

The Board of County Commissioners of Montezuma County, Colorado, met in regular session, this 5th day of January, 1920.

There were present;

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

The minutes of the meeting of December 1st and 2nd, 1919, were read and approved by the Board.

It was ordered by the Board that warrants be drawn on the Poor Fund of the County in favor of Mrs. Georgia Denby, Mrs. Blanche Brown, and John Woudlia, in the respective sums of \$15.00, \$20.00 and \$10.00, for relief for the month of January, 1920.

It was ordered by the Board that a warrant be drawn on the Bounty Fund of the County in favor of Charles R. Smith, County Treasurer, to cover the amount of bounties paid by him from December 1st, 1919, to January 5th, 1920.

The following action was taken by the Board in the matter of the petition of S. S. Armstrong for an abatement of \$29.47 covering the interest and penalties on the 1911, 1921 and 1913 taxes assessed against the E $\frac{1}{2}$  of the SE $\frac{1}{4}$  of Section 21, and the W $\frac{1}{2}$  of the SW $\frac{1}{4}$  of Section 22, Township 36 N. R. 13 W. N. M. P. M.;

Whereas, the County Commissioners of Montezuma County, State of Colorado, at a duly and lawfully called meeting held on the 5th day of January, 1920, at which meeting there were present, Commissioners C. B. Kelly, R. B. Dunham and W. I. Myler, notice of such meeting an an opportunity to be present having been given to the Assessor of said County, and said Assessor E. H. Kittell being present, and Whereas the said County Commissioners have carefully considered the within application and are fully advised in relation thereto, now be it resolved that said petition be allowed as recommended by the County Assessor, subject, however, to the action of the State Tax Commission.

Voting in the affirmative, Commissioners Kelly, Dunham and Myler.

In the matter of the Claim No. 17562 of George W. Lane, District Attorney, for \$765.50 filed January 3, 1920, it was ordered by the Board that 25.7 per cent of the item "B.W.Ritter, library for office \$1500." be deducted from the full amount of said claim and that said claim be allowed for the balance of \$380.00, and that warrant be drawn therefor accordingly; and that said item for library be allowed in the amount of \$385.50 and separate warrant be drawn therefor in favor of said George W. Lane, District Attorney, not to be delivered, however, until showing be filed with the County Clerk that the other four counties in the 6th Judicial District have ordered payment of their respective pro rata amounts of said \$1500.00.

In the matter of the petition of R. B. Wilson for a rebate of \$8.62, 1918 taxes assessed against him on sheep; he claiming an excessive assessment, the following action was taken;

Whereas, The County Commissioners of Montezuma County, State of Colorado, a duly and lawfully called meeting held on the 5th day of January, 1920, at which meeting there were present Commissioners Kelly, Dunham and Myler, notice of such meeting and an opportunity to be present having been given to the Assessor of said County, and said Assessor E. H. Kittell being present, and Whereas, the said County Commissioners have carefully considered the within application and are fully advised in relation thereto, now be it resolved that said petition be granted as recommended by the County Assessor, subject, however, to the action of the State Tax Commission.

Advertisement having heretofore been made that the Board would receive up to 10 o'clock A. M., this date, sealed bids for furnishing this County with Books, Blanks and

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stationery for the several County offices for the year 1920; and this being the day and hour for the consideration of such bids, the Board proceeds to open the bids on file with the County Clerk; there being three in number, namely; that of The C. F. Hoeckel Blank Book and Lithographing Company; The W. H. Kistler Stationery Company and The Out West Printing & Stationery Company; and upon consideration of said bids or proposals it was moved by Commissioner Myler, seconded by Commissioner Dunham, that the proposal of The Out West Printing and Stationery Company be accepted, and that the contract for furnishing record books, blanks and office supplies as used in the several offices of the County be awarded to the said The Out West Printing and Stationery Company at the prices named in their said proposal. Carried.

The opening of bids for stationery supplies and the printing of all legal notices for the year 1920, being now in order, the following sealed bids filed with the clerk were opened, there being one, only; that of The Cortez Journal Herald. Upon due consideration of said bid, the Board finding the same satisfactory, it was moved by Commissioner Myler, seconded by Commissioner Dunham that the same be accepted, and that the said The Cortez Journal Herald be awarded the contract for furnishing such supplies and for the printing of all legal notices including the delinquent tax list for said year, at the prices named in said bid. Carried.

The following claims filed against the County were allowed and warrants ordered drawn on the proper funds therefor;

Claim No.	Payee	O. C. R. Fund. For.	Amount.
17570	J. H. Brumley	Salary Clerk Dist. Court,	100.00
17573	S. W. Carpenter,	" County Attorney,	75.00
17572	Louis Owens,	Distributing poisoned grain,	13.50
17571	G. P. Newsom,	Salary and Expense Co. Agent,	135.48
17574	S. B. Baker,	Moving County Judge office,	3.50
17566	Montezuma Valley Nat. Bank,	Rent acct. County Agent,	14.00
17589	C. A. Frederick,	Printing & stationery,	50.75
17567	J. M. Clark	Supplies for C. H.	26.15
17568	Katherine Sullivan,	Witness Certificate,	7.30
17569	L. H. Hammond,	" "	4.30
17560	Montezuma Valley N. Bank,	Order E.D. Petere, Ct. Stenographer,	32.00
17563	George W. Lane,	Expense Dist. Attorney,	36.62
17590	A. C. Kittell,	Stove and fixtures,	36.60
17551	C. A. Frederick,	Printing and staty.,	40.01
17555	" " "	Printing Delinquent tax list,	491.34
17593	Courtney Dow,	Castings,	22.23
17548	David H. Martin,	Repairs C.H. Hydrant & Jail lock,	8.55
17625	Out West Printing & Staty. Co.	Blanks etc.,	12.46
17554	A. C. Kittell,	Salary Dep. Co. Assessor,	83.33
17556	Lola Taylor,	Salary and mileage,	80.80
17587	E. H. Kittell,	Salary County Assessor,	250.00
17510	J. G. Brown,	Hospital expense acct. Flu.,	44.00
17509	" " "	" " " "	39.27
17601	Montezuma Valley Nat. Bank,	Order E.D. Peters, Ct. Stenographer,	32.00
17513	J. O. Brown,	Hospital expense acct. Flu.,	130.00
17511	" " "	" " " "	25.00
17595	E. M. Johnson,	Salary County Physician,	50.00
17512	J. G. Brown,	Hospital expense acct. Flu.,	15.00
17594	Mrs. A. B. Sharp,	Board Prisoners,	19.20
17600	E. M. Johnson,	Health officer,	12.00
17602	Edna Hickman,	Salary Dep. Clerk Co. Court,	50.00
17604	R. B. Dunham,	Salary & expense County Commissioner,	63.93
17603	W. I. Myler,	" " " "	60.93
17605	C. B. Kelly,	" " " "	66.33
17592	Guillet- Finnell & Co.,	Supplies,	3.00
17608	Montezuma County Tel. Co.,	Rent and calls,	72.49
17611	Jake Dobbins,	Hauling spryer,	5.00
17562	George W. Lane,	Montezuma Counties share cost library,	380.00
		Poor Fund.	
17545	T. H. Omo,	Burial Ed Scott,	40.50
17582	Gibson Lbr. & Coal Co.,	Lumber P. F.	2.50
17560	Harris Brothers Mer. Co.,	Supplies Mrs. Brown,	19.85
17591	M. B. Parsons,	Supplies for Wolf,	37.07
17546	Herman T. Thomas,	Board of the Poor,	20.00
17592	Guillet-Finnell & Co.,	Supplies,	7.25
17606	H. T. Thomas,	Cash advanced for hogs, P.F.	61.75
17610	J. D. Lamb,	Board John Ferrin,	20.00
17613	Wm Roesler,	Supplies for Poor,	44.00

Claim No.	Payee	Road Fund. for	Amount.
17558	H. A. Freeman,	Dragging,	13.00
17561	John Roessler,	Lumber,	15.36
17553	H. T. Thomas,	Dragging,	5.00
17557	J. D. Blanchard,	"	23.50
17564	A. M. Decker,	Road Overseer,	55.00
17543	John Lill,	" #	213.50
17544	J. S. Roatcap,	Dragging,	10.25
17559	Rust Lumber & Mer. Co.,	Paint & bolts,	4.20
17549	H. L. Kinds,	Dragging,	16.00
17547	A. C. Short,	Pulling trees,	7.50
17607	H. H. Longenbaugh	Road Overseer,	16.00
17612	Harry Baxstrom,	Road work,	4.00
17609	J. D. Lamb,	Road Overseer,	35.00

Advertisement having heretofore been made that final settlement would on this date be made with A. C. Corbett under his contract with this Board for the construction of a two story concrete vault annexed to the Court House in Cortez; and said Corbett having failed to appear before the Board for such settlement, it was ordered by the Board that said matter be continued until February 2nd, 1920.

Board adjourned until the following day.  
Attest; *Samuel M. Burke*  
Clerk.

*C. B. Kelly*  
Chairman.

Proceedings of Board of County Commissioners 2nd day January term, 1920, January 6, 1920.

The Board of County Commissioners of Montezuma County, Colorado, met in adjourned session this 6th day of January, 1920.

There were present,

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

The quarterly reports of the County Treasurer, County Judge, County Sheriff and County Clerk were audited and approved by the Board.

The quarterly reports of the several Road Overseers of the County were examined and approved by the Board.

The Court House and Jail were inspected and found in a satisfactory condition, except floors of the County Treasurer's and County Clerk's offices, which the owners of the Court House building agree to repair at once.

The following action was taken in the matter of the petition of Rev. J. Henry <sup>Ther</sup> Bishop of Denver for abatement of the 1919 taxes assessed against the Lot 20 in Block 8 D. H. Lemmons Town Site Mancos, on account of said property having been purchased for church purposes;

Whereas, The County Commissioners of Montezuma County, State of Colorado, at a duly and lawfully called meeting held on the 6th day of January, 1920, at which meeting there were present Commissioners Kelly, Dunham and Myler, notice of such meeting and an opportunity to be present having been given to the Assessor of said County, and said Assessor being present, and Whereas, The said County Commissioners have carefully considered the within application and fully advised in relation thereto, Now Be It Resolved, that said petition be denied for the reason that said petitioner purchased said property after April 1st, 1919, and the same having been assessed to the original owner. Voting in the affirmative, Commissioners Kelly, Dunham and Myler.

T. D. Osborn having made application to the Board for an extension of time in which to take up tax sale certificate No. 4006 purchased by him of the County at the December 1919 meeting of the Board; upon due consideration of said request, it was ordered by the Board that additional time, to-wit; until February 10th, 1920, be granted him in which to take up said certificate.

It was ordered by the Board that the Clerk prepare a statement of the County Funds for the semi-annual period ending December 31st, 1919, and to have same published.

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

Claim No.	Payee	O. C. R. Fund. For	Amount.
17614	Frank Philley,	Balance on Salary sheriff,	3.80
17578	" "	Jailer and Janitor,	35.00
17576	" "	Salary Sheriff Nov.	141.65
17577	" "	" " Dec.	141.65
17575	" "	" " Oct.	141.65
17583	" "	Expense Sheriff,	4.80
17584	" "	" "	10.80
17586	" "	" "	30.00
17580	" "	" "	20.00
17582	" "	" "	24.70
17585	" "	" "	65.50
17581	" "	" "	14.00
17579	" "	" "	229.05
17578	American Water Supply Co.,	Rent of C. H.	1200.00
17588	C. R. Hickman,	Salary, County Judge,	263.58
17617	Samuel M. Burke,	Stamps, etc.,	39.85
17615	Vallay Supply Company,	Supplies,	3.00
Road Fund.			
17616	C. S. Minter,	Blacksmithing,	16.32
17615	Valley Supply Co.,	Supplies,	18.05

The Board then adjourned until the following day.

Attest; *Samuel M. Burke*  
Clerk.

*A. B. Kelly*  
Chairman.

Proceedings of Board of County Commissioners 3rd day January term, 1920, Jany. 7th, 1920.

The Board of County Commissioners of Montezuma County, Colorado, met in adjourned session this 7th day of January, 1920.

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

The resignation of John H. Hammond as Justice of the Peace of Justice Precinct No. 1 was presented to the Board; and the same was accepted.

It appearing to the Board that a vacancy exists in the office of Justice of the Peace of Justice Precinct No. 1, owing to the resignation of John H. Hammond as such officer, it was ordered by the Board that D. H. Franks be, and he is hereby appointed as Justice of the Peace of Justice Precinct No. 1, to fill such vacancy. Such appointment to take effect upon the filing of his bond.

The official bonds of all County, Precinct and District officers were examined by the Board and found satisfactory.

It appearing to the Board that there is now in the Road Fund of the County, sufficient funds to take up the Certificates of Indebtedness heretofore issued to Monarch Engineering Company covering their claim No. 17145 in the amount of \$3784.69; it was thereupon ordered by the Board that said Certificates of Indebtedness be called, and warrant be drawn on the Road Fund in payment of the same.

Wm Veach appeared before the Board requesting that the County bear the expense of building a fence along the angling road running south from what is known as the G.S. Todd corner, through that part of Section 36 in Township 36, N. R. 16 W. N. M. P. M., which he now holds under lease from the State Board of Land Commissioners of Colorado; it was, after careful consideration of said request, ordered by the Board that said Veach be allowed a reasonable sum for the construction of a fence along that part of said road which passes through that part of said Section 36 now held by him under said lease.

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

Claim No.	Payee	O. C. R. Fund For	Amount.
17619	The Out West P & S. Co.m	Blanks,	2.58
17620	E. D. Peters,	Expense Ct. Stenographer,	12.78
17624	C. H. Rudy,	Auditing Treasurers Books,	50.00
17223	G. O. Harrison,	" " "	50.00
17618	John Lill,	Road Fund. Road Overseer,	73.00
17621	Denver Steel & Iron Wks.,	Bridge material,	625.00
17622	J. V. West,	Road Right-of-way,	75.00

It appearing to the Board that in the year 1911, on account of a part of the county road passing through the J. V. West place in McElmo Canon having been washed out, it was necessary to use a strip of land feet wide and feet long, north of and paralel with said county road for road purposes; said strip of land belonging to said West; and it appearing to the Board that no settlement has ever been made with said West for the land so taken for road purposes; and said West having agreed to accept the sum of \$75.00 in full settlement for said strip of land, and the Board considering said sum a reasonable price for said strip of land, it was ordered by the Board that said offer be accepted, and that a warrant be drawn on the Road Fund of the County in favor of said J. V. West in full and final settlement for the land described.

The Board proceeds to select from the list of tax payers of the County, furnished by the County Treasurer, 200 names from which to draw jurors for the April 1920 term of the District Court.

The business of the year 1919 having been disposed of, the reorganization of the Board for the ensuing year now being in order; and the Board proceeds to elect chairman and Chairman pro-tem of the Board for the ensuing year. It was moved by Commissioner Kelly, seconded by Commissioner Dunham, that Commissioner <sup>MYLER.</sup> be elected Chairman of the Board for the ensuing year. Motion carried. Upon motion of Commissioner Kelly, seconded by Commissioner Myler, Commissioner Dunham was elected Chairman pro-tem of the Board for the ensuing year. Carried.

The election of County Attorney being next in order, the Board proceeds to read the applications for such office; there being one, only, that of S. W. Carpenter, Esq. Upon motion of Commissioner Dunham, seconded by Commissioner Kelly, Mr. S. W. Carpenter was elected County Attorney for the ensuing year; it being understood that said County Attorney is to advise the several County Officials in all matters relating to County business in addition to his acting as County Attorney for the Board of County Commissioners except in cases where the interests of such officer may be adverse to that of the Board, without additional compensation. It was ordered by the Board that the salary of said County Attorney be fixed at \$900.00 per year, payable monthly.

The appointment of County Physician being next in order, the Board proceede to consider the applications on file for such office; there being one, only, that of Dr. E. E. Johnson; it was thereupon moved by Commissioner Kelly, seconded by Commissioner Dunham that E. E. Johnson be appointed County Physician for the ensuing year, and that the salary of said County Physician be fixed at \$300.00 per year, payable quarterly. Motion carried.

The appointment of janitor of the Court House now being in order, the Board proceed to consider the applications on file for such appointment; there being one, only, that of Frank Philley; it was thereupon moved by Commissioner Dunham, seconded by Commissioner Kelly, that said Frank Philley be appointed as janitor of the Court House, and that he be allowed a salary of \$35.00 per month for janitor work, including care of the jail.

The matter of appointment of Health Officers being now in order, the Board proceeds to make such appointments; and upon motion of Commissioner Kelly, seconded by Commissioner Dunham, the following named persons were appointed Health officers of their respective districts; E. E. Johnson, Cortez District; L. H. Clark, Mancos District, and H. C. Lefurgy, Dolores District.

The appointment of Road Overseers for the several road districts of the County now being in order, the Board proceeds to consider the applications on file with the Clerk for such appointments; there being six in number, namely;

For Road District No. 1,	W. C. Longenbaugh, and J. T. Gilliland,
" " " " 2,	H. H. Longenbaugh,
" " " " 3,	A. M. Decker,
" " " " 4,	Ed Longenbaugh,
" " " " 6,	John Lill,

The above applications having been duly considered by the Board, the following resolution in that behalf, was adopted;

BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of County Commissioners of Montezuma County, Colorado, that the following named persons be, and they are hereby appointed as Road Overseers for their respective districts named, upon qualifying and giving Bond as required by law, subject, however, in their appointment to the will of the Board, and removal at any time for failure to perform the duties of the office to which they are respectively appointed, and the Board reserves the right to exercise supervision over said Road Overseers and the road work of the County;

For Road District No. 1,	W. C. Longenbaugh,
" " " " 2,	H. H. Longenbaugh,
" " " " 3,	A. M. Decker,
" " " " 4,	Ed Longenbaugh,
" " " " 6,	John Lill.

The matter of appointment of Road Overseer for Road District No. 5, was deferred until the February 1920, meeting of the Board; There being no application on file for such appointment.

It was ordered by the Board that each of said Road Overseers be required to give bond in the penal sum of \$500.00.

In the matter of salaries of Deputies and assistants in the several County Offices, for the year 1920, the following resolution was passed;

BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of County Commissioners of Montezuma County, Colorado, that the salaries of Deputies in the several County Offices for the year 1920, be fixed as follows;

Deputy County Treasurer,.....	\$1200.00	and for such other
Clerical assistance required in Treasurer's office,.....	1300.00	
Deputy County Clerk,.....	1200.00,	and for such
other clerical assistance as may be required in the		
County Clerk's Office,.....	1850.00	
Deputy County Assessor,.....	400.00	
For assistants in the County Assessor's Office,.....	800.00	
Deputy County Superintendent of Schools,.....	50.00	
Deputy Clerk of the County Court,.....	500.00	
Under Sheriff,.....	800.00	

All such Deputies and assistants to be paid monthly, and in the manner as provided by law.

The following apportionments were made to the several Road Districts of the County, for the quarter ending March 31st, 1920;

Road District No. 1, \$300.00; Road District No. 2, \$250.00; Road District No. 3, \$300.00; Road District No. 4, \$300.00; Road District No. 5, \$250.00; Road District No. 6, \$150.00.

Guillet Brothers presented to the Board an application to purchase tax sale certificate No. 4941, now held by The Montezuma Valley Irrigation District, and covering the 1915 taxes assessed against the N $\frac{1}{2}$  of the NE $\frac{1}{4}$  of Section 9, in Township 35 North, Range

16 W. N. M. P. M., in the name of Guillet Brothers, agreeing to pay, in settlement of taxes for said year 1915, the amount of the flat tax, together with the necessary certificate fees, and at the same time to pay all County, State and School taxes on said property for subsequent years with interest at the statutory rate; the Irrigation District taxes for subsequent years, the general fund with interest at 6%, and the bonds and interest on bonds funds, with interest at 8%.

Upon due consideration of said offer, it appearing to the Board that the Board of Directors of said Irrigation District has filed with the Clerk its recommendation that said tax sale certificate be sold to said applicants for the sums offered; and the Board deeming the acceptance of the same for the best interests of the County and of the said Irrigation District, it was ordered by the Board that said offer be accepted; that said tax sale certificate be assigned to said applicants upon the payment to the County Treasurer of the sum of the flat tax for the year 1915, and all subsequent County, State and School taxes on said property with interest at the statutory rate, the Irrigation District General fund tax for subsequent years with interest at 6%, and the Irrigation District bonds and interest on bonds funds for subsequent years with interest at 8%; provided, however, that they pay all such taxes together with the necessary certificate fees, within 30 days from this date.

It was ordered by the Board that the members of the Board attend the meeting of the State Association of County Commissioners to be held in Denver, Colorado, on January 19th and 20th, 1920, at the expense of the County.

There being no further business, the Board adjourned until February 2nd, 1920.

Attest;

*Samuel M. Clarke*  
Clerk.

*J. P. Rogers*  
Chairman.

The Board of County Commissioners of Montezuma County, Colorado, met in adjourned session, this 1st day of March, 1920.

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

The minutes of the meeting of the Board held on the 2nd, 3rd and 4th days of Feby., 1920, were read and approved.

The monthly reports of the County Judge and Sheriff were audited and approved by the Board.

The following action was taken by the Board in the matter of the petition of Cora E. Myler for a rebate of \$36.53, covering the taxes for the years 1909, 1910, 1911, 1912, 1913 and 1914 assessed against her on a strip of land in the NE<sup>1</sup>/<sub>4</sub> of Section 1, Township 36 N. R. 16 W. N. E. F. M.; said strip of land being a ditch right of way belonging to The Montezuma Valley Irrigation District;

Whereas, the Board of County Commissioners of Montezuma County, State of Colorado, at a duly and lawfully called meeting held on the 1st day of March, 1920, at which meeting there were present; W. I. Myler, R. B. Dunham and C. B. Kelly, notice of such meeting and an opportunity to be present having been given to the Assessor of said County, and said assessor E. H. Kittell being present, and Whereas, the said County Commissioners have carefully considered the within application and are fully advised in relation thereto, Now Be It Resolved, that said petition be granted as recommended by the County Assessor, subject, however, to the action of the State Tax Commission. Voting in the affirmative, Commissioners Myler, Dunham and Kelly.

*Rebate*

In the matter of the petition of Wilson & Wilson for an abatement of the taxes for the year 1919, assessed against the Lots 3, 4, 5 & 6, in Block 34 in the Town of Cortez, account of the buildings thereon having been destroyed by fire soon after said assessment was made; the following resolution was adopted;

Whereas, the ~~meeting of the~~ Board of County Commissioners of Montezuma County, State of Colorado, at a duly and lawfully called meeting held on the 1st day of March, 1920, at which meeting there were present, W. I. Myler, R. B. Dunham and C. B. Kelly, notice of such meeting and an opportunity to be present having been given to the Assessor of said County, and said Assessor E. H. Kittell being present, and whereas, the said County Commissioners have carefully considered the within application and are fully advised in relation thereto, Now Be It Resolved that said petition be DENIED as recommended by the County Assessor. . Voting in the affirmative, Myler, Dunham and Kelly.

*Rebate*

In the matter of the petition of Ella Cofield for a rebate of \$3.41 1919 taxes assessed against a tract of land 150 feet by 200 feet, bordering on the west side of the Town of Cortez, the following action was taken by the Board;

Whereas, the County Commissioners of Montezuma County, State of Colorado, at a duly and lawfully called meeting held on the 1st day of March, 1920, at which meeting there were present, Commissioners Myler, Dunham and Kelly, notice of such meeting and an opportunity to be present having been given to the Assessor of said County, and said Assessor E. H. Kittell being present, and Whereas, the said County Commissioners have carefully considered the within application and are fully advised in relation thereto, now be it reasoled that said petition be granted as recommended by the County Assessor, subject, however, to the action of the State Tax Commission. Voting in the affirmative



OUT WEST PAPER & STATIONERY CO., COLO. SPRINGS, H 5197

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

It was ordered by the Board that all County Officers, including the County Treasurer be directed to place all the fees of their respective offices to the credit of the Ordinary County Revenue Fund of the County, monthly.

The Board proceeds to cancel all County Warrants paid by the County Treasurer during the semi-annual period ending December 31st, 1919.

The monthly reports of the County Treasurer for the month of January 1920, were audited and approved by the Board.

At the January 1920, meeting of the Board, the matter of the appointment of Road Overseer for road district <sup>No. 5</sup> having been deferred, the Board now proceeds with such matter; and it appearing to the Board that no formal application for such appointment has been filed with the Clerk; it was thereupon moved by Commissioner Dunham, seconded by Commissioner Kelly, that J. B. Millard be appointed as such Road Overseer for said road district No. 5. Such appointment to take effect upon the filing of his bond.

The Board then adjourned until March 1st, 1920.

Attest; *Samuel M. Burke*  
Clerk.

*W. I. Myler*  
Chairman.

Fees to OR  
- Fund

Cancel Warrants

Treas Report

Appt. of  
Road Overseer

OUT WEST PAPER & SHIRT CO., COLO. SPRINGS H 5197

*Rebate  
P.A. McCormick  
Poll Tax*

In the matter of the petition of P. A. McCormick for the rebate of \$2.00 Military Poll Tax assessed against him for the years 1913 and 1914, account of his having served in the Spanish-American war, the following action was taken by the Board;

Whereas, The County Commissioners of Montezuma County, State of Colorado, at a duly and lawfully called meeting held on the 1st day of March, 1920, at which meeting there were present, Commissioners Myler, Dunham and Kelly, notice of such meeting and an opportunity to be present having been given to the Assessor of said County and said Assessor E. H. Kittell being present, and Whereas, the said County Commissioners have carefully considered the within application and are fully advised in relation thereto, Now Be It Resolved that said petition be granted as recommended by the County Assessor, subject to the action of the State Tax Commission. Voting in the affirmative, Commissioners Myler, Dunham and Kelly.

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

*Claims filed  
warrants ordered  
drawn*

Claim No.	Payee	O. C. R. Fund.	Amount.
17687	Fayee Frank Philley,	For Janitor	35.00
17689	" "	Salary Sheriff,	141.65
17681	Out West P & S. Co.,	Books, Blanks etc.,	187.63
17713	Montezuma Valley Natl. Bank,	Order E.D. Peters Ct. Stenographer,	32.00
17700	Bozman A. L. G. Co.,	a/c Light plant,	6.70
17708	Helen E. Smith,	Clerical assistance in Treas. Office,	100.00
17710	Iris Gingles	" " " Assessors ofc.	66.67
17694	S. W. Carpenter,	Salary County Attorney,	75.00
17675	Gazetter Pub. Co.,	Directory,	7.50
17695	G. P. Newsom,	Salary & expense County Agent,	96.83
17715	Rail Red Book,	Advertising,	14.00
17703	E. A. Ritter,	Salary Undersheriff, & expense,	68.16
17704	J. M. Brumley,	Salary Clerk Dist. Court,	100.00
17706	C. R. Hickman,	Salary County Judge,	100.00
17716	Samuel M. Burke,	Salary, express, stamps, etc.,	145.83
17693	J. M. Brumley,	J. P. Fees,	4.20
17711	E. H. Kittell,	Salary & expense Co. Assessor,	135.08
17714	Montezuma Valley N. Bank,	Office Rent, Co. Agent,	14.00
17709	C. A. Frederick,	Printing,	9.83
17717	Beatrice E. Burke,	Salary Dep. Co. Clerk,	52.75
17685	E. E. Johnson,	Vital Statistics,	6.75
17707	Chas. R. Smith,	Salary County Treasurer,	141.67
17705	Edna Hickman,	Salary Dep. Clk. Co. Court,	41.66
17701	P. T. Guillet & Co.,	Supplies,	4.15
17712	Gibson Lumber & Coal Co.,	Lumber,	32.55
17683	Out West P & S. Co.,	Blanks, Etc.,	36.39
17691	Lola Taylor,	Salary & Mileage,	75.80
17686	Frank Philley,	Expense Sheriff,	36.00
17688	" "	" "	3.00
17690	T. H. Omo,	Carpenter work,	25.00
		Road Fund.	
17701	P. T. Guillet & Co.,	Supplies,	11.55
17678	W. J. Miller,	"	7.20
17680	James H. Casey,	Dragging,	12.00
17676	Grant Hughes,	Blacksmithing,	8.50
17718	Ed Longenbaugh,	Road Overseer,	193.00
17702	John W. Claffin,	Dragging,	10.00
17696	I. H. Soens,	Blacksmithing,	7.75
17697	J. M. James,	Dragging,	38.00
17684	Frank Baxstrom,	"	67.00
17692	J. D. Blanchard,	"	30.00
		Poor Fund.	
17701	P. T. Guillet,	Supplies,	1.00
17677	Harris Brothers Mer. Co.,	"	20.00
17679	M. C. Ames,	Burial Navajo Indian,	40.00
17698	M. B. Parsons,	Supplies for Wolf,	35.10
17699	H. T. Thomas,	Board of poor,	20.00
17682	J. D. Lamb,	Board Ferrin,	20.00

*Appropriation  
State Highway Comm.*

In the matter of the appropriation made by the State Highway Commission: The apportionments on account for the year 1920 made by the State Highway Commission in the amount of \$10,000.00, of date of February 14th, 1920, was considered by the Board; and it was thereupon ordered by the Board as follows:

County by the State Highway Commission for the calendar year 1920, and the Chairman of this Board and the County Clerk of the County, be and they hereby are, authorized and directed to join, on behalf of the County, with the said State Highway Commission in the execution of a contract substantially, as follows:

That the State Highway Commission and the County each expend for construction on the State Road No. 14, the sum of \$4,000.00; and for maintenance of said road, the sum of \$1,000.00; for construction on State Road No. 45, the sum of \$4,000.00, and for maintenance of said road, the sum of \$1,000.00. All members voting in favor of the foregoing resolution.

In the matter of the petition of R. R. Smith, S. J. Smith and H. Brigham, Jr., for the cancellation of tax sale certificates Nos. 3884 and 3077 covering the 1911 and 1912 taxes assessed against an undivided one third interest in 53 acres of the W $\frac{1}{2}$  of the NE $\frac{1}{4}$  of Section 26, in Township 36 North, Range 16 W. N. M. P. M.; and for the cancellation of tax sale certificates Nos. 2815 and 2923 covering the 1911 and 1912 taxes assessed against an undivided two thirds interest in said tract of land; account of the same having been assessed as irrigable land, while it should have been assessed as non-irrigable for the reason that said tract lies above the ditch or ditches of the Montezuma Valley Irrigation District; said petitioners also praying that a re-assessment on said land be made upon a valuation of \$10.00 per acre / and the Directors of the said Irrigation District having filed with the County Clerk their recommendation that such petition be allowed, the following action was taken by the Board;

Whereas, The County Commissioners of Montezuma County, State of Colorado, at a duly and lawfully called meeting held on the 1st day of March, 1920, at which meeting there were present, Commissioner Myler, Dunham and Kelly, notice of such meeting and an opportunity to be present having been given to the Assessor, and said Assessor E. H. Kittell being present, and Whereas, the said County Commissioners have carefully considered the within application and are fully advised in relation thereto, Now Be It Resolved that said petition be granted as recommended by the County Assessor, and The Board of Directors of the Montezuma Valley Irrigation District. Voting in the affirmative, Commissioners Myler, Dunham and Kelly.

The Board then adjourned until the following day

Attest: *Samuel M. Parker*  
Clerk.

*H. P. Myler*  
Chairman.

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CITY AND COUNTY OF COLORADO, COLORADO SPRINGS, COLORADO

The Board of County Commissioners of Montezuma County, Colorado, met in adjourned session this 2nd day of March, 1920.

There were present;

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

The Clerk was directed to request the Monarch Engineering Company of Denver, to ship at once, the culverts ordered of them by Commissioner Myler on or about January 20th, 1920.

*Culverts ordered*

The Clerk was instructed to write W. H. Moore & Company, at Denver, to ship the two trucks now being equipped by them, with dump bodies, to Commissioner Myler at Dolores, Colorado.

*Two Trucks Shipped*

The following resolution was passed in relation to the petition of C. W. Rice for an abatement of a part of 1919 taxes assessed against the NE 1/4 of the SW 1/4 of Section 34 in Township 37 N. R. 17 W. N. M. P. M., and on personal property, claiming an excessive assessment in each case;

*Abatement*

Whereas, The County Commissioners of Montezuma County, State of Colorado, at a duly and lawfully called meeting held on the 2nd day of April, 1920, at which meeting there were present, Commissioners Myler, Dunham and Kelly, notice of such meeting and an opportunity to be present having been given to the assessor of said County, and said Assessor E. H. Kittell being present, and Whereas, The said County Commissioners have carefully considered the within application and are fully advised in relation thereto, now be it resolved that said petition be granted in part as recommended by the County Assessor, to-wit; an abatement on \$100.00 valuation on personal property, and an abatement on \$150.00 on real estate. Voting in the affirmative, Commissioners Myler, Dunham and Kelly.

The Clerk was directed to order four volumes of 1908 Revised Statutes for Justice's of the Peace for Justice Precincts No. 1, 3, 4, and 5, of the County.

*Resignation Winship Constable*

The resignation of Chas. G. Winship as Constable for Justice Precinct No. 2, was accepted by the Board.

It appearing to the Board that a vacancy exists in the office of Constable for Justice Precinct No. 2, it was ordered that H. A. Ritter, be and he is hereby, appointed to fill such vacancy. Such appointment to take effect upon the filing of his bond.

It was ordered by the Board that there be constructed on State Primary Road No. 14 at Chicken Creek, a reinforced concrete bridge with 20 ft span and 20 ft. roadway; and that the Clerk give due notice that bids will be received for the construction of the same up to noon Monday April 5th, 1920. The Board reserving the right to reject any or all bids. Such notice to be published in the Montezuma Herald-Journal, Dolores Star, Mancos Times-Tribune and Denver Times.

*Poor Fund*

It was ordered by the Board that warrants be drawn on the Poor Fund of the County in favor of Mrs. Georgia Denby and John Woudlia in the respective sums of \$15.00 and \$10.00 for relief for the month of March, 1920.

It appearing to the Board that a vacancy exists in the office of Justice of the Peace for Justice Precinct No. 1, it was ordered by the Board that Ray E. Smalley be, and he hereby is, appointed to fill such vacancy. Such appointment to take effect upon the filing of his bond.

The Clerk was directed to order rear wheel for Case grader now being used in Road District No. 2. of the County.

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restore in good order for travel, the bridge on the public highway over the District ditch leading from the Totton Lake Reservoir on Section line between Sections 19 and 20 in Township 36 N. R. 15 W. N. M. P. M.

It appearing to the Board that Tax Sale Certificate No. 2559 for tax sale of taxes for the year 1911 assessed to J. S. Lewis, is void on account of an erroneous and insufficient description of the land; and that such description was followed in the years 1912, 1913, 1914, 1916 and 1917. It was thereupon ordered by the Board that the County Treasurer be, and he is hereby authorized and directed to cancel said certificate, and to make additional assessments for said years according to the proper description of the tract of land in question.

It was ordered by the Board that the Clerk notify Dr. H. C. Lefargy, County Health officer for Commissioner's District No. 1, to raise the quarantine on Ackaen District.

In the matter of application in behalf of Doiel, a resident of this County for relief as a poor person from the County Fund for the support of the Poor; it appearing that he is entitled to such relief under the law, and is and for some time past has been at Mercy Hospital, Durango, Colorado, helpless and a proper charge for County Relief, and that it is necessary that such relief by maintenance of him at said hospital be continued, and that certain expenses have heretofore been incurred in that behalf which remains unpaid; it is ordered by the Board that said Doiel be maintained at said Hospital until the further order of this Board upon the usual rates of charges in such matter, at the expense of this County; and that said Hospital be requested to submit bill for charges in that behalf previously incurred and remaining unpaid for the consideration and action of the Board.

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

Claim No.	Payee	For	Amount.
		O. C. R. Fund.	
17722	R. B. Dunham,	Salary & expense Co. Comr.	66.73
17723	W. I. Myler,	" " " "	63.53
17724	C. B. Kelly,	" " " "	84.33
17721	L. E. Clark,	Health officer,	18.25
17726	Valley Supply Co.,	Supplies,	2.20
17727	Lipscomb Mer. Co.,	Safe etc.,	95.10
17770	Mrs. A. B. Sharp,	Board prisoners,	16.80
17728	Colo. Expt. Station,	Strychnine,	83.75
		Road Fund.	
17726	Valley Supply Co.,	Supplies,	36.93
17725	C. W. Hinton,	Dragging,	13.00
17729	H.H. Longenbaugh,	Road Overseer,	76.50
17731	W.C. Longenbaugh,	" "	43.50
17730	Frank Chambers,	" Work,	10.00

The Board then adjourned until April 5th, 1920.

Attest; *Samuel M. Brooke*  
Clerk.

*J. P. Myler*  
Chairman.

*Y.S. Clerk*  
*Quarantine Fund*  
*Doiel*

*Claims allowed*

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The Board of County Commissioners of Montezuma County, Colorado, met in special session this 9th day of March, 1920.

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

This meeting was called for the purpose of rescinding that certain order made by this Board on February 4th, 1920, in the matter of the assignment of tax sale certificates; and to make further order in that connection.

Commissioner Myler moved the adoption of the following resolution:

That the resolution of this Board adopted February 4th, 1920, in the matter of the assignment of certain Tax Sale Certificates, and recorded in Commissioners Record Book 4, at Page 4, be rescinded; and a vote being taken thereon, the resolution was duly adopted; all members of the Board voting in favor thereof.

*Y.S. Cont.*

"A proposition was submitted to the Board by The Farm Lands Securities Company, a Colorado corporation, on behalf of said Company and of land owners in the Montezuma Valley Irrigation District for the sale of Tax Sale Certificates with subsequent unpaid State, County and School taxes, on lands in said District; and upon full consideration thereof by the Board, it is ordered by the Board, that the County Treasurer be and he is hereby authorized to assign to said The Farm Lands Securities Company all Tax Sale Certificates held by this County of Montezuma based upon any tax sales held prior to the year 1918; upon lands in said District, in which are included taxes for the purposes of said Irrigation District, upon the payment, in the case of each of such certificates so purchased, as to the State, County and School taxes included therein, as follows: one dollar for said certificate, or for the certificate based upon the first tax sale, if more than one sale on the same property, together with an amount equal to all subsequent State, County and School taxes upon the property taxed or for which the same is held, without interest; except that the taxes for the year 1919 shall be paid in full with the statutory interest, if any, accrued; also, the fees in connection with such assignment; and upon the further order of this Board as to the disposition of all such District taxes as there may be against the land described in such respective certificates; <sup>provided</sup> such payment and further order of the Board be made by not later than November 1st, 1920; and that during the full period hereinbefore provided, no offer for the assignment of any such Certificate shall be accepted by the County Treasurer from any other person than said Company other than the owner of the land described in such certificate; and it is further ordered by the Board, as to any Tax Sale Certificates held by said The Montezuma Valley Irrigation District in which are included, State, County or School taxes, that the Board agrees and consents with said District to the assignment thereof as to any such last mentioned taxes upon the same basis as to the assignment of Certificates held by the County.

It is further ordered by the Board that the County Treasurer be and hereby is authorized to assign any tax sale certificate or certificates on tax sales held prior to year 1918, held by the County, or by the District, as to the State, County and School taxes included therein, as aforesaid, to the owner of any land in the District upon the following basis, to-wit: said owner to pay \$1.00 for said certificate (or for the certificate based upon the first tax sale, if more than one sale on the same property) together with an amount equal to all unpaid subsequent State, County and School taxes,

case to be held by the County Treasurer subject to the further order of this Board, as to the disposition thereof on account of the District taxes included therein."

The following order was then adopted by the Board; all members voting in favor thereof.

"It is hereby declared by the Board in regard to the resolution this day adopted in the matter of the assignment of certain tax sale certificates, that said resolution was adopted by the Board for the reason that the Board, after careful consideration, was of the opinion that the same would be of great public interest to the tax payers of all parts of the County in facilitating the bringing back into taxation of a large amount of lands upon which there has been for years past no taxes paid, and in the collection of a large amount of taxes deemed otherwise uncollectible; and that such action of the Board is not to be taken as a precedent in any case of application to the Board for purchase of any tax sale certificate not expressly covered by said resolution."

There being no further business, the Board adjourned.

Attest:

*James M. Bunker*  
Clerk.

*J. B. Ayler*  
Chairman.

The Board of County Commissioners of Montezuma County, Colorado, met in adjourned session this 9th day of April, 1920.

There were present:

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

The Board adjourned at 9 A. M. to inspect roads and bridges in McElmo Canon; returned and went into session at 3:30 P. M.

The official bonds of all County, District and Precinct officers were examined and found satisfactory.

The following apportionments were made to the several Road Districts of the County for the quarter ending June 30th, 1920:

Road District No. 1, \$1000.00; District No. 2, \$750.00; District No. 3, \$1000.00; District No. 4, \$750.00; District No. 5, \$500.00; District No. 6, \$500.00.

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

Claim No.	Payee	OCR Fund.	Amount.
17543	H. Brigham Jr.,	For Clerical Assistance in Clerks Ofs.	57.50.

E. Tyler Smith, President of The Farm Lands Securities Company, appeared before the Board, and presented a proposition in form as follows:

This agreement made and entered into in triplicate this sixth day of April, 1920 by and between the Board of County Commissioners of the County of Montezuma and State of Colorado, party of the first part and The Farm Lands Securities Company, party of the second part, WITNESSETH:-

That whereas first party is the owner of the SE $\frac{1}{4}$  of Section 8, township 35 north, range 16 west N.M.P.M. in the county of Montezuma, state of Colorado, of which 160 acres are included in the Montezuma Valley Irrigation District and subject to the indebtedness on account of such inclusion.

Whereas, said Company is proposing to acquire the outstanding indebtedness of said district to the end that said district shall be presently dissolved and the irrigation system thereof transferred to a mutual ditch company, the stock of which shall evidence the right to the use of water therefrom.

Now, therefore in consideration of the premises said first party does agree as follows: First, upon the clearing of said land from said district indebtedness aforesaid, the dissolution of said district and transfer of said irrigation system to said mutual ditch company, and the issuance of said stock representing the right to the use of water therefrom, as aforesaid, first party agrees to pay to said company for 160 acres at \$24.47 per acre in cash, the sum of \$3915.20 less 50% of taxes paid by first party since May first, 1919 (other than for maintenance), or \$112.80 leaving a balance to be paid by first party of \$3802.40. If first party does not have funds on hand from the poor fund of the county to pay said entire amount, first party may at its option issue the certificate of indebtedness to said company for the balance to be so paid to second party with interest at 6% from the date of the issuance of said certificate of indebtedness, payable out of the levy for the year 1921.

This agreement is contingent upon said second party furnishing a sum of \$100,000.00 for use by said mutual ditch company for the betterment of said irrigation system, upon the dissolution of said district, under agreement with said district.



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The official Bond of E. A. Ritter as Constable for Justict Precinct No. 2, and of Ray O. Smalley as Justice of the Peace of Justice Precinct No. 1, were approved by the Board and ordered recorded.

The monthly reports of the County Treasurer, County Judge, Sheriff and County Clerk were audited and approved by the Board.

Quarterly report of W.C.Longenbaugh, Road Overseer, was examined and approved by the Board.

It appearing to the Board thatthere are not sufficient funds if the Bounty Fund of the County with which to pay the claims filed against the same; that there is now in the Contingent Fund of the County more than \$200.00 against which no claims are filed; it was thereupon ordered by the Board that the County Treasurer be, and he hereby is authorized and directed to transfer from said Contingent fund to said Bounty fund, the sum of \$200.00 upon the records of his office.

It was ordered by the Board that the Senators and Representatives in Congress be requested to use their best endeavors to secure the passage of Senate Bill No. 3982, 66th Congress, 2nd Session, introduced by Senator Chamberlain, entitled " A Bill to appropriate additional sums for Federal Aid in the construction of rual post roads, and for other purposes", and that certified copies of this resolution be sent to each of Senators and Representatives.

In the matter of Senate Bill No. 3982, 66th U. S. Congress, it was ordered by the Board that the Clerk send copies of the resolution this day adopted in that connection to the Board of County Commissioners of Dolores and San Miguel Counties, with suggestio that they take like action in the matter.

The Board inspected the Court House and Jail and other County Buildings, and found same in a satisfactory condition, except the Court House toilet and yard, which the Clerk was instructed to have cleaned at once.

*Batteries ordered*

It appearing to the Board that the batteries in connection with the Court House lig plantpre inadequate to furnish the necessary lights for the several offices and vaults in the Court House without the constant running of the engine, it was ordered by the Bc that additional batteries be ordered accordingly, and as suggested by Mr Channell.

County Assessor Kittell having requested that Township Flats of the several Townshi in the Western part of the County, be procured from the United States Land office for reference in ma ing assessments of the lands therein situated, it was ordered by the Bc that said request be granted, and that said plats be ordered.

*whiskey*

It was ordered by the Board that application be made to the Governor of Colorado, 1 quarts of whiskey for use of the Johnson Hospital at Cortez.

The Board adjourned until the following day.

Attest: *James M. Burke*  
Clerk.

*A. P. Taylor*  
Chairman.

and in event any unforeseen contingency shall prevent the consumation thereof, prior to November 1st, 1920, then unless otherwise agreed by the first party this contract shall be null and void and of no effect, and both parties released from any obligation hereunder.

And upon due consideration thereof and it appearing to the Board that it would be for the best interests of the County to enter into the agreement, it was ordered by the Board that the same be executed on behalf of the County accordingly.

In the matter of the Report of Road Viewers on road in Township 36 N.R.13 W.N.M.P.M, filed September 27th, 1919, on petition of George W. Skoog and others, it was ordered by the Board that said petition be laid over for further consideration until May 7th, 1920.

Attest: *Samuel M. Dunkel*  
Clerk.

*W. P. Apple*  
Chairman.

The Board of County Commissioners of Montezuma County, Colorado, met pursuant to adjournment this 1st day of June, 1920.

There were present;

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

The minutes of the meeting of the Board held on the 3rd, 4th and 7th days of May 1920, were read and approved.

The resignation of J. W. Sigler as Justice of the Peace of Justice Precinct No. 5, was accepted by the Board.

S. J. Smith presented to the Board an application to purchase Tax Sale Certificates No. 4034, 4052 and 4092 covering the taxes for the years 1910, 1911 and 1912, on Lots 7 to 12 in Block 6, in Coffin's Addition to the Town of Cortez; agreeing to pay for Certificate No. 4034 the sum of one Dollar, and for certificates Nos. 4052 and 4092 the flat taxes assessed against said lots in the years 1911 and 1912, together with all certificate fees; and also, at the time of such assignments, to pay all subsequent taxes unpaid and due on said lots, together with all interest accrued to date of payment of said subsequent taxes.

It appearing to the Board after careful 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 offer be accepted; that said Tax Sale Certificates be assigned to said applicant upon the payment of the sums offered for each certificate, together with the necessary certificate fees, and all subsequent taxes on said property with the statutory rate of interest; provided that he takes up said certificates within 30 days from this date.

It having been made to appear to the Board of County Commissioners of the County of Montezuma, Colorado, by satisfactory evidence and proof produced to and received by the Board, and the Board finding, upon such evidence and proof, that M. H. Ordway is the legal owner of the following described Tax Sale Certificate, issued by the County Treasurer of said County for delinquent taxes; to-wit: Tax Sale Certificate No. 2484, for last half of 1909 tax, sold December 16, 1912, to The First National Bank of Mancos, Colorado; amount of sale \$28.60; said sale being upon Lot 8, in Block 19, Townsite of Dolores; that said Certificate has been lost, and that said premises have not been redeemed from said sale, and that no Treasurer's Tax Deed has been issued therefor.

It is ordered by the Board accordingly, that a Certificate of such proof and findings; to-wit: a certified copy of this order, properly attested by the County Clerk of this County under the seal of the County, pursuant to and with the effect of the statute in that behalf, be delivered to said M. H. Ordway as legal owner of said Certificate.

The Clerk was directed to notify R. M. North that complaint has been made that he has failed to move his fence from the West line of the State land held under lease by him, and to move said fence at the earliest date possible.

C. B. Neely presented to the Board a request that additional time be granted him in which to complete his contract for the construction of what is known as the "Chicken Creek Bridge" near the town of Mancos. It appearing to the Board that owing to high water and weather conditions said contractor will be unable to complete said bridge within the time specified in said contract, it was ordered by the Board that he be allowed 30 days additional time in which to complete the same.

OUT WEST PAPER & STATE CO., COLO. SPRINGS, H 5107

The following action was taken by the Board in the matter of the petition of Mrs. A. J. Marshall for a rebate of \$2.00 military poll tax assessed against her in the years 1909 and 1910;

Whereas, The County Commissioners of Montezuma County, State of Colorado, at a duly and lawfully called meeting held on the 1st day of June, 1920, at which meeting there were present Commissioners W. I. Myler, R. B. Dunham and C. B. Kelly, notice of such meeting and an opportunity to be present having been given to the Assessor of said County and said Assessor E. H. Kittell being present, and Whereas, The said County Commissioners have carefully considered the within application and are fully advised in relation thereto, Now Be It Resolved, That said petition be granted as recommended by the County Assessor, subject to the action of the State Tax Commission.

Voting in the affirmative, Commissioners Myler, Dunham and Kelly.

In the matter of the communication of the State County Agent Leader requesting an increase in the salary of County Agent Newsom, the Clerk was directed to write Mr. Lovett that the levy and appropriation made for such project will not permit the Board to increase the salary of the County Agent this year.

There having been presented to the Board, a petition signed by a number of the qualified electors residing within the boundaries of Election Precinct No. 12, praying that a new Election Precinct be formed from a part of said Precinct No. 12; and it appearing to the Board that the formation of such Election Precinct would be for the benefit and convenience of the voters residing within the boundaries of said proposed precinct; and in pursuance of the provisions of Section 2229, Revised Statutes of Colorado, 1908, it is ordered by the Board that an Election Precinct be formed from that part of said Precinct No. 12, bounded and described as follows, to-wit:

Commencing on the County line between Sections 21 and 22 in Township 39 N. R. 18 W. N. M. P. M., thence South on said Section line to intersect Hovenweep Canon at a point near the SE Corner of the NE 1/4 of Section 9, Township 39 N. R. 18 W., thence on the West side of said Canon to approximately the SE Corner of Section 19, Township 36, N. R. 19 W., thence on the Section line to the State line, thence North of the State line to the NW Corner of Montezuma County, thence East to place of beginning.

It was further ordered by the Board that said new Election Precinct shall be known as Election Precinct No. 13, and that the Sylvan School House be designated as the polling place thereof.

It was ordered by the Board that the boundaries of Election Precinct No. 12 be changed to embrace the following described territory, to-wit:

Commencing at the County line between Sections 21 and 22 in Township 39 N. R. 17 W. N. M. P. M., thence South to Yellow Jacket Canon near the SE Corner of Section 9, Township 37 N. R. 17 W., thence on the West side of said Yellow Jacket Canon to a point near the SE Corner of Section 21, Township 36 N. R. 19 W., thence on the East side of Hovenweep Canon in a Northerly direction to a point near the SE Corner of the NE 1/4 of Section 9, Township 36 N. R. 18 W., thence North on said Section line to the County line, thence East on the County line to the place of beginning.

It was further ordered by the Board that the boundaries of Election Precinct No. 11 be changed to embrace the following described territory, to-wit:

Commencing at the County line on the Section line between Sections 21 and 22 in Township 39 N. R. 17 W., thence South to where said Section line intersects Yellow Jacket

Formation  
Election  
Precinct  
No. 13.

Change in  
boundaries  
Precinct  
No. 12.

Change in  
boundaries  
Precinct  
No. 11

bluff on the South side of the Dolores River near the NE Corner of Section 3, Township 38 N. R. 16 W., thence in a Northwesterly direction following said bluff to the County line, thence on the County line to place of beginning.

It was further ordered by the Board that the boundaries of Election Precinct No. 5 be changed to embrace the following described territory, to-wit:

Change in  
boundaries  
of Precinct  
No. 5.

Commencing at the NE Corner of Section 15 in Township 37 N. R. 16 W. N. M. P. M., thence South to the NE Corner of Section 3 in Township 36 N. R. 16 W., thence West on the Township line to the NE Corner of Section 1 in Township 36 N. R. 17 W., thence South on the Section line to the SE Corner of Section 12, Township 36 N. R. 17 W., thence West on the Section line to the intersection with Trail Canon, thence following the center of said Canon to approximately the SE Corner of Section 22 in Township 36 N. R. 17 W., thence West on said Section line to approximately the SE Corner of Section 21 in Township 36 N. R. 19 W., thence following the center of Yellow Jacket Canon to approximately the NE Corner of Section 16 in Township 37 N. R. 17 W., thence East on the Section line to place of beginning.

Change in  
boundaries  
precinct  
No. 8.

It was further ordered by the Board that the boundaries of Election Precinct No. 8 be changed by taking therefrom the following territory, to-wit: Sections 15, 16, 21 and 22 in Township 36 N. R. 17 W. N. M. P. M.

The matter of the viewers report on that certain proposed road in Township 36 N.R. 14 W. N. M. P. M. by J. F. Bauer and others, now coming on for consideration by the Board; and upon examination thereof, the Board finding the same incomplete, it was ordered by the Board that the same be returned to said viewers for completion.

The Deed executed by M. W. Reid to Montezuma County for a road right-of-way through his land in Section 23, Township 36 N. R. 13 W. N. M. P. M., was accepted by the Board and ordered recorded.

It was ordered by the Board that the boundaries of Election Precinct No. 7 be changed by taking therefrom the following described territory, to-wit:

Change in  
boundaries  
Precinct  
No. 7.

Commencing at the NE Corner of Section 5 in Township 36 N. R. 17 W. N. M. P. M., thence West on the Township line to the Colorado-Utah State line, thence South on said State line to the SW Corner of Section 22, Township 36 N. R. 20 W., thence East on the Section line to the SE Corner of Section 20, Township 36 N. R. 17 W., thence North on the Section line to place of beginning.

The Board then adjourned until the following day.

Attest;

*Samuel M. Burke*  
Clerk.

*J. S. Gaylor*  
Chairman.

The Board of County Commissioners of Montezuma County, Colorado, met as a Board of Equalization for the equalization and adjustment of the assessments among the several tax payers of the County, for the year 1920, and for the transaction of any other county business that may properly come before the Board, this 7th day of September, 1920, pursuant to adjournment from August 4th, 1920.

There were present:

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

Minutes read

The minutes of the meeting of the Board of August 2nd, 3rd and 4th, 1920, were read and approved.

Board proceeds with examination of a number of schedules, adjourned as a Board of Equalization at 11:00 A. M. and went into regular session.

The Board proceeds with its duties as a Board of Equalization, and after the examination of a number of schedules, adjourned as a Board of Equalization at 11:00 A. M. and went into regular session.

Settlement with B. Neeley hicken Creek Bdge.

Advertisement having heretofore been made that the Board would, on this day and at this hour, make final settlement with C. B. Neeley under his contract with this Board of date of April 5th, 1920, for the construction of a bridge over Chicken Creek about one half mile West of the Town of Mancos on State Primary Road No. 14; the Board now proceeds with such settlement; and it appearing from proofs of publication of notice of such settlement on file with the County Clerk, that due notice of such settlement has been given as by law provided, the Board proceeds to ascertain the amount due under said contract, and finds that the total amount paid to date on said contract is \$3825.00; that there remains unpaid the sum of \$675.00; that said contractor has filed with the Clerk his affidavit that all sums for labor performed and materials used under said contract have been paid; and no person or persons having filed their claim or claims as provided by law, it was ordered by the Board that a warrant be drawn on the Road Fund of the County in favor of said contractor in the sum of \$675.00 in full and final settlement under said contract.

Resignation Lola Taylor County Supt. accepted.

The resignation of Lola Taylor as County Superintendent of Schools was presented to the Board, and upon due consideration, it was ordered by the Board that said resignation be accepted to take effect on this date.

Appointment Nora S. Hutchings County Superintendent Schools.

There being a vacancy in the office of County Superintendent of Schools of this County caused by the resignation of Lola Taylor, the matter of appointment of a Superintendent of Schools to fill such vacancy was taken up, and the Board proceeds to consider the applications on file with the Clerk, there being four in number; that of the following named persons; Nora S. Hutchings, Mrs. E. Florence Wilson, Mrs. Grace Shaffstall and D. M. Longenbaugh. Upon careful consideration of said applications, it was moved by Commissioner Kelly, seconded by Commissioner Dunham that Nora S. Hutchings be appointed Superintendent of Schools to fill such vacancy. Said appointment to take effect upon the filing and approval of her Bond. All Commissioners voting affirmatively thereon.

Application to State Highway Commission for additional appropriation for repair of Dolores River Bdge.

Whereas, through casualty unforeseen at the time of making estimates for maintenance of State Highways for the year 1920, an unexpected expense of over \$6500.00, including incidental force account work, has been increased in the repair of the 200 foot span steel bridge on State Highway No. 45 over the Dolores river about one and one-half miles west of the Town of Dolores, in this County; and the contract for the repair of the same has been let and the same has been approved by the State Highway Commission; and the appropriations and levy made for State and County road and bridge expenses for the current year will not be more than sufficient to cover the same exclusive of such repair of said bridge,

Commission on said State Highway No. 45 is only \$1000.00, and will be less than one-half of the expense of such maintenance exclusive of such repair of said bridge.

Resolved that application be and is hereby made to the State Highway Commission for an additional appropriation of \$3250.00 to apply on such repair of said bridge.

It is ordered by the Board that the Clerk mail to said State Highway Commission and Mr. Fred F. Goble, a copy of this order.

This being the day for receiving proposals for the construction of a bridge over McElmo Creek about one and one half miles south of the Town of Cortez; and it appearing that due notice has been published in that connection as provided by law, and the hour named in said notice having arrived, the Board proceeds to open and consider any such proposals; and it appearing that the Monarch Engineering Company of Denver, Colorado, has filed their proposal for such bridge construction according to the plans and specifications on file in the office of the County Clerk of this county, for the sum of \$6282.00; construction to be commenced by October 20th, 1920, and to be completed by December 1st, 1920. And said contractor having<sup>filed</sup> with the Clerk its certified check for \$ 750.00 with said proposal; and said proposal being the only one received, and the Board having carefully considered the same, it was ordered by the Board that said proposal be accepted; provided, however, that said contractors give bond in the penal sum of \$3200.00 for the faithful performance of its contract, and the further bond in like amount as provided by Chapter 135 Session Laws of Colorado, 1915; said bonds to be approved by the Chairman of Board prior to time of commencement on said contract.

The report of the viewers on the petitions of T. G. Smith, Mina Cherry and others, W. R. Lewis and others, Mrs. Terenzio Gai and others, Dan Lee and others, and J.W. Hadley and others for a road in Townships 38, and 39 in Ranges 17 and 18 W.N.M.P.M., coming up for consideration, and it appearing to the Board that the same was not sufficient, it was ordered that said report be again referred to said viewers for completion.

Attest:

*Samuel M. Burke*  
Clerk.

*H. P. Goble*  
Chairman.

Contract  
with Monar-  
ch Engineer-  
ing Co. for  
Construction  
McElmo Ck.  
Bridge.

The Board of County Commissioners of Montezuma County, Colorado, met in regular session this 4th day of October, 1920.

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

The minutes of the meeting of September 7th, 8th, 9th, 10th, 11th, 13th, 14th, 15th, 21st and 22nd, 1920, were read and approved.

Whereas, The Colorado Tax Commission, in accordance with law, has transmitted to the County Clerk, its statement of the valuations placed on the following companies doing business in the County of Montezuma for the year 1920, as follows, to-wit:

	Miles	Assessed valuation per mile	Total valuation
Rio Grande Southern R. R.	62.69	\$12,346.00	\$773,980.00
American Express Company,	62.69	164.90	10,340.00
Montezuma County Telephone Co.	526.40	37.56	19,770.00
Mountain States Tel. & Telg. Co.	162.00	41.66	6,750.00
Western Union Telg. Co.	60.59	110.73	6,710.00
Montezuma Electric Co.			5,000.00

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, declared and ordered by the Board of County Commissioners of Montezuma County, Colorado, that the mileage of the Rio Grande Southern Railroad Company having a total length of 62.69 miles, and the assessment against the same for the year 1920 of \$12,346.00 per mile, making a total valuation of \$773,980.00 be apportioned among the several School Districts and Municipalities through which said line passes, as follows, to-wit:

School District No.	Miles	Rate per mile	Total valuation
4	7.1	\$12,346.00	\$87,660.00
"	6	"	122,225.00
"	10	"	58,030.00
"	14	"	70,375.00
"	16	"	164,695.00
"	17	"	100,620.00
"	20	"	64,200.00
"	22	"	106,175.00
Town of Mancos,	1 1/8	"	13,890.00
Town of Dolores,	.9	"	11,110.00

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, declared and ordered by the Board of County Commissioners of Montezuma County, Colorado, that the mileage of The Mountain States Tel. & Telg. Co., having a total length in the County of 162 miles and the assessment of against the same for the year 1920 of \$41.66 per mile, making a total valuation of \$6,750.00, be apportioned among the several School Districts and Municipalities through which said line passes, as follows, to-wit:

School District No.	Miles	Rate per mile	Total valuation
17	53	\$41.66	2,208.00
"	6 1/2	"	4,542.00
Town of Mancos,	61	"	2,542.00

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, declared and ordered by the Board of County Commissioners of Montezuma County, Colorado, that the mileage of the American Railway Express Company having a total mileage or length in the County of 62.69 miles, and the assessment against the same for the year 1920 of \$164.90 per mile, making a total valuation of \$10,340.00, be apportioned among the several School Districts and Municipalities through which said line passes, as follows, to-wit:

School District No.	Miles	Rate per mile	Total valuation
4	7.1	\$164.90	1,171.00
"	6	"	1,633.00
"	10	"	775.00
"	14	"	940.00
"	16	"	2,200.00
"	17	"	1,344.00
"	20	"	858.00
"	22	"	1,419.00
Mancos Town	1 1/8	"	186.00
Dolores Town	.9	"	148.00



GUY WEAVER PRINTING &amp; STATIONERY CO., COLORADO SPRINGS, CO., U.S.A.

BE IT FURTHER declared and ordered by the Board of County Commissioners of Montezuma County, Colorado, that the Montezuma County Telephone Company having a total length in the County of 526.40 miles, and the assessment against the same for the year 1920, of \$37.56 per mile making a total valuation of \$19,770. be apportioned among the several School Districts and Municipalities through which said line passes, as follows, to-wit:

School District No.	Miles	Rate per mile	Total Valuation
1	139.4	\$37.56	\$ 5,235.70
" " " 2	42.	" "	1,577.40
" " " 3	32.	" "	1,201.70
" " " 4	89.	" "	3,342.70
" " " 5	82.	" "	2,328.50
" " " 6	47.	" "	1,765.30
" " " 7	16.	" "	600.70
" " " 8	44.	" "	1,652.50
" " " 9	20.	" "	751.20
" " " 12	12.	" "	450.60
" " " 13	8.	" "	300.50
" " " 15	10.	" "	375.60
" " " 22	5.	" "	187.60
Town of Cortez,	25.	" "	939.00
Town of Dolores	26.	" "	976.00

BE IT FURTHER declared and ordered by the Board of County Commissioners of Montezuma County, Colorado, that the mileage of the Western Union Telegraph Company having a total length of 60.53 miles, and the assessment against the same for the year 1920 of \$110.73 per mile making a total valuation of \$6,710. be apportioned among the several School Districts and Municipalities through which said line passes, as follows, to-wit:

School District No.	Miles	Rate per mile	Total Valuation
4	7.	\$110.73	\$ 775.10
" " " 6	9.8	" "	1,040.80
" " " 10	4.4	" "	487.20
" " " 14	5.4	" "	597.90
" " " 16	13.	" "	1,439.50
" " " 17	5.	" "	553.60
" " " 20	5.	" "	553.60
" " " 22	8.4	" "	930.10
Town of Mancos	1 1/8	" "	125.00
Town of Dolores	.9	" "	100.00

BE IT FURTHER declared and ordered by the Board of County Commissioners of Montezuma County, Colorado, that the Montezuma Electric Company having a total valuation of \$5,000. be apportioned to the Town of Mancos and the School District No. 6, as follows, to-wit:

Town of Mancos,	5,000.
School District No. 6,	5,000.

The County Treasurer having certified to the Board that he has paid Bond 54 of the Montezuma County Refunding Bonds dated June 1st, 1901, in the amount of \$500.00 and presents the same to the Board with the remaining coupons, there being one in number thereto attached, for cancellation, the Board proceeds to cancel said bond and coupons as provided by law, and the same having been duly cancelled accordingly, it was ordered by the Board that record of such cancellation upon the record of said Bond in the office of the County Clerk.

John Lill having filed with the clerk his affidavit that Warrant No. 7318 drawn on the Road Fund of the County on September 10th, 1920, in the amount of \$228.00, has been lost, and that he has not received payment thereon; and the said affiant having filed in the office of the County Clerk an indemnifying bond in the sum of \$456.00, being twice the amount of said lost warrant, as provided by law, to leave harmless and indemnify the said Montezuma County against all persons on account of said warrant, it was thereupon ordered by the Board that the Clerk be, and he is hereby authorized and directed to issue a duplicate of said warrant on said road fund in favor of said John Lill in the sum of \$228.00, accordingly.

The monthly reports of the County Treasurer for the months of July and August, 1920,

Bond 54  
cancelled

Duplicate  
warrant  
issued in  
lieu of  
warrant  
7318 lost.

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W. H. Cofield, Esq., representing the Estate of W. N. Mitchell, presented to the Board an application to purchase tax sale certificate No. 2214 covering the 1908 tax assessed against Lot 4, in Section 4, Township 36 N. R. 15 W. N. M. P. M., in the name of J. A. Morrison, said certificate now being held by the County, and said real estate now belonging to said estate; agreeing to pay therefor, to-wit: One Dollar for the year 1908, and the necessary certificate fees; for the years 1909, 1911 and 1912, the amount of the flat tax; and for the year 1913 and subsequent years, the taxes in full with the statutory rate of interest. The 1910 taxes having been paid.

Tax Sale No. 2214 sold to Estate of W.N. Mitchell

Upon due consideration of said offer, the Board deeming the acceptance of the same for the best interests of the County, it was ordered by the Board that said offer be accepted; that said tax sale certificate be assigned to said applicant upon the payments offered, provided that he tenders such payments to the County Treasurer within 30 days from this date.

Bounty Fund

It was ordered by the Board that a warrant be drawn on the Bounty Fund in favor of Charles R. Smith to cover bounties paid by him during the period ending October 1st, 1920.

Petition for Ackmen (State) Road granted and road ordered opened to travel.

The petition of T. G. Smith, Mina Cherry, et al, W. R. Lewis, et al, Mrs. Terenzio Gai et al, Dan Lee et al and J. W. Hadley et al, for a road in Township 38 N. R. 17 W. Township 39 N. R. 17 W., and Township 39 N. R. 18 W. N. M. P. M., and the viewers report thereon, now coming on for consideration; said viewers report having been filed August 21, 1920, and referred back to said viewers for completion on September 7th, 1920. It is now ordered by the Board that said report be approved and said road <sup>established</sup> opened to travel and notices be posted as provided by law.

Petition of W. Ebbert et als for road in Tp 37 R. 16 granted.

The matter of the petition of Wilson Ebbert and others for a county road in Twp. 37 N. R. 16 W. N. M. P. M., now coming on for consideration of the Board; and the Board finding that said petition is in due form of law; that the same is signed by at least 10 freeholders residing within two miles of the road sought be laid out; that said petition bears the signatures of all owners of lands through which said proposed line of road passes; that no one has filed his objection to the opening of said road; it was ordered by the Board that said petition be granted and said road <sup>established and</sup> opened to travel, and that notices be posted accordingly.

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

Voucher No.	Payee	O. C. R. Fund.	Amount.
18419	C. A. Frederick,	Printing	5.00
18431	Edna Hickman	Salary Dep. Clerk Co. Court	41.67
18430	H. Brigham, Jr.	Clerical Assistance	82.50
18428	Bozman A. L. & Garage	a/c Elec. Plant	8.88
18426	Mon. Val. Nat'l. Bank	Order Peters	38.25
18429	Mon. Co. Tele. Co.	Rent and Calls	28.67
18423	C. R. Hickman	Salary Co. Judge	100.00
18421	C. L. Frederick	Mtl. Elec. Booths	3.62
18418	Richard Baker	Sal. Baliff Dist, Court	7.50
18420	J. M. Brumley	Canvass Elec. Returns	5.00
18458	E. M. Piant	Coal for Court House	89.22
18453	E. A. Ritter	Salary Under Sheriff	66.66
18467	Mon. Val. Natl. Bank	Office Rent. Co. Agent	14.00
18444	Frank Philley	Janitor	35.00
18443	Frank Philley	Salary Sheriff	141.66
18469	E. H. Kittell	Salary and Expenses	140.34
18462	C. R. Smith	Salary Co. Treas.	141.67
18466	Mon. Val. Nat'l. Bank	Order Peters	32.00
18464	J. M. Brumley	Salary Clerk Dist, Court	100.00
18461	Iris Jingles	Clerical Assistance	66.66
18457	G. F. Newsom	Salary and Exp. Co. Agent	136.64
18460	C. A. Frederick	Printing	27.53
18463	Helen E. Smith	Clerical Assistance	100.00
18413	Sundry Persons	Election Salaries	60.60
18406	" "	" "	45.60
18412	" "	" "	47.90

## O.C.R. Fund Cont'd.

Voucher No.	Payee	For	Amount
18414	Sundry Persons	Election Salaries	49.00
18417	" "	" "	58.00
18416	" "	" "	55.00
18407	" "	" "	63.60
18411	" "	" "	52.20
18410	" "	" "	63.06
18409	" "	" "	68.45
18405	" "	" "	52.20
18408	" "	" "	78.10
18404	Clifford Alley	Delivery Ballot Boxes	20.00
18400	Billie Smith	" "	15.00
18438	F. H. Wagner	Installing Booths	10.00
18402	A. C. Kittell	Delivery Ballot Boxes	6.00
18425	Geo. W. Lane	Salary Dist. Atty. Jul-Aug-Sept	141.35
18437	M & E. Jackson	Poor Fund	
		Sup. Wolf	35.00
18453	T.H. Akin Merc.Co.	Sup. for poor	15.40
18440	Mercy Hospital	Care of Doiel	72.90
18454	T.H. Akin Merc. Co.	Sup. Adams	2.25
18451	Piccone-McGreger Co.	Sup. Myers	9.60
18427	P.T.Guillet & Co.	Sup. for poor	2.95

The Board then adjourned until the following day.

Attest: *James M. Banks*  
Clerk.

*J. P. Apple*  
Chairman

The Board of County Commissioners of Montezuma County, Colorado, met in Special Session this 1st day of November, 1920.

There were present,

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

This meeting was called for the purpose of taking further action in the matter of the resolution of this Board, at a meeting held March 9, 1920, in connection with the transfer of the outstanding tax sale certificates on lands included in The Montezuma Valley Irrigation District, when the following resolution was passed;

Commissioner Dunham moved the adoption of the following resolution;

That November 1st, 1920, the time provided by resolution of the Board at its meeting of March 9th, 1920, touching matter of sale or adjustment of taxes and tax sale certificates and other matters as provided by said resolution, be and the same is hereby extended to December 1st, 1920, which resolution is adopted, all members voting in favor thereof.

Thereupon Commissioner Kelly moved the adoption of the following resolution;

Be It Resolved, in connection with the transfer of all right, title and interest of the Montezuma Valley Irrigation District in and to all outstanding tax sale certificates whether held by the County or District, and subsequent taxes on the lands included in said certificates as to the Irrigation District taxes, that the County Treasurer is hereby authorized and directed to endorse upon all tax sale certificates issued to the County or District in which are included Irrigation District taxes, the subsequent Irrigation District taxes on the lands covered by said certificates, upon and at the request of the said The Farm Lands Securities Company. Said endorsement to be made as of Aug. 1st of the year in which the taxes become payable.

And that said County Treasurer be and is hereby authorized to attach to all tax sale certificates, issued either to the County or to the District, the assignment to The Farm Lands Securities Company, of all of right, title and interest of said District therein, as to the District taxes included therein.

That the said County Treasurer as District Treasurer (and his successor or successors in office as County Treasurer) are hereby directed upon subsequent payment of any Irrigation District taxes by any land owner or land owners to transfer the avails from said payments by endorsement or otherwise, to said The Farm Lands Securities Company; and in case of any delinquent Irrigation District taxes carried upon the books of the Treasurer which for any reason have not gone to tax sale (if not paid and avails turned over to said Company) then, upon a sale thereof for taxes the Treasurer is instructed to transfer and deliver the avails from said sale or sales to said Company; and in event of any such delinquent Irrigation District taxes so carried on the books of the Treasurer delinquent and unsold, (there being no outstanding tax sale certificates for prior taxes on the same land); the said taxes so carried unsold (other than Irrigation District taxes to be abated as provided in the following paragraph), shall upon the request or direction of said Company be entered as "abated" by the Treasurer.

That the County Treasurer as "District Treasurer" be and hereby is directed to enter upon his books as abated all Montezuma Valley Irrigation District taxes payable during the year 1920, for all purposes other than maintenance, and he is further instructed to refund to all land owners all Irrigation District taxes payable during the year 1920, other than for "maintenance" which have been paid by owners of lands within the District.

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taken this day by the Board of Directors of The Montezuma Valley Irrigation District under and in accordance with the provisions of the decree of the District Court providing for the dissolution of the Montezuma Valley Irrigation District.

Pursuant to the order of this Board of April 5th, 1920, in regard to the proposition of The Farm Lands Securities Company in the matter of water right for the Southeast Quarter, Section eight, Township thirty-five, N.R. sixteen, W.N.M.P.M. the same being the County Poor Farm; it appearing to the Board that said The Farm Lands Securities Company is now in position to carry into effect its part of the terms of agreement, it was ordered by the Board that said Company be paid in that connection the sum of \$3802.40 in the following manner; to-wit; A warrant on the Poor Fund of the County in the sum of \$1000.00, the balance of \$2802.40 in certificates of indebtedness of the following denominations; three (3) for \$700.00 each and one (1) for \$702.40, said certificates of indebtedness to draw interest at the rate of six (6) per cent per annum from date until paid.

The Board then adjourned.

Attest; *James M. Burke*  
Clerk.

*J. H. Taylor*  
Chairman.

The Board of County Commissioners of Montezuma County, Colorado, met pursuant to adjournment, this 8th day of November, 1920;

There were present:

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

The minutes of the meeting of October 4th, 5th, 12th, 18th, and November 1st, 1920, were read and approved.

G. C. Harrison presented to the Board an application to purchase tax sale certificate No. 2790 covering the 1910 taxes on the NE $\frac{1}{4}$  of Section 30, Township 36 N.R. 15 W. N.M.P.M., assessed for said year in the name of H. P. McCann, and now belonging to the applicant, agreeing to pay therefor the sum of \$1.00 and the necessary certificate fees; and in settlement of the taxes for subsequent years, agreeing to pay the amount of the flat tax, excepting for the year 1919 which is to be paid in full with the statutory rate of interest.

It appearing to the Board after careful 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 offer be accepted; that said tax sale certificate be assigned to said applicant upon the payments offered, provided, however, that he tenders to the County Treasurer all such payments within 30 days from this date.

It appearing to the Board that there is now in the Interest on Refunding Bonds Fund \$343.98 in excess of the amount necessary to meet the payment of interest on such bonds, it was ordered by the Board that the County Treasurer be, and he is hereby authorized and directed to transfer said sum of \$343.98 to the Bond Redemption Fund of the County, upon the books of his office.

The County Treasurer having advised that he has received from the State Treasurer the sum of \$2760.31 due the County account of the Forest Reserve Fund, it was ordered by the Board that said amount be apportioned as follows: 95% to the General Road Fund and 5% to the General School Fund; and that the Treasurer be instructed to make such appropriations accordingly.

It was ordered by the Board that the Clerk notify the Railroad Red Book at Denver that owing to the condition of the County finances, it will be necessary to discontinue the advertisement of the County now being carried in said book after December 1st, 1920.

In the matter of taxes on the "Artell Genthner" land, it appearing that due to errors in description and joint assessment of non-contiguous tracts, the taxes as assessed are uncollectible by sale for taxes; and the owner of said tract having offered to pay the flat tax as shown on the books of the County Treasurer in full of all taxes against said land up to and including the 1919 taxes, and that the acceptance of said offer would produce the same amount as the cancellation of said erroneously assessed taxes; it is ordered by the Board that the Treasurer be authorized to accept said offer.

In the matter of the Road Viewers report on proposed public highway in Tp. 36 N.R. 13 W.N.M.P.M., upon the petition of A.F. Hallford and others, which petition was filed with the County Clerk July 22, 1920; said report having been considered at the meeting of this Board on September 9, 1920, meeting of the Board next after November 1; and The Bert Brown Market & Live Stock Company at said meeting having agreed to accept \$650.00 in lieu of the amount of damages allowed said Company by said viewers in said report, and to clear the right-of-way for said road by Nov. 1, 1920; and tender deed therefor to the

Tax Sale  
No. 2790  
sold to  
G. C. Harrison.

\$343.98  
transferred  
from Bond  
Int. fund to  
Bond Remptn.  
Fund.

Forest Res.  
Fund appor-  
tioned to  
Road and  
Genl. Sch.  
Fund.

Order to  
discontinue  
ad in R.R.  
Red Book.

In matter  
of taxes  
on Genthner  
land.

Viewers rept.  
on road  
petitioned  
for in Tp. 36  
N.R. 13, allowed  
and ordered  
opened.  
Extension of  
time given

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Stock Company having filed with the Clerk their application for 60 days extension of time for the opening of said road, and the clearing of said right of way and tender of deed, and no one appearing and objecting to such extension; it is ordered that said report be approved and accepted, and said road established as a public highway of the County; and that the said extension be granted as requested by said The Bert Brown Mar and Live Stock Company, and that said road be opened for travel from and after 60 days from this date, and that notices be given accordingly, as provided by law, and that sa report be recorded.

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:

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 1921:

District Court.....	\$ 5000.00
County Court.....	2000.00
Justice Court.....	300.00
Court House.....	1800.00
Janitor.....	500.00
Water Commissioner.....	300.00
County Agriculturalist, Bee Inspector, Pest Inspector, County Horticulturalist.....	2500.00
County Treasurer.....	4200.00
County Sheriff.....	3000.00
County Coroner.....	200.00
County Superintendent of Schools.....	1400.00
County Clerk & Recorder.....	5400.00
County Commissioners.....	3000.00
County Attorney.....	900.00
Printing & Stationery.....	2000.00
Advertising.....	500.00
Redemption Funding Bonds.....	1600.00
Contingent Fund.....	3500.00
Poor Fund.....	7500.00
Workmen's Compensation.....	250.00
Blind Benefit.....	750.00
County Assessor.....	3500.00
Road Fund.....	46872.00
Bounty Fund.....	700.00

Advertisement having heretofore been made that the Board would on this date and a this hour meet at the Court House in Cortez, for the purpose of making final settlement with the Monarch Engineering Company of Denver, Colorado, for the repair and restoration of the 200 foot steel span Steel Bridge over the Dolores River west of the Town of Dol Colorado; and the Board finding that said work has been completed according to the pla and specifications therefor; that said contractors have filed with the Clerk its affi as provided by law, that all claims for labor performed and materials used under said contract have been paid in full; that no person or persons have filed any claims of cl in connection with said contract; the Board proceeds to ascertain the amount still owi said contractors under said contract, and it appearing to the Board that there is due the sum of \$617.78, being 15% of the contract price, it was ordered by the Board that certificate of indebtedness be issued for said amount in full and final settlement of said contract.

Final settlement with Monarch Engineering Company for repair of 200 foot span steel bridge over Dolores River.

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

Claims allowed.

Claim No.	Payee	Poor Fund.	Amount
18549	Lipscomb Mer. Co.	Supplies	2.20
18596	J. D. Lamb,	Care John Ferrin, Aug.Sept.Oct.1920.,	60.00
18546	Wm Roessler,	Supplies for Bell,	18.00
18596	M & E. Jackson,	" " Wolf,	35.00
18517	Akin Mer. Co.,	" " Berg,	16.25
18516	" " "	" " Adams,	6.50
18552	H. T. Thomas,	Board Lowry,	25.00
18553	W. J. Moffitt,	Supplies for the Poor,	.65
			18.00

Claim No.	Payee	Claims allowed O. C. R. Fund. For	Amount.
18553	W. J. Moffitt,	Supplies acct. quarantine,	13.45

The following claims filed against the ROAD FUND of the County were allowed and Certificates of Indebtedness ordered issued therefor; there being no funds available in said fund to pay the same:

Claim No.	Payee	For	Amount.
18588	Garbarino Brothers,	Lumber,	63.00
18599	A. K. Sgar,	Dragging,	24.00
18600	Harris Brothers Mer. Co.,	Supplies,	.85
18548	H. T. Thomas,	Dragging,	19.50
17284	George W. Skoog,	Survey,	15.00
18216	James L. Byers,	Riprapping,	36.00
18559	Kelly Garage,	Truck supplies,	79.97
18547	Montezuma Valley Nat. Bank,	Order Monarch Engineering Co., Final payment on 200 span steel bridge contract,	617.78

The Board then adjourned until the following day.

Attest: *James M. Bandy*  
Clerk.

*J. P. Taylor*  
Chairman.



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The Board of County Commissioners of Montezuma County, Colorado, met pursuant to adjournment this 6th day of December, 1920.

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

The minutes of the meeting of November 8th, 9th, 10th and 11th, 1920, were read and approved by the Board.

The matter of making tax levies for School Districts Nos. 3, 4, 6, 8, 21, 23 and 25 against the assessed valuations of said Districts for the year 1920, having been deferred to this day, it is ordered that the following levies be, and the same are hereby made accordingly:

District No.	Special	Interest on Bonds	Redemption	Total Mills
3	8.9 Mills			8.9
4	19.58 "	.5 Mills		20.08
6	19.5 "	.5 "		20.
8	9.9 "	.9 "		10.8
21	14.9 "			14.9
23	14.8 "			14.8
25	11.4 "	2. "		13.4

The following resolution was passed in relation to the petition of Thomas Lewis for a rebate of \$36.05 1915 taxes on 500 head of sheep; said sheep having been brought into the county after April 1st, in said year:

Whereas, the Board of County Commissioners of Montezuma County, State of Colorado, at an adjourned meeting held on the 6th day of December, 1920, at which meeting there were present Commissioners Myler, Dunham and Kelly, notice of such meeting and an opportunity to be present having been given to the Assessor of said County, and said Assessor E. H. Kittell having been present, and Whereas, the County Commissioners have carefully considered the within application and are fully advised in relation thereto, Now Be It Resolved that said petition be granted as recommended by the County Assessor, subject, however, to the action of the State Tax Commission. Voting in the affirmative, Commissioners Myler, Dunham and Kelly.

The Butcher Bond of R. W. Magarrell was approved by the Board, and ordered filed in the office of the County Clerk.

The Official Bonds of Hugo Weston, Lester Dow, E. L. Wilber, F. C. Ames and Nora S. Hutchings were approved by the Board and ordered recorded.

The Monthly Reports of the County Treasurer, County Judge, Sheriff and County Clerk were audited and approved by the Board.

It was ordered by the Board that the Clerk advertise for Stationery Proposals for the year 1921. Said bids or proposals to be received up to 2 o'clock P.M., January 11, 1921. The Board reserving the right to reject any or all bids.

J. W. Richards presented to the Board an application to purchase tax sale certificate No. 3037 now held by the County, and covering the 1912 taxes assessed against the S $\frac{1}{2}$  of the NE $\frac{1}{4}$  of Sec. 7 in Township 36 N. R. 16 W.N.M.P.M., in the name of the applicant owner of said tract; agreeing to pay therefor the sum of \$1.00 and the necessary certificate fees, and at the same time to pay all subsequent taxes on said land, in full, with interest at the statutory rate.

It appearing to the Board after due consideration of the said application 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; that said tax sale certificate be assigned to said applicant upon the payment of the sum offered, provided, however, that all such sums be

School levies made.

Petition of Thos. Lewis for rebate of 1915 taxes.

Butcher Bond of Magarrell approved.

Official Bonds approved.

Mc. Reports audited & approved.

Stationery proposals.

Tax Sale Certificate No. 3037 sold to J.W. Richards.

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Tax sale Certificate 4465 sold to Laura E. Smith.

Laura E. Smith presented to the Board an application to purchase tax sale certificate No. 4465 covering the 1913 taxes assessed against Lots 10, 11 and 12, Block 7, Coffin's Addition to Cortez, in the name of Ada Robson, agreeing to pay therefor the sum of \$1.00 together with the necessary certificate fees, and at the same time to pay all subsequent taxes in full at the statutory rate of interest.

Upon due consideration of said offer, the Board deeming the acceptance of the same for the best interests of the County, it was ordered by the Board that the same be accepted; that said tax sale certificate be assigned to said applicant upon the payment of the sums offered, provided that all such sums be tendered the County Treasurer within 30 days from this date.

Additional time allowed I.O. Miller to take up T.S. 4138 & 4470

I. O. Miller having made request that additional time be granted him in which to take up tax sale certificates Nos. 4138 and 4470 purchased by him of this Board on November 10th, 1920; and the Board having considered said request, it was ordered that said purchaser be allowed to-wit: until January 1st, 1921, in which to take up said certificates.

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

Claim No.	Payee	O. C. R. Fund.	Amount.
18677	H. C. Lefurgey,	Health officer,	150.00
18643	C. A. Frederick,	Canvassing vote,	5.00
18666	Iris Gingles,	Clerical assistant Assessor's office,	66.66
18667	J. M. Brumley,	Salary Clerk Dist. Court,	100.00
18664	E. H. Kittell,	" & expense Co. Assessor,	148.33
18652	E. A. Ritter,	" Undersheriff,	66.66
18651	Frank Philley,	" Janitor,	35.00
18656	Tom Duncan,	" Clerical assistant, Co. Clk's Ofc.	52.00
18660	Guy G. Adams,	" " " Treas. ofc.	84.00
18658	E. W. Small,	Care Light plant & repairs,	24.02
18662	C. E. Noland,	Rent polling place,	20.00
18648	J. V. West,	Delivery Ballot Box,	10.00
18649	H. L. Owens,	Clerical asst. Treas. Office,	64.00
18644	J. M. Brumley,	Canvassing vote,	5.00
18683	Mrs. Chas. Miller,	Wood C. H.	10.00
18642	Cut West P & S. Co.,	Supplies,	42.42
18650	Frank Philley,	Salary Sheriff,	141.63
18673	E. Florence Wilson,	" Dep Co. Supt.,	5.00
18676	H. Brigham, Jr.,	" Clerical asst. Co. Clerks Ofc.	136.00
18678	R. R. Red Book,	Advertising,	14.00
18645	Montezuma Telephone Co.,	Rent and calls,	32.50
18682	Laura Kiley,	Clerical asst. Co. Clerks Office,	31.20
18689	Jesse H. Robinson,	Removing dead cow from river,	5.00
18692	Helen E. Smith,	Clerical asst. Treas. Office,	100.00
18691	Chas. R. Smith,	Salary Co. Treasurer,	141.67
18698	Edna Hickman,	" Dep. Clk. Co. Court,	41.66
18697	C. R. Hickman,	" County Judge,	100.00
18696	Nora S. Hutchings,	" Co. Supt. & mileage,	92.87
18690	M.V.N. Bank,	Rent office of Co. Agent,	14.00
18695	M.V.N. Bank,	Order E.D. Peters, Ct. Stenographer,	32.00
18701	L. W. Winklepleck,	Distributing poisoned grain,	8.00
18702	Mrs. Eva Miller,	" " "	8.80
18700	G. T. Milligan,	" " "	16.00
18679	Cut West P & S. Co.,	Stationery, Election supplies, etc.,	257.97
18708	S. W. Carpenter,	Salary County Atty.,	75.00
18699	G. P. Newsom,	" & expense Co. Agent,	173.33
18669	Geo. W. Lane,	Expense Dist. Atty.,	144.95
18674	C. A. Frederick,	Printing & Staty.,	49.63
18720	W. I. Myler,	Salary Co. Commissioner, & expense,	66.13
18718	R. B. Dunham,	" " " "	72.33
18719	C. B. Kelly,	" " " "	74.33

The Board then adjourned until the following day.

Attest: Samuel M. Burky  
Clerk.

R. B. Dunham  
Chairman.