, County, school and other purposes, a levy for the payment of interest on the bonds of School District No. 2, in the County of Montezuma and State of Colorado: and Whereas it appears that a levy of one half mill on the dollar of the taxable property in said School District in said year 1917 will be necessary to meet the payment of said interest.

Resolved that there be and is hereby levied a tax in the amount of one half mill upon the property in School District No. 2 in the County of Montezuma and State of Colorado. subject to taxation for the year 1917 to pay the interest upon the Bonds of said School District accruing in the year 1918.

The Clerk was directed to notify H. S. Jobs and John Schaaf to clear the road right of way for that certain road in Township 33 N. R. 17 W. N. M. P. M., petitioned for by themselves and others.

It was ordered by the Board that a warrant be issued on the Road fund of the County in favor of John Lill for \$200.00 on account of his contract for the construction of what is known as the Stapleton Section of State Highway No. 45; said warrant to be delivered to said Lill upon his filing with the Clerk an affidavit that all claims for labor and material in connection with said work to December 1st, 1917, have been paid.

M. W. Tozer appeared before the Board protesting against the raise in his assessment on cattle for the year 1917; and he having made affidavit in support of such protest, and the Board upon due investigation of the matter finding that said raise was and is erroneous, it was ordered by the Board that said assessment stand as made by the County Assessor.

The Clerk was directed to advertise for sealed bids for Stationery Proposals, supplies and County printing for the year 1918. Said bids to be received up to 2:00 o'clock p. m., January 7th, 1918. The Board reserving the right to reject any or all bids.

George J. Ashbaugh appeared before the Board and made claim for compensation for right-of-way for County Road, same being part of State Primary Road Number 14, upon and across the North half of the South-east quarter of Section 29, and the North-west quarter of the South-west quarter of Section 29, all in Township 36 N. R. 15 W. N. M. P. M., as located and constructed across said tract, and offered to convey to the County a strip of said tract 30 feet on each side of the center line of said road as so located and constructed, for the consideration of \$300.00, and the Board deeming it for the best interests of the County to accept said proposition, it was ordered by the Board that the same be accepted, and that upon execution and delivery of a deed of conveyance in that behalf, a warrant be issued upon the Road Fund of the County in favor of said George J. Ashbaugh in payment of said consideration.

McGrew Porter presented to the Board an offer to purchase Tax Sale Certificate No. 4379, covering the taxes for the year 1913 assessed against the South fifty (50) acres of the N. E. $\frac{1}{4}$ (less 3 acres) of Section 21, Township 37 N. R. 16 W. N. M. P. M. assessed in the name of McG. Porter, and to pay therefor the ^{flat} amount of County, State and School taxes, and the Montezuma Valley Irrigation District General Fund tax with interest at 6%, and the Irrigation District Interest Fund tax with interest at 8%, and to pay all subsequent taxes in full on said property, together with the necessary certificate fees, if said offer be accepted.

Upon due consideration of said offer the Board deeming the acceptance of the same for the best interests of the County and The Montezuma Valley Irrigation District, it was ordered ^{by the Board} that said certificate be assigned to said applicant upon the payment of the flat amount of County, State and School taxes, and the Irrigation District General Fund tax with interest at 6%, and the Irrigation District Interest Fund tax with interest at 8%, together with all subsequent taxes and necessary certificate fees, as offered; provided that such payments be made to the County Treasurer within thirty days from this date.

The following application of S. J. Smith to purchase tax sale certificates was presented to the Board:

"The undersigned, you petitioner, respectfully represents unto your Honorable Board as follows:

That the North-west quarter of Section 32, in Township 36 North, Range 15 West of the New Mexico Meridian, in Montezuma County, Colorado, was in the years 1910, 1911 and 1912, assessed, one half interest in the name of petitioner and one half in the name of Mary E. Hunter: That at the sale of lands for unpaid taxes held on December 15, 1913, the Hunter interest was sold for the years 1911 and 1912, and the interest of petitioner sold for taxes for the years 1910, 1911 and 1912: and that tax sale certificates of purchase were issued for all five sales in the name of Montezuma County: that said sales have not been redeemed and are still held by Montezuma County: also, that all taxes subsequently assessed against said land have not been paid.

Your petitioner offers to pay for the assignment to him of all said tax sale certificates the sum of One Dollar for each of said certificates, and at the time said assignment is made, to pay all of said taxes subsequently assessed against said land, with interest to date."

The Board after due consideration of said offer, deeming the acceptance of the same for the best interests of the County, it was ordered by the Board that said tax sale certificates be assigned to said applicant upon the payment of One Dollar for each certificate, and of all subsequent taxes on said property to date, including all necessary certificate fees. Provided, however, that such payments be tendered the County Treasurer within 30 days from this date.

H. Brigham, Jr. and S. J. Smith presented to the Board an application to purchase Tax Sale Certificates 2766, 2813 and 2920 covering the 1910, 1911 and 1912 taxes assessed against the North-east quarter of Section 32, in Township 36 N. R. 15 W. N. M. P. M., in the name of Brigham and Smith, and agreeing to pay therefor the sum of One Dollar for each certificate, and to pay also, all subsequent taxes on said property including interest to date.

same for the best interests of the County, it was ordered by the Board that said tax sale certificates be sold to said applicant for the sum of One Dollar each, provided, however that they pay at the time of the assignment of said certificates to them by the County, all subsequent taxes assessed against said property, including interest and penalties to date, together with necessary certificate fees. And provided further, that such payments be made within 30 days from this date.

The matter of the petition of Arthur Reeder and others for a road in Township 39 and 38 N. R. 17 W. N. M. P. M., now coming on for consideration of the Board: and the Board, upon consideration of said petition, finding that the same is in due form of law; that the same is signed by all owners of lands through which said proposed road passes, and by the required number of free holders residing within two miles of the road sought to be laid out, and that no objections to the opening of the same has been filed as provided by law, it is ordered by the Board that said petition be granted and said road be opened to travel.

The matter of the petition of Ben L. Wilson and others for a road in Township 38 N. R. 18 W. N. M. P. M., now coming on for consideration of the Board: and the Board upon due consideration of said petition, finding that the same is in due form of law; that the same is signed by all owners of lands through which said proposed road passes, and by the required number of free holders residing within two miles of the road sought to be laid out: that no objection to the opening of said road has been filed as provided by law, it was ordered by the Board that said petition be granted and said road be opened to travel.

The following claims filed against the County were allowed and warrants ordered drawn on the proper funds in payment thereof:

Claim No.	To whom paid	Road Fund For	Amount
15184	The Miller Hdw. Co.	Supplies	19.10
15176	S. M. McConnell	Road work,	4.50
15174	W. C. Miller	Balance on contract	96.75
15173	George Wrightmier	Piling	20.00
15193	W. C. Longenbaugh	Road Overseer	198.00
15199	Gibson Lumber & Co. Co.	Lumber	141.55
15199	Gibson Lumber & C. Co.	Poor Fund. Lumber	153.95
15203	J. M. Brumley	House rent, Denby,	5.00
15202	" " "	" " Scutt	10.00
15200	M. B. Parsons	Supplies, Wolf,	35.90
15190	Augusta V. Kirk	Board & Care Edge,	18.00
15183	H. T. Thomas,	" of Poor	60.00
15179	M. A. Bardin	Board & Care Hagee	37.50
15181	W. J. Moffitt	Drugs	16.10
15120	A. C. Kittell	O. C. R. Fund. Salary Dep. Co. Assessor,	58.33
15201	J. M. Brumley	Repairs Typewriter	1.42
15191	S. W. Carpenter	Salary Co. Atty.	50.00
15198	Cortez Herald	Printing & Staty.	13.91
15189	E. D. Smith	Salary Co. Agriculturalist	29.15
15187	E. H. Kittell	Salary Co. Assessor	108.33
15182	C. R. Hickman	Salary County Judge	100.00
15175	W. J. Marshall	Wood C. H.	3.00
15177	Belleville Stove Works,	Castings	5.28
15181	W. J. Moffitt	C. H. Supplies	.80

The Board then adjourned until the following day.

Attest:

Samuel W. Burke
Clerk.

B. B. Durham
Chairman.