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Commissioners' Proceedings.

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finer and costs collected during months of October and November, 1908, received, showing total amount of \$188 15, which, after examination, was approved by the board.

Petition of W. W. Carlton, Chas. Carlton et al for a public road: Beginning at the nw corner of the sec 9 tp 35 s rge 40 e, thence run w to the nw corner of the sw 1/4 of the sec 1 of said section, township and range, thence run in a straight line to Five-mile grade, thence following the present road to the west fork of Ten-mile creek; thence by the most direct and practicable route to connect at Camp Cypress with the Fort Pierce and Basinger road, said proposed road to be made 30 feet wide; received, and G. S. Tucker, R. A. Clyatt and H. F. Bell are appointed a committee to view, mark and survey said road and report to this board at its next regular meeting.

On motion, the F. E. C. Ry. Co. was requested to put in a crossing at Rio between the station and the end of the sidetrack, and the clerk is instructed to send a copy of this motion to the said F. E. C. Ry. Co.

On motion, final insolvent list submitted by tax collector, amounting to \$329.70, after examination by the board is accepted.

Report of J. E. Fultz, clerk, received showing tax sale certificates redeemed and purchased during the month of November, amounting to \$6.20.

Reports and cost bills for the months of October-November, 1908, by county judge, received.

Report of Jno. H. Wynn, treasurer, received, showing balances on hand on Nov. 30.

Total of all.....	\$12,113 93
General fund.....	1,545 57
Fine and Forfeiture.....	511 24
Courty School.....	2,000 52
Special School, state aid.....	277 15
Road and Bridge.....	847 80
Building Fund.....	3,477 56
Special Road, Total.....	3,454 19
Special, Dist. No. 1.....	1,214 50
" " No. 2.....	378 87
" " No. 3.....	276 09
" " No. 4.....	1,076 21
" " No. 5.....	508 52

On motion of C. H. Edwards (P. Kroegel being in the chair), the following resolution was adopted:

Resolved, That the sum of \$300.00 be appropriated from the General fund for the purpose of making a county exhibit at the Jacksonville, Fla., exposition, to be held in Jacksonville from Jan. 20, 1908, to March 20, 1909, to be used in connection with money raised by the board of trade of Fort Pierce, and that the amount be turned over to said board of trade to be expended by a committee of said board, and that said committee render a complete statement of expenditures to the county commissioners, and it is further

Resolved, That K. B. Raulerson be appointed commissioner to represent the county.

On motion, an agreement is entered into with J. T. Jones, of Tantie, Fla., to build two bridges across Taylors creek, at Tantie, Fla., on the Fort Pierce and Tantie road, and also a corduroy road from one side of the creek swamp to the other. Large bridge to be 200 feet long and 12 feet wide. Small bridge to be 30 feet long and 12 feet wide, for which said J. T. Jones is to receive \$600, when bridges and corduroy are completed. Time allowed for completion, 90 days from date of contract.

No legal protest having been filed against the establishment of same, on the following described road a public road and ordered beginning at the public

road in front of Seab Jones' place, running east 2 degrees, south 21 chains, north 15 degrees, east 10 chains, north 16 chains and 60 links along said west line of SE 1/4 of NW 1/4 Sec. 13, Tp. 33, range 39 E.

No legal protest having been filed against the establishment of same, on motion the following described road was declared a public road and ordered opened, viz. Beginning at Vero, running west 4 degrees, south 18 chains, west 10 degrees, north 20 chains, west 50 degrees, north 60 chains to township line, thence west 160 chains to southeast corner Sec. 32.

Notice.

I have sold my interest in the E. J. Ricou Fish Company, of Stuart, to C. C. and R. T. Garrison, of Jensen, Fla., who will continue the business and collect all accounts and assume all liabilities. E. J. RICOU, Stuart, Fla.

School Board Minutes.

Fort Pierce, Fla., Dec. 7.

Board met in regular session. Present—Messrs. B. F. Hardesty and W. D. Edwards, with W. J. Nesbitt, superintendent and secretary.

In the absence of Chairman R. R. Gladwin, B. F. Hardesty was appointed chairman pro tem.

Minutes of last meeting read and on motion approved.

Delegation of patrons of the Fort Pierce school presenting petition for the restoration of the six hour session with one hour for noon was received by board.

Petition from patrons of Vero school requesting the establishment of winter school at that place, it being understood that if such winter term was established the usual summer term shall be omitted.

The petition being practically unanimous, the superintendent was instructed to secure a teacher and arrange for the commencement of the school on opening of January term.

Communication from principal of the West Palm Beach high school, asking the endorsement of this board in the matter of holding the next annual session of the Florida Educational association at that place.

The proposal being satisfactory to the board, the following preamble and resolution were adopted:

Whereas, The board of trustees, are endeavoring to make their public school at West Palm Beach a model school for the state of Florida, and

Whereas, At a cost of more than \$50,000 they have just erected what is said to be the most modern building in the state, as regards beauty of architecture, lighting, sanitation, devices conveniences, fixtures and equipment, avenues approaching the grounds and landscape gardening, etc., and

Whereas, The auditorium of the said building with its inclined floors, 800 opera chairs, electric lights and large, well equipped stage, will afford an admirable place for holding the sessions of the association, and

Whereas, Every facility for accommodating the members of the association at reasonable rates is guaranteed by the large number of boarding houses and hotels of the city, and

Whereas, The usual railway rates—one fare plus 25 cents—will be procured from all railways in the state, and

Whereas, A cordial invitation has been extended and a most hearty welcome has been assured by the board of trustees, the Dade County State bank, the Merchants association, the mayor and city council and several church organizations, therefore, be it

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Announcement

Owing to the many requests of our customers we have decided to inaugurate a savings department in connection with our commercial department on January 1st.

We will accept deposits from one dollar up to one thousand and in this department and will pay 4 per cent., compounded quarterly.

Accounts in this department will only be subject to check when accompanied by the pass book.

ACCOUNTS MAY BE OPENED BY MAIL

St. Lucie County Bank

Jensen, Fla.

Resolved, By the St. Lucie County Board of Public Instruction, That we most heartily endorse West Palm Beach as an admirable place for holding the next annual session of the Florida Educational association and we instruct the votes of the teachers and delegate from our county accordingly.

Carried.

Report received from Taylors Creek, No. 19 that school attendance had fallen below the legal average; there being

no evidence that the school would revive this term, the superintendent was instructed to close it at once.

Matter of county representation at the State Educational association meeting was discussed and Mr. Lawton F. Geiger, of Wabasso, was selected as delegate from this county—his expenses not to exceed \$15.00, to be paid by the county.

The claim of this county for tuition of county line pupils from Brevard

county was discussed, and it was decided to accept the offer of that county for \$150.00. The superintendent was instructed to so notify the board of that county at once.

It was then moved by W. D. Edwards seconded by B. F. Hardesty, that the noon hour of the Fort Pierce school be fixed at 60 minutes and that the closing period be 6 hours per day. Change to be put in force at once. Carried.