

OFFICIAL PROCEEDINGS  
Of The  
ADJOURNED SESSION  
Of The  
BOARD OF SUPERVISORS  
Of  
PORTAGE COUNTY, WISCONSIN  
January 4, A. D., 1955

The county board of supervisors of Portage county met in adjourned session in the circuit court room at the court house in the city of Stevens Point, Wisconsin, on January 4th, A. D., 1955, at 10:00 a. m.

Meeting called to order by the Honorable Henry W. Stinson, chairman.

Clerk called the roll of members as follows:

Town of Alban, Harold P. Anderson.  
Town of Almond, Arleigh Hetzel.  
Town of Belmont, Henry W. Stinson.  
Town of Amherst, Henry Swenson.  
Town of Buena Vista, George Fletcher.  
Town of Carson, Martin Poliwoda.  
Town of Dewey, Edward Losinski.  
Town of Eau Pleine, Frank Beck.  
Town of Grant, Martin Kirchhoefer.  
Town of Hull, Joseph J. Wojcik, Jr.  
Town of Lanark, Thomas Morgan.  
Town of Linwood, John Kiefer.  
Town of New Hope, Russell Krogwald.  
Town of Pine Grove, Vilas Waterman.  
Town of Plover, J. N. Starr.  
Town of Sharon, Henry Schulist.  
Town of Stockton, Stanley Kirschling.  
Village of Almond, Joseph Walter.  
Village of Amherst, Thomas A. Guyant.  
Village of Amherst Junction, Joe Sroda.  
Village of Junction City, Paul Kitowski.  
Village of Nelsonville, Charles A. Anderson.  
Village of Park Ridge, Horace Atkins.  
Village of Rosholt, A. P. Dobbe.  
Village of Whiting, Barney F. Omernik.  
City of Stevens Point, First ward, H. L. Kurtzweil.  
City of Stevens Point, Second ward, Harold Frost.  
City of Stevens Point, Third ward, Gilbert T. Kirby.  
City of Stevens Point, Fourth ward, John N. Jakusz.  
City of Stevens Point, Fifth ward, Ray Clark.

City of Stevens Point, Sixth ward, C. E. Nebel.  
 City of Stevens Point, Seventh ward, Vincent G. Jurgella.  
 City of Stevens Point, Eighth ward, Frank J. Steckel.  
 City of Stevens Point, Ninth ward, Nat Kinney.

All members present, except Supervisors Martin Kirchhoefer and Charles Anderson, absent.

Moved by Supervisor Kitowski and seconded by Supervisor Jakusz that we dispense with the reading of the minutes. Motion carried.

Justice Emmet L. Welch, who has been handling most of the traffic cases in recent months, appeared before the board and explained justice court procedure in county traffic ordinance cases. He explained that a county ordinance charge is legally a civil action by the county against the individual and that to collect a fine from a person outside the county who has not had a judgment levied against him, a state warrant must be issued. The state collects 50 per cent of fines levied under state warrants.

Further discussion followed. Supervisor C. E. Nebel at this time recommended that a report of the sheriff and constable fees committee, of which he is a member, be read.

The following report of the sheriff and constable fees committee was read by the clerk:

January 4, 1955

Honorable Chairman and Members of the County Board:

According to the action of the county board at the annual fall meeting in November, 1954,

Where in the sheriff and constable committee was ordered to make an investigation as to the method of collecting forfeit money at the county jail,

Now, therefore your committee meeting on this problem with the following persons present: Judge Levi, District Attorney Robert Jenkins, Neal Ketchum and Claude Uphagrove, at which time the many angles of the problems were discussed. Legal advice was furnished by Judge James H. Levi and Robert Jenkins, district attorney;

The conclusion of the committee at this time is that it is for the purpose of expediting the payment of forfeit money resulting from traffic violations.

The committee now recommends that the present bookkeeping service be authorized to collect such forfeits; it is further recommended that the traffic officers be allowed to accept such forfeits at the county jail during the period with the ending of the bookkeepers schedule of the day and until two o'clock (2:00 a. m.) and further that the sheriff or under sheriff be authorized to accept forfeit money for the balance of time, that being from two o'clock a. m., until the beginning of the bookkeepers day.

The above plan is for the purpose of providing a 24 hour service.

That a reasonable portion of all forfeit money be retained by the county as collected by the above officials, the amount of said money be in proportion to the service performed.

MARTIN POLIWODA  
 FRANK J. STECKEL  
 C. E. NEBEL  
 RAY CLARK  
 J. N. STARR

Moved by Supervisor Jakusz and seconded by Supervisor Kurtzweil that the report be accepted. Motion carried.

Discussion ensued.

Supervisor Atkins suggested that the district attorney, John J. Haka, Jr., give his interpretation as to whether or not it would be legal for the bookkeeper to collect fines. Mr. Haka told the board he did not believe it would be legal for the bookkeeper to collect fines. He further explained that the bookkeeper must be a deputy sheriff to act as jailer, making him an administrative officer of the county. His acting as a justice of the peace, a judicial officer, would make his duties in the two posts incompatible.

Moved by Supervisor Kitowski and seconded by Supervisor Jakusz that the committee meet with other committees, Justice Welch, the district attorney, the county judge, county highway police, the sheriff and others involved in the proposal and report at the next meeting before the board. Motion carried.

Petition No. 7 was read by the clerk as follows:

**PETITION NO. 7**

To: The County Board of the County of Portage, Wisconsin:

The undersigned, village of Amherst, a municipal corporation, located in Portage county, Wisconsin, do hereby petition and request you to sell and convey, for a reasonable sale price, to the said village of Amherst, the following described lands and premises owned by the county of Portage, state of Wisconsin, and located in the said village of Amherst and within its limits, to wit:

Lot 8 Blk 1	Lot 11 Blk 1
Lytie Addition	Lytie Addition
Lot 9 Blk 1	Lot 8 Blk 3
Lytie Addition	Lytie Addition
Lot 10 Blk 1	A very small pc. of Lot 5, Blk 3
Lytie Addition	Original Plat

If the above described premises are conveyed to the village of Amherst such premises will be for purposes that will thereby promote the general welfare and recreation of residents of both the village of Amherst and county of Portage.

Dated this 4th day of January, 1955.

Village of Amherst

Portage County, Wisconsin

By: THOMAS GUYANT

Moved by Supervisor Nebel and seconded by Supervisor Steckel that said petition be adopted. Motion carried as the clerk called the roll, there being 32 ayes, 2 absent. The following members voted aye: Supervisors H. P. Anderson, Hetzel, Swenson, Stinson, Fletcher, Poliwoda, Losinski, Beck, Wojcik, Morgan, Kiefer, Krogwald, Waterman, Starr, Schulist, Kirschling, Walter, Guyant, Sroda, Kitowski, Atkins, Dobbe, Omernik, Kurtzwell, Frost, Kirby, Jakusz, Clark, Nebel, Jurgella, Steckel and Kinney. Supervisors Kirchhoefer and Charles Anderson were absent.

Resolution No. 53 was read by the clerk as follows:

December 18, 1954

Mr. Henry Stinson, Chairman  
Portage County Board of Supervisors  
Stevens Point, Wisconsin  
Dear Mr. Stinson:

On November 16, 1954 the county board of supervisors passed the following:

"Moved by Supervisor Atkins and seconded by Supervisor Nebel that we discontinue the traveling library and turn it over to the libraries in the county. Motion carried."

The clerk called the roll, there being 33 ayes and one present.

"Moved by Supervisor Atkins and seconded by Supervisor Kinney that the matter be turned over to the education committee and they dispose of the books and equipment." (voice vote)

Inasmuch, as we feel that the recent decision made by the Portage county board of supervisors was a hasty one, and

Whereas, a nice start has been made toward assembling a library of children's books, and

Whereas, the discontinuing of the library would work a hardship, as certain areas will be discriminated against, and a grave injustice will be imposed upon these sections by the proposed distribution of the books as provided for in the county board's recent decision, and

Whereas, having all the books of the county library go only to the Amherst and Almond libraries, difficulties will be encountered by teachers in procuring needed library and reference books as the average school library is most inadequate in itself.

Whereas, we feel that since the county library is being used by the rural areas it should be supported solely by the rural areas.

Whereas, the school boards of the county are co-operating with the county library by allowing the township library books to be pooled and circulated in order that all children may be benefited by a greater amount of reading material.

Whereas, the recent action of the county board concerning the county library is meeting with disapproval on the part of teachers, parents, and pupils.

Therefore we resolve that, the board carefully reconsider the question of the county library at the January meeting and we recommend at this time, the continuance of the circulation of the children's books, under the supervision of the superintendent of schools.

(s) WINIFRED R. HARVEY, Chairman  
IRMA WEST, Secretary  
HELEN KOLZ  
CORAL ATKINSON  
WALTER E. OLAN  
EDITH WOOD  
MARIE HENCIK

Portage County Library Committee

Moved by Supervisor Nebel and seconded by Supervisor Steckel that this resolution be turned over to the education committee. Motion carried.

Moved by Supervisor Nebel and seconded by Supervisor Waterman to look up the resolution from previous meeting and bring it up before the board. Motion carried.

Moved by Supervisor Nebel and seconded by Supervisor Steckel that the board adjourn to 2:00 p. m. Motion carried.

Stevens Point, Wisconsin, January 4, 1955, A. D., 2:00 P. M.

Meeting called to order by the Honorable Henry Stinson, chairman.

Clerk called the roll. All members present except Supervisors Kirchoefer and Charles Anderson.

Clerk read the motion from the last county board meeting as follows:

"Moved by Supervisor Atkins and seconded by Supervisor Nebel that we discontinue the traveling library and turn it over to the

libraries in the county. Motion carried."

Moved by Supervisor Nebel and seconded by Supervisor Beck that the word "school" be inserted before the word "libraries," making the motion to read as follows:

"Moved by Supervisor Atkins and seconded by Supervisor Nebel that we discontinue the traveling library and turn it over to the school libraries in the county. Motion carried."

Clerk read resolution No. 54 as follows:

**RESOLUTION NO. 54**

Designating an agent to act for Portage county in matters pertaining to the inclusion of personnel under the federal old age and survivors insurance system.

Be it hereby resolved by the county board of supervisors of Portage county, Wisconsin, that Chester J. Kulas, county clerk, or his successors, be and he is hereby designated as the agent of the county of Portage in matters pertaining to the inclusion of personnel under the federal old age and survivors insurance system.

Further resolved, that in the event of the inability of Chester J. Kulas to perform the duties of such agent, either because of absence, disability or death, the deputy clerk is hereby designated as the agent only during such inability of the said agent and prior to the time of the qualification of his successor who shall thereupon be such agent.

Dated this 4th day of January, A. D., 1955.

Signed: H. L. KURTZWEIL  
NAT KINNEY

Moved by Supervisor Waterman and seconded by Supervisor Krogwold that the resolution be adopted. Motion carried.

Clerk read resolution No. 55 as follows:

**RESOLUTION NO. 55**

Designating an agent to act for the county of Portage in matters pertaining to the Wisconsin retirement fund.

Resolved, by the county board of the county of Portage that Chester J. Kulas or his successor be, and he is hereby designated as the agent and official representative of the county of Portage in matters pertaining to the Wisconsin retirement fund, pursuant to the provisions of Section 66:901 (16) of the Wisconsin statutes, and be it further

Resolved, that in the event of the inability of Chester J. Kulas to perform the duties of such agent and official representative, either because of absence, disability or death, the deputy is hereby designated as the agent and official representative only during such inability of the said Chester J. Kulas, agent and prior to the time of the qualification of his successor who shall thereupon be such agent and official representative.

Resolved, that all certifications and other acts in relation to the Wisconsin retirement fund heretofore completed are herewith ratified and confirmed, and be it

Resolved, that a certified copy of this resolution be filed with the board of trustees of the Wisconsin retirement fund.

Signed: H. L. KURTZWEIL  
NAT KINNEY

Moved by Supervisor Nebel and seconded by Supervisor Schulist

that the resolution be adopted. Motion carried.

Clerk read resolution No. 56 as follows:

**RESOLUTION NO. 56**

Whereas a parcel of land in the town of Lanark containing (2) two acres and described as follows, in the NE corner of SW SW being 16 rods E & W and 20 rods N&S 19-22-10, having been taken as county owned land as provided by statutes for delinquent tax land and such property not having access to outsiders but is adjacent to St. Patrick's parish grounds and the county may as provided by statutes give same to such various organizations,

Now therefore be it resolved that upon payment of the back taxes of \$11.34 that the county clerk is hereby authorized to issue a quit claim deed to St. Patrick's church of Lanark.

THOS. E. MORGAN  
NAT KINNEY  
GILBERT KIRBY

Moved by Supervisor Nebel and seconded by Supervisor Sroda that the resolution be adopted. Motion carried as the clerk called the roll, there being 32 ayes, 2 absent. The following members voted aye; Supervisors H. P. Anderson, Hetzel, Swenson, Stinson, Fletcher, Poliwoda, Losinski, Beck, Wojcik, Morgan, Kiefer, Krogwold, Waterman, Starr, Schulist, Kirschling, Rath, Guyant, Sroda, Kitowski, Atkins, Dobbe, Omernik, Kurtzweil, Frost, Kirby, Jakusz, Clark, Nebel, Jurgella, Steckel and Kinney. Supervisors Kirchoefer and Charles Anderson were absent.

Barney F. Omernik, of the conservation committee, gave a report that a profit of \$2,072.33 had been realized on the sale of tax deed property December 9, 1954. Included were eight lots in the city which brought a total of \$650.00 and scattered parcels in rural areas which brought \$3,375. The county's investment in the land included back taxes and special assessments paid.

Clerk read resolution No. 57 as follows:

**RESOLUTION NO. 57**

Whereas, the resolution passed April 21, 1954 regarding sick leave of county courthouse employes is not desirable in all respects, and,

Whereas, the salary and personnel committee believes that it is easier to make a new resolution than to amend the existing resolution;

Therefore, be it hereby resolved that the beforementioned resolution be rescinded and that sick leave for county employes, not otherwise covered, be taken care of in the following manner;

1. On January 1, 1955, any employe who according to the original resolution had eight days accumulated sick leave shall be credited with eight days; otherwise if some sick leave had been used since April 21, 1954, those days be deducted.

2. Beginning January 1, 1955, each employe can earn one day's sick leave for every two months employment.

3. Any sick leave taken shall be deducted from his or her accumulated number of days.

4. There shall be no limit to the number of days accumulation of sick leave.

5. Sick leave in the meaning of this resolution shall mean physical incapacitation necessitating absence from duty without deduction of pay unless they shall exceed their accumulated sick leave.

6. Each head of a department shall be charged with the responsibility of keeping a record of each employe's sick leave earned, used,

and accumulation in his or her department, and shall report to the county clerk as often as necessary for pay roll purposes. Such records shall at all times be available to the salary and personnel committee.

7. Any accumulation of sick leave shall terminate with termination of employment.

FRANK J. STECKEL  
J. N. STARR  
H. P. ANDERSON  
GEO. G. FLETCHER

Moved by Supervisor Steckel and seconded by Supervisor Losinski that the resolution be adopted. Motion carried.

Chair made the following appointment to the welfare board: Vilas Waterman, Charles A. Anderson, Vincent Jurgella, Stanley Kirschling and Harold Frost.

Moved by Supervisor Nebel and seconded by Supervisor Steckel that the appointment be approved. Motion carried.

Mr. W. R. Winner, Madison, of the state department of agriculture appeared before the board about the problem facing farmers under regulations recently adopted by Chicago board of health for brucellosis control; under the Chicago plan, all milk and dairy products sold in Chicago after January 1, 1957, must come from brucellosis-free herds. Cattle in Plan A counties, Winner pointed out, will meet the requirement. At present, 17 Wisconsin counties are under Plan A, and petitions, the first step in the plan, are being circulated in 12 other counties. Winner and County Agent M. P. Pinkerton have been speaking to farmers in Portage county during the past week, explaining the plan and the rules for qualifying under Plan A if petitions are circulated here.

Communication from the state of Wisconsin highway commission read by the clerk as follows:

December 29, 1954

Miss Anne T. Strojny  
County Clerk, Portage County  
Stevens Point, Wisconsin

Dear Sir:

Subject: County Trunk Highway  
System Changes  
County P-1477  
Portage County

The state highway commission of Wisconsin, at its meeting of December 21, 1954, considered the petition of Portage county for certain changes in the county trunk highway system, and the following action was taken:

1. The addition of a road in the village of Nelsonville and the town of Amherst. Beginning at the junction of County Highway "SS" and First street in the village of Nelsonville, thence northeasterly on First street to High street, thence southeasterly and easterly on High street to a point near the center of the southwest quarter of Section 4, Township 23 North, Range 10 East, thence south to the south line of Section 4, thence east on the south line of Section 4 and 3 to the southeast corner of Section 3, Township 23 North, Range 10 East, and a junction with County Trunk Highway "T." Said addition was approved.

2. The addition of a road in the town of Pine Grove. Beginning at a junction with County Trunk Highway "W" at the northwest corner of Section 5, Township 21 North, Range 8 East, thence south be-

tween Section 6 and 5, 7 and 8, 18 and 17, 19 and 20, 30 and 29, to a junction with County Trunk Highway "D" at the southwest corner of Section 29, Township 21 North, Range 8 East. Said addition was approved.

Kindly correct your records and maps to conform to the above action, and notify all parties interested.

Very Truly Yours  
State Highway Commission of Wisconsin  
(s) O. J. HUGHES, Secretary

VDR: JWV  
CC: WBB, DE#4, WDR  
Co. Hwy. Commr.  
Vil. Clk.  
Twn. Chrmn.

Moved by Supervisor Morgan and seconded by Supervisor Krogwold that the communication be placed on file. Motion carried.

Report of the claims committee was read by the clerk, as follows:  
January 4, 1955

To the Honorable Chairman and Members of the County Board of Supervisors of Portage County, Wisconsin:  
Gentlemen:

We, your committee on claims, met in adjourned session and checked over the claims herein and have allowed or disallowed them as follows:

	<b>Claimed</b>	<b>Allowed</b>
1. J. N. Starr, 4 days committee work .....	\$ 33.20	\$ 33.20
2. Henry W. Stinson, 5 days committee work .....	60.00	60.00
3. Barney F. Omernik, 10 days committee work .....	82.40	82.40
4. Ray Clark, 4 days committee work .....	32.24	32.24
5. Vilas Waterman, 3 days committee work .....	31.20	31.20
6. John J. Jakusz, 9 days committee work .....	73.44	73.44
7. Frank J. Steckel, 4 days committee work .....	32.48	32.48
8. Horace C. Atkins, Sr., 4 days committee work .....	32.64	32.64
<b>Total .....</b>	<b>\$377.60</b>	<b>\$377.60</b>

We, your committee on claims, have carefully examined the bills presented to us and have made corrections wherever necessary. We recommend that the amounts as allowed by the committee be allowed and that county orders be drawn for same.

MARTIN POLIWODA  
ARLEIGH HETZEL  
JOE SRODA  
GEORGE FLETCHER  
THOMAS GUYANT  
Claims Committee

Moved by Supervisor Schulist and seconded by Supervisor Steckel that the report be adopted. Motion carried as the clerk called the roll, there being 32 ayes, 2 absent. Supervisors Martin Kirchhoefer and Charles Anderson were absent.

Clerk read the report of the mileage and per diem committee as follows:

January 4, 1955

To the Honorable Chairman and Members of the County Board of Supervisors of Portage County, Wisconsin:

Gentlemen:

We your committee on mileage and per diem, would respectfully report and recommend the adoption of the same and that the chairman and county clerk be instructed to draw an order on the county treasurer for the amounts at \$8.00 per day:

	Days	Mileage	Amount
Harold Anderson .....	1	40	\$ 10.40
Arleigh Hetzel .....	1	40	10.40
Henry Swenson .....	1	46	10.76
Henry Stinson .....	1	50	11.00
George Fletcher .....	1	28	9.68
Martin Poliwoda .....	1	16	8.96
Edward Losinski .....	1	18	9.08
Frank Beck .....	1	28	9.68
Thomas Guyant .....	1	40	10.40
Joseph Wojcik, Jr. ....	1	6	8.36
Thomas Morgan .....	1	44	10.64
John Kiefer .....	1	6	8.36
Russell Krogwold .....	1	42	10.52
Vilas Waterman .....	1	40	10.40
J. N. Starr .....	1	8	8.48
Henry Schulist .....	1	30	9.80
Stanley Kirschling .....	1	30	9.80
Joseph Walter .....	1	50	11.00
Joe Sroda .....	1	36	10.16
Paul Kitowski .....	1	26	9.56
Horace Atkins .....	1	4	8.24
Barney Omernik .....	1	4	8.24
A. P. Dobbe .....	1	36	10.16
H. L. Kurtzweil .....	1	2	8.12
Harold Frost .....	1	2	8.12
Gilbert Kirby .....	1	2	8.12
John Jakusz .....	1	2	8.12
Ray Clark .....	1	2	8.12
C. E. Nebel .....	1	2	8.12
Vincent Jurgella .....	1	2	8.12
Frank Steckel .....	1	2	8.12
Nat Kinney .....	1	2	8.12
Total .....			\$297.16

H. P. ANDERSON  
JOHN KIEFER  
EDWARD LOSINSKI

Mileage and Per Diem Committee

Moved by Supervisor Waterman and seconded by Supervisor Walter that the report be adopted. Motion carried as the clerk called the roll, there being 32 ayes, 2 absent. The following members voted aye: Supervisors H. Anderson, Hetzel, Swenson, Stinson, Fletcher, Poliwoda, Losinski, Beck, Wojcik, Morgan, Kiefer, Krogwold, Waterman, Starr, Schulist, Kirschling, Walter, Guyant, Sroda, Kitowski, Atkins, Dobbe, Omernik, Kurtzweil, Frost, Kirby, Jakusz, Clark, Nebel, Jurgella, Steckel and Kinney. Supervisors Kirchhoefer and C. Anderson were absent.

Moved by Supervisor Nebel and seconded by Supervisor Jakusz that all postage used in various departments be incorporated in the postage fund, at the end of the year it would be pro-rated and the finance committee be authorized to draw an order to properly sign

the voucher when it comes back. Motion carried as the clerk called the roll, there being 29 ayes, 3 naves, 2 absent. The following members voted aye: Supervisors H. P. Anderson, Hetzel, Swenson, Stinson, Fletcher, Poliwooda, Losinski, Beck, Morgan, Kiefer, Krogwold, Waterman, Starr, Kirschling, Walter, Guyant, Sroda, Atkins, Dobbe, Omernik, Kurtzweil, Frost, Kirby, Jakusz, Clark, Nebel, Jurgella, Steckel and Kinney. Supervisors Wojcik, Schulist and Kitowski voted naye. Supervisors Kirchoefer and Chas. Anderson were absent.

Resolution No. 58 was read by the clerk as follows.

**RESOLUTION NO. 58**

January 4, 1955

Be it hereby resolved by the county board of supervisors of Portage county, Wisconsin, now in adjourned session assembled, that the resolutions, petitions and motions adopted and carried at this meeting and all appropriations made and claims allowed at this meeting be and they are hereby ratified and confirmed in all respects by this board.

(s) PAUL B. KITOWSKI

Moved by Supervisor Kurtzweil and seconded by Supervisor Steckel that the resolution be adopted. Motion carried.

Moved by Supervisor Krogwold and seconded by Supervisor Starr that the roads and bridge committee attend an annual Wisconsin conference at Milwaukee at end of this month. Motion carried.

Moved by Supervisor Kurtzweil and seconded by Supervisor Omernik that the board adjourn until March 1, 1955. Motion carried.

CHESTER J. KULAS  
County Clerk

STATE OF WISCONSIN)

(SS.

COUNTY OF PORTAGE)

I, Chester J. Kulas, county clerk of said county, and Sophie R. Jakusz, deputy, do hereby certify that the above is true and correct record of the proceedings of the adjourned session of the county board of supervisors of Portage county, Wisconsin, which was read by the county clerk in the presence of the members of the county board of supervisors and by them approved.

CHESTER J. KULAS  
County Clerk

Attest:

SOPHIE R. JAKUSZ  
Deputy Clerk

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PORTAGE COUNTY, WISCONSIN  
MARCH 1, A. D., 1955

The county board of supervisors of Portage county met in adjourned session in the circuit court room at the court house in the city of Stevens Point, Wisconsin, on March 1st, A. D., 1955, at 10:00 a. m. Meeting called to order by the Honorable Henry W. Stinson, chairman.

Clerk called the roll of members as follows:

Town of Alban, Harold P. Anderson.  
Town of Almond, Arleigh Hetzel.  
Town of Belmont, Henry W. Stinson.  
Town of Amherst, Henry Swenson.  
Town of Buena Vista, George Fletcher.  
Town of Carson, Martin Poliwoda.  
Town of Dewey, Edward Losinski.  
Town of Eau Pleine, Frank Beck.  
Town of Grant, Martin Kirchhoefer.  
Town of Hull, Joseph J. Wojcik, Jr.  
Town of Lanark, Thomas Morgan.  
Town of Linwood, John Kiefer.  
Town of New Hope, Russell Krogwold.  
Town of Pine Grove, Vilas Waterman.  
Town of Plover, J. N. Starr.  
Town of Sharon, Henry Schulist.  
Town of Stockton, Stanley Kirschling.  
Village of Almond, John Rath.  
Village of Amherst, Thomas A. Guyant.  
Village of Amherst Junction, Joe Sroda.  
Village of Junction City, Paul Kitowski.  
Village of Nelsonville, Charles A. Anderson.  
Village of Park Ridge, Horace Atkins.  
Village of Rosholt, A. P. Dobbe.  
Village of Whiting, Barney F. Omernik.  
City of Stevens Point, First ward, H. L. Kurtzweil.  
City of Stevens Point, Second ward, Harold Frost.  
City of Stevens Point, Third ward, Gilbert T. Kirby.  
City of Stevens Point, Fourth ward, John N. Jakusz.  
City of Stevens Point, Fifth ward, Ray Clark.  
City of Stevens Point, Sixth ward, C. E. Nebel.

City of Stevens Point, Seventh ward, Vincent G. Jurgella.

City of Stevens Point, Eighth ward, Frank J. Steckel.

City of Stevens Point, Ninth ward, Nat Kinney.

All members present, except Supervisors Harold P. Anderson, Charles Anderson and Horace Atkins. Supervisor Thomas Morgan was excused.

Moved by Supervisor Kitowski and seconded by Supervisor Jakusz that we dispense with the reading of the minutes. Motion carried.

Supervisor Atkins entered the room.

Supervisor Kirchhoefer appeared before the board in regard to the traveling library and introduced several teachers and librarians from various schools in Portage county. Among those appearing before the board were Guy Gilman, M. E. Jacklin, Mrs. Edith Wood and Mrs. Merrill West, Plover, Mrs. Irene Noble, town of Carson, and Miss Winifred Harvey, Amherst. Miss Harvey had accompanied 10 students in the American Problems class at Amherst High school on a field trip to attend the county board session.

Supervisor Kirchhoefer asked the clerk at this time to read the following resolution:

**RESOLUTION NO. 59**

Whereas, the county board of supervisors has seen fit to abolish the present county library and has directed that books be distributed to the schools of the county, and,

Whereas, we have been requested by the schools of the county, the Portage County Education association, the county library committee and many interested lay persons to reconsider our decision in this matter, and,

Whereas, we feel that we have not been fully aware of the usefulness of the library to our county schools and the need for a central distributing center in order to get the maximum use of books, therefore,

Be it resolved, that the children's books now in the county library remain there to be the nucleus of a county children's library to be managed and supervised by the office of county superintendent of schools, and that the necessary expense of library materials, clerical help when the township library books are added to the library, and any other needs become a part of the budget of the office of the county superintendent of schools and such costs be assessed against that area in the county, outside the city of Stevens Point, as are other county superintendent of schools expenditures.

A. P. DOBBE

MARTIN KIRCHHOEFER

JOHN RATH

Education Committee

Portage County Board of Supervisors

Moved by Supervisor Kirchhoefer and seconded by Supervisor Waterman that the resolution be adopted. Motion carried as the clerk called the roll, there being 23 ayes, 1 absent and 1 excused. The following members voted aye: Supervisors Hetzel, Swenson, Stinson, Fletcher, Poliwoda, Losinski, Beck, Kirchhoefer, Wojcik, Kiefer, Kryogwold, Waterman, Starr, Schulist, Kirschling, Rath, Guyant, Sroda, Kitowski, C. Anderson, Atkins, Dobbe and Omernik. Supervisor H. P. Anderson was absent and Supervisor Morgan was excused. (City members did not vote).

Supervisor H. P. Anderson entered the room.

Supervisor Poliwoda asked the clerk to read the minutes of the sheriffs and constables committee and highway committee joint meeting which was held February 11, 1955. The clerk read the

report as follows:

Joint meeting of the sheriffs and constables committee and the highway committee held at the county jail, Feb. 11, 1955.

Supervisors Poliwoda, Steckel, Clark, Nebel, Kirby, Morgan and Swenson were present. Also present were Traffic Officers Ketchum and Kvatek, Justice of the Peace Emmet Welch, Sheriff Florian Krutza, and District Attorney John J. Haka.

The meeting was opened by Supervisor Poliwoda and a discussion commenced as to whether or not it was advisable to have someone in the sheriff's department appointed as justice of the peace. After a report from Mr. Welch stating how he conducts the collection of all forfeitures and fines, the discussion led to the problems involved especially in those cases where it is the third offense of the defendant. Mr. Welch pointed out how future litigation and expense is avoided if a judgment is entered properly and docketed. Also Wisconsin statutes make it unlawful for any person other than the magistrate to enter this judgment. The committee was shown letters which the justice of the peace received in which attorneys tried to determine whether or not there is a possibility of upsetting the prior judgment entered by the justice of the peace and whether or not the warrants are issued under county or state law. Under the county ordinance the county receives all the fines; under the state warrant the county only receives half of the fines. After discussion by all the members, it was decided that the matter of the justice of the peace would remain as it is because there is no way in which the service could be improved without complicating the means of collection of the fines and forfeitures collected under the county traffic ordinances.

Next there was a discussion as to the use of stipulations for collecting the fines by traffic officers not on duty who is considered a clerk and is acting as a clerk but is not acting in the capacity of a traffic officer. A stipulation was presented which was compiled by County Judge James H. Levi sometime in December 1954. The officers reported that the stipulations have a limited use and are not recommended because of the defendants who are charged with an offense whereby his license is revoked. It is questionable whether a stipulation could be used in such cases.

The discussion then proceeded to determine how Portage county could give twenty-four hour sheriff service and at the same time make some improvements in the county jail so it will not become necessary for a trustee to have charge of the jail when the sheriff or some other responsible officer is not on duty. Mr. Krutza informed the members that since he has been on duty, at no time had any trustee been given the key or placed in charge of the jail. Some discussion was had as to whether or not the traffic officers should help in organizing a plan where the officers could help in maintaining twenty-four hour service at the jail. Mr. Krutza informed the board that there is twenty-four hour service at the jail but at some times he is unable to have someone there for a short period of time when he is out on call. But if needed the sheriff is notified and usually returns to the jail. Mr. Nebel brought out in the discussion what would somebody do if the sheriff or someone in authority was not there in case of fire, injury or some mishap occurring in the jail. It was discussed how this situation could be improved so that the county would not be criticized if someone was on duty who did not have the authority. After a discussion by all the members about the twenty-four hour service, it was decided that traffic officers could

not do any of the work assigned to the sheriff because it is impossible to set any definite hours for the traffic officers, due to the fact that their schedule is so varied and in emergency they are called to do different things where they have to work out the situation as the circumstances demand.

It was recommended that some consideration be given to employing another undersheriff by the sheriff's department so someone in authority would be at the sheriff's office at all times.

MARTIN POLIWODA

RAY CLARK

GILBERT KIRBY

HENRY SWENSON

FRANK J. STECKEL

C. E. NEBEL

THOMAS MORGAN

J. N. STARR

Detailed discussion followed.

Moved by Supervisor Poliwoda and seconded by Supervisor Kinney that Sheriff Florian A. Krutza be asked to appear during the afternoon session to detail his needs. Motion carried.

Moved by Supervisor Waterman and seconded by Supervisor Krogwold that the board adjourn until 1:30 p. m. Motion carried.

Stevens Point, Wisconsin, March 1, A. D., 1955, 1:30 P. M.

Meeting called to order by the Honorable Henry W. Stinson, chairman.

Clerk called the roll. All members were present.

Sheriff Florian A. Krutza appeared before the board to ask for a full time deputy, in addition to the presently employed undersheriff, and bookkeeper in his department. Discussion followed.

Moved by Supervisor Kinney and seconded by Supervisor Kurtzwell that this be laid over until the April session. Motion lost.

Moved by Supervisor Losinski and seconded by Supervisor Sroda that the clerk draw up a resolution giving the sheriff authority to hire a deputy to work full time commencing April 1, 1955. Motion carried.

Clerk read resolution No. 60 as follows:

**RESOLUTION NO. 60**

March 1, 1955

Whereas, the county board of supervisors after hearing a request by Sheriff Florian A. Krutza on the hiring of an extra full time man as deputy sheriff and,

Whereas, the hiring of a deputy sheriff would more faithfully perform the duties in the sheriff's office on a full twenty-four (24) hour basis.

Now therefore, be it resolved that the sheriff have the authority to hire a deputy sheriff at a salary the same as the undersheriff namely, \$3,600.00 per year.

EDWARD LOSINSKI

JOSEPH WOJCIK, JR.

STANLEY KIRSCHLING

Moved by Supervisor Kirschling and seconded by Supervisor Jakusz that the resolution be adopted. Motion carried as the clerk called the roll, there being 34 ayes, as follows. Supervisors H. P. Anderson, Hetzel, Swenson, Stinson, Fletcher, Poliwoda, Losinski, Beck, Kirchoefer, Wojcik, Morgan, Kiefer, Krogwold, Waterman, Starr, Schulist, Kirschling, Rath, Guyant, Sroda, Kitowski, C. Anderson, Atkins, Dobbe, Omernik, Kurtzwell, Frost, Kirby, Jakusz, Clark, Nebel, Jurgella, Steckel and Kinney.

Supervisor Omernik, chairman of the conservation committee, appeared before the board in regard to approval of board before advertising sale of five lots in the town of Hull owned by the county

under tax deeds, namely lots 1, 2, 3, 4 and 5; block 11, Point Manors, Portage county, Wisconsin.

Moved by Supervisor Frost and seconded by Supervisor Steckel that this be referred to the conservation committee. Motion carried.

Clerk read resolution No. 61 as follows:

**RESOLUTION NO. 61**

Whereas, Portage county, Wisconsin, is the owner of the following described real estate:

The southwest quarter of the northwest quarter of Section ten (10), Township twenty-five (25) North, Range eight (8) east.

Whereas, the town of Dewey and the joint school district No. 6 of Portage county, Wisconsin, desires to establish a playground and forest program on the above described real estate.

It is hereby resolved that the county conservation committee of Portage county, Wisconsin, convey and transfer to the town of Dewey, Portage county, Wisconsin, the above described real estate; except the north 5 rods of the above described forty.

Dated this 1st day of March, 1955.

VILAS WATERMAN  
BARNEY F. OMERNIK  
J. N. JAKUSZ  
EDWARD LOSINSKI

Portage County Conservation Committee

Moved by Supervisor Wojcik and seconded by Supervisor Jakusz that said resolution be adopted. Motion carried.

A bill from Eau Claire county was presented before the board for expense and maintaining office of assessor of incomes from July 1st, 1954 to Dec. 31, 1954, Portage county share, 4.17 per cent amounting to \$1,144.39 (bills over \$500.00 must be submitted to the board for approval of paying same.)

Moved by Supervisor Nebel and seconded by Supervisor Kitowski that this bill be paid. Motion carried.

Communication from the Commercial Insurance company of Newark, N. J., was read by the clerk as follows:

January 14, 1954

Miss Anne J. Strojny  
Clerk of Portage County  
c/o Court House  
Stevens Point, Wisconsin

RE: Fid&Cas Bond No. 2539248, Henry H. Duda;  
Fid&Cas Bond No. 2539249, Florian A. Krutza

Will you please have the enclosed clearance of accounts forms completed for each of the above captioned men, and also furnish us with a copy of the resolution dismissing the sheriff and undersheriff and authorizing the appointment of the new officeholders in the positions of these two positions. Or, if there is no resolution of dismissal, then a copy of the minutes or whatever you have accepting their resignations.

Application blanks have been mailed to Mr. Thompson several days ago for himself and the undersheriff, asking them to complete in detail and return to our office for further action. The bonding company has been notified of the new sheriff appointment, etc., the reason for their request for completion of the clearance of accounts forms.

Seeger Insurance Agency

by  
(Miss) A. E. Tagatz  
encl-2

February 1, 1955

County Clerk  
 Portage County  
 Stevens Point, Wisconsin  
 RE: Bond No. 2539248, Henry H. Duda, Sheriff,  
 Portage County, Wisconsin

Dear Sir:

Your records will show that we executed a \$10,000 bond for the above public official for the period January 1, 1953 to December 31, 1954.

It is our understanding that Mr. Duda resigned as of January 1, 1954.

In order to bring our records up to date, will you kindly furnish us with a clearance of accounts form showing the date of final audit of the sheriff's accounts.

If your office does not make this audit, will you kindly advise who does so that we may secure this information.

Yours Very Truly,  
 R. A. SODERLAND  
 Bonding Department

RAS:jec

Moved by Supervisor Nebel and seconded by Supervisor Starr that this matter be referred to the district attorney. Motion carried.  
 Communication from the state of Wisconsin highway commission was read by the clerk as follows:

January 28, 1955

To County Highway Commissioners and County Clerks  
 Gentlemen:

We are correcting your county map as of February, 1955, and will be in a position to furnish copies of these maps to you. Should you be interested in receiving a supply of these maps, we can furnish them in various sizes at the following rates:

Size	500 Copies	1,000 Copies
8½" x 11"	\$10.00	\$12.50
11" x 17"	20.00	25.00
17" x 22"	37.50	47.50
22" x 26"	55.00	70.00

If you are interested in purchasing county maps of your county printed in two or three colors, we will be happy to quote prices.

Kindly advise if you wish to purchase any of these maps.

Very Truly Yours,  
 State Highway Commission of Wis.  
 Planning and Research Division

CAL:

C. A. LEWIS  
 Administrative Assistant

Moved by Supervisor Nebel and seconded by Supervisor Wojcik that the highway committee replenish supply of county maps when needed. Motion carried.

Clerk read communication from the Wisconsin legislature senate chamber, Madison, Wis., which was referred to the educational and legislative committee, as follows:

February 15, 1955

The County Clerk  
 Portage County  
 Stevens Point, Wisconsin  
 Dear Friend

I received several resolutions from your county board. The first

was in regard to the shortage in school aids. A bill has been introduced to take care of this and I believe will pass without difficulty. It was recommended by the state superintendent, the governor, and the legislative council. I am enclosing a sheet showing what this will do to each county in the state. The other resolution in regard to vocational education is also in the process of being taken care of. I am enclosing a copy of the bill which I believe will do this. Your third resolution in regard to increasing state aid to schools received. Bill No. 3, S. does this to some extent in as much as the state will now match all local contributions up to fifteen mills. This bill has been introduced and was recommended for passage by the legislative council and by the senate committee on education of which I am chairman. Perhaps you can convey this message to the board members in the county.

Would you kindly send me a county directory showing all county officials and members of the county board. Do not hesitate to call on me at any time I can be of assistance.

Sincerely Yours,

W. W. CLARK

Senator, 24th District

WWC:m  
Enc.

#### A Bill

To amend 74.03 (5) (d), (8) (f) and (9) (b) and 74.031 (8) (d) and (11) (b); to repeal and recreate 41.19 (1a); and to create 41.19 (1ac) and (1c) of the statutes, relating to the payment of tuition for pupils attending schools of vocational and adult education.

The people of the state of Wisconsin, represented in senate and assembly, do enact as follows:

Section 1. 41.19 (1a) of the statutes is repealed and recreated to read:

41.19 (1a) Before July 1 of each year beginning with 1955, the secretary of each local board of vocational and adult education shall file with the clerk of each county and municipality from which any tuition pupil was admitted, except as provided in sub. (1c), a sworn statement setting forth the residence, name, age, date of entrance and the number of days attended during the preceding school year and the total tuition charge for courses approved by the state board of vocational and adult education for each pupil admitted from such county. This statement shall be rendered on a form prescribed by the state director of vocational and adult education. Within 10 days after the receipt of such statement the clerk of each municipality shall return the same to the county clerk with his certification as to the correctness of the statement, or indicating in what respects he believes such statement to be incorrect, together with all necessary factual information in support of such belief.

Section 2. 41.19 (1ac) of the statutes is created to read:

41.19 (1ac) Where the county clerk has satisfied himself that the statements made under sub. (1a) are accurate, he shall determine the total tuition charge to be collected within that portion of the county lying outside districts operating schools of vocational and adult education, and apportion the amount thereof on the basis of the ratio of the equalized valuation of that portion of each municipality within the county which lies outside districts which operate schools of vocational and adult education as certified by the state board of vocational and adult education to the total equalized value of all the territory within the county that lies outside districts which operate such schools; and certify the amount so obtained to the clerks of such municipalities. The aforesaid equalized valuation shall be determined and certified to the county clerk annually on

or before August 15 by the department of taxation. The municipal clerk shall enter upon the next tax roll in a local column such sums as may be due for such tuition from his municipality and the amount so entered shall be collected when and if other taxes are collected. If a portion of such municipality forms a part of a vocational school district the taxable property in that portion shall be exempt from such tuition tax. In lieu of placing the amount due for vocational and adult school tuition upon the tax roll the governing body of any municipality required to pay such tuition may by resolution authorize its treasurer to pay the amount of such tuition as certified by the county clerk out of surplus municipal funds, provided no portion of such municipality forms a part of a vocational and adult school district.

Section 3. 41.19 (lc) of the statutes is created to read:

41.19 (lc) Before July 1 of each year, beginning with 1955, the secretary of each local board of vocational and adult education shall file a list of the pupils who attended that school of vocational and adult education because the specific courses desired by such persons were not given in their municipality of residence and who resided in another municipality having a local board of vocational and adult education with the secretary of the board in the municipality in which such pupils reside together with a statement of the tuition due because of such pupils. This statement shall be filed as a claim allowed as other claims are allowed.

Section 4. 74.03 (5) (d), (8) (f) and (9) (b) of the statutes are amended to read:

74.03 (5) (d) Out of the remaining general property taxes collected he shall first set aside and pay over to the county treasurer the full amount due on state trust fund loans of every character levied on the property in such town, city or village, unless the governing body thereof shall have extended such loans pursuant to s. 74.03 (5a). He shall next set aside and pay over to the county treasurer the full amounts levied on the property of such town, city or village for high school tuition, high school transportation (or board and lodging in lieu thereof) and vocational and adult school tuition in the order named. The town, city or village treasurer shall then pay to each school district treasurer such proportions of the school levy of such district as the balance of the general property taxes collected in such town, city or village bears to the total general property tax levy therein for all purposes included in the tax roll, exclusive of levies for state trust fund loans, high school tuition, high school transportation and vocational and adult school tuition. In cities operating schools pursuant to ss. 40.80 to 40.827 he shall retain such proportion levied for school purposes. He shall pay to the county treasurer a like proportion of the state taxes, state special charges, county school tax, other county taxes and county special charges, and shall retain a similar proportion for the town, city or village. The county treasurer shall remit such state trust fund loans, state taxes and state special charges to the state treasurer as provided in s. 74.26, and likewise remit such county school moneys as provided by law, and shall retain for the use of the metropolitan sewerage district an amount equal to the taxes levied pursuant to s. 59.96 (7), and credit the same to the proper metropolitan sewerage area accounts on or before March 20.

(8) (f) Out of the remaining proceeds of the general taxes and special assessments collected for each town, city or village, the county treasurer shall first set aside and pay to the state treasurer the balance due on state trust fund loans. He shall next set aside and

pay to the proper treasurers any balances due on levies for high school tuition, high school transportation and vocational and adult school tuition in the order named. The county treasurer shall then pay to each town, city or village treasurer such proportions of the balances due on levies for school and for town, city or village purposes (including special assessments not returned in trust) as the balance of the general taxes and special assessments collected in such town, city or village bears to the total balance then due on all general levies and special assessments, except those referred to in paragraphs (b), (c), (d) and (e). In cities operating schools pursuant to ss. 40.80 to 40.827 the city treasurer shall retain such proportion levied for school purposes, and elsewhere the town, city or village treasurer shall pay such proportion to the school treasurers. The county treasurer shall retain like proportions of the balances due on state taxes, state special charges, county school tax, other county taxes and county special charges. The county treasurer shall remit the proportions retained on state taxes and state special charges to the state treasurer as provided in s. 74.26, and likewise remit the amount retained for county school taxes as provided by law.

(9) (b) He shall first set aside and pay to the proper treasurers any balances due on state trust fund loans, high school tuition, high school transportation and vocational and adult school tuition levies in the order named.

Section 5. 74.031 (8) (d) and (11) (b) of the statutes are amended to read:

74.031 (8) (d) Out of the remaining general property taxes collected he shall first set aside and pay over to the county treasurer the full amount due on state trust fund loans of every character levied on the property in such city, village or town. He shall next set aside and pay over to the county treasurer the full amounts levied on the property of such city, village or town for high school tuition, high school transportation (or board and lodging in lieu thereof) and vocational and adult school tuition in the order named. The city, village or town treasurer shall then pay to each school district treasurer such proportions of the school levy of such district as the balance of the general property taxes collected in such city, village or town bears to the total general property tax levy therein for all purposes included in the tax roll, exclusive of levies for state trust fund loans, high school tuition, high school transportation and metropolitan sewerage district taxes. In cities operating schools pursuant to ss. 40.80 to 40.827 he shall retain such proportion levied for school purposes. He shall pay to the county treasurer a like proportion of the state taxes, state special charges, county school tax, other county taxes and county special charges and shall retain a similar proportion for the city, village or town. The county treasurer shall remit such state trust fund loans, state taxes and state special charges to the state treasurer as provided in s. 74.26 and likewise remit such county school moneys on March 22 and August 20 as provided by law.

(11) (b) He shall first set aside and pay to the proper treasurers any balances due on state trust fund loans, high school tuition, high school transportation and vocational and adult school tuition levies in the order named.

Compliments of W. W. Clark.

**General Aids Payable Under Bill 2 S**

Adams .....	\$ 4,319.46	Manitowoc .....	14,991.71
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Ashland .....	4,479.32	Marathon .....	34,464.22
Barron .....	13,285.97	Marinette .....	18,048.93
Bayfield .....	2,879.10	Marquette .....	2,660.57
Brown .....	22,344.68	Milwaukee .....	183,122.71
Buffalo .....	9,140.24	Monroe .....	11,957.66
Burnett .....	10,406.10	Oconto .....	18,133.69
Calumet .....	3,240.50	Oneida .....	7,553.50
Chippewa .....	16,487.30	Outagamie .....	19,709.73
Clark .....	13,255.67	Ozaukee .....	4,916.10
Columbia .....	12,633.35	Pepin .....	5,358.43
Crawford .....	9,211.58	Pierce .....	12,200.86
Dane I .....	36,470.79	Polk .....	12,901.22
Dane II .....	12,721.25	Portage .....	12,476.42
Dodge .....	12,688.58	Price .....	11,444.77
Door .....	6,918.85	Racine .....	27,098.60
Douglas .....	20,974.67	Richland .....	11,053.93
Dunn .....	18,565.57	Rock .....	30,924.34
Eau Claire .....	23,713.81	Rusk .....	77,057.07
Florence .....	14,061.32	St. Croix .....	17,727.32
Fond du Lac .....	15,363.70	Sauk .....	14,084.00
Forest .....	9,252.66	Sawyer .....	9,705.58
Grant .....	15,015.53	Shawano .....	23,663.81
Green Lake .....	4,399.61	Sheboygan .....	22,693.21
Green .....	7,358.64	Taylor .....	14,441.49
Iowa .....	7,184.71	Trempealeau .....	26,899.75
Iron .....	1,337.17	Vernon .....	15,830.62
Jackson .....	15,164.17	Vilas .....	2,140.53
Jefferson .....	11,963.84	Walworth .....	14,397.75
Juneau .....	14,872.70	Washburn .....	25,230.14
Kenosha .....	20,967.55	Washington .....	7,836.31
Kewaunee .....	4,747.32	Waukesha .....	28,757.31
La Crosse .....	23,813.27	Waupaca .....	16,807.96
Lafayette .....	5,420.70	Waushara .....	6,890.87
Langlade .....	10,515.51	Winnebago .....	25,724.39
Lincoln .....	11,854.91	Wood .....	17,322.77

Clerk read resolution from Kenosha county as follows:

#### RESOLUTION

Whereas, under state statute each county retains 7½ per cent of all normal inheritance taxes paid each year. This sum is designed to compensate the county treasurer's office for work performed in against the local board of vocational and adult education and allocating the taxes. The authority is contained in Section 72.20, which says:

"The county treasurer shall retain for the use of the county, out of all taxes paid and accounted for by him each year under Sections 72.01 to 72.24 inclusive, seven and one-half per cent of all sums so collected or paid to said treasurer."

In accordance with state law, the county treasurer's office also collects the special "emergency" tax on inheritances. This tax amounts to 30 per cent of the normal tax. Authority for the emergency tax is contained in Section 72.74, which states:

"(2) In addition to the taxes imposed by Sections 72.01 to 72.24 and 72.50 to 72.61, an emergency tax for relief purposes; rehabilitation of veterans of World war II, construction and improvements at state institutions and other state property and for post-war public works projects to relieve post-war unemployment is hereby imposed upon all transfers of property which are taxable under the pro-

visions of said sections which said tax shall be equal to 30 per cent of the tax imposed by said sections."

"(3) The emergency tax upon transfers of property imposed in subsection (2) shall be administered, assessed, collected and paid in the same manner, at the same time, and subject to the same regulations that are applicable, respectively, as provided for the administration, assessment, collection and payment of the taxes imposed in chapter 72 of the statutes; provided, however, that the entire amount of said emergency tax shall be collected and paid into the general fund."

Whereas, the county treasurer's office also must collect the emergency tax, the counties retain none of the money thus collected. All of it goes into the state's general fund. The same amount of time is utilized in handling both taxes and the responsibility is of equal importance. Receipts are furnished and reports are prepared.

Now therefore be it resolved by the Kenosha county board of supervisors, that a petition be addressed to the legislature of the state of Wisconsin, requesting a revision of the laws, so as to allow the counties to also retain 7½ per cent of the "emergency" taxes collected in accordance with the above mentioned statutes.

Be it further resolved, that a copy of this resolution be forwarded to the governor, our state senator, to both assemblymen, Wisconsin County Boards association and to each county board of the state of Wisconsin, requesting their support of this resolution.

Also urging the above mentioned individuals and groups to petition their representatives to support this resolution at the 1955 session of the Wisconsin legislature to remedy a situation which is patently unfair.

Respectfully Submitted,  
Finance Committee

I hereby certify that this is an exact copy of a resolution adopted by the Kenosha county board of supervisors at a regular meeting held December 21, 1954.

RICHARD LINDGREN  
County Clerk

Moved by Supervisor Swenson and seconded by Supervisor C. Anderson that this be referred to the legislative committee. Motion carried.

Petition No. 8 was read by the clerk as follows:

**PETITION NO. 8**

To the County Board of Portage County  
Special Committee on Sale of Tax Deed Lands  
Gentlemen:

The petition of the town of Hull respectively sets forth and shows, That the county of Portage has obtained tax deeds on the following described real estate in Portage county,

Northeast quarter of southeast quarter Section 13 Township 24 North, Range 7 East.

North 20 rods of the east 40 rods of the southeast quarter of the southeast quarter of Section 13 Township 24 North, Range 7 East.

Eight acres off the west side of Gov't. Lot 3 of Section 14 Township 24 North, Range 7 East.

The west 30 acres of the southwest quarter of the northeast quarter of Section 14 Township 24 North, Range 7 East.

The west 25 acres of Gov't. Lot 9 (under water) of Section 23 Township 24 North, Range 7 East.

Lot 6 of Section 23 Township 24 North, Range 7 East.

Lot 8 of Section 23 Township 24 North, Range 7 East.  
 North one-half of the southeast quarter of the southeast quarter of Section 24 Township 24 North, Range 7 East.

South one-half of the southeast quarter of the southeast quarter of Section 24 Township 24 North, Range 7 East.

Lot 7 of Section 25 Township 24 North, Range 7 East.

North one and one-half rods of the northwest quarter of the northeast quarter of Section 4 Township 24 North, Range 8 East.

North one rod of the northeast quarter of the southeast quarter of Section 7 Township 24 North, Range 8 East.

South one-half of fractional northwest quarter except 30 acres off the west side of Section 18 Township 24 North, Range 8 East.

The east 15 acres of the west 30 acres of the south one-half of fractional northwest quarter of Section 18 Township 24 North, Range 8 East.

Fifteen acres of the south one-half of fractional Northwest quarter of Section 18 Township 24 North, Range 8 East.

North one-half of the southwest quarter excepting that part recorded in Volume 146 of Deeds on page 76 of Section 18 Township 24 North, Range 8 East.

That said lands have little or no value and consist primarily of lands that have become a part of the flowage on the Wisconsin river.

Upon information and belief that the committee has been unable to obtain a purchaser for any sum for such lands; that for the purpose of taking the same off the tax roll and avoiding further confusion in tax returns and adjustments the said town of Hull would accept conveyances from the county of the title to such lands and remove the same from the tax roll.

Wherefore, petitioner prays that the committee be authorized and directed to convey the said lands for the sum of \$ .....

Dated this 17th day of January 1955.

Town of Hull  
 Portage County, Wisconsin  
 By: JOSEPH WOJCIK, JR.  
 Chairman

Moved by Supervisor Waterman and seconded by Supervisor Losinski that the town of Hull pay the exact cost and put it on the tax roll. Motion carried.

A report of the claims committee was read by the clerk as follows:

February 28, 1955

To the Honorable Chairman and Members of the County Board of Supervisors:

Gentlemen:

We, your committee on claims, met in annual session and checked over the claims herein and have allowed or disallowed them as follows:

	Claimed	Allowed	Dis- allowed
1. Barney Omernik, 9 days comm. work ...	\$ 82.40	\$	\$ 82.40
1-A Barney Omernik, 5 days comm. work ....	49.60		49.60
2. Nat Kinney, 7 days comm. work .....	62.92	62.92	
3. Ray Clark, 7 days comm. work .....	56.42	56.42	
4. Martin Kirchoefer, 3 days .....	34.56	34.56	
5. Martin Poliwoda, 7 days .....	62.72	62.72	
6. H. L. Kurtzweil, 6 days .....	48.84	48.84	

7. Arleigh Hetzel, 5 days .....	53.60	53.60	
8. John Jakusz, 11 days .....	89.32		89.32
9. Geo. Fletcher, 2 days .....	19.92	19.92	
10. Edward Losinski, 3 days .....	26.10	26.10	
11. Vilas Waterman, 6 days .....	62.40		62.40
12. Joe Sroda, 1 day .....	9.80	9.80	
13. Thomas Guyant, 1 day .....	10.40	10.40	
14. A. P. Dobbe, 5, days, 2 days at eight cents mile and 3 days at six cents .....	51.56	51.56	
15. H. W. Stinson, 7 days .....	77.00	77.00	
Total .....	\$797.56	\$513.84	\$283.72

We, your committee on claims, have carefully examined the bills presented to us and have made corrections wherever necessary. We recommend that the amounts as allowed by the committee be allowed and that county orders be drawn for same.

Signed:

GEO. FLETCHER  
ARLEIGH HETZEL  
THOMAS GUYANT

MARTIN POLIWODA  
JOE SRODA  
EDWARD LOSINSKI  
Claims Committee

Discussion followed.

Supervisor Poliwoda, chairman of the claims committee, explained that the four members had exceeded the 30-day limitation for committee work which the claims committee can approve and that the claims must be approved by the entire board before they could be paid. Supervisor Omernik of the conservation committee explained that the overage had been run up in work toward sale of county-owned, tax deed land. "We want to get as much property as possible sold before May 1st, so that it may appear on tax rolls next fall," he stated.

Moved by Supervisor H. P. Anderson and seconded by Supervisor Morgan that the claims be allowed. Motion carried as the clerk called the roll, there being 34 ayes, as follows: Supervisor H. P. Anderson, Hetzel, Swenson, Stinson, Fletcher, Poliwoda, Losinski, Beck, Kirchhoefer, Wojcik, Morgan, Kiefer, Krogwold, Waterman, Starr, Schulist, Kirschling, Rath, Guyant, Sroda, Kitowski, C. Anderson, Atkins, Dobbe, Omernik, Kurtzweil, Frost, Kirby, Jakusz, Clark, Nebel, Jurgella, Steckel and Kinney.

Moved by Supervisor Kurtzweil and seconded by Supervisor Kirby that the conservation committee continue to meet in the future as they had in the past. Motion carried.

A bill from M. & F. Microfilm Service, Appleton, Wis., for micro-filming probate court cases numbers 1669 through 2500, inclusive, amounting to \$567.36 was presented before the board.

Moved by Supervisor Kurtzweil and seconded by Supervisor Steckel that this bill be paid. Motion carried.

Clerk read a bill dated December 31, 1954, from the former district attorney, Robert C. Jenkins, for services of special investigator hired in Mary Hogan case, December 8 to December 27, 1954, amounting to \$140.00.

Originally, Supervisor Vilas Waterman, town of Pine Grove, presented a bill for \$139.92 for services rendered during the investigation of the disappearance on December 8 of Miss Mary Hogan, operator of a tavern in the town of Pine Grove. On January 11, 1955, the board's finance committee turned down Waterman's claim, citing the legal theory of incompatibility, that a supervisor could not act as a deputy of a county officer and as a supervisor.

District attorney, John J. Haka, explained, "The county has a moral obligation to pay this bill. There's no question about that. There is a question about its legality. I wrote to the attorney general, asking an answer by March 1, so far, no answer has been received."

Moved by Supervisor Kurtzweil and seconded by Supervisor Steckel that the bill presented by Robert C. Jenkins be disallowed and that the original bill from Vilas Waterman be allowed and ordered paid.

Supervisor Waterman left the room to get the original bill.

Report of the mileage and per diem committee read by the clerk as follows:

March 1, 1955

To the Honorable Chairman and Members of the County Board of Supervisors of Portage County, Wisconsin:

Gentlemen:

We, your committee on mileage and per diem, would respectfully report and recommend the adoption of the same and that the chairman and county clerk be instructed to draw and order on the county treasurer for the amounts at \$8.00 per day:

	Days	Mileage	Amount
Harold Anderson .....	1	40	\$ 10.40
Arleigh Hetzel .....	1	40	10.40
Henry Swenson .....	1	46	10.76
Henry Stinson .....	1	50	11.00
George Fletcher .....	1	28	9.68
Martin Poliwoda .....	1	16	8.96
Edward Losinski .....	1	18	9.08
Frank Beck .....	1	28	9.68
Martin Kirchhoefer .....	1	44	10.64
Joseph Wojcik, Jr. ....	1	6	8.36
Thomas Morgan .....	1	44	10.64
John Kiefer .....	1	6	8.36
Russell Krogwold .....	1	42	10.52
Vilas Waterman .....	1	40	10.40
J. N. Starr .....	1	8	8.48
Henry Schulist .....	1	30	9.80
Stanley Kirschling .....	1	30	9.80
John Rath .....	1	50	11.00
Thomas Guyant .....	1	40	10.40
Joe Sroda .....	1	36	10.16
Paul Kitowski .....	1	26	9.56
Charles Anderson .....	1	30	9.80
Horace Atkins .....	1	4	8.24
Barney Omernik .....	1	4	8.24
A. P. Dobbe .....	1	36	10.16
H. L. Kurtzweil .....	1	2	8.12
Harold Frost .....	1	2	8.12
Gilbert Kirby .....	1	2	8.12
John Jakusz .....	1	2	8.12
Ray Clark .....	1	2	8.12
C. E. Nebel .....	1	2	8.12
Vincent Jurgella .....	1	2	8.12
Frank Steckel .....	1	2	8.12
Nat Kinney .....	1	2	8.12
<b>Total .....</b>			<b>\$317.60</b>

H. P. ANDERSON  
 MARTIN KIRCHHOEFER  
 JOHN KIEFER  
 EDWARD LOSINSKI

Mileage & Per Diem Committee

Moved by Supervisor Morgan and seconded by Supervisor Beck that the report be accepted. Motion carried, as the clerk called the roll, there being 33 ayes, and 1 absent. The following voted aye: Supervisors H. P. Anderson, Hetzel, Swenson, Stinson, Fletcher, Poliwooda, Losinski, Beck, Kirchhoefer, Wojcik, Morgan, Kiefer, Krogwold, Starr, Schulist, Kirschling, Rath, Guyant, Sroda, Kitowski, C. Anderson, Atkins, Dobbe, Omernik, Kurtzweil, Frost, Kirby, Jakusz, Clark, Nebel, Jurgella, Steckel and Kinney. Supervisor Waterman was absent.

Mayor Leonard L. Sorenson appeared before the board bringing up the vocational school question. He reminded the board of Stevens Point's school construction problems and suggested that a joint city-county vocational school would give the rural areas of the county a chance for a voice in the vocational school board. He suggested that the school's curriculum could be widened with the wider tax base and vocational agriculture classes added. This proposal was referred to educational committee without debate.

Supervisor Waterman entered the room.

Supervisors Dobbe, Guyant and Clark excused.

Clerk read the original Waterman bill for \$139.92.

Action on original motion before the house made by Supervisor Kurtzweil and seconded by Supervisor Steckel that the Waterman bill be paid, carried, as the clerk called the roll, there being 29 ayes, 3 excused, 2 members voted present. The following members voted aye: Supervisors H. P. Anderson, Hetzel, Swenson, Stinson, Fletcher, Poliwooda, Losinski, Beck, Kirchhoefer, Wojcik, Morgan, Kiefer, Krogwold, Starr, Schulist, Kirschling, Rath, Sroda, Kitowski, C. Anderson, Atkins, Omernik, Kurtzweil, Frost, Kirby, Jakusz, Nebel, Jurgella, Steckel and Kinney. Supervisors Guyant, Dobbe and Clark were excused. Supervisors Waterman and Kitowski voted present.

Supervisor Kurtzweil left the room.

Supervisor Schulist brought up pest control (grasshopper) financing problem for the coming year.

Moved by Supervisor Nebel and seconded by Supervisor Steckel that the pest control problem be laid over until the April session. Motion carried.

Clerk read resolution No. 62 as follows:

**RESOLUTION NO. 62**

March 1, 1955

Be it hereby resolved, by the county board of supervisors of Portage county, Wisconsin, now in adjourned session assembled, that the resolutions, petitions and motions adopted and carried at this meeting and all appropriations made and claims allowed at this meeting be and they are hereby ratified and confirmed in all respects by this board.

PAUL B. KITOWSKI

Moved by Supervisor Schulist and seconded by Supervisor Kinney that the resolution be adopted. Motion carried.

Moved by Supervisor Atkins and seconded by Supervisor Steckel that the board adjourn until the spring organization session, April 19, 1955. Motion carried.

CHESTER J. KULAS

County Clerk

STATE OF WISCONSIN)  
(SS.  
COUNTY OF PORTAGE)

I, Chester J. Kulas, county clerk of said county, do hereby certify that the above is true and correct record of the proceedings of this meeting of the county board of supervisors of Portage county, Wisconsin, which was read by the county clerk in the presence of the members of the county board of supervisors and by them approved.

CHESTER J. KULAS  
County Clerk

Attest:

MARY JANE JURGELLA  
Deputy Clerk

OFFICIAL PROCEEDINGS  
OF THE  
SPECIAL SESSION  
OF THE  
BOARD OF SUPERVISORS  
OF  
PORTAGE COUNTY, WISCONSIN  
March 29, A. D., 1955  
FIRST DAY

Stevens Point, Wisconsin, March 29, A. D., 1955, 10:00 A. M.  
Meeting called to order by the Honorable Henry W. Stinson,  
chairman.

Petition No. 9 was read by the clerk as follows:

March 18, 1955

Mr. Chester J. Kulas  
County Clerk, Portage County  
Stevens Point, Wisconsin  
Dear Sir:

We, the undersigned, constituting a majority of the members of the Portage county board of supervisors, and pursuant to Section 59.04 (2) of the Wisconsin statutes, hereby request that a special meeting of supervisors be held at the court house in the city of Stevens Point, Wisconsin, on Tuesday, March 29, 1955 at 10:00 a. m., and that we request said meeting for the purpose of discussing and voting on the current proposals made by the Wisconsin legislature concerning the passage of bills for the increase in the Wisconsin gasoline tax, the change in the Wisconsin state traffic patrol system and any and all business that may come up before it at that time.

HENRY W. STINSON  
VILAS WATERMAN  
VINCENT JURGELLA  
HENRY SWENSON  
GILBERT KIRBY  
THOS. E. MORGAN  
BARNEY F. OMERNIK  
C. E. NEBEL  
J. N. JAKUSZ

FRANK J. STECKEL  
H. L. KURTZWEIL  
RAY CLARK  
NAT KINNEY  
H. C. ATKINS  
CHARLES A. ANDERSON  
JOE SRODA  
THOMAS GUYANT  
STANLEY KIRSCHLING

Moved by Supervisor Nebel and seconded by Supervisor Jakusz that the petition stand as read. Motion carried.

Clerk called the roll of members as follows: All members present except Supervisors H. P. Anderson and Thomas E. Morgan and C. Anderson, absent.

Town of Alban, Harold P. Anderson.  
 Town of Almond, Arleigh Hetzel.  
 Town of Belmont, Henry W. Stinson.  
 Town of Amherst, Henry Swenson.  
 Town of Buena Vista, George Fletcher.  
 Town of Carson, Martin Poliwoda.  
 Town of Dewey, Edward Losinski.  
 Town of Eau Pleine, Frank Beck.  
 Town of Grant, Martin Kirchhoefer.  
 Town of Hull, Joseph J. Wojcik, Jr.  
 Town of Lanark, Thomas Morgan.  
 Town of Linwood, John Kiefer.  
 Town of New Hope, Russel Krogwald.  
 Town of Pine Grove, Vilas Waterman.  
 Town of Plover, J. N. Starr.  
 Town of Sharon, Henry Schulist.  
 Town of Stockton, Stanley Kirschling.  
 Village of Almond, John Rath.  
 Village of Amherst, Thomas A. Guyant.  
 Village of Amherst Junction, Joe Sroda.  
 Village of Junction City, Paul Kitowski.  
 Village of Nelsonville, Charles A. Anderson.  
 Village of Park Ridge, Horace Atkins.  
 Village of Rosholt, A. P. Dobbe.  
 Village of Whiting, Barney F. Omernik.  
 City of Stevens Point, First ward, H. L. Kurtzweil.  
 City of Stevens Point, Second ward, Harold Frost.  
 City of Stevens Point, Third ward, Gilbert T. Kirby.  
 City of Stevens Point, Fourth ward, John N. Jakusz.  
 City of Stevens Point, Fifth ward, Ray Clark.  
 City of Stevens Point, Sixth ward, C. E. Nebel.  
 City of Stevens Point, Seventh ward, Vincent G. Jurgella.  
 City of Stevens Point, Eighth ward, Frank J. Steckel.  
 City of Stevens Point, Ninth ward, Nat Kinney.  
 Supervisor H. P. Anderson entered the room.  
 Analysis of Bill No. 425-S was read by the clerk as follows:

### Analysis Of Bill No. 425-S Creating A State Traffic Patrol

#### Part I

The New Department Of Traffic Safety.

- (1) What will the new department consist of?
- (2) What will be the functions of the director?
- (3) What will be the powers and duties of the new state traffic patrol?
- (4) What will the new traffic patrol plan cost?

One of the major features of the bill is the creation of the new Wisconsin department of traffic safety. The committee concludes that the size of the new traffic patrol would be such that its affairs could be handled most efficiently if it had its own independent administrative organization.

(1) What will the new department consist of? The bill provides that the department will consist of "a director, the Wisconsin state traffic patrol, and such technical and clerical assistants as are employed by the department." Preliminary estimates of the Northwestern University Traffic Institute are to the effect that there will be 609 employes in the traffic officer category (i.e., members of the

traffic patrol) and 127 civilian employes such as clerks, typists, stenographers, radio dispatchers, and radio technicians. All employes except the director will have civil service status. The director will be appointed by the governor for a six-year term, such appointment to be made from a list of five candidates who have passed a competitive qualifying examination. Other employes of the department will be appointed by the director pursuant to the civil service law. Note, however, that many of the original appointments to the position of traffic officer will be exempt from this provision. As will be explained more fully in a subsequent section of this report, present state and county patrolmen are blanketed into the new patrol without examination.

(2) What will be the functions of the director? The bill provides that the director is "the chief administrative office of the department of traffic safety and shall supervise and direct the administration of the department." He will have charge of the organization of the administrative structure of the department and the assignment and supervision of all civilian personnel. He also is the commanding officer of the traffic patrol and is specifically directed to supervise and direct the activities of the patrol and to make rules for the conduct and discipline of members of the patrol. He is expressly authorized to divide the state into districts and to establish district headquarters and to assign officers to such districts as he deems expedient. Such headquarters will consist primarily of office and storage space. Traffic officers assigned to patrol duty will operate out of their own homes.

(3) What will the powers and duties of the state traffic patrol be? The bill provides that the primary functions of the new state traffic patrol will be to patrol the rural highways of the state and enforce the laws relating to safety on such highways, to direct traffic on such highways when necessary for the safe and speedy movement of persons or property, and to investigate traffic accidents and make reports thereof. An incidental function of the traffic patrol is to respond to the call of the governor in emergencies due to natural causes. In the case of flood, tornado or other natural disaster, the governor may assign state traffic officers to the disaster areas to serve under the direction of the local authorities to whom they are assigned. This type of service is occasionally performed by county patrolmen at the present time and the committees concluded that the new state patrol should be available for the same type of service.

The traffic law enforcement functions of the new state patrol will be limited to highways outside the limits of incorporated villages or cities, except for beltline highways which incidentally fall within city or village limits. Members of the traffic patrol may be assigned to assist municipalities with special patrol problems, however, if request for such assistance is made by the chief executive officer or chief police of the city or village. For example, a city might want to request the assistance of state traffic officers on occasions such as conventions, football games, or fairs which would cause abnormally heavy traffic within the city.

In performing the duties assigned to them, state traffic officers will have the powers of sheriff. This is the same police power as is vested in present state and county traffic patrolmen. It means essentially that they can stop vehicles which are violating the law, that they can arrest with or without warrant for apparent violations of the law, and that they can summon aid in making arrests. Note, however, that this police power is limited to the specific area within which traffic officers are permitted to operate. The bill contains

express prohibitions against the use of traffic officers in labor disputes and against their being deputized as general peace officers.

The powers of state traffic officers will not encroach upon the powers of sheriffs and municipal law enforcement officers. Rather, the bill directs the two groups to co-operate with each other. Similar co-operation is expected between the state traffic patrol and the inspectors of the motor vehicle department. Here, the bill provides that traffic officers are not to be assigned to truck weighing duties or other enforcement functions which are the primary responsibility of the motor vehicle department's inspectors but that traffic officers are not deprived of authority to enforce such laws in individual instances which come to their attention. It further provides that inspectors of the motor vehicle department are not to be assigned to authority to enforce traffic laws in individual instances which come to their attention. The committees' purpose in recommending these provisions was to prevent wasteful duplication of functions but at the same time to avoid any gap in effective law enforcement which might be the result if there were a sharp division of authority between the two groups. Under the recommended provisions, an inspector of the motor vehicle department who observes an intoxicated driver can notify a traffic officer or can even make an arrest himself without fear of exceeding his authority. Similarly, a state traffic officer who observes an apparently overloaded or improperly registered truck can direct such truck to a weighing station without fear of exceeding his authority.

(4) What will the new traffic patrol plan cost? The bill in its present form provides for a total appropriation of \$4,456,600 from the highway fund to the department of traffic safety for the first biennium of its operation. Of this sum, \$2,250,000 is for personal services, \$1,161,000 for materials and expense, and \$1,045,000 for capital outlay. These figures are based upon preliminary estimates made by the Northwestern University Traffic Institute and probably will have to be revised upward to some extent because certain features have been incorporated in the bill which were not contemplated by the institute in its preliminary report. Chief among these is the provision for equalizing the financial burden of the various counties by reimbursing those counties which must continue to employ traffic patrolmen after other counties have been brought under the new state patrol. This provision is discussed in greater detail in a subsequent section of this report.

Provisions for augmenting the highway fund to take care of the drain which the appropriation made by the traffic patrol bill would place upon the fund are not included in the traffic patrol bill. They will be included in a bill relating to total highway finances.

## Part II

Putting The New Traffic Patrol Plan Into Effect.

- (1) How will the transition take place?
- (2) What about traffic law enforcement during the transition period?
- (3) What provision is made for equalizing the financial burden of counties during the transition period?
- (4) What happens to present county patrolmen?
- (5) What happens to present state traffic officers?
- (6) What about persons presently employed in traffic patrol work in a technical or clerical capacity?
- (7) What about the law enforcement work of the motor vehicle department?

The most difficult problem encountered by the committees in drafting the traffic patrol bill was to achieve a quick, fair and efficient transition from the present state and county systems of highway patrol to the new state patrol system. Consequently, a large portion of the bill and the major portion of the committees' time and efforts in drafting the bill were devoted to a solution of this problem.

(1) How will the transition take place? The bill provides that the transition is to take place on a district by district basis. This provision is based upon a recommendation of the Northwestern University Traffic Institute. The institute recommended that each traffic officer who enters the employ of the new department of traffic safety should be given a period of intensive training to acquaint him with his new duties and responsibilities before being put on patrol duty as a member of the new state traffic patrol. Since, as a practical matter, only 50 men can be trained at the same time and since the state probably will be divided into nine districts in any event to facilitate administration of the activities of the patrol, it is logical that the transition should take place on a district by district basis.

(2) What about traffic law enforcement during the transition period? Under the district plan, some counties will of course come under the new state patrol sooner than others. The bill provides that as soon as a district is taken over by the state patrol, county patrols in any county in that district must cease to operate, at least insofar as those patrols operate under authority of par. 59.21, (8) (cm) or par. 83.016 of the statutes. The former provision authorizes separate traffic departments in sheriffs' offices and the latter authorizes traffic patrolmen to be employed by the county board or by a committee of the county board. Both provisions are repealed by the bill, but in order to allow the continuance of county patrols until the new state patrol can take over, the bill provides in effect that the above provisions will remain in force in those counties which have not come under the new patrol until time as they do come under the new patrol. Essentially what this means is that county patrols in some counties will cease to operate earlier than county patrols in other counties. For example, assume that the first district to be taken over by the new patrol consists of Washington, Ozaukee, Waukesha, Milwaukee, Racine and Kenosha counties and that this district is taken over on February 1, 1956. County patrols in those counties would cease to exist as of that date, but each of the other 65 counties would continue its traffic patrol activities until such time as the district in which the particular county is located is taken over by the new state patrol. In order to assure some semblance of unity in patrol activities as soon as the first district is taken over, the bill provides that the director of the department of traffic safety shall assume general supervision of the activities of county traffic patrols as of that day, but this does not include the authority to require county patrolmen to patrol the highways outside their own counties.

(3) What provision is made for equalizing the financial burden of counties during the transition period? Under the district plan of transition, it is obvious that some counties are going to continue to employ county patrolmen longer than other counties. The entire transition probably will take two years, so that counties located in the district which is the last to be placed under the state patrol will employ their own patrolmen two years longer than the counties in the district which was the first to be brought under the state patrol.

The decision as to the order in which the districts will be taken over by the state patrol is left to the director of the department of traffic safety, but in order to equalize the financial burden of the counties and to treat all counties as fairly as is practicably possible as well as to induce the continuation of county patrols until the state patrol takes over, the bill provides that counties which continue to employ traffic patrolmen after the state patrol has taken over in the district first to be brought under the state patrol will be reimbursed for the salaries paid to such patrolmen. Reimbursement will be on the basis of the salary in effect immediately prior to February 1, 1955 and will be made only for the salaries of those patrolmen who are eligible to transfer to the state patrol and have made application to do so. Eligibility requirements are described in the next section of this report. The counties will remain liable for other expenses in connection with their traffic patrol activities. Each month, the counties which have incurred reimburseable expenses during the preceding calendar month will certify the amount thereof to the department of traffic safety and will be reimbursed within the next month.

To illustrate, suppose that the first district is taken over by the state patrol on March 1, 1956 but that the district in which La Crosse county is located is not taken over until November 1, 1956. Suppose also that La Crosse county employs five patrolmen who are eligible to transfer to the new state patrol and that they were receiving a monthly salary of \$300 immediately prior to February 1, 1955. Under the provisions of the bill, La Crosse county would continue to employ the five patrolmen for eight months after the first district in the state had been taken over by the state patrol, but it would be reimbursed in the amount of \$1,500 for each of those eight months.

(4) What happens to present county patrolmen when the new state patrol takes over? The bill provides for blanketing present county patrolmen into the new state patrol without examination. The only eligibility requirements are that the person must have been employed as a county patrolman as of February 1, 1955 and must have been assigned to highway patrol or actively patrolling the highways as of that date and must make application for transfer to the new state patrol prior to October 1, 1955. The person may qualify as a traffic patrolman either on the basis of employment by the county board or a committee of the county board or on the basis of employment as a full-time deputy sheriff assigned to highway patrol or engaged in patrolling the highways. Application for transfer to the new patrol must be made to the bureau of personnel on a form prescribed by the bureau and must be accompanied by a certification by the sheriff or the county board or the county board committee, whoever happens to be the immediate employer in the particular case, to the effect that the person meets the eligibility requirements mentioned above.

Patrolmen who currently hold a supervisory position in a county patrol unit or in the state patrol are eligible to take a competitive examination for a supervisor position in the new state patrol. The examination will be open only to those who are currently in a supervisory position in a county patrol unit or in the present state patrol and a person who passes the examination will be given preference over outsiders for the supervisory position for which he qualified.

As a practical matter, a county patrolman who has applied for transfer to the new state patrol probably will not be offered appointment to such patrol until the district in which his county is located is being taken over by the patrol. Of course, a very important provision of the bill from the standpoint of effective traffic

law enforcement is, that which authorizes the director of the department of traffic safety to deploy traffic officers to such localities as he deems necessary for most efficient and effective traffic law enforcement and to assign and reassign patrolmen among districts, and a county patrolman who joins the state patrol may not continue indefinitely or permanently to be assigned to patrol within his home county. However, most of the counties with large county patrols also are the counties having the most difficult traffic problems and chances therefore are better than average that present county patrolmen in those areas will be assigned to their home area. While district headquarters will be established in each district, traffic officers in the various districts will continue to operate out of their own homes with most of the contacts with district headquarters being made by radio or personal contact.

The bill has several attractive features from the standpoint of the county patrolman who decided to transfer to the state patrol within the time limits set by the bill. Chief among them is the fact that such patrolmen will have civil service status and can achieve that status without complying with many requirements which usually are imposed. For example, the bill provides that the county patrolman who enters the state patrol not only will not have to pass any examination but he also will not be required to serve any probationary period. Persons entering the patrol through regular channels must serve one year on probation. Moreover, the bill provides that a county patrolman will retain any unused sick leave which he has accumulated during his service as a county patrolman. Another very attractive feature of the bill from the standpoint of most county patrolmen who transfer to the state patrol relates to retirement benefits. The bill provides for the computation, or recomputation, of the prior service credits of all county patrolmen who transfer to the state patrol, such computation to be on the basis of the seven per cent contribution rate regardless of what had been the patrolman's actual rate of contribution and regardless of whether he previously had been under any retirement system. Such patrolman's beginning salary in the new patrol will be used as the basis for the computation. The cost of making up the difference between the previous prior service credits and the recomputed prior service credits will be borne by the state. Obviously, some county patrolmen will benefit more than others from this plan but all should benefit to some extent and many to a large extent. The provision is designed to place all county patrolmen who transfer to the new patrol on an equal basis insofar as retirement benefits are concerned.

(5) What about present state traffic officers? The bill gives present state traffic officers an opportunity to transfer to the new patrol under exactly the same conditions as present county patrolmen are permitted to transfer, including waiver of qualifying examination and probationary requirements, opportunity for participation in the closed promotional examinations, and recomputation of prior service credits on the seven per cent contribution basis. The bill also provides that present state traffic officers may remain with the motor vehicle department in the position of inspector, in which event they will retain the same rank and status as they now have except that they will be officially known as inspectors rather than traffic officers and they will not be assigned to traffic patrol work.

(6) What about persons presently employed in traffic patrol work in a technical or clerical capacity? The bill provides that radio personnel in the motor vehicle department who currently are operating

the state radio system will be transferred to the new department of traffic safety as of the day when the director of the department determines that he is ready to assume supervision of the radio system. The committees felt that these radio operators and technicians are familiar with the operation of the present system which will be taken over by the new department without change and that therefore those people should form the nucleus of radio personnel in the new department.

The bill also provides for the absorption by the new department of traffic safety of other state and county employes employed in traffic patrol work in a clerical or technical capacity. There probably will not be too many in this category who will want to transfer to the new department, for most counties will want to retain their radio systems for other law enforcement work even after they are relieved of traffic patrol duties, and clerical employes usually are in constant demand at the county level as well as elsewhere. If, however, a state or county employe who was actively engaged in traffic patrol work in a technical or clerical capacity as of February 1, 1955 wishes to transfer to a similar position in the new department, the bill gives them appointment preference over other persons. They will be required to take a competitive qualifying examination, and if they pass that examination, they must be given an opportunity to accept the positions for which they qualified before other candidates for those positions may be considered. The bill provides for waiver of the probationary period and retention of accumulated and unused sick leave allowances the same as in the case of traffic patrolmen who transfer to the department.

(7) What about the law enforcement work of the motor vehicle department? The present state traffic patrol, consisting of approximately 70 officers, is the law enforcement arm of the motor vehicle department. Present state traffic officers devote approximately 40 per cent of their time to traffic patrol work. The remainder of their time is devoted to other enforcement work, such as truck weighing, picking up suspended driver's licenses, inspecting school buses, and inspecting motor vehicle dealers' facilities. It is evident that the motor vehicle department must continue to employ enforcement personnel even after it is relieved of the duty to patrol the highways. Consequently, the bill provides that the motor vehicle department may employ inspectors to assist in the enforcement of the various laws which it has a duty to enforce. These inspectors will have substantially the same powers and duties as present state traffic officers, with the important exception that they will not be assigned to traffic patrol work. It is anticipated that the majority of them will be assigned to truck weighing units so as to secure effective enforcement of the laws relating to weight limitations on trucks.

Supervisor Thomas Morgan entered the room.

Moved by Supervisor Waterman and seconded by Supervisor Losinski that the board be in opposition to the bill.

Supervisor Martin Poliwoda, town of Carson, pointed out that the cost to the state would be about \$1.25 per person every two years.

Sixth ward Supervisor C. E. Nebel added the remark that arrests by the state patrol would be made under state warrant rather than county warrant as at present. (The state treasury, rather than the county, would get most of the money collected in fines assessed on state warrants.)

Supervisor Waterman summarized the apparently unanimous opposition by the board members to the bill by pointing out that under

the state patrol, village streets would not be patrolled; state officers work a 40-hour week while county officers are on call at all times; the state would provide no ambulance service; state driver's license examiners would also be available only during a 40-hour week; state officers would perform no law enforcement duties except in the traffic field, and state officers would not be on call to aid the sheriff in emergencies.

Moved by Supervisor Losinski and seconded by Supervisor Wojcik that an amendment be added to Supervisor Waterman's motion explaining that the present system has been working well here and that we would like to continue to operate as we are at the present.

The clerk read a questionnaire prepared by the Wisconsin County Boards association together with a companion instruction sheet which suggested answers to the questions relating to bill 425-S.

It was suggested that the district attorney give his interpretation of the proposed law this afternoon.

Captain Neal O. Ketchum of the county highway police appeared before the board stating that the state patrol performs very few patrol functions in Portage county outside of occasional radar speed checks. "In other counties," he pointed out, "however, where county highway patrols are inco-operative or nearly so, state officers perform patrol activities."

Moved by Supervisor Nebel and seconded by Supervisor Steckel that the board adjourn until 1:30 p. m. Motion carried.

Stevens Point, Wisconsin, March 29, 1955, 2:20 P. M.

Meeting called to order by the Honorable Henry W. Stinson, chairman.

Clerk called the roll. All members present, except Supervisors Wojcik and Charles C. Anderson, absent, and Supervisor Omernik, excused.

Supervisor Nebel's opinion was that the board should give an explanation as to why bill No. 425-S was turned down.

The matter was referred to the district attorney.

Supervisor Hetzel left the room.

Clerk read bill No. 426-S as follows:

#### **Bill 426-S**

Proposing a two cent increase in gasoline taxes and a four cent increase in diesel fuel taxes, a portion of which would be dedicated to pay for the proposed state patrol bill as outlined in bill 425-S, and the balance of the funds to be distributed 60 per cent for state roads and 40 per cent for county and local roads. The 40 per cent to be distributed to county and local roads would follow the same formula that now exists for the distribution of highway supplemental aids, namely,

Thirty per cent for county trunks; 30 per cent for town roads; 25 per cent for cities of the first, second and third class, and, 15 per cent for 4th class cities and villages.

Preliminary estimates of increased revenues under a two cent gasoline tax increase are \$20,000,000 annually.

This will give county trunks an additional allotment of approximately \$2,000,000 annually to be used for road purposes. This additional state allotment can then be used by counties to match a like sum (\$2,000,000 annually) of federal aid now available to counties but being lapsed to the state because of the inability of counties to match the available federal aid with county property tax funds.

At this time Supervisor Schulist from the town of Sharon appeared before the board giving this farewell speech:

"I've been here for a long period of years. I hate to leave my people and you, but I have several reasons. One is my health. The activity has just been too much for me. I've enjoyed my stay here for 14 years. Everybody has been kind and co-operative to me. I want you to treat the new man the same."

Likewise, Supervisor Martin Kirchhoefer from the town of Grant stated: "I've enjoyed being here and learning too. The reason I'm leaving is that I'll be gone on the road quite a bit with the company."

Supervisor John Rath from the village of Almond appeared before the board saying, "I've enjoyed being with you for six or seven years. My health is failing so I'm going to retire."

Supervisor Horace Atkins from the village of Park Ridge said, "I've enjoyed being here and I know I'll miss it. I feel I can't do justice to two jobs so I'm dropping this one."

Supervisor Hetzel entered the room.

Clerk reread bill No. 426-S.

Moved by Supervisor Atkins and seconded by Supervisor Starr that the board be in opposition to the bill in view of the fact that this two cent increase was tied up with the traffic patrol. Motion carried as the clerk called the roll, there being 28 ayes, 5 absent, and 1 excused. The following members voted aye: Supervisors H. P. Anderson, Hetzel, Stinson, Fletcher, Poliwoda, Losinski, Beck, Kirchhoefer, Kiefer, Krogwold, Waterman, Starr, Schulist, Kirschling, Rath, Guyant, Sroda, Kitowski, Atkins, Dobbe, Kurtzweil, Frost, Jakusz, Clark, Nebel, Jurgella, Steckel and Kinney. Supervisors Swenson, Wojcik, Morgan, C. Anderson and Kirby, absent, and Supervisor Omernik, excused.

Moved by Supervisor H. P. Anderson and seconded by Supervisor Dobbe that the board adopt a two-cent gasoline tax increase to be divided 50 per cent locally and 50 per cent for state purposes. An amendment for a 75-25 split was offered by Supervisor Poliwoda. Motion carried.

Clerk read the letter drawn up by the district attorney as follows: The County Board of Portage County, Wisconsin:

Meeting held March 29, 1955 in the city of Stevens Point, Portage county Wisconsin, the county board of Portage county, Wisconsin voted against the proposed bill 425-S creating a state traffic patrol system and said county board is in favor of retaining the present county patrol system.

Some of the reasons brought forth to retain the present system are as follows:

1. The present county system has been satisfactorily maintained and operated providing this county with a good traffic patrol.
2. The county traffic system is controlled by the county board of Portage county, Wisconsin who has at their disposal the necessary first hand information to continue and operate a good county traffic patrol.
3. The county system is more economical than the proposed plan submitted and recommended in bill 425-S creating a state traffic patrol system.
4. That the county board prefers to maintain control of its own affairs in as much as they know the local traffic problems and needs that are required to maintain highway safety.
5. That in Portage county, Wisconsin there exists good co-operation with all law enforcement agencies within the county as well as with the state providing good law enforcement for the county.
6. In order to maintain the co-operation within the various law enforcement agencies it is recommended that the present county

traffic system be retained for Portage county.

7. That the Portage county board of supervisors is opened to all suggestions for improving traffic safety within Portage county, Wisconsin.

Moved by Supervisor Nebel and seconded by Supervisor Waterman that a copy be sent to the members of the legislature. Motion carried as the clerk called the roll, there being 31 ayes, 2 absent and 1 excused. The following members voted aye: Supervisors H. P. Anderson, Hetzel, Swenson, Stinson, Fletcher, Poliwoda, Losinski, Beck, Kirchhoefer, Morgan, Kiefer, Krogwold, Waterman, Starr, Schulist, Kirschling, Rath, Guyant, Sroda, Kitowski, Atkins, Dobbe, Kurtzweil, Frost, Kirby, Jakusz, Clark, Nebel, Jurgella, Steckel and Kinney. Supervisor Wojcik and Charles Anderson were absent, and Supervisor Omernik was excused.

The board added that suggestions and help in improving the present county highway police system, if given by the state without removing local control, would be gladly accepted.

#### **Analysis Of Bill 427-S Creating A State System For Drivers License Examinations**

Note: The primary purpose of this bill is the creation of a new state driver examination system to replace the present system whereby most examinations are given by local examiners.

Section 1 of the bill reduces from four to two years the period during which a license is valid and increases from 50 cents to one dollar the fee for a license renewal and the fee for a duplicate license. Requiring licenses to be renewed every two years will mean more up-to-date records and consequently better driver control. The motor vehicle department plans to establish a call of renewal on the birthdate of each driver so as to keep renewals on a definite permanent level. The more frequent renewals plus the increase in the renewal fee also means that receipts will increase sufficiently so as to very adequately cover the cost of the new examination system.

Sections 2 and 3 of the bill provide for a driver control division in the motor vehicle department to administer the operator's license law and the safety and financial responsibility laws. Such a division exists at the present time in the form of the driver licensing section which operates as a division. The bill merely gives statutory recognition to that fact.

Section 4 of the bill sets up the new driver examination system. It provides for a force of not more than 85 examiners, including one chief examiner and five supervising examiners. The 12 men presently employed as state examiners are transferred to the new system. The bill provides for bringing the state examiner force up to near its maximum strength by the end of the first year. In order to accomplish this, the department is authorized to contract for the services of specialists in training driver examiners. Some examiners under the new system will be assigned to interview and to re-examination of problem drivers. This, together with the fact that uniform examinations will be given throughout the state, is a positive step toward better driver control. For the purpose of administration, the state will be divided into districts (probably five) and definite examination points and examination schedules will be established with examiners moving from one examination point to the next in accordance with the established schedule. The bill also provides that clerical help can be employed at local examining points.

This probably will be done in sparsely settled areas where part-time help could be used efficiently for supervising the written examinations and preliminary processing of applications.

Moved by Supervisor Nebel and seconded by Supervisor Kurtzweil that this bill be rejected on the same grounds that Portage county is satisfied with the present examinations and that we feel again that we want this to remain locally. Motion carried as the clerk called the roll, there being 31 ayes, 2 absent, and 1 excused. The following members voted aye: Supervisors H. P. Anderson, Hetzel, Swenson, Stinson, Fletcher, Poliwoda, Losinski, Beck, Kirchhoefer, Morgan, Kiefer, Krogwold, Waterman, Starr, Schulist, Kirschling, Rath, Guyant, Sroda, Kitowski, Atkins, Dobbe, Kurtzweil, Frost, Kirby, Jakusz, Clark, Nebel, Jurgella, Steckel and Kinney. Supervisors Wojcik and Charles Anderson were absent, and Supervisor Omernik was excused.

Report of the mileage and per diem committee was read by the clerk as follows:

March 29, 1955

To the Honorable Chariman and Members of the County Board of Supervisors of Portage County, Wisconsin.

Gentlemen:

We, your committee on mileage and per diem, would respectfully report and recommend the adoption of the same and that the chairman and county clerk be instructed to draw an order on the county treasurer for the amounts of \$8.00 per day:

	Days	Mileage	Amount
Harold Anderson .....	1	40	\$ 10.40
Arleigh Hetzel .....	1	40	10.40
Henry Swenson .....	1	46	10.76
Henry Stinson .....	1	50	11.00
George Fletcher .....	1	23	9.68
Martin Poliwoda .....	1	16	8.96
Edward Losinski .....	1	18	9.08
Frank Beck .....	1	23	9.68
Martin Kirchhoefer .....	1	44	10.64
Joseph Wojcik, Jr. ....	1	6	8.36
Thomas Morgan .....	1	44	10.64
John Kiefer .....	1	6	8.36
Russell Krogwold .....	1	42	10.52
Vilas Waterman .....	1	40	10.40
J. N. Starr .....	1	8	8.48
Henry Schulist .....	1	30	9.80
Stanley Kirschling .....	1	30	9.80
John Rath .....	1	50	11.00
Thomas Guyant .....	1	40	10.40
Joe Sroda .....	1	36	10.16
Paul Kitowski .....	1	26	9.56
Charles Anderson .....	1	30	9.80
Horace Atkins .....	1	4	8.24
Barney Omernik .....	1	4	8.24
A. P. Dobbe .....	1	36	10.16
H. L. Kurtzweil .....	1	2	8.12
Harold Frost .....	1	2	8.12
Gilbert Kirby .....	1	2	8.12
John Jakusz .....	1	2	8.12
Ray Clark .....	1	2	8.12
C. E. Nebel .....	1	2	8.12

Vincent Jurgella .....	1	2	8.12
Frank Steckel .....	1	2	8.12
Nat Kinney .....	1	2	8.12
Total .....			\$317.60

MARTIN KIRCHHOEFER

H. P. ANDERSON

EDWARD LOSINSKI

Mileage &amp; Per Diem Committee

Moved by Supervisor Krogwold and seconded by Supervisor Schulist that the report be accepted. Motion carried as the clerk called the roll, there being 31 ayes, 2 absent, and 1 excused. The following members voted aye: Supervisors A. P. Anderson, Hetzel, Swenson, Stinson, Fletcher, Poliwoda, Losinski, Beck, Kirchhoefer, Morgan, Kiefer, Krogwold, Waterman, Starr, Schulist, Kirschling, Rath, Guyant, Sroda, Kitowski, Atkins, Dobbe, Kurtzweil, Frost, Kirby, Jakusz, Clark, Nebel, Jurgella, Steckel and Kinney. Supervisors Wojcik and C. Anderson were absent, and Supervisor Omernik was excused.

Clerk read resolution No. 63 as follows:

**RESOLUTION NO. 63**

March 29, 1955

Be it hereby resolved, by the county board of supervisors of Portage county, Wisconsin, now in special session called by a petition signed by a majority of supervisors, that the resolutions, petitions and all appropriations made and claims allowed at this meeting be and they are hereby ratified and confirmed in all respects by this board.

PAUL B. KITOWSKI

Moved by Supervisor Schulist and seconded by Supervisor Kitowski that the resolution be adopted. Motion carried as the clerk called the roll, there being 31 ayes, 2 absent, and 1 excused. The following members voted aye: Supervisors H. P. Anderson, Hetzel, Swenson, Stinson, Fletcher, Poliwoda, Losinski, Beck, Kirchhoefer, Morgan, Kiefer, Krogwold, Waterman, Starr, Schulist, Kirschling, Rath, Guyant, Sroda, Kitowski, Atkins, Dobbe, Kurtzweil, Frost, Kirby, Jakusz, Clark, Nebel, Jurgella, Steckel and Kinney. Supervisors Wojcik and C. Anderson were absent, and Supervisor Omernik was excused.

Moved by Supervisor Kurtzweil and seconded by Supervisor Kinney that the board adjourn until spring organization session, April 19, 1955. Motion carried.

CHESTER J. KULAS  
County Clerk

STATE OF WISCONSIN)

(SS.

COUNTY OF PORTAGE)

I, Chester J. Kulas, county clerk of said county, and Mary Jane Jurgella, deputy clerk, do hereby certify that the above is true and correct record of the proceedings of this meeting of the county board of supervisors of Portage county, Wisconsin, which was read by the clerk in the presence of the members of the county board of supervisors and by them approved.

CHESTER J. KULAS  
County Clerk

Attest:

MARY JANE JURGELLA  
Deputy Clerk

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OFFICIAL PROCEEDINGS  
OF THE  
ORGANIZATION SESSION  
OF THE  
BOARD OF SUPERVISORS  
OF  
PORTAGE COUNTY, WISCONSIN  
April 19, A. D., 1955  
FIRST DAY

The county board of supervisors of Portage county met in organization session in the American Legion clubroom in the city of Stevens Point, Wisconsin, at 10:00 o'clock in the forenoon, April 19, 1955.

The meeting was called to order by the Honorable Henry W. Stinson, chairman.

The county clerk called the roll of members as follows:

Town of Alban, Harold P. Anderson.  
Town of Almond, Arleigh Hetzel.  
Town of Amherst, Henry W. Swenson.  
Town of Belmont, Henry W. Stinson.  
Town of Buena Vista, George Fletcher.  
Town of Carson, Martin Poliwoda.  
Town of Dewey, Edward Losinski.  
Town of Eau Pleine, Frank Beck.  
Town of Grant, Anton Palek.  
Town of Hull, Joseph J. Wojcik.  
Town of Lanark, Thomas Morgan.  
Town of Linwood, Joe Glaza.  
Town of New Hope, Russell Krogwold.  
Town of Pine Grove, Vilas Waterman.  
Town of Plover, Milvern E. Jacklin.  
Town of Sharon, Ted Burant.  
Town of Stockton, Stanley Kirschling.  
Village of Almond, Harold Mehne.  
Village of Amherst, Thomas A. Guyant.  
Village of Amherst Junction, Joe Sroda.  
Village of Junction City, Paul Kitowski.  
Village of Nelsonville, Charles Anderson.  
Village of Park Ridge, Joseph Hannon.  
Village of Rosholt, A. P. Dobbe.  
Village of Whiting, Ernest Kluck.  
City of Stevens Point, First ward, H. L. Kurtzweil.

City of Stevens Point, Second ward, Harold Frost.  
 City of Stevens Point, Third ward, Gilbert Kirby.  
 City of Stevens Point, Fourth ward, John N. Jakusz.  
 City of Stevens Point, Fifth ward, Ray Clark.  
 City of Stevens Point, Sixth ward, C. E. Nebel.  
 City of Stevens Point, Seventh ward, Vincent G. Jurgella.  
 City of Stevens Point, Eighth ward, Frank J. Steckel.  
 City of Stevens Point, Ninth ward, Nat Kinney.

All members were present.

Anton Palek, town of Grant, Joe Glaza, town of Linwood, Milvern E. Jacklin, town of Plover, Ted Burant, town of Sharon, Harold Mehne, village of Almond, Joseph Hannon, village of Park Ridge and Ernest Kluck, village of Whiting, new members of the board, were introduced to the board.

Moved by Supervisor Wojcik and seconded by Supervisor Jakusz that the clerk be authorized to cast a unanimous ballot for Henry W. Stinson for chairman of the board for the next one year. Motion carried.

Clerk cast a unanimous ballot and Henry W. Stinson was elected chairman of the county board for the next one year.

Moved by Supervisor Kurtzweil and seconded by Supervisor Nebel that we dispense with the reading of the minutes. Motion carried.

Moved by Supervisor Nebel and seconded by Supervisor Wojcik that the clerk be authorized to cast a unanimous ballot for Vilas Waterman for vice chairman of the board for one year. Motion carried.

Clerk cast a unanimous ballot for Vilas Waterman electing him vice chairman of the county board for one year.

Moved by Supervisor Kurtzweil and seconded by Supervisor Krogwold that we follow the same rules at this time as we did at previous sessions. Motion carried.

District Highway Engineer W. G. Haselton, who retires this year, introduced his successor in the district engineer's post, Arthur W. Piltz.

Clerk read resolution No. 1 as follows:

### **RESOLUTION NO. 1**

#### **Petitioning For Advance Of The Construction Allotments Portage County**

Whereas, to accomplish the improvement of State Trunk Highway 51 between South County Line and Plover, it becomes desirable to agree upon the advance of future years' allotments to become available to the credit of this county for state trunk highway improvement.

Be it resolved that the state highway commission is hereby petitioned to advance and commit the sum of \$228,000, or as much thereof as required for such improvement, the amount so advanced to be deducted from future allotments as they accrue to the credit of this county under Section 84.03(3), Wisconsin statutes, beginning with the allotment accruing in the fiscal year ending June 30, 1957; and

Be it further resolved that this resolution, when approved by the state highway commission, shall constitute an agreement pursuant to Section 84.03(5), Wisconsin statutes.

Resolution presented 4-19-1955.

By HENRY SWENSON

The foregoing resolution was adopted on April 19, 1955.

CHESTER J. KULAS

THOMAS E. MORGAN  
GILBERT KIRBY

County Clerk

County Highway Committee

Haselton said that about \$150,000 in federal aid would be forthcoming also for the project. An allocation of \$10,000 was made last year for surveys of the route. Today's action opens the way for the start of construction at the conclusion of the survey.

Supervisor Kitowski appeared before the board stating that he thought Highway 10 west of the city (from safety's standpoint) should take precedence over Highway 51.

Haselton explained that the project has been selected by the highway commission over an alternate proposal for improving Highway 10 west of Stevens Point after Highway 51 had been selected as part of the state's arterial highway system.

Moved by Supervisor Nebel and seconded by Supervisor Steckel that resolution No. 1 be adopted. Motion carried as the clerk called the roll, there being 19 ayes, 14 nays and 1 present. The following members voted aye: Supervisors H. P. Anderson, Hetzel, Swenson, Stinson, Fletcher, Losinski, Palek, Morgan, Krogwold, Waterman, Jacklin, Kirschling, Mehne, Guyant, Sroda, C. Anderson, Kluck, Kirby and Clark. The following members voted naye: Supervisors Poliwoda, Beck, Wojcik, Burant, Kitowski, Hannon, Dobbe, Kurtzweil, Frost, Jakusz, Nebel, Jurgella, Steckel and Kinney. Supervisor Glaza voted present.

Clerk read a letter from Senator Clark as follows:

April 7, 1955

Mr. Chester J. Kulas

County Clerk

Stevens Point, Wisconsin.

Dear Mr. Kulas:

I have your resolutions from the county board. There will be marked changes in these bills and how I will vote on them will be determined on their final form. I sincerely think that we must do something to cut down the terrific slaughter on the highways. The records of various states indicate that this proposed system may be the answer. Reports show that in some states the death toll has been cut down from 60 per cent to 40 per cent by a similar system.

Will give your county board report due consideration.

Sincerely Yours,

W. W. CLARK

Senator, 24th District

WWC:ap

A communication regarding surveying problems was read by the clerk as follows:

April 15, 1955

Mr. Chester J. Kulas

Portage County Court House

Stevens Point, Wisconsin

Dear Mr. Kulas:

The enclosed letter is on a matter which we believe is worthy of consideration by nearly every county board in the state of Wisconsin. If you have an active county surveyor, his comments on the same would be of constructive interest to the board. The writer would like to write to or discuss this matter personally with every county surveyor in the state but that will not be possible at this time.

We will appreciate it highly if you will see that this letter is presented to the county board at their spring session. We would also appreciate hearing from you the general reaction of the board

to this letter.

Very Truly Yours,  
 RAY W. HURLBUT  
 County Surveyor, Jackson County  
 R. R. 3, Black River Falls, Wis.  
 Chairman Committee for the  
 Preservation of Surveying Monuments  
 Wisconsin Society of Land Surveyors

Moved by Supervisor H. P. Anderson and seconded by Supervisor Kurtzweil that we invite Barney Fieve, Julian F. Maxfield and L. L. Lampert to read the communication and give their opinions on the matter. Motion carried.

Moved by Supervisor Waterman and seconded by Supervisor Swenson that we give a rising vote of thanks to W. G. Haselton for his work as district highway engineer. Motion carried.

Moved by Supervisor Swenson and seconded by Supervisor Steckel that the board adjourn until 2:00 p. m. Motion carried.

Stevens Point, Wisconsin, April 19, A. D., 1955, 2:00 P. M., American Legion clubroom.

Meeting called to order by the Honorable Henry W. Stinson. Clerk called the roll. All members present.

Mr. F. M. Thompson, highway bookkeeper, passed out the financial reports of the highway department and explained the report. This detailed report is kept on file in the county clerk's office.

Moved by Supervisor Kurtzweil and seconded by Supervisor Dobbe that the report be accepted. Motion carried.

Clerk read the correspondence regarding the park board, as follows:

April 6, 1955

Mr. Leo Gwidt, Secretary,  
 Portage County Park Board,  
 Stevens Point, Wisconsin.  
 Dear Mr. Gwidt:

Due to the fact that Mr. Anderson has resigned his position as cashier of this bank, I find that it will be impossible to continue as a member of the park board, as all of my time will be required in the bank.

I have enjoyed this work with the committee very much, and I am reluctant to take this step, but it is impossible to continue both jobs.

Very Truly Yours,  
 O. A. NELSON

Dear Mr. Stinson:

The members of park board will appreciate very much if you will appoint Horace Atkins on our board. We understand if he is a county board member, and does not run again he must be appointed.

Sincerely Yours,  
 LEO GWIDT

Moved by Supervisor Swenson and seconded by Supervisor Krogwold that Supervisor Sroda be appointed to the park commission. Motion carried.

Moved by Supervisor Nebel and seconded by Supervisor Jakusz that Horace Atkins be appointed to the park board. Motion carried.

Clerk read the report of the claims committee as follows:

April 18, 1955

To the Honorable Chairman and Members of the County Board of Supervisors, Portage County, Wisconsin:

We, your committee on claims, met in organization session and checked over the claims presented to us. We have checked the following claims and have allowed or disallowed them as follows:

	Claimed	Allowed
1. Horace C. Atkins, 8 days committee work .....	\$ 67.30	\$ 67.30
2. Frank Steckel, 5 days committee work .....	40.60	40.60
3. J. N. Starr, 5 days committee work .....	42.40	42.40
4. Henry Stinson, 5 days committee work .....	55.00	55.00
5. John Rath, 4 days committee work .....	45.00	45.00
6. Henry Kurtzweil, 3 days committee work .....	24.36	24.36
7. Nat Kinney, 3 days committee work .....	24.36	24.36
8. Ray Clark, 5 days committee work .....	40.60	40.60
9. John Kiefer, 8 days committee work .....	69.00	69.00
10. Edward Losinski, 2 days committee work .....	20.32	20.32
11. Joe Sroda, 2 days committee work .....	20.32	20.32
12. George Fletcher, 1 day committee work .....	9.68	9.68
13. Martin Poliwoda, 6 days committee work .....	53.76	53.76
14. Martin Kirchhoefer, 3 days committee work .....	31.92	31.92
15. Thomas Guyant, 1 day committee work .....	10.40	10.40
16. Arleigh Hetzel, 3 days committee work .....	31.20	31.20
17. C. E. Nebel, 24 days committee work, 100 special miles on appraisal and erecting signs on lands for sale, at six cents per mile .....	201.16	201.16
18. Henry Schulist, 6 days committee work .....	60.00	60.00
19. Barney Omernik, 5 days committee work, 46 special miles taking prospect to town of Dewey, other days 4 miles .....	43.96	43.96
20. Vilas Waterman, 4 days committee work .....	41.60	41.60
MARTIN POLIWODA	GEO. FLETCHER	
THOMAS GUYANT	EDWARD LOSINSKI	
JOE SRODA	ARLEIGH HETZEL	
	Claims Committee	

Supervisor Poliwoda explained that they could not allow anything more than 30 days.

Moved by Supervisor Losinski and seconded by Supervisor Morgan that all the claims in the report be allowed. Motion carried as the clerk called the roll, there being 34 ayes as follows: Supervisors H. P. Anderson, Hetzel, Swenson, Stinson, Fletcher, Poliwoda, Losinski, Beck, Palek, Wojcik, Morgan, Glaza, Krogwold, Waterman, Jacklin, Burant, Kirschling, Mehne, Guyant, Sroda, Kitowski, Charles Anderson, Hannon, Dobbe, Kluck, Kurtzweil, Frost, Kirby, Jakusz, Clark, Nebel, Jurgella, Steckel and Kinney.

Resolution number 2 was read by the clerk as follows:

#### RESOLUTION NO. 2

April 19, 1955

Whereas, the 1951 Wisconsin legislature has amended Section 59.14 of the Wisconsin statutes so as to give to the county board of each county authority to permit the county officers to close their offices the entire day on Saturdays or for such time as the county board may direct and

Whereas, May 30, 1955 is Memorial day.

Now, therefore, be it resolved that all county offices of Portage county be closed the entire day on Saturday, commencing with Saturday May 28, 1955.

A. P. DOBBE  
PAUL B. KITOWSKI  
NAT KINNEY

EDWARD LOSINSKI  
STANLEY KIRSCHLING  
ERNEST KLUCK

**ANTON PALEK**

Moved by Supervisor Steckel and seconded by Supervisor Kluck that the resolution be adopted. Motion carried.

A communication regarding the three day county clerk's meeting was read by the clerk as follows:

April 19, 1955

To the Honorable Chairman and Members of the County Board of Supervisors of Portage County, Wisconsin.

Gentlemen:

I respectfully request permission to attend the annual three day County Clerks Institute at Egg Harbor, Wisconsin, in June 1955.

Respectfully Submitted,

(Signed) CHESTER J. KULAS  
County Clerk

Moved by Supervisor Nebel and seconded by Supervisor Steckel that the request be approved. Motion carried.

Moved by Supervisor Kirby and seconded by Supervisor Jacklin that a loose resolution be drawn up and read before the county board and a copy sent to the state highway commission stating that Highway 10 west of Stevens Point should be the next project to be fixed. Motion carried.

Moved by Supervisor Kurtzweil and seconded by Supervisor Jakusz that the board adjourn until 10:00 o'clock Wednesday morning, April 20, 1955, at the American Legion clubroom. Motion carried.

## SECOND DAY

Stevens Point, Wisconsin, April 20, A. D., 1955, 10:30 A.M., American Legion clubroom.

Meeting called to order by the Honorable Henry W. Stinson. Clerk called the roll. All members present except Supervisors Morgan and Dobbe, absent.

Moved by Supervisor Nebel and seconded by Supervisor Steckel that we dispense with the reading of the minutes of the first day until the afternoon session. Motion carried.

Supervisor Dobbe entered the room.

William Peterson, forest ranger assigned to Portage county, appeared before the board explaining some of the problems likely to arise in connection with fire restrictions going into effect Thursday in rural areas of the county.

He said all town chairmen are, ex-officio, emergency fire wardens with authority to issue burning permits good for five days. Emergency fire wardens, he pointed out, are not required to issue requested permits to persons whom they consider bad fire risks or for areas which they consider as posing a special fire hazard.

Forest rangers will help at building fires, he said, on the theory that building fires may spread to grass and then to forests.

Supervisor Morgan entered the room.

A list of standing committees appointed by the chairman of the board, Supervisor Stinson, was read by the clerk as follows:

**STANDING COMMITTEES  
OF THE  
PORTAGE COUNTY  
BOARD OF SUPERVISORS  
April 19, 1955, Session  
Henry W. Stinson, Chairman**

**Vilas Waterman, Vice-Chairman**  
**Chester J. Kulas, County Clerk**

**Addressograph**

RAY CLARK  
 FRANK J. STECKEL  
 JOSEPH T. HANNON

**Agriculture**

HENRY W. STINSON  
 RUSSELL KROGWOLD

**Building & Grounds**

JOHN KIEFER  
 JOSEPH WOJCIK, JR.  
 ROWENA ALLEN

**Building & Grounds**

JOHN N. JAKUSZ  
 HENRY KURTZWEIL  
 C. E. NEBEL

**Civil Defense**

ERNEST KLUCK  
 PAUL B. KITOWSKI  
 FRANK BECK

**Civil Defense**

ARLEIGH HETZEL  
 TED BURANT

**Claims**

MARTIN POLIWODA  
 THOMAS GUYANT  
 EDWARD LOSINSKI

**Claims**

ARLEIGH HETZEL  
 JOE SRODA

**Conservation**

VILAS WATERMAN  
 A. P. DOBBE  
 JOHN N. JAKUSZ

**Dance Hall**

FRANK BECK  
 NAT KINNEY  
 ANTON PALEK

**Education**

A. P. DOBBE  
 HAROLD MEHNE  
 TED BURANT

**Education**

RUSSELL KROGWOLD  
 JOSEPH WOJCIK, JR.  
 HENRY KURTZWEIL

**Equalization**

GEORGE FLETCHER  
 MILVERN JACKLIN

**Executive**

MILVERN JACKLIN

**Finance**

FRANK J. STECKEL  
 TED BURANT  
 MILVERN JACKLIN

**Finance**

NAT KINNEY  
 GEORGE FLETCHER  
 FRANK BECK

**Health**

PAUL B. KITOWSKI  
 RAY CLARK  
 RUSSELL KROGWOLD

**Judiciary**

THOMAS GUYANT  
 FRANK BECK  
 STANLEY KIRSCHLING  
 EDWARD LOSINSKI  
 ARLEIGH HETZEL

**Legislative**

HENRY KURTZWEIL  
 HAROLD FROST  
 MILVERN JACKLIN

**Mileage & Per Diem**

HAROLD P. ANDERSON  
 ERNEST KLUCK  
 JOSEPH WOJCIK, JR.

**Mileage & Per Diem**

FRANK BECK  
**Radio & Ambulance**

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ARLEIGH HETZEL  
 PAUL B. KITOWSKI  
 THOMAS GUYANT

**Roads & Bridge**

HAROLD P. ANDERSON  
 HENRY SWENSON  
 THOMAS MORGAN

**Roads & Bridge**

GILBERT T. KIRBY  
 ERNEST KLUCK

**Safety**

PAUL B. KITOWSKI  
 ERNEST KLUCK  
 VINCENT G. JURGELLA

**Safety**

A. P. DOBBE  
 RUSSELL KROGWOLD

**School**

HARRY POMEROY  
 EARL OLSON  
 LAMARR MOSS

**School**

ARNOLD ALBERT  
 KENNETH E. HURLBUT  
 ARLEIGH HETZEL

**Salary**

JOSEPH WOJCIK, JR.  
 MILVERN JACKLIN  
 ERNEST KLUCK

**Sheriff & Constable**

STANLEY KIRSCHLING  
 MARTIN POLIWODA  
 FRANK J. STECKEL

**Sheriff & Constable**

JOE GLAZA  
 RAY CLARK  
 ANTON PALEK

**Special-Court House**

EDWARD LOSINSKI  
 C. E. NEBEL  
 HAROLD FROST

**Special-Court House**

CHARLES ANDERSON  
**Town Organization**

**Town Organization**

THOMAS MORGAN

EDWARD LOSINSKI  
 HAROLD MEHNE  
 JOSEPH WOJCIK, JR.  
 HAROLD P. ANDERSON

**Highway**

HENRY SWENSON  
 THOMAS MORGAN  
 GILBERT T. KIRBY

**Illegal Assessments**

ANTON PALEK  
 JOSEPH T. HANNON  
 VINCENT G. JURGELLA  
 JOE GLAZA

**Insurance**

RAY CLARK  
 HENRY KURTZWEL  
 ARLEIGH HETZEL

TED BURANT  
 ERNEST KLUCK

**Urban Lands**

C. E. NEBEL  
 CHARLES ANDERSON  
 JOSEPH T. HANNON

**Welfare**

VILAS WATERMAN  
 CHARLES ANDERSON  
 VINCENT G. JURGELLA  
 STANLEY KIRSCHLING  
 HAROLD FROST

**County Park Commission**

H. R. NOBLE, Chairman  
 LEO T. GWIDT, Secretary  
 Msgr. JULIUS CHYLINSKI  
 LESTER PETERSON  
 MARTIN POLIWODA  
 HORACE C. ATKINS  
 JOE SRODA

Moved by Supervisor Morgan and seconded by Supervisor Jurgella that the list of appointments be accepted. Motion carried.

Moved by Supervisor Nebel and seconded by Supervisor Steckel that the board adjourn until 2:00 o'clock this afternoon. Motion carried.

Stevens Point, Wisconsin, April 20, 1955, 2:00 P. M., American Legion Clubrooms.

Meeting called to order by the Honorable Henry W. Stinson, chairman. Clerk called the roll. All members were present except Supervisors Swenson, Frost, Guyant and Kinney, absent.

The clerk read the minutes of the previous meeting.

Supervisors Kinney and Frost entered the room.

Moved by Supervisor Nebel and seconded by Supervisor Krogwold that the minutes of the meeting be confirmed. Motion carried.

Moved by Supervisor C. Anderson and seconded by Supervisor Krogwold that the clerk read the introductory letter regarding surveyor problems again.

Clerk reread introductory letter as follows:

April 15, 1955

Mr. Chester J. Kulas  
 Portage County Court House  
 Stevens Point, Wisconsin

Dear Mr. Kulas:

The enclosed letter is on a matter which we believe is worthy of consideration by nearly every county board in the state of Wisconsin. If you have an active county surveyor his comments on the same could be of constructive interest to the board. The writer would like to write to or discuss this matter personally with every county surveyor in the state but that will not be possible at this time.

We will appreciate it highly if you will see that this letter is presented to the county board at their spring session. We would also appreciate hearing from you the general reaction of the board to this letter.

Very Truly Yours,  
 (Signed) RAY W. HURLBUT,  
 County Surveyor, Jackson county,

R. R. 3, Black River Falls, Chairman  
Committee for the Preservation of  
Surveying Monuments Wisconsin So-  
ciety of Land Surveyors.

Mr. Julian Maxfield, surveyor, appeared before the board stating that section and quarter monuments — markers for the use of surveyors showing the intersection of section lines and the half-mile marks along section lines should be preserved. The board was informed that these monuments, placed about a century ago, disappeared at many points, especially where road construction had followed section lines. He stated that when a property survey is required in an area where previously set markers have been destroyed, he didn't think it was fair to the owner to have to pay the increased cost for a legal survey prolonged because of the careless destruction of the monuments.

Mr. Lampert appeared before the board to add that when it is necessary to restore corners, a competent engineer or surveyor should be called.

Clerk read the letter addressed to the county board of supervisors regarding surveying problems as follows:

To the Honorable Board of Supervisors,  
Gentlemen:

The surveyors of Wisconsin, in their meetings of the Wisconsin Society of Land Surveyors, have been much concerned about a problem which affects the people of every county in the state, and which we think would merit your consideration as being of general benefit. This problem is that of preserving and recording the locations of existing survey monuments and markers, particularly those identifying section and quarter corners.

As you are probably aware, the framework of township and section lines was established by the United States approximately a hundred years ago. The monuments set were wood stakes, referenced to bearing trees in most cases. At the present time most of the original stakes have been long gone and all but a few of the witness trees have vanished. However, down through the years, county and private surveyors have made resurveys and subdivisions of the original tracts, and it is upon their records and more durable monuments together with the occupations traceable to their surveys that much of our present work must depend.

Unfortunately through carelessness and a lack of understanding of their importance many of these monuments have been moved or lost entirely. Road and street construction and maintenance operations have destroyed by far the greatest number. When a property survey is required in an area where previously set markers have been destroyed or covered by paving a great amount of additional work must be done by the surveyor to re-establish these monuments according to the rules prescribed by the United States government land office. There is, in these cases, the possibility that an incompetent or inexperienced surveyor may underestimate the amount of work necessary, and as a result turn out a job which is incorrect and which may lead to much trouble and possible litigation later. It is definitely unfair for one owner to have to pay the increased cost for a legal survey prolonged because of the careless destruction of the monuments.

Any competent, ethical surveyor would much prefer doing his work from established monuments, and for a reasonable fee, than to have to charge his client for so much work which should not

have been necessary. Because the re-establishment of lost corners would be required in any future survey in that area some counties are now bearing a share of the cost of their restoration, when required in a private survey.

The seriousness of this matter has been the subject of considerable discussion at meetings of our Wisconsin Society of Land Surveyors. The undersigned has been appointed chairman of a committee to present this matter to the various counties, emphasize its importance to them, and to offer our co-operation.

It is our hope that by calling the attention of responsible public officials and employes to this problem that further destruction can be reduced to a minimum. We are appealing to you as leaders in your communities to be on the alert in a campaign to protect these corners and help create a respect for their value and importance.

If you have a county surveyor who is active in his work he should be vitally interested and we suggest you ask for his comments and co-operate with him. Highway and street committees, highway commissioners, and town chairmen can all help by encouraging a respect for these markers on the part of contractors and employes. Perhaps not enough emphasis has been placed on the heavy federal penalties imposed on people who destroy survey monuments. We are working with the state highway commission along these same lines.

When markers have to be disturbed in construction operations your county surveyor or some other qualified engineer should be notified and engaged to reference the corner to nearby objects which will not be disturbed. It can then be replaced when the job is finished and a record made.

We will be interested to learn your comments or criticism on this letter, and also any action which it may have encouraged. Please let us know if we can be of any assistance to you.

Sincerely,

RAY W. HURLBUT

Ray W. Hurlbut, Chairman

Committee for the Preservation of

Surveying Monuments

Moved by Supervisor C. Anderson and seconded by Supervisor Kitowski that the matter be turned over to the land surveyors and they should give their recommendations at the next meeting. It was suggested by Maxfield that the board appoint a committee to work with the engineers and land surveyors on forming a motion.

Moved by Supervisor Kurtzweil and seconded by Supervisor Nebel that the conservation committee be instructed to meet with the engineers and land surveyors. Motion carried.

Resolution No. 3 was read by the clerk as follows:

#### RESOLUTION NO. 3

Whereas, the Portage county, Wisconsin, board of supervisors considered a resolution No. 1 on April 19, 1955 for the improvement of State Trunk Highway 51 between the south county line and Plover, and

Whereas, the condition of State Trunk Highway 10 west from Stevens Point, Wisconsin to Junction City, Wisconsin is in very poor condition and needs much improvement so as to allow traffic to travel more safely and

Whereas, to improve the poor conditions and allow traffic to travel more safely on State Trunk Highway 10 west from Stevens Point, Wisconsin to Junction City, Wisconsin it is requested by the

Portage county Wisconsin board of supervisors that the state of Wisconsin highway commission study the poor conditions of the highway so that the necessary improvements will be made in order to allow the traffic to travel on said highway more safely.

Be it resolved, that the Portage county Wisconsin board of supervisors request that the next highway improvement in Portage county Wisconsin should be State Trunk Highway 10 between Stevens Point, Wisconsin and Junction City, Wisconsin and that a copy of this resolution be submitted to the state of Wisconsin highway commission.

GILBERT KIRBY  
MILVERN JACKLIN  
PAUL B. KITOWSKI  
RAY CLARK  
VILAS WATERMAN  
HAROLD MEHNE

Supervisor Kitowski stated that resolution No. 1 should be turned down. He said that Highway 10 between Stevens Point and Junction City be improved before money is spent on Highway 51.

Resolution No. 1 was re-read by the clerk.

Supervisor Kitowski continued, "If there should be any improvement on Highway 51, it should be done between Plover and Stevens Point. That's where the hazard is. That resolution should be turned down."

Supervisor Waterman questioned the meaning of the wording of the resolution, which read: "Highway 51, south county line-Plover road." Waterman suggested the plan might include relocation of the series of curves on present Highway 51 near Keene.

Supervisor C. E. Nebel added, "This resolution says from the south county line to Plover. My first thought was that it means from Plainfield to Plover. We voted for a cat in the bag. I think somebody who voted for this should ask for reconsideration."

Moved by Supervisor Losinski and seconded by Supervisor Kirby that resolution No. 1 be reconsidered. Motion carried as the clerk called the roll, there being 34 ayes as follows: Supervisors H. P. Anderson, Hetzel, Swenson, Stinson, Fletcher, Poliwoda, Losinski, Beck, Palek, Wojcik, Morgan, Glaza, Krogwold, Waterman, Jacklin, Burant, Kirschling, Mehne, Guyant, Sroda, Kitowski, Anderson, Hannon, Dobbe, Kluck, Kurtzweil, Frost, Kirby, Jakusz, Clark, Nebel, Jurgella, Steckel and Kinney.

Moved by Supervisor Fletcher and seconded by Supervisor Burant that Supervisor Losinski be appointed as a sixth member of the sheriff and constable fees committee. Through an oversight his name had been omitted from the list adopted in the morning's session. Motion carried.

Moved by Supervisor C. A. Anderson and seconded by Supervisor Dobbe that the board defer action on the resolution until the highway department presents specific plans showing where the work is to be done. Motion carried as the clerk called the roll, there being 33 ayes and 1 absent. The following members voted aye: Supervisors H. P. Anderson, Hetzel, Swenson, Stinson, Fletcher, Poliwoda, Losinski, Beck, Palek, Wojcik, Glaza, Krogwold, Waterman, Jacklin, Burant, Kirschling, Mehne, Guyant, Sroda, Kitowski, Anderson, Hannon, Dobbe, Kluck, Kurtzweil, Frost, Kirby, Jakusz, Clark, Nebel, Jurgella, Steckel and Kinney. Supervisor Morgan was absent.

Clerk re-read resolution No. 3.

Moved by Supervisor Kitowski and seconded by Supervisor Steckel

that the resolution be adopted.

Moved by Supervisor Nebel and seconded by Supervisor Steckel that an amendment be added to the resolution that a copy of our proceedings be submitted to the state of Wisconsin highway commission also. Motion carried.

Moved by Supervisor Waterman and seconded by Supervisor Sroda that the commission be informed that the board favors any further work on Highway 51 south of Stevens Point "done in a straight line south, the same as the work north of Stevens Point." Motion carried.

Supervisor Kirschling appeared before the board regarding an appropriation for grasshopper control.

Moved by Supervisor Nebel and seconded by Supervisor Krogwold that the county match any funds raised by the townships on a 50-50 basis.

Supervisor Jacklin stated that he thought a maximum amount should be set up on how much the county would go along with.

Moved by Supervisor Nebel and seconded by Supervisor Wojcik that an amendment be added to the original motion that the county will match any sum up to \$300, funds expended by any township to buy materials for grasshopper control. Motion carried as the clerk called the roll, there being 33 ayes and 1 absent. The following members voted aye: Supervisors H. P. Anderson, Hetzel, Swenson, Stinson, Fletcher, Poliwoda, Losinski, Beck, Wojcik, Morgan, Glaza, Krogwold, Waterman, Jacklin, Burant, Kirschling, Mehne, Guyant, Sroda, Kitowski, C. Anderson, Hannon, Dobbe, Kluck, Kurtzweil, Frost, Kirby, Jakusz, Clark, Nebel, Jurgella, Steckel and Kinney. Supervisor Dobbe was absent.

Clerk read another claims report clearing up all committee work up to the present time as follows:

To the Honorable Chairman and Members of the County Board of Supervisors, Portage County, Wisconsin:

We, your committee on claims, met in organization session and checked over the claims presented to us. We have checked the following claims and have allowed or disallowed them as follows:

	Claimed	Allowed
1. C. E. Nebel, 1 day committee work .....	\$ 8.12	\$ 8.12
2. John Jakusz, 5 days committee work .....	40.60	40.60
3. Paul Kitowski, 10 days committee work .....	97.68	97.68
4. Joe Wojcik, 6 days committee work .....	50.28	50.28
5. Frank Beck, 3 days committee work .....	29.04	29.04
6. A. P. Dobbe, 1 day committee work .....	10.88	10.88
7. H. P. Anderson, 2 days committee work .....	20.80	20.80
	<u>\$257.40</u>	<u>\$257.40</u>

MARTIN POLIWODA  
THOMAS GUYANT  
JOE SRODA  
GEORGE FLETCHER  
EDWARD LOSINSKI  
ARLEIGH HETZEL

Moved by Supervisor Waterman and seconded by Supervisor Kirby that all claims on that report be allowed. Motion carried as the clerk called the roll, there being 33 ayes and 1 absent. The following members voted aye: Supervisors H. P. Anderson, Hetzel, Swenson, Stinson, Fletcher, Poliwoda, Losinski, Beck, Palek, Wojcik, Morgan, Glaza, Krogwold, Waterman, Jacklin, Burant, Kirschling, Mehne, Guyant, Sroda, Kitowski, C. Anderson, Hannon, Kluck, Kurtzweil,

Frost, Kirby, Jakusz, Clark, Nebel, Jurgella, Steckel and Kinney.  
Supervisor Dobbe was absent.

Clerk read the mileage and per diem report as follows:

April 20, 1955

To the Honorable Chairman and Members of the County Board of  
Supervisors of Portage County, Wisconsin:  
Gentlemen:

We, your committee on mileage and per diem, would respectfully  
report and recommend the adoption of the same and that the chair-  
man and county clerk be instructed to draw an order on the county  
treasurer for the amounts of \$8.00 per day:

	Days	Mileage	Amount
Harold Anderson .....	2	80	\$ 20.80
Arleigh Hetzel .....	2	80	20.80
Henry Swenson .....	2	92	21.52
Henry Stinson .....	2	100	22.00
George Fletcher .....	2	56	19.36
Martin Poliwoda .....	2	32	17.92
Edward Losinski .....	2	36	18.16
Frank Beck .....	2	56	19.36
Anton Palek .....	2	100	22.00
Joseph Wojcik, Jr. ....	2	12	16.72
Thomas Morgan .....	2	88	21.28
Joe Glaza .....	2	26	17.56
Russell Krogwold .....	2	84	21.04
Vilas Waterman .....	2	80	20.80
Milvern E. Jacklin .....	2	26	17.56
Ted Burant .....	2	56	19.36
Stanley Kirschling .....	2	60	19.60
Harold Mehne .....	2	100	22.00
Thomas Guyant .....	2	80	20.80
Joe Sroda .....	2	72	20.32
Paul Kitowski .....	2	52	19.12
Charles Anderson .....	2	60	19.60
Joseph Hannon .....	2	8	16.48
Ernest Kluck .....	2	8	16.48
A. P. Dobbe .....	2	72	20.32
H. L. Kurtzweil .....	2	4	16.24
Harold Frost .....	2	4	16.24
Gilbert Kirby .....	2	4	16.24
John Jakusz .....	2	4	16.24
Ray Clark .....	2	4	16.24
C. E. Nebel .....	2	4	16.24
Vincent Jurgella .....	2	4	16.24
Frank Steckel .....	2	4	16.24
Nat Kinney .....	2	4	16.24
Total .....			\$637.12

H. P. ANDERSON

JOSEPH WOJCICK

FRANK BECK

ERNEST KLUCK

Mileage & Per Diem Committee

Moved by Supervisor Nebel and seconded by Supervisor Burant  
that the report be accepted. Motion carried as the clerk called the  
roll, there being 33 ayes and Supervisor Dobbe absent.

Moved by Supervisor Nebel and seconded by Supervisor Water-

man that payment be made of any legal fees, but not damages, resulting from former Sheriff Harold S. Thompson's defense of a \$15,000 suit against him in circuit court charging that he was guilty of assault and battery in his treatment of a prisoner last September. The motion also provides that the district attorney be required to defend county law enforcement officers facing similar suits in the future. Motion carried as the clerk called the roll, there being 33 ayes and Supervisor Dobbe absent.

Thompson reportedly asked District Attorney John J. Haka, Jr., to defend him as district attorney. Haka refused, the board was informed, citing an attorney general's opinion that the district attorney is not required to defend civil suits against law enforcement officers. Haka, later defended Thompson, but as an individual attorney.

Moved by Supervisor C. Anderson and seconded by Supervisor Kluck that a raise from \$5 to \$8 be allowed in the daily fee allowed local assessors for attending the annual county assessor's meeting. Motion carried.

Clerk read resolution No. 4, as follows:

**RESOLUTION NO. 4**

April 19, 1955

Be it hereby resolved, by the county board of supervisors of Portage county, Wisconsin, now in organization session assembled that the resolutions, petitions and motions adopted and carried at this meeting and all appropriations made and claims allowed at this meeting be and they are hereby ratified and confirmed in all respects by this board.

**PAUL B. KITOWSKI**

Moved by Supervisor Kurtzweil and seconded by Supervisor Krogwold that the resolution be adopted. Motion carried as the clerk called the roll, there being 33 ayes and 1 absent. The following members voted aye: Supervisors H. P. Anderson, Hetzel, Swenson, Stinson, Fletcher, Poliwoda, Losinski, Beck, Palek, Wojcik, Morgan, Glaza, Krogwold, Waterman, Jacklin, Burant, Kirschling, Mehne, Guyant, Sroda, Kitowski, C. Anderson, Hannon, Kluck, Kurtzweil, Frost, Kirby, Jakusz, Clark, Nebel, Jurgella, Steckel and Kinney. Supervisor Dobbe was absent.

Moved by Supervisor Kurtzweil and seconded by Supervisor Steckel that the board adjourn until June 28, 1955, 10:00 o'clock. Motion carried.

**CHESTER J. KULAS**  
County Clerk

STATE OF WISCONSIN)  
(SS

COUNTY OF PORTAGE)

I, Chester J. Kulas, county clerk of said county, and Mary Jane Jurgella, deputy clerk, do hereby certify that the above is a true and correct record of the proceedings of this meeting of the county board of supervisors of Portage county, Wisconsin, which was read by the county clerk in the presence of the members of the county board of supervisors and by them approved.

**CHESTER J. KULAS**  
County Clerk

Attest:  
**MARY JANE JURGELLA**  
Deputy Clerk

OFFICIAL PROCEEDINGS  
OF THE  
ADJOURNED SESSION  
OF THE  
BOARD OF SUPERVISORS  
OF  
PORTAGE COUNTY, WISCONSIN  
JUNE 28, A. D., 1955

The county board of supervisors of Portage county met in adjourned session in the circuit court room at the court house in the city of Stevens Point, Wisconsin on June 28, 1955 at 10:00 o'clock in the forenoon.

The meeting was called to order by the Honorable Henry W. Stinson, chairman.

The county clerk called the roll of members as follows:

Town of Alban, Harold P. Anderson.  
Town of Almond, Arleigh Hetzel.  
Town of Amherst, Henry W. Swenson.  
Town of Belmont, Henry W. Stinson.  
Town of Buena Vista, George Fletcher.  
Town of Carson, Martin Poliwoda.  
Town of Dewey, Edward Losinski.  
Town of Eau Pleine, Frank Beck.  
Town of Grant, Anton Palek.  
Town of Hull, Joseph J. Wojcik.  
Town of Lanark, Thomas Morgan.  
Town of Linwood, Joe Glaza.  
Town of New Hope, Russell Krogwold.  
Town of Pine Grove, Vilas Waterman.  
Town of Plover, Milvern E. Jacklin.  
Town of Sharon, Ted Burant.  
Town of Stockton, Stanley Kirschling.  
Village of Almond, Harold Mehne.  
Village of Amherst, Thomas A. Guyant.  
Village of Amherst Junction, Joe Sroda.  
Village of Junction City, Paul B. Kitowski.  
Village of Nelsonville, Charles Anderson.  
Village of Park Ridge, Joseph Hannon.  
Village of Rosholt, A. P. Dobbe.  
Village of Whiting, Ernest Kluck.  
City of Stevens Point, First ward, Allan Barrows.  
City of Stevens Point, Second ward, Harold Frost.  
City of Stevens Point, Third ward, Gilbert Kirby.  
City of Stevens Point, Fourth ward, John N. Jakusz.  
City of Stevens Point, Fifth ward, Ray Clark.

City of Stevens Point, Sixth ward, C. E. Nebel.  
 City of Stevens Point, Seventh ward, Vincent G. Jurgella.  
 City of Stevens Point, Eighth ward, Frank J. Steckel.  
 City of Stevens Point, Ninth ward, Nat Kinney.

All members present except Supervisors Wojcik and Waterman, absent.

Clerk read Allen Barrows' oath of office as follows:

**CITY OF STEVENS POINT  
 OATH OF OFFICE**

State of Wisconsin)  
 Portage County )

I, the undersigned, who has been appointed by Mayor Leonard L. Sorenson and confirmed by the council at a meeting held June 20th, 1955 as the First ward supervisor of the city of Stevens Point, Portage county, Wisconsin, for the unexpired term of Henry L. Kurtzweil, who resigned, term ending April 1956, do solemnly swear that I will support the constitution of the United States, and the constitution of the state of Wisconsin, and will faithfully discharge the duties of said office to the best of my ability, so help me God.

Term expires April 1956.

ALLEN F. BARROWS, JR.

Allen Barrows  
 431½ Clark Street

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 23rd day of June, 1955.

CLARA TRIERWEILER  
 Clara Trierweiler, City Clerk

Moved by Supervisor Nebel and seconded by Supervisor Jakusz that the oath of office be accepted. Motion carried.

Moved by Supervisor Nebel and seconded by Supervisor Jakusz that Barrows be appointed to the posts on the building and grounds, equalization, insurance and legislative committees formerly held by Kurtzweil. Motion carried.

Supervisor Nebel appeared before the board in regard to the possible building of a new court house. He stated that three approaches had been considered, an addition to the present court house, a combination city-county building and a court house alone.

Judging by the experience of other areas, Nebel said, adding to an existing building results frequently in a maze of corridors, ramps and stairways, so this solution had been rejected.

Building a new court house without adding the jail and city hall would be an incomplete solution. The jail has been criticized on several occasions by state inspectors and is not now approved for confining juveniles or women prisoners. Much money would have to be spent in improvement of the existing jail, he added.

The combination building offers the best solution, the committee believed, Nebel said, but requires co-operation between city and county. He pointed out that financing difficulties might arise in a joint building, but did not believe them insurmountable. Joint buildings are in use in some cities in the state. Supervisor Nebel emphasized that no definite conclusions had been reached by the committee, which has consulted informally with various groups in the city and with an architect.

Regarding a site, the committee felt that the present court house site could be utilized by building the first portions of the new building as semi-disconnected wings of the present court house. The present building would then be torn down and the remainder of the new city-county building constructed. The area east of Church street

now occupied by the court house annex and jail could then be utilized for parking.

Moved by Supervisor Nebel and seconded by Supervisor Kluck that the board authorize the committee to go ahead in obtaining preliminary sketches, plans and architectural advice about a new building amounting in the neighborhood of \$1,000. Motion carried as the clerk called the roll, there being 31 ayes, 2 absent and 1 present. The following members voted aye: Supervisors H. P. Anderson, Hetzel, Swenson, Stinson, Fletcher, Losinski, Beck, Palek, Morgan, Glaza, Krogwold, Jacklin, Burant, Kirschling, Mehne, Guyant, Sroda, Kitowski, C. Anderson, Hannon, Dobbe, Kluck, Barrows, Frost, Kirby, Jakusz, Clark, Nebel, Jurgella, Steckel and Kinney. Supervisors Wojcik and Waterman, absent and Supervisor Poliwooda voted present.

Moved by Supervisor Nebel and seconded by Supervisor Morgan that the board instruct the committee to invite the city to participate in the project, which would bring city and county offices and the county jail under one roof. Motion carried.

Arthur W. Piltz, district highway engineer, appeared before the board regarding the improvement on Highway 51. He stated that the highway will be widened to 24 feet. He estimated that the highway would cost in the neighborhood of \$400,000, and the counties share would be \$228,000. Supervisor Swenson appeared before the board stating that in the next seven or eight years most of the major roads in Portage county will be taken care of.

Supervisor Waterman entered the room.  
Clerk read resolution No. 5 as follows:

**RESOLUTION NO. 5**  
**Petition For Advance Of The STH Construction Allotments**  
**Portage County**

Whereas, to accomplish the improvement of State Trunk Highway 51 between South County Line and Plover it becomes desirable to agree upon the advance of future years' allotments to become available to the credit of this county for state trunk highway improvement.

Be it resolved, that the state highway commission is hereby petitioned to advance and commit the sum of \$228,000, or as much thereof as required for such improvement, the amount so advanced to be deducted from future allotments as they accrue to the credit of this county under Section 84.03(3), Wisconsin statutes, beginning with the allotment accruing in the fiscal year ending June 30, 1957; and

Be it further resolved, that this resolution, when approved by the state highway commission, shall constitute an agreement pursuant to Section 84.03(5), Wisconsin statutes.

Resolution presented June 28

1955.

The foregoing resolution was adopted on June 28, 1955.

CHESTER J. KULAS  
County Clerk

By

HENRY SWENSON  
THOS. E. MORGAN  
GILBERT T. KIRBY  
County Highway Committee

Clerk read resolution No. 3 from the previous meeting as follows:

**RESOLUTION NO. 3**

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of State Trunk Highway 51 between the South County Line and Plover, and

Whereas, the condition of State Trunk Highway 10 west from Stevens Point, Wisconsin to Junction City, Wisconsin is in very poor condition and needs much improvement so as to allow traffic to travel more safely and

Whereas, to improve the poor conditions and allow traffic to travel more safely on State Trunk Highway 10 west from Stevens Point, Wisconsin to Junction City, Wisconsin it is requested by the Portage county Wisconsin board of supervisors that the state of Wisconsin highway commission study the poor conditions of the highway so that the necessary improvements will be made in order to allow the traffic to travel on said highway more safely.

Be it resolved, that the Portage county Wisconsin board of supervisors request that the next highway improvement in Portage county Wisconsin should be State Trunk Highway 10 between Stevens Point, Wisconsin and Junction City, Wisconsin and that a copy of this resolution be submitted to the state of Wisconsin highway commission.

GILBERT KIRBY  
MILVERN JACKLIN  
PAUL B. KITOWSKI  
RAY CLARK  
VILAS WATERMAN  
HAROLD MEHNE

Moved by Supervisor Nebel and seconded by Supervisor Waterman that resolution No. 5 be adopted. Motion carried as the clerk called the roll, there being 30 ayes, 3 nays and 1 absent. The following members voted aye: Supervisors H. P. Anderson, Hetzel, Swenson, Stinson, Fletcher, Losinski, Beck, Palek, Morgan, Glaza, Krogwold, Waterman, Jacklin, Burant, Kirschling, Mehne, Guyant, Sroda, C. Anderson, Hannon, Dobbe, Kluck, Barrows, Frost, Kirby, Clark, Nebel, Jurgella, Steckel and Kinney. Supervisors Poliwoda, Kitowski and Jakusz voted naye. Supervisor Wojcik was absent.

Moved by Supervisor C. Anderson and seconded by Supervisor Frost that the clerk be instructed to write a letter to the state highway commission asking them for their co-operation in informing our county board through our highway committee of pending improvements for state and federal trunk highways as far in the future as they have plans for so that we will have the opportunity to study improvements pending, so that the board can intelligently vote for expenditures where federal and state aid are concerned. The new district engineer, Arthur W. Piltz, can make that report to us at the annual fall meeting of the county board at the same time when he makes to them requests and reports that are generally made to the board at that time. Motion carried.

Moved by Supervisor Kluck and seconded by Supervisor Sroda that the clerk be instructed to prepare an agenda before the meetings of the county board so that the members will know at least some of the important things that are going to come up. Motion carried.

Supervisor Nebel proposed a committee on resolutions to prepare the agenda.

Moved by Supervisor Nebel and seconded by Supervisor Sroda that the board adjourn until 2:00 p. m. Motion carried.

Stevens Point, Wisconsin, June 28, 1955, 2:00 P. M., circuit court room, court house.

Meeting called to order by the Honorable Henry W. Stinson, chairman.

Clerk called the roll. All members present except Supervisors Palek, Wojcik, Krogwold, Kirschling and Kirby, absent.

Moved by Supervisor Nebel and seconded by Supervisor Jakusz that the clerk read the minutes of the second day of the previous meeting. Motion carried.

Moved by Supervisor Frost and seconded by Supervisor Steckel that the minutes of the meeting be confirmed. Motion carried.

Moved by Supervisor Nebel and seconded by Supervisor Frost that a committee of three be elected by the members of the board to be known as a committee on resolutions. The purpose of the committee shall be to study and examine all resolutions coming before the Portage county board of supervisors fifteen days before the next county board meeting. No resolutions shall be considered from the floor unless of an emergency matter, when then a vote of  $\frac{2}{3}$  of the county board shall suspend that rule and take it off the floor.

Moved by Supervisor Poliwoda and seconded by Supervisor Nebel that the district attorney sit in on the committee. Motion carried as the clerk called the roll, there being 22 ayes, 5 nays; 5 absent and 2 present. The following members voted aye. Supervisors H. P. Anderson, Swenson, Fletcher, Beck, Palek, Morgan, Waterman, Jacklin, Burant, Mehne, Guyant, Sroda, C. Anderson, Hannon, Kluck, Barrows, Frost, Kirby, Nebel, Jurgella, Steckel and Kinney. The following members voted naye: Supervisors Stinson, Poliwoda, Glaza and Kitowski. Supervisors Hetzel, Wojcik, Krogwold, Kirschling and Clark, absent, and Supervisors Dobbe and Jakusz voted present. Motion carried.

Moved by Supervisor Kluck and seconded by Supervisor Sroda that Supervisor Kluck withdraw his previous motion for an agenda. Motion carried.

Clerk read communications regarding the register of deeds as follows:

June 28, 1955

Mr. Nat Kinney  
Portage County Finance Committee  
347 Cornell Avenue  
Stevens Point, Wisconsin  
Dear Sir:

I received a request from you asking whether the resolution presented by the Portage County Bar association concerning the collection of recording fees by the register of deeds would be legal.

The resolution would compel the register of deeds to extend credit to certain persons and institutions who record or file papers or instruments in that office.

Section 59.57 of the Wisconsin statutes sets forth in detail the fees that shall be charged for recording of instruments. Paragraph 12 of that section states that all the foregoing fees are to be payable in advance by the party procuring such service. This section was cited in volume 30, page 91 O.A.G., which reads as follows:

"The statutes impose upon the register of deeds the duty to register births, Sections 59.57 (11b) and (12) give him the right to collect the statutory fees in advance. The obligations imposed by the above sections are reciprocal, and the duty of the register of deeds exists only when the reciprocal duty of payment has been performed."

In volume 34, page 30 O.A.G., Section 59.57 (12) is cited as fol-

lows: "Fees for filing or recording releases of chattel mortgages and releases and satisfactions of real estate mortgages must be paid in advance by the party procuring such service."

Based upon the authorities cited above, I am of the opinion that the Portage county board of supervisors does not have the authority to pass a resolution directing how the fees for recording instruments shall be collected by the register of deeds.

Sincerely Yours,  
JOHN J. HAKA  
John J. Haka  
District Attorney  
Portage County, Wis.

JJH:t

June 20, 1955

Mr. Nat Kinney  
Chairman of the Portage County Finance Committee  
347 Cornell Avenue  
Stevens Point, Wisconsin  
Dear Mr. Kinney:

Enclosed please find resolution relating to credit from the Portage county register of deeds, which I have prepared as chairman of the court's committee of the local Bar association. I might add that the Bar association unanimously has gone on record as favoring such extension of credit.

In line with the discussion which Mr. Peickert and I had with your committee at the time of our last meeting, we would appreciate it very much if the resolution were submitted at the next meeting of the board.

If you have any questions in regard to the resolution, do not hesitate to get in touch with me. I want to thank you for your cooperation in this matter.

Very Truly Yours,  
ROBERT A. BABLITCH  
Robert A. Bablitch  
Chairman of the Portage  
County Court's Committee

RAB:ps

June 16, 1955

Mr. Robert A. Bablitch  
Attorney at Law  
Stevens Point, Wisconsin  
Dear Bob:

I am returning herewith the resolution which you prepared for the purpose of obtaining credit at the register of deeds office. It appears to me that the resolution fits the situation and certainly should be acceptable to the county finance committee and county board. As far as I am concerned you can send it on to Nat Kinney so it can be brought before the board by the finance committee for approval.

Very Truly Yours,  
FISHER, PEICKERT, ANDERSON &  
FISHER

By: Clifford W. Peickert

CWP:ck  
Enclosure

Clerk read resolution No. 6 as follows:

**RESOLUTION NO. 6**

Whereas, most of the fees collected by the register of deeds of Portage county are paid to him by the practicing attorneys of the county, the banks in the county, and real estate brokers residing in the county; and,

Whereas, the payment of such fees in cash at the time of the recording or filing of a particular instrument creates a problem for such persons and institutions; and,

Whereas, it is felt that the extension of monthly credit to such persons and institutions, subject however, to a reserve requirement to protect the county from any possible delinquency as a result of the extension of such credit, is desirable.

Now therefore, be it resolved that effective July 1, 1955 the register of deeds of Portage county shall extend credit on a monthly basis covering fees due his office to such practicing attorneys or law firms in the county, banks located in the county, and real estate brokers residing in the county who shall deposit with him a certified check payable to him or his successor in office in an amount to the nearest dollar arrived at by doubling the average monthly fees paid to him by such person, firm or institution during the twelve (12) months preceeding the effective date of this resolution as established by him from his records.

Be it further resolved that in the event any statement for fees is not paid within ten (10) days from the billing date, the register of deeds shall cash such certified check so deposited with him and pay such delinquent account from the proceeds thereof and remit any balance to the depositor. Further that in the event of such delinquency, the delinquent person, firm, or institution, shall not be eligible for credit for a period of one (1) year thereafter, after which time eligibility shall be restored upon tender of a new deposit in a like amount.

Be it further resolved that any depositor, its successor, legal representative or assign may withdraw such deposit at any time upon written notice to the register of deeds in which event, however, eligibility for such credit shall not be restored for a period of one (1) year from the time of such withdrawal, after which time a tender of a new deposit in like amount will be required to again establish eligibility for credit.

NAT KINNEY  
PAUL B. KITOWSKI  
GEORGE FLETCHER  
F. B. BECK

Moved by Supervisor Nebel and seconded by Supervisor Kluck the town of Carson as follows:

Clerk read a communication regarding a hazardous crossing in the town of Carson as follows:

To the Portage County Board of Supervisors:

Whereas, a certain railroad crossing located at an intersection of U. S. Highway No. 10 and County Trunk Highway "M" (between Sections 23-26, twsp. 24N, Range 7E) near the Rocky Run school, town of Carson is extremely hazardous to auto traffic because of (1) the height of the RR track above the approaching roads, (2) the narrowness of the actual crossing over the track, and (3), the fact that cars approaching from opposite directions cannot be seen by each driver till they are nearly on the crossing: We, residents of the vicinity, do hereby petition your board to take necessary action to remedy this situation and eliminate these hazards without further delay. We suggest widening the crossing and bringing approaching

## roads to a higher level.

<b>Name</b>	<b>Address</b>	<b>Date</b>
John Kozlowski	Route 3, Stevens Point	6-8-55
Barney Pawelski	Stevens Point	6-8-55
Mike Wondzell	Stevens Point	6-8-55
John Peplinski	Route 3, Stevens Point	6-8-55
Frank Firkus	419 Wyatt Ave., Stevens Point	6-8-55
Nick Zieleski	Stevens Point	6-8-55
Frank Ramcheck	Stevens Point	6-8-55
Raymond Levandowski	Stevens Point	6-8-55
Clarence Busa	Stevens Point	6-8-55
Clifford Sobczak	Stevens Point	6-8-55
Lennard Buelow	Junction City	6-8-55
Alice Wert	Dancy, Wisconsin	6-8-55
Stanley Slusarski	Route 3, Stevens Point	6-8-55
Carl Molski	Stevens Point	6-9-55
Joe Gresiak	Stevens Point	6-9-55
Dan Suchowski	Stevens Point	6-9-55
Alfred Pliska	Stevens Point	6-9-55
Conrad Pliska	Stevens Point	6-9-55
Evelyn M. Niemczyk	327 W. Clark St., Stevens Point	6-10-55
Clarence Niemczyk	327 W. Clark St., Stevens Point	6-10-55
Raymond Woyek	Route 3, Box 13, Stevens Pt., Wis.	6-10-55
Richard Kolinski	302 Union St., Stevens Point, Wis.	6-10-55
Glenn Dean	Route 3, Stevens Point	6-10-55
Lillian Dean	Route 3, Stevens Point	6-10-55
Glenn Leary	442 Madison St., Stevens Point	6-11-55
Barbara Somers	518 Water St., Stevens Point	6-11-55
George C. Derezinski	423 6th Ave., Stevens Point	6-11-55
Loretta B. Koback	202 Wyatt St., Stevens Point	6-11-55
Althea Repinski	202 Wyatt St., Stevens Point	6-11-55
Chick Jesko	207 Frederick St., Stevens Point	6-11-55
E. S. Flatoff	412 Harding Ave., Stevens Point	6-11-55
Fred Stephani	229 Madison St., Stevens Point	6-11-55
Anton Klesmit	Route 3, Stevens Point	6-13-55
Ben S. Lasinski	210 Center St., Stevens Point	6-13-55
Jack J. Greek	Stevens Point	6-13-55
Ray Glodoske	Stevens Point	6-13-55
Richard Faucett	Stevens Point	6-17-55
Ray Liebe	Stevens Point	6-17-55
Robert Kelly	Stevens Point	6-17-55
Barney Kerchefski	Junction City, Wis.	6-17-55
Thomas Klawikowski	Junction City, Wis.	6-17-55
Eleanore Bekowski	Dancy, Wisconsin	6-17-55
David Wiernik	Route 2, Box 94, Stevens Point	6-17-55
Alvin Peplinski	Route 3, Box 22, Stevens Point	6-17-55
Steve Williams	Route 3, Box 143, Stevens Point	6-17-55
Jerry Cisewski	Route 4, Stevens Point	6-17-55
James Heltzinger	Junction City, Wis.	6-17-55
Arthur Helminiak	Junction City, Wis.	6-17-55
August Klawikowski	Route 3, Stevens Point	6-17-55
James Jajewski	Stevens Point	6-18-55
John Pilowski	Stevens Point	6-18-55
Roy Esser	Stevens Point	6-18-55
Irene Wiedenhoef	Stevens Point	6-18-55
Raymond Kinney	Stevens Point	6-18-55
Lucille Boyles	Stevens Point	6-18-55
Thomas Kerchefski	Stevens Point	6-18-55

Margaret Kerchefski	Stevens Point	6-18-55
Andrew Kaminski	Stevens Point	6-20-55
Mrs. Andrew Kaminski	Stevens Point	6-20-55
Lloyd Campbell	Route 3, Stevens Point	6-20-55
Edwin S. Klish	Stevens Point	6-21-55
Robert Simkowski	Route 3, Stevens Point	6-21-55
George P. Kosloski	Junction City, Wis.	6-21-55
Leo Slowinski	Route 3, Stevens Point	6-21-55
Bill Burmeister	Route 2, Stevens Point	6-23-55
John D. Kruzeski	911 4th Ave., Stevens Point	6-23-55
Alvin W. Wiedenhoeff	Route 3, Stevens Point	6-23-55
Robert Firkus	Stevens Point	6-23-55
George F. Nieman	Stevens Point	6-23-55
Albert Nieman, Jr.	Stevens Point	6-23-55
Bill Gustafson	Wisconsin Rapids, Wis.	6-23-55
Allan Moe	Route 4, Stevens Point	6-24-55
Richard Worzalla	Route 3, Stevens Point	6-25-55
Donald Lilyquest	Stevens Point	6-25-55
Daniel Pliska	Stevens Point	6-25-55
Rita Berna	Stevens Point	6-25-55
Mrs. Lucy Lilyquest	Stevens Point	6-25-55
Gib Zinda	430 West Clark St., Stevens Point	6-25-55
John Pliska	214 Portage St., Stevens Point	6-25-55
Fred Werner	Route 3, Stevens Point	6-25-55
William Rientka	Route 3, Stevens Point	6-25-55
Anton Rientka	Route 3, Stevens Point	6-25-55
David Lubinski	311½ Madison St., Stevens Point	6-25-55
Mrs. Esther Dismuke	Route 3, Stevens Point	6-25-55
Carl O. Olsen	Route 2, Junction City	6-3-55
Ruth M. Olsen	Route 2, Junction City	6-3-55
Martin Poliowoda	Route 3, Stevens Point	6-3-55
Alex A. Pionek	Route 1, Dancy, Wisconsin	6-4-55
Ben Tork	Stevens Point	6-4-55
Paul Shilka	Stevens Point	6-4-55
Adeline Tork	Stevens Point	6-4-55
Ed Rientka	Stevens Point	6-4-55
Clarence Olszewski	Stevens Point	6-4-55
Walter Mallek	Junction City, Wisconsin	6-4-55
August Kubowske	Stevens Point, Route 3	6-4-55
Margaret Olszewski	Stevens Point	6-4-55
Gene Peters	Route 2, Junction-City	6-4-55
Evelyn B. Raffik	Stevens Point	6-4-55
Edward V. Lodzinski	Route 3, Stevens Point	6-4-55
Alex B. Pientka	Route 3, Stevens Point	6-4-55
Leonard Soik	Route 2, Stevens Point	6-4-55
Gertrude Soik	Route 2, Stevens Point	6-4-55
Peter Klish	Route 2, Junction City	6-4-55
Arthur P. Gaboda	Route 3, Stevens Point	6-4-55
Stanley Raikowski	Route 3, Stevens Point	6-4-55
Evelyn Gaboda	Route 3, Stevens Point	6-4-55
Felix Rajkowski	Route 3, Stevens Point	6-5-55
Alex Demski	Route 3, Stevens Point	6-5-55
Bernard Rajkowski	Route 3, Stevens Point	6-5-55
John Raikowski	Route 3, Stevens Point	6-5-55
Anthony J. Britz	Route 1, Rudolph, Wis.	6-5-55
Albert C. Bikowski	Dancy, Route 1	6-5-55
Edward A. Jazdzewski	Stevens Point	6-5-55
Theresa M. Pavlowski	Stevens Point	6-5-55

Norbert H. Polum	Stevens Point	6-5-55
George Sobczak	Stevens Point	6-5-55
Mary Jane Raflik	Stevens Point	6-5-55
Don Olds	Junction City, Wis.	6-5-55
Mitchell Pacyna	Stevens Point	6-19-55
Mrs. Mitchell Pacyna	Stevens Point	6-19-55
Mrs. Robert Guzman	Junction City, Wis.	6-19-55
Robert Guzman	Junction City, Wis.	6-19-55
Eleanore Kutella	Stevens Point	6-19-55
Edward Kutella	Stevens Point	6-19-55

Moved by Supervisor Waterman and seconded by Supervisor Steckel that the matter be turned over to the highway committee. Motion carried.

Clerk presented a bill from Harry A. Lowther Company, Inc. for a tree planter sold to the Portage county conservation commission in the amount of \$1,000.00.

Moved by Supervisor Waterman and seconded by Supervisor C. Anderson that the board approve payment of this bill. Motion carried as the clerk called the roll, there being 30 ayes and 4 absent. The following members voted aye: Supervisors H. P. Anderson, Hetzel, Swenson, Stinson, Fletcher, Poliwooda, Beck, Palek, Morgan, Glaza, Waterman, Jacklin, Burant, Mehne, Guyant, Sroda, Kitowski, C. Anderson, Hannon, Dobbe, Kluck, Barrows, Frost, Kirby, Jakusz, Clark, Nebel, Jurgella, Steckel and Kinney. Supervisor Losinski, Wojcik, Krogwold and Kirschling were absent.

The subject of Pickerel lake, town of Belmont, (Petition No. 4 from a previous meeting), concerning the present inadequacy of the road, and that some of the residents of the townships of Belmont, Lanark, Pine Grove, and Almond, and the village of Almond desire access to Pickerel lake was brought up before the board. This petition had previously been turned over to the highway committee for action.

Moved by Supervisor Nebel and seconded by Supervisor C. Anderson that the matter be turned over to the conservation committee. Motion carried.

Supervisor Morgan left the room.

Moved by Supervisor Kirby and seconded by Supervisor Frost that the board elect the three members to be put on the resolution committee. Motion carried.

Supervisor Waterman and Palek were appointed tellers.

The board proceeded to the first informal ballot for the first member of the resolution committee. The total number of votes cast were 26, of which Supervisor Kluck received 6, Nebel 5, Clark 8, Jacklin 2, Guyant 1, Stinson 1, C. Anderson 2, Palik 1.

The board proceeded to the second informal ballot. The total number of votes cast were 28, of which Supervisor Nebel received 9, Clark 15, Kluck 4.

The board proceeded to the first informal ballot for the second member of the resolution committee. The total numbers of votes cast were 29, of which Supervisor Nebel received 10, Clark 1, Kluck 3, Hannon 7, Burant 1, Jacklin 3, Waterman 1, C. Anderson 2, Frost 1.

The board proceeded to the second informal ballot. The total number of votes cast were 25, of which Supervisor Hannon received 9, Jacklin 11, Kluck 5.

The board proceeded to the first informal ballot for the third member of the resolution committee. The total number of votes

cast were 25, of which Supervisor Hannon received 16, Kluck 6, Beck 3.

Moved by Supervisor Waterman and seconded by Supervisor Steckel that since Supervisors Clark, Jacklin and Hannon received the majority of votes cast, the informal ballot be declared formal and Supervisor Clark, Jacklin and Hannon should be elected for the three members of the resolution committee. Motion carried.

Clerk read resolution No. 7 as follows:

**RESOLUTION NO. 7**

Whereas, the Portage county ambulance was wrecked in an accident and;

Whereas, the ambulance committee found it necessary to purchase a new vehicle, and

Whereas, there was no appropriation for the ambulance fund.

Now therefore, be it resolved that \$1,725.00 be transferred from the contingent fund to the ambulance fund to pay for the new ambulance and equipment.

ARLEIGH HETZEL  
THOMAS GUYANT  
PAUL B. KITOWSKI

Moved by Supervisor Waterman and seconded by Supervisor Jakusz that resolution No. 7 be adopted. Motion carried as the clerk called the roll, there being 28 ayes and 5 absent, and 1 excused. The following members voted aye: Supervisors H. P. Anderson, Hetzel, Swenson, Stinson, Fletcher, Poliwoda, Beck, Palek, Glaza, Waterman, Jacklin, Burant, Mehne, Guyant, Sroda, Kitowski, C. Anderson, Hannon, Dobbe, Kluck, Barrows, Frost, Jakusz, Clark, Nebel, Jurgella, Steckel and Kinney. Supervisors Losinski, Wojcik, Morgan, Krogwold and Kirschling, absent and Supervisor Kirby, excused.

Moved by Supervisor Hetzel and seconded by Supervisor H. P. Anderson that the board approve payment of the county ambulance bill in the amount of \$2,449.00. Motion carried as the clerk called the roll, there being 28 ayes, 5 absent and 1 excused. Supervisors Losinski, Wojcik, Morgan and Kirschling absent and Supervisor Kirby, excused.

Clerk presented a bill from John J. Haka, district attorney, who handled the case as a private attorney, addressed to Harold S. Thompson regarding a \$15,000 damage suit against the former Sheriff Harold S. Thompson brought by Frank Ksionsk.

Ksionsk had accused Thompson of hitting him with a blackjack while making an arrest September 18, 1954. Ksionsk was arrested after a brawl at Johnny's Tune-In ballroom in the town of Hull.

Haka had refused, as district attorney, to defend Thompson, citing the state constitution and attorney general's opinions that the county is not responsible in such cases and that he, as district attorney, therefore has no duty to defend the sheriff in civil actions. Thompson was cleared by a circuit court jury. At the April session, the county board passed a resolution offering to pay the bill, the amount then unknown.

District Attorney John J. Haka appeared before the board and read a letter from the assistant attorney general. The district attorney stated that he doubted whether the county board had authority to order the payment.

The letter reads as follows:

**THE STATE OF WISCONSIN**  
**Office Of Attorney General**  
**Madison**

March 19, 1955

Mr. John J. Haka  
 District Attorney, Portage County  
 Stevens Point, Wisconsin

Re: Ksionsk vs. Duda and Thompson

Dear Mr. Haka:

I have your letter of March 18th inquiring whether it is your duty as district attorney to defend a civil suit against former Sheriff Thompson for assault and battery arising out of an arrest made by him in the course of his duty as sheriff.

Upon the authorities cited in your letter I am satisfied that you have no such duty and the same would be true even if Mr. Thompson were still the sheriff.

It is expressly provided in Article VI, Section 4 of the Wisconsin constitution that "the county shall never be made responsible for the acts of the sheriff." So the county has no interest in the lawsuit.

I recall one civil case against a sheriff and a deputy fire marshal when I represented the fire marshal and the district attorney represented the sheriff, but the district attorney was retained by the sheriff on a private basis and, of course, he had to pay him for his services.

Very Truly Yours,  
 WILLIAM A. PLATZ  
 Assistant Attorney General

Moved by Supervisor Waterman and seconded by Supervisor H. P. Anderson that the board approve payment of the bill. Motion carried as the clerk called the roll, there being 28 ayes, 5 absent and 1 excused. The following members voted aye: Supervisor H. P. Anderson, Hetzel, Swenson, Stinson, Fletcher, Poliwoda, Beck, Palek, Glaza, Waterman, Jacklin, Burant, Mehne, Guyant, Sroda, Kitowski, C. Anderson, Hannon, Dobbe, Kluck, Barrows, Frost, Jakusz, Clark, Nebel, Jurgella, Stecke! and Kinney. Supervisors Losinski, Wojcik, Morgan, Krogwold and Kirschling, absent and Supervisor Kirby, excused.

Moved by Supervisor Waterman and seconded by Supervisor Fletcher that the district attorney be instructed to start suit against Ksionsk for recovery of the \$450. Motion carried.

Supervisor Kirschling absent, asked Supervisor Kitowski to appear before the board in behalf of St. Mary's Catholic church at Custer to request land now in the area used by the county for the police radio tower. The land is to be used as a parking lot.

Moved by Supervisor Fletcher and seconded by Supervisor Burant that the county give 1½ to two acres of this land to the Custer parish. The parish would pay only the handling and recording fees. Motion carried.

Clerk read a communication from the district attorney as follows:  
 June 27, 1955

To the Honorable Chairman and Members of the County Board of Supervisors of Portage County, Wisconsin:  
 Gentlemen:

I respectfully request permission to attend the annual three day district attorney's convention at Eagle River, Wisconsin in July, 1955.

Respectfully Submitted  
 JOHN J. HAKA  
 John J. Haka  
 District Attorney

Moved by Supervisor Nebel and seconded by Supervisor Frost

that the communication be adopted. Motion carried.

Supervisor Morgan entered the room.

Claims committee report was read by the clerk as follows:

June 28, 1955

To the Honorable Chairman and Members of the County Board of Supervisors of Portage County, Wisconsin:

Gentlemen:

We, your committee on claims, met in adjourned session and checked over the claims herein and have allowed or disallowed them as follows:

	Claimed	Allowed
1. H. L. Kurtzweil, 4 days committee work .....	\$32.48	\$ 32.48
2. Ray Clark, 4 days committee work .....	32.48	32.48
3. Nat Kinney, 10 days committee work .....	92.56	92.56
4. Henry W. Stinson, 1 day committee work, 5 days signing checks .....	66.00	66.00
5. Joe Sroda, 3 days committee work park board ....	28.32	28.32
6. Anton Palek, 8 days committee work .....	87.44	87.44
7. Lester Peterson, 8 days park board committee work .....	81.28	81.28
8. Msgr. Julius Chylinski, 9 days attended meetings	72.00	72.00
9. Frank Beck, 8 days committee work .....	88.84	88.84

MARTIN POLIWODA

JOE SRODA

ARLEIGH HETZEL

EDWARD LOSINSKI

THOMAS GUYANT

Claims Committee

Moved by Supervisor Steckel and seconded by Supervisor Kluck that the report be adopted. Motion carried as the clerk called the roll, there being 28 ayes, 5 absent and 1 excused. The following members voted aye: Supervisors H. P. Anderson, Hetzel, Swenson, Stinson, Fletcher, Poliwoda, Beck, Palek, Morgan, Jacklin, Burant, Mehne, Guyant, Sroda, Kitowski, C. Anderson, Hannon, Dobbe, Kluck, Barrows, Frost, Jakusz, Clark, Nebel, Jurgella, Steckel and Kinney. Supervisors Losinski, Wojcik, Krogwold, Waterman and Kirschling, absent and Supervisor Kirby, excused.

Mileage and per diem report was read by the clerk as follows:

June 28, 1955

To the Honorable Chairman and Members of the County Board of Supervisors of Portage County, Wisconsin:

Gentlemen:

We, your committee on mileage and per diem, would respectfully report and recommend the adoption of the same and that the chairman and county clerk be instructed to draw an order on the county treasurer for the amounts of \$8.00 per day:

	Days	Mileage	Amount
Harold Anderson .....	1	40	\$ 10.40
Arleigh Hetzel .....	1	40	10.40
Henry Swenson .....	1	46	10.76
Henry Stinson .....	1	50	11.40
George Fletcher .....	1	28	9.68
Martin Poliwoda .....	1	16	8.96
Edward Losinski .....	1	18	9.08
Frank Beck .....	1	28	9.68
Anton Palek .....	1	50	11.00
Thomas Morgan .....	1	44	10.64

Joe Glaza .....	1	13	8.78
Russell Krogwold .....	1	42	10.52
Vilas Waterman .....	1	40	10.40
Milvern E. Jacklin .....	1	13	8.78
Ted Burant .....	1	28	9.68
Stanley Kirschling .....	1	30	9.80
Harold Mehne .....	1	50	11.00
Thomas Guyant .....	1	40	10.40
Joe Sroda .....	1	36	10.16
Paul Kitowski .....	1	26	9.56
Charles Anderson .....	1	30	9.80
Joseph Hannon .....	1	4	8.24
Ernest Kluck .....	1	4	8.24
A. P. Dobbe .....	1	36	10.16
Allan Barrows .....	1	2	8.12
Harold Frost .....	1	2	8.12
Gilbert Kirby .....	1	2	8.12
John Jakusz .....	1	2	8.12
Ray Clark .....	1	2	8.12
C. E. Nebel .....	1	2	8.12
Vincent Jurgella .....	1	2	8.12
Frank Steckel .....	1	2	8.12
Nat Kinney .....	1	2	8.12
Total .....			\$310.20

H. P. ANDERSON  
 ERNEST KLUCK  
 F. B. BECK  
 Mileage & Per Diem Committee

Moved by Supervisor Jakusz and seconded by Supervisor Burant that the report be accepted. Motion carried.  
 Clerk read resolution No. 8 as follows:

#### RESOLUTION NO. 8

Be it hereby resolved by the county board of supervisors of Portage county, Wisconsin, now in adjourned session assembled that the resolutions, and motions adopted and carried at this meeting and all appropriations made and claims allowed at this meeting be and they are hereby ratified and confirmed in all respects by this board.

PAUL B. KITOWSKI

Moved by Supervisor C. Anderson and seconded by Supervisor Steckel that resolution No. 8 be adopted. Motion carried.

Moved by Supervisor Nebel and seconded by Supervisor Swenson that the board adjourn until 10:00 a. m., August 9, 1955. Motion carried.

CHESTER J. KULAS  
 County Clerk

STATE OF WISCONSIN)

(SS.

## COUNTY OF PORTAGE)

I, Chester J. Kulas, county clerk of said county, and Mary Jane Jurgella, deputy clerk, do hereby certify that the above is a true and correct record of the proceedings of the annual meeting of the county board of supervisors of Portage county, Wisconsin, which was read by the county clerk in the presence of the members of the county board of supervisors and by them approved.

CHESTER J. KULAS  
County Clerk

Attest:

MARY JANE JURGELLA  
Deputy County Clerk

OFFICIAL PROCEEDINGS  
OF THE  
ADJOURNED SESSION  
OF THE  
BOARD OF SUPERVISORS  
OF  
PORTAGE COUNTY, WISCONSIN  
August 9, A. D., 1955

The county board of supervisors of Portage county met in adjourned session in the circuit court room at the court house in the city of Stevens Point, Wisconsin, on August 9, 1955, at 10:00 o'clock in the forenoon.

The meeting was called to order by the Honorable Henry W. Stinson, chairman.

Clerk called the roll of members as follows:

Town of Alban, Harold P. Anderson.  
Town of Almond, Arleigh Hetzel.  
Town of Amherst, Henry W. Swenson.  
Town of Belmont, Henry W. Stinson.  
Town of Buena Vista, George Fletcher.  
Town of Carson, Martin Poliwoda.  
Town of Dewey, Edward Losinski.  
Town of Eau Pleine, Frank Beck.  
Town of Grant, Anton Palek.  
Town of Hull, Joseph J. Wojcik.  
Town of Lanark, Thomas Morgan.  
Town of Linwood, Joe Glaza.  
Town of New Hope, Russell Krogwold.  
Town of Pine Grove, Vilas Waterman.  
Town of Plover, Milvern E. Jacklin.  
Town of Sharon, Ted Burant.  
Town of Stockton, Stanley Kirschling.  
Village of Almond, Harold Mehne.  
Village of Amherst, Thomas A. Guyant.  
Village of Amherst Junction, Joe Sroda.  
Village of Junction City, Paul Kitowski.  
Village of Nelsonville, Charles Anderson.  
Village of Park Ridge, Joseph Hannon.  
Village of Rosholt, A. P. Dobbe.  
Village of Whiting, Ernest Kluck.  
City of Stevens Point, First ward, Allan Barrows.  
City of Stevens Point, Second ward, Harold Frost.  
City of Stevens Point, Third ward, Gilbert Kirby.  
City of Stevens Point, Fourth ward, John N. Jakusz.  
City of Stevens Point, Fifth ward, Ray Clark.

City of Stevens Point, Sixth ward, C. E. Nebel.  
City of Stevens Point, Seventh ward, Vincent G. Jurgella.  
City of Stevens Point, Eighth ward, Frank J. Steckel.  
City of Stevens Point, Ninth ward, Nat Kinney.

All members present except Supervisor Dobbe, absent.

Clerk read the minutes of the previous meeting.

Moved by Supervisor C. Anderson and seconded by Supervisor Kirschling that the minutes be confirmed. Motion carried.

Supervisor Nebel appeared before the board regarding a possible new court house. He reported visits to other counties in the state, including Dane, Waupaca, Wood, Marathon, Juneau and Marinette, where court houses have been built in recent years or are now under construction. Supervisor Nebel said the committee had concluded that the best plan for Portage county would be a combination court house and jail with the Stevens Point city hall under the same roof. He stated further that most counties have found it better to build the jail on an upper floor of the court house and most have found it better to have a turnkey and dispose with the provision of the sheriff's living quarters at the jail.

Supervisor Nebel also stated that M. A. Skaff, special investigator for the state department of public welfare's division of corrections, recently informed the county that the present jail would be condemned if some definite action to provide a new or remodeled jail were not taken by July 1, 1956.

The committee, Supervisor Nebel said, hopes to have some preliminary plans and figures ready for submission to the board by this fall. Supervisor Nebel asked the board if there were any questions. In answer to the questions he said:

"The county need not, but city must hold a referendum election on the new building."

The committee has guessed and Supervisor Nebel emphasized that the figure is rough at a \$1,000,000 price tag on a combination building.

The cost could be kept down by utilizing native stone rather than the limestone imported from other states that some counties have used for court house construction.

The combination building would offer the advantages of concentrating governmental offices, reducing duplicate services and economy in maintenance, heating and repair.

Other counties floated bond issues in advance of the start of construction and in some instances more than earned the cost of interest on the bonds through the purchase of high-interest, short-term securities.

Supervisor C. Anderson stated that shorter term county bonds would be salable at lower interest rates.

Supervisor Nebel pointed out that the city would pay the greater share of the cost of a new building whether the city hall was included or not. The city now pays about 52 per cent of the county taxes. If the city hall is not included in the building, city taxpayers will pay that portion of the cost. If the city hall is included, city taxpayers will pay the entire cost of the portion of the building used by the city and 52 per cent of the county's share of the cost. On a 60-40 split, the figure most often used, that would mean that city taxpayers would pay \$7 of every \$10 of the cost of the building.

Conservation Warden Harvey Mau appeared before the board expressing his doubts about a plan to buy a weedcutting machine for use on McDill pond and the lakes of the county. He pointed out that the machine would cost about \$1,100, but that expense of operating

it would be continuous because cut weeds float to the surface and must be removed.

Moved by Supervisor Kirschling and seconded by Supervisor Krogwold that the board adjourn until 2:00 p. m. Motion carried.

Stevens Point, Wisconsin, August 9, 1955, 2:00 P. M., circuit court room, court house.

Meeting called to order by the Honorable Henry W. Stinson, chairman.

Clerk called the roll. All member spresent except Supervisors Dobbe and Clark, absent.

Supervisor Clark entered the room.

Supervisor Kluck who advanced the proposal appeared before the board pointing out the recreational values of McDill pond and its proximity to most of the people of the county.

Resolution No. 9 was read by the clerk as follows:

#### RESOLUTION NO. 9

Whereas, a research was made by the former and present conservation wardens and

Whereas, said wardens have recommended this process on the McDill pond is recognized by all sportsmen of Portage county as the finest fishing spot in said county and

Whereas, said McDill pond is near the city limits of Stevens Point affords an opportunity for these youngsters to fish and in the same acts to curb juvenile delinquency and

Whereas, it is the wishes of the sportsmen's clubs of Portage county that the weeds in McDill pond are spreading,

Therefore, be it resolved that the county board consider cutting the weeds in the McDill pond and all other county lakes.

ERNEST KLUCK

Moved by Supervisor Kluck and seconded by Supervisor Barrows that resolution No. 9 be adopted. Motion lost as the clerk called the roll, there being 30 naves, 2 ayes, 1 absent and 1 present. The following members voted naye: Supervisors H. P. Anderson, Hetzel, Swenson, Stinson, Fletcher, Poliwoda, Losinski, Beck, Palek, Wojcik, Morgan, Glaza, Krogwold, Waterman, Jacklin, Burant, Kirschling, Mehne, Guyant, Sroda, Kitowski, C. Anderson, Hannon, Kirby, Jakusz, Clark, Nebel, Jurgella, Steckel and Kinney. The following members voted aye: Supervisors Kluck and Barrows. Supervisor Dobbe was absent and Supervisor Frost voted present.

Supervisor Frost advanced a plan to lower the water level of the pond by opening gates at the dam, causing the weeds to dry out and die in the sun but after Supervisor Wojcik pointed out that the pond is producing fish at a high rate now it was moved by Supervisor Frost and seconded by Supervisor Krogwold that the problem be turned over to the conservation committee. Motion carried.

Supervisor Morgan left the room.

Moved by Supervisor Waterman and seconded by Supervisor Wojcik that the rules be suspended and the clerk be allowed to read resolution No. 10. Motion carried as the clerk called the roll, there being 31 ayes, 2 absent and 1 present. Supervisors Morgan and Dobbe were absent, and Supervisor Kitowski voted present.

Clerk read resolution No. 10 as follows:

August 9, 1955

To the Honorable Chairman and Members of the County Board:

During the last meeting of the county board the question of establishing government section corners and quarter corners in Portage county was turned over to the county conservation committee

and county surveyor. We hereby submit the following resolution:

**RESOLUTION NO. 10**  
**Government Corners**

Be it resolved that, when a licensed surveyor or engineer be called upon to make a survey and it is necessary to relocate a government section corner, that the county pay the additional cost of relocating such corner.

Be it further resolved that where a licensed surveyor or engineer making a private survey finds it necessary to relocate a government corner he shall notify the county surveyor, or if on a state or county highway, the county highway commissioner, and if on town roads or in towns, the town chairman. When notice to such officer is given, it shall be his duty to authorize the surveyor or engineer to relocate such government corner and properly mark same by legal post on same, or by two reference points of permanent nature. Such officer shall immediately notify the county clerk in writing of his action in authorizing such survey.

Such costs shall be paid out of the general fund until a special fund for same may be set up.

Presented by  
VILAS WATERMAN  
J. N. JAKUSZ  
Conservation Committee

Moved by Supervisor Nebel and seconded by H. P. Anderson that the resolution be adopted. Motion carried as the clerk called the roll, there being 32 ayes and 2 absent. Supervisors Morgan and Dobbe, absent.

Moved by Supervisor Wojcik and seconded by Supervisor Waterman that the rules be suspended and the clerk be allowed to read resolution No. 11. Motion carried as the clerk called the roll, there being 31 ayes, 2 absent and 1 present. Supervisors Morgan and Dobbe were absent, and Supervisor Kitowski voted present.

✓ Clerk read resolution No. 11 as follows:

**RESOLUTION NO. 11**

Whereas, a resolution having been adopted by the Portage county board to the effect that permission must be obtained from the board before any county officer shall attend any session or institute at county expense, and,

Whereas, the Wisconsin Recorders association meets once a year, with this year's convention being at Green Bay on August 28, 29th and 30th.

Now, therefore, be it hereby resolved that Edward D. Haka, register of deeds, be allowed to attend the convention at Green Bay starting August 28th.

J. N. JAKUSZ  
VILAS WATERMAN  
GEO. FLETCHER

Moved by Supervisor Krogwold and seconded by Supervisor Swenson that the resolution be adopted. Motion carried.

A communication from the conservation commission was read by the clerk as follows:

August 5, 1955

Mr. Chester J. Kulas  
County Clerk, Portage County  
Stevens Point, Wisconsin

Dear Mr. Kulas:

You will find attached two policy statements adopted unanimously

by the Wisconsin conservation commission at their meeting on June 10. The "Policy on Co-operation with Town and County Boards" will be of special interest to you, but we also hope the "Policy on Wetland Preservation and Management" will also be worthy of consideration by county boards and their planning committees.

In recent years, the relationship of proper land management to conservation in all its multiple aspects has become better understood. All county and town governments, to the extent that they own and manage lands, are directly in the conservation business. All are indirectly affected by conservation activities which may bring financial benefits to their local citizens or otherwise change the tax base.

The conservator commission and department wish to take this opportunity to extend their co-operation in these matters and especially to call the attention of the members of your county board to the attached policies.

I wish to personally assure you and the members of your board of the sincerity of this offer and urge you to communicate with us if we can ever be of service.

Most Sincerely Yours,  
L. P. VOIGT  
Conservation Director

Moved by Supervisor Waterman and seconded by Supervisor Krogwold that the communication be accepted. Motion carried.

Supervisor Morgan entered the room.

Supervisor Swenson appeared before the board in regard to the petition which concerned a hazardous crossing in the town of Carson. He stated that the county highway department will raise the level of County Trunk M at the Soo Line crossing in the town of Carson to bring the road high enough for motorists approaching from the west to get a view of Highway 10 before coming onto the railroad tracks.

Moved by Supervisor Waterman and seconded by Supervisor Krogwold that the mileage of all county officers be raised from six to seven cents.

Moved by Supervisor Kitowski and seconded by Supervisor H. P. Anderson that an amendment to the motion be added referring the matter to the salary committee. Motion carried as the clerk called the roll, there being 23 ayes, 10 nays, and 1 absent.

Roll taken on Waterman's original motion with the added amendment carried there being 18 ayes, 15 nays, and 1 absent. The following members voted aye: Supervisors H. P. Anderson, Hetzel, Swenson, Paliwoda, Losinski, Beck, Palek, Glaza, Kitowski, Kluck, Barrows, Frost, Kirby, Clark, Nebel, Jurgella, Steckel and Kinney. The following members voted nay: Supervisors Stinson, Fletcher, Wojcik, Morgan, Krogwold, Waterman, Jacklin, Burant, Kirschling, Mehne, Guyant, Sroda, C. Anderson, Hannon and Jakusz. Supervisor Dobbe was absent.

The claims report was read by the clerk as follows:

August 9 1955

To the Honorable Chairman and Members of the County Board of Supervisors of Portage County, Wisconsin:

Gentlemen:

We, your committee on claims, met in adjourned session and checked over the claims herein and have allowed or disallowed them as follows:

	<b>Claimed</b>	<b>Allowed</b>
1. Harold Frost, 8 days committee work .....	\$101.20	\$101.20

2. Charles A. Anderson, 9 days committee work .....	97.68	97.68
3. Henry Stinson, 2 days committee work, 4 days signing checks .....	66.00	66.00
4. Edward Losinski, 4 days committee work .....	36.32	36.32
5. Anton Palek, 2 days committee work .....	22.00	22.00
6. Frank J. Steckel, 4 days committee work .....	32.48	32.48
7. J. N. Jakusz, 9 days committee work .....	73.08	73.08
8. George Fletcher, 4 days committee work .....	38.72	38.72
9. Ray Clark, 5 days committee work .....	40.60	40.60

MARTIN POLIWODA  
 THOMAS GUYANT  
 EDWARD LOSINSKI  
 JOE SRODA  
 ARLEIGH HETZEL  
 Claims Committee

Moved by Supervisor Nebel and seconded by Supervisor Kirby that the report be accepted. Motion carried as the clerk called the roll, there being 33 ayes and 1 absent. The following members voted aye: Supervisors H. P. Anderson, Hetzel, Swenson, Stinson, Fletcher, Poliwoda, Losinski, Beck, Palek, Wojcik, Morgan, Glaza, Krogwold, Waterman, Jacklin, Burant, Kirschling, Mehne, Guyant, Sroda, Kitowski, C. Anderson, Hannon, Kluck, Barrows, Frost, Kirby, Jakusz, Clark, Nebel, Jurgella, Steckel and Kinney. Supervisor Dobbe was absent.

Supervisor Fletcher appeared before the board in regard to the Thompson bill of \$450. He stated that the Daily Journal account of the incident said the finance committee had sidestepped action on the claim. Supervisor Fletcher pointed out that as the board had ordered payment of the bill the finance committee needed to take no action on it.

County Clerk Chester J. Kulas has refused to pay the bill until the district attorney, John J. Haka, obtains an opinion from the attorney general on its legality. Kulas pointed out that if the bill is paid illegally, he would be liable to the county for the amount of the claim.

Moved by Supervisor Nebel and seconded by Supervisor Waterman that the county board go on record to pay for special counsel to defend a county law enforcement officer when accused of wrongdoing in the course of his duty. But the county will not be liable for any damages assessed against the officer. Motion carried as the clerk called the roll, there being 19 ayes, 4 nays, 10 present and 1 absent. The following members voted aye: Supervisors H. P. Anderson, Hetzel, Stinson, Fletcher, Poliwoda, Morgan, Krogwold, Waterman, Jacklin, Kirschling, Mehne, Guyant, C. Anderson, Barrows, Frost, Kirby, Clark, Nebel and Steckel. The following members voted naye: Supervisors Losinski, Wojcik, Burant and Kluck. The following members voted present: Supervisors Swenson, Beck, Palek, Glaza, Sroda, Kitowski, Hannon, Jakusz, Jurgella and Kinney. Supervisor Dobbe, absent.

Supervisor Wojcik left the room.

Clerk read the report of the mileage and per diem committee as follows:

August 9, 1955

To the Honorable Chairman and Members of the County Board of Supervisors of Portage County, Wisconsin:

Gentlemen:

We, your committee on mileage and per diem, would respectfully report and recommend the adoption of the same and that the chair-

man and county clerk be instructed to draw an order on the county treasurer for the amounts of \$8.00 per day:

	Days	Mileage	Amount
Harold Anderson .....	1	40	\$ 10.40
Arleigh Hetzel .....	1	40	10.40
Henry Swenson .....	1	46	10.76
Henry Stinson .....	1	50	11.00
George Fletcher .....	1	28	9.68
Martin Poliwoda .....	1	16	8.96
Edward Losinski .....	1	18	9.08
Frank Beck .....	1	28	9.68
Anton Palek .....	1	50	11.00
Joseph Wojcik .....	1	6	8.36
Thomas Morgan .....	1	44	10.64
Joe Glaza .....	1	13	8.78
Russell Krogwold .....	1	42	10.52
Vilas Waterman .....	1	40	10.40
Milvern E. Jacklin .....	1	13	8.78
Ted Burant .....	1	28	9.68
Stanley Kirschling .....	1	39	9.80
Harold Mehne .....	1	50	11.00
Thomas Guyant .....	1	40	10.40
Joe Sroda .....	1	36	10.16
Paul Kitowski .....	1	26	9.56
Charles Anderson .....	1	30	9.80
Joseph Hannon .....	1	4	8.24
Ernest Kluck .....	1	4	8.24
Allan Barrows .....	1	2	8.12
Harold Frost .....	1	2	8.12
Gilbert Kirby .....	1	2	8.12
John Jakusz .....	1	2	8.12
Ray Clark .....	1	2	8.12
C. E. Nebel .....	1	2	8.12
Vincent Jurgella .....	1	2	8.12
Frank Steckel .....	1	2	8.12
Nat Kinney .....	1	2	8.12
Total .....			\$308.40

H. P. ANDERSON  
JOSEPH WOJCIK  
ERNEST KLUCK

Mileage & Per Diem Committee

Moved by Supervisor Krogwold and seconded by Supervisor Steckel that the report be accepted. Motion carried as the clerk called the roll, there being 30 ayes, 2 absent and 2 present. The following members voted aye: Supervisors H. P. Anderson, Hetzel, Swenson, Fletcher, Poliwoda, Losinski, Beck, Palek, Morgan, Glaza, Krogwold, Jacklin, Burant, Kirschling, Mehne, Guyant, Sroda, Kitowski, C. Anderson, Hannon, Kluck, Barrows, Frost, Kirby, Jakusz, Clark, Nebel, Jurgella, Steckel and Kinney. Supervisors Stinson and Waterman voted present and Supervisor Dobbe was absent.

Clerk read resolution No. 12 as follows:

**RESOLUTION NO. 12**

Be it hereby resolved by the county board of supervisors of Portage county, Wisconsin, now in adjourned session assembled that the resolutions and motions adopted and carried at this meeting and all appropriations made and claims allowed at this meeting be

and they are hereby ratified and confirmed in all respects by this board.

PAUL B. KITOWSKI  
Moved by Supervisor Kitowski and seconded by Supervisor Jakusz that the resolution be adopted. Motion carried.

Moved by Supervisor Nebel and seconded by Supervisor Steckel that the board adjourn until October 11. Motion carried.

CHESTER J. KULAS  
County Clerk

STATE OF WISCONSIN)  
(SS.

COUNTY OF PORTAGE)

I, Chester J. Kulas, county clerk of said county, and Mary Jane Jurgella, deputy, do hereby certify that the above is a true and correct record of the proceedings of this meeting of the county board of supervisors of Portage county, Wisconsin, which was read by the county clerk in the presence of the members of the county board of supervisors and by them approved.

CHESTER J. KULAS  
County Clerk

Attest:

MARY JANE JURGELLA  
Deputy Clerk

OFFICIAL PROCEEDINGS  
OF THE  
ADJOURNED SESSION  
OF THE  
BOARD OF SUPERVISORS  
OF  
PORTAGE COUNTY, WISCONSIN  
October 11, A. D., 1955

The county board of supervisors of Portage county met in adjourned session in the circuit court room at the court house in the city of Stevens Point, Wisconsin on October 11, 1955, at 10:00 o'clock in the forenoon.

The meeting was called to order by the Honorable Henry W. Stinson, chairman.

The county clerk called the roll of members as follows:

Town of Alban, Harold P. Anderson.  
Town of Almond, Arleigh Hetzel.  
Town of Amherst, Henry W. Swenson.  
Town of Belmont, Henry W. Stinson.  
Town of Buena Vista, George Fletcher.  
Town of Carson, Martin Poliwoda.  
Town of Dewey, Edward Losinski.  
Town of Eau Pleine, Frank Beck.  
Town of Grant, Anton Palek.  
Town of Hull, Joseph J. Wojcik.  
Town of Lanark, Thomas Morgan.  
Town of Linwood, Joe Glaza.  
Town of New Hope, Russell Krogwold.  
Town of Pine Grove, Vilas Waterman.  
Town of Plover, Milvern E. Jacklin.  
Town of Sharon, Ted Burant.  
Town of Stockton, Stanley Kirschling.  
Village of Almond, Harold Mehne.  
Village of Amherst, Thomas A. Guyant.  
Village of Amherst Junction, Joe Sroda.  
Village of Junction City, Paul Kitowski.  
Village of Nelsonville, Charles Anderson.  
Village of Park Ridge, Joseph Hannon.  
Village of Rosholt, A. P. Dobbe.  
Village of Whiting, Ernest Kluck.  
City of Stevens Point, First ward, Allan Barrows.  
City of Stevens Point, Second ward, Harold Frost.  
City of Stevens Point, Third ward, Gilbert Kirby.  
City of Stevens Point, Fourth ward, John N. Jakusz.  
City of Stevens Point, Fifth ward, Ray Clark.

City of Stevens Point, Sixth ward, C. E. Nebel.  
 City of Stevens Point, Seventh ward, Vincent G. Jurgella.  
 City of Stevens Point, Eighth ward, Frank J. Steckel.  
 City of Stevens Point, Ninth ward, Nat Kinney.

All members present except Supervisor Kirby, absent.

A communication from the district attorney, John J. Haka, was read by the clerk as follows:

September 29, 1955

Mr. John N. Jakusz, Chairman  
 Building & Grounds Committee  
 c/o County Clerk, Court House  
 Stevens Point, Wisconsin

Re: Purchase of Portable Dictaphone Equipment  
 Gentlemen:

The district attorney's office has at the present time a dictaphone machine which is at least 10 years old and has not been working properly. The dictaphone company now has a new portable machine which can be used for taking statements and depositions, which I believe would be a time saver and of great value to this office. This machine uses a belt instead of a tube and it can be filed and retained as a permanent record. It also is portable making it useful in questioning and securing information from persons charged with crimes.

I am enclosing a copy of a letter sent me by the dictaphone company and recommend that a portable dictaphone machine be purchased for the use of the district attorney's office.

If you desire any further information, please let me know.

Sincerely Yours,  
 JOHN J. HAKA  
 District Attorney  
 Portage County, Wisconsin

JJH:t

Moved by Supervisor C. Anderson and seconded by Supervisor Steckel that the communication be tabled pending a further explanation from a salesman of the dictaphone company. Motion carried.

Moved by Supervisor Waterman and seconded by Supervisor Nebel that the rules be suspended and the clerk be allowed to read resolution No. 19. Motion carried.

Clerk read resolution No. 19 as follows:

Stevens Point, Wisconsin  
 October 11, 1955

To the Honorable Chairman and Members  
 of the County Board of Supervisors:

**RESOLUTION NO. 19**

Whereas,

We, the members of the Portage county board of supervisors, are very vitally interested in the preservation of the prairie chickens, and at the last meeting of the conservation congress at Madison they voted to close the state of Wisconsin for the hunting of prairie chickens, and,

Whereas,

Portage and Adams counties are supposed to have the largest concentration of prairie chickens in the United States,

And the conservation department seems to have lost interest in the preservation of chickens in all of the counties having only a few chickens left, by opening the season to hunt them on October 15, Now therefore,

Be it resolved that the Portage county board of supervisors go on record requesting the state of Wisconsin conservation department and the federal fish and wildlife service to put the prairie chicken on the Song Bird list so that they will be preserved in all of Wisconsin without the spending of any monies that is paid by sportsmen to improve their sport; and,

That a copy of this resolution be sent to the chairman of the Wisconsin conservation commission at Madison, and the director of the federal fish and wildlife service in Washington, D.C.

JOE GLAZA  
MARTIN POLIWODA  
FRANK BECK  
VILAS WATERMAN  
ANTON PALEK  
M. E. JACKLIN  
J. N. JAKUSZ

GEO. FLETCHER  
JOSEPH WOJCIK  
EDWARD LOSINSKI  
STANLEY KIRSCHLING  
A. P. DOBBE  
CHARLES A. ANDERSON

Supervisor Waterman elaborated on the preserving of the prairie chicken.

Moved by Supervisor Waterman and seconded by Supervisor Jakusz that resolution No. 19 be adopted. Motion carried as the clerk called the roll, there being 32 ayes, 1 absent and 1 present as follows:

The following members voted aye: Supervisors H. P. Anderson, Hetzel, Swenson, Stinson, Fletcher, Poliwoda, Losinski, Beck, Palek, Wojcik, Morgan, Glaza, Krogwold, Waterman, Jacklin, Burant, Kirschling, Mehne, Guyant, Sroda, Kitowski, C. Anderson, Hannon, Dobbe, Kluck, Barrows, Frost, Kirby, Jakusz, Clark, Nebel, Jurgella, Steckel and Kinney. Supervisor Kitowski voted present and Supervisor Kirby was absent.

Supervisor Nebel appeared before the board in regard to a combination city and county court house. He told of a recent visit with Attorney General Vernon Thomson and of a talk with W. F. McCaughey, of W. F. McCaughey and Associates, an architectural firm of Park Ridge, Illinois.

Nebel pointed out that he thought it was only fair and just that the city receive every possible consideration since they are paying the largest portion of the county taxes which is 50 per cent and would pay approximately 70 per cent in all of the cost of a joint building. He explained a previously-detailed plan whereby the city could finance its share by means of long term notes. Mayor Leonard L. Sorenson suggested that the county, if adopting a court house plan, figure on paying off its bond issue over a long enough period of time to prevent too great of a load on the city at one time, noting that the city has an expensive school improvement program under way.

County board action alone, Supervisor Nebel explained, is enough to order a bond issue for the county, but the city would need a referendum before issuing bonds for the projects. The city's notes however, could be issued on a three-fourths vote of the city council. The idea of submitting the plan to a referendum was broached in order that work could be started in the near future rather than wait until sometime in the fall of 1956 before work could start after a referendum in the 1956 spring election.

Supervisor Nebel listed three reasons for the county building a new court house: Pride in the county's buildings, the excessive cost of repairs to the present building, and the need for a new jail program before the deadline set by the state jail inspector for improvement of the present building. The deadline, by which time the state

has said plans for a new jail must be well under way, was set for July 1 of next year.

The committee felt that the previous plan for building wings north and south of the present building, then wrecking the center structure and building a connecting link between the two wings, should be discarded. McCaughey showed the committee, Nebel said, that it would be more economical to wreck the present structure and "start from scratch."

Supervisor Nebel suggested finding temporary quarters for offices now housed in the court house so that wrecking of the present building could be started this winter and construction of the new building begin in the spring of 1956.

Mr. McCaughey told the committee that a building such as is needed here, if built without "frills" could be constructed at a cost of about \$1,000,000.

Moved by Supervisor Kitowski and seconded by Supervisor Jakusz that the board adjourn until 2:00 p. m. Motion carried.

Stevens Point, Wisconsin, October 11, 1955, 2:00 P. M., circuit court room, court house.

Meeting called to order by the Honorable Henry W. Stinson, chairman.

Clerk called the roll. All members present except Supervisors Wojcik, C. Anderson, Frost and Kirby, absent.

Supervisor Clark appeared before the board in regard to raising the fleet coverage insurance on county owned vehicles.

Supervisor Frost entered the room.

A letter written to the various counties, Marathon, Wisconsin Rapids, and Waupaca asking what insurance coverage they have in Fleet Policy Liability and their answers was read by the clerk as follows:

August 24, 1955

Dear County Clerk:

What insurance coverage does your county have in Fleet Policy Liability (General Liability Policy)?

We have \$10,000.00 per person, \$20,000.00 per accident liability coverage now, but we may increase it to \$50,000.00 and \$100,000.00.

I remain,

Yours Very Truly,  
CHESTER J. KULAS  
County Clerk

CJK:map

Hi!

We recently changed from a \$25,000-\$50,000 policy to a \$50,000-\$100,000 one. We also changed our property damage from \$5,000 to \$10,000.00.

Best wishes.

LUCILE ZIELSDORF  
County Clerk,  
Marathon County

August 25, 1955

Mr. Chester J. Kulas

County Clerk

Stevens Point, Wis.

Dear Mr. Kulas:

Your letter to the county clerk was turned over to me in regards to our Fleet policy.

May I state our policy reads as follows:

A. Bodily injury liability \$100,000.00 each person; \$300,000.00 each

accident.

B. Property damage liability, \$25,000.00 each accident.

Comprehensive on all county cars, \$50 deductible.

Then our policy carries the following clauses or endorsements:

Road construction maintenance and special equipment; A317C, hired automobile; A318, employers non ownership liability; blanket coverage class 1 and 2.

Commercial automobiles of independent contractor endorsement; automobile fleet automatic coverage endorsement, (physical damage coverages); automobile Fleet plan (Fleet automatic) endorsement; bodily injury property damage and medical pay.

Our Fleet policy is with the Mutual Service and total premium is \$2,810.81 this last year.

On compensation we are self insurer, carrying an excess policy of which in 1942 we started with \$10,000.00 and now have in this fund over \$120,000.00.

I hope this answers all your questions and will be of some use to you. You are welcome to come over and look over our insurance program if you choose.

I remain,

Sincerely,

V. M. KELLY  
County Treasurer,  
Wood County

Waupaca county has \$50,000-\$100,000 and have had same for a number of years.

A. L. ANDERSON  
County Clerk

R. K. Strache, Hardware Mutuals representative, appeared before the board telling of the large awards frequently made in recent months in damage suits growing out of automobile accidents and the benefits to be gained by the county from the increased coverage.

Moved by Supervisor Dobbe and seconded by Supervisor Fletcher that fleet coverage insurance on county owned vehicles be raised from its present \$10,000/\$20,000/\$5,000 (meaning a limit on coverage of \$10,000 for one person injured, \$20,000 for one accident and \$5,000 on property damage) to \$50,000/\$100,000/\$10,000.

Moved by Supervisor Nebel and seconded by Supervisor H. P. Anderson that an amendment be added to the motion raising it to the full limit of \$100,000/\$300,000/\$25,000. Motion carried as the clerk called the roll, there being 21 ayes, 4 naves, 2 absent, 6 excused and 1 present.

Roll taken on Dobbe's original motion with the added amendment carried, there being 25 ayes, 2 naves, 2 absent and 5 excused. The following members voted aye: Supervisors H. P. Anderson, Swenson, Stinson, Beck, Morgan, Krogwold, Waterman, Jacklin, Burant, Kirschling, Mehne, Guyant, Sroda, Kitowski, Hannon, Dobbe, Kluck, Barrows, Frost, Jakusz, Clark, Nebel, Jurgella, Steckel and Kinney. The following members voted naye: Supervisors Fletcher and Dobbe. Supervisors Wojcik and Kirby were absent and Supervisors Hetzel, Poliwoda, Losinski, Palek and C. Anderson, excused.

Claims report was read by the clerk as follows:

October 11, 1955

To the Honorable Chairman and Members of the County Board of Supervisors of Portage County, Wisconsin:

Gentlemen:

We, your committee on claims, met in adjourned session and

checked over the claims herein and have allowed or disallowed them as follows:

	Claimed	Allowed	Dis-allowed
1. A. P. Dobbe, 8 days committee work .....	\$ 81.28	\$ 81.28	\$
2. Joseph T. Hannon, 1 day committee work .....	8.24	8.24	
3. Anton Palek, 4 days committee work .....	44.00	44.00	
4. Allen F. Barrows, 7 days committee work .....	56.84	56.84	
5. Vilas Waterman, 10 days committee work .....	100.40	100.40	
6. Henry W. Stinson, 8 days committee work .....	80.20	80.20	
7. Nat Kinney, 8 days committee work .....	68.20	68.20	
8. Ted Burant, 5 days committee work .....	48.40	48.40	
9. Ray Clark, 5 days committee work .....	40.60	40.60	
10. Julian Maxfield .....	15.00		15.00
11. Julian Maxfield .....	7.50		7.50
12. Julian Maxfield .....	22.50		22.50
13. Chester J. Kulas .....	14.28	14.28	
14. Harold Frost .....	10.30	10.30	
Total .....	\$597.74	\$552.74	\$45.00
EDWARD LOSINSKI	THOMAS GUYANT		
JOE SRODA	ARLEIGH HETZEL		
MARTIN POLIWODA	Claims Committee		

Moved by Supervisor Fletcher and seconded by Supervisor Swenson that the report be accepted and that Julian Maxfield's claims be allowed after he signs the vouchers. Motion carried as the clerk called the roll, there being 32 ayes, 2 absent. The following members voted aye: Supervisors H. P. Anderson, Hetzel, Swenson, Stinson, Fletcher, Poliwoda, Losinski, Beck, Palek, Morgan, Glaza, Krogwold, Waterman, Jacklin, Burant, Kirschling, Mehne, Guyant, Sroda, Kitowski, C. Anderson, Hannon, Dobbe, Kluck, Barrows, Frost, Jakusz, Clark, Nebel, Jurgella, Steckel and Kinney. Supervisors Wojcik and Kirby absent.

Supervisor Nebel appeared before the board stating that the committee should have some authorization to go ahead with the court house plan.

Moved by Supervisor Waterman and seconded by Supervisor Fletcher that the finance committee have the power to cash the government bonds of \$43,000 for use by the special court house committee if it becomes necessary to hire architects or other necessary expenses which might occur and that the county board go on record favoring the construction of a new court house. Motion carried as the clerk called the roll, there being 29 ayes, 2 absent and 3 present. The following members voted aye: Supervisors H. P. Anderson, Hetzel, Swenson, Stinson, Fletcher, Losinski, Beck, Palek, Morgan, Krogwold, Waterman, Jacklin, Kirschling, Mehne, Guyant, Sroda, Kitowski, C. Anderson, Hannon, Dobbe, Kluck, Barrows, Frost, Jakusz, Clark, Nebel, Jurgella, Steckel and Kinney. Supervisors Wojcik and Kirby; absent and Supervisors Poliwoda, Glaza and Burant voted present.

The bonds include four \$10,000 bonds bought May 1, 1945, a \$500 bond bought November 1, 1945, and two \$1,000 and one \$500 bond bought June 1, 1948, and set aside for use in building a new court house. The plan was originally to set aside about \$40,000 annually to finance the building. However, a legal technicality developed which prevented the plan, so the bonds already purchased were retained as part of the county treasury "surplus," theoretically repre-

senting cash readily available for county debts. The bonds are Series G, 12-year issues, and would be worth approximately \$4,000 less than face value if cashed now.

Supervisor C. Anderson explained that the board's action still is not an "absolute vote for building a new court house," but, "is a vote to okay preparation of preliminary plans."

Supervisor Nebel added that the final action would have to be taken when an irrevocable resolution is voted authorizing a bond issue for the court house. Firms specializing in local governmental bonds usually depend on legal opinions of attorneys who have made a study of financing, he added, and these attorneys usually are consulted in preparation of the bond resolution.

Moved by Supervisor Nebel and seconded by Supervisor Clark that \$1,000 be transferred from the contingent fund to the special court house committee fund. (The \$1,000 had been appropriated earlier in the year, but the motion authorizing the transfer had never been passed.) Motion carried as the clerk called the roll, there being 32 ayes and 2 absent. Supervisors Wojcik and Kirby, absent.

Supervisor Nebel appeared before the board thanking the members for their splendid co-operation. He stated that he hopes the board continues to work harmoniously and that they have given the committee a sort of confidence.

Supervisor C. Anderson requested the district attorney to give the earliest possible date to meet for the fall session.

Supervisor Nebel appeared before the board requesting the annual budget hearing to be delayed until late in the fall session to present a more complete budget picture. He stated that the public is entitled to know the actual budget. In other years, the tentative budget, published 10 days before the hearing, was torn apart after the hearing as changes were made by the board. This year's plan is expected to permit the taxpayer a better view of what the budget will actually be before it is adopted.

Supervisor Clark left the room.

Clerk read the mileage and per diem report as follows:

October 11, 1955

To the Honorable Chairman and Members of the County Board of Supervisors of Portage County, Wisconsin:  
Gentlemen:

We, your committee on mileage and per diem, would respectfully report and recommend the adoption of the same and that the chairman and county clerk be instructed to draw an order on the county treasurer for the amounts of \$8.00 per day:

	Days	Mileage	Amount
Harold Anderson .....	1	40	\$ 10.40
Arleigh Hetzel .....	1	40	10.40
Henry Swenson .....	1	46	10.76
Henry Stinson .....	1	50	11.00
George Fletcher .....	1	28	9.68
Martin Poliwoda .....	1	16	8.96
Edward Losinski .....	1	18	9.08
Frank Beck .....	1	28	9.68
Anton Palek .....	1	50	11.00
Joseph Wojcik .....	1	6	8.36
Thomas Morgan .....	1	44	10.64
Joe Glaza .....	1	13	8.78
Russell Krogwold .....	1	42	10.52
Vilas Waterman .....	1	40	10.40

Milvern Jacklin .....	1	13	8.78
Ted Burant .....	1	28	9.68
Stanley Kirschling .....	1	30	9.80
Harold Mehne .....	1	50	11.00
Thomas Guyant .....	1	40	10.40
Joe Sroda .....	1	36	10.16
Paul Kitowski .....	1	26	9.56
Charles Anderson .....	1	30	9.80
Joseph Hannon .....	1	4	8.24
Ernest Kluck .....	1	4	8.24
A. P. Dobbe .....	1	36	10.16
Allan Barrows .....	1	2	8.12
Harold Frost .....	1	2	8.12
John Jakusz .....	1	2	8.12
Ray Clark .....	1	2	8.12
C. E. Nebel .....	1	2	8.12
Vincent Jurgella .....	1	2	8.12
Frank Steckel .....	1	2	8.12
Naț Kinney .....	1	2	8.12

\$310.44

H. P. ANDERSON  
FRANK BECK  
ERNEST KLUCK

Mileage & Per Diem Committee

Moved by Supervisor Krogwold and seconded by Supervisor Jakusz that the report be accepted. Motion carried as the clerk called the roll, there being 31 ayes and 3 absent. Supervisors Wojcik, Kirby and Clark, absent.

Moved by Supervisor C. Anderson and seconded by Supervisor Dobbe that the fall session meet on the first Tuesday of November, 1955. Motion carried.

Clerk read the following resolution:

**RESOLUTION NO. 20**

Be it hereby resolved, by the county board of supervisors of Portage county, Wisconsin, now in adjourned session assembled that the resolutions, petitions and motions adopted and carried at this meeting and all appropriations made and claims allowed at this meeting be and they are hereby ratified and confirmed in all respects by this board.

(S) PAUL B. KITOWSKI

Moved by Supervisor Kitowski and seconded by Supervisor Jakusz that the resolution be adopted. Motion carried as the clerk called the roll, there being 31 ayes as follows: Supervisors H. P. Anderson, Hetzel, Swenson, Stinson, Fletcher, Poliwoda, Losinski, Beck, Palek, Morgan, Glaza, Krogwold, Waterman, Jacklin, Burant, Kirschling, Mehne, Guyant, Sroda, Kitowski, C. Anderson, Hannon, Dobbe, Kluck, Barrows, Frost, Jakusz, Nebel, Jurgella, Steckel and Kinney. Supervisors Wojcik, Kirby and Clark, absent.

Moved by Supervisor Waterman and seconded by Supervisor Kluck that the board adjourn until 10:00 a. m., November 1, 1955. Motion carried.

(S) CHESTER J. KULAS  
County Clerk

STATE OF WISCONSIN)

(SS.

**COUNTY OF PORTAGE)**

I, Chester J. Kulas, county clerk of said county, and Mary Jane Jurgella, deputy, do hereby certify that the above is a true and correct record of the proceedings of the annual meeting of the county board of supervisors of Portage county, Wisconsin, which was read by the county clerk in the presence of the members of the county board of supervisors and by them approved.

**CHESTER J. KULAS**  
County Clerk

Attest:

**MARY JANE JURGELLA**  
Deputy Clerk

OFFICIAL PROCEEDINGS  
OF THE  
ANNUAL SESSION  
OF THE  
BOARD OF SUPERVISORS  
OF  
PORTAGE COUNTY, WISCONSIN  
November 1, A. D., 1955  
FIRST DAY

The county board of supervisors of Portage county met in annual session in the American Legion clubroom in the city of Stevens Point, Wisconsin, at 10:00 o'clock in the forenoon, November 1, 1955.

The meeting was called to order by the Honorable Vilas O. Waterman, vice chairman.

The county clerk called the roll of members as follows:

Town of Alban, Harold P. Anderson.  
Town of Almond, Arleigh Hetzel.  
Town of Amherst, Henry W. Swenson.  
Town of Belmont, Earl Towne.  
Town of Buena Vista, George Fletcher.  
Town of Carson, Martin Poliwoda.  
Town of Dewey, Edward Losinski.  
Town of Eau Pleine, Frank Beck.  
Town of Grant, Anton Palek.  
Town of Hull, Joseph J. Wojcik.  
Town of Lanark, Thomas Morgan.  
Town of Linwood, Joe Glaza.  
Town of New Hope, Russell Krogwold.  
Town of Pine Grove, Vilas Waterman.  
Town of Plover, Milvern E. Jacklin.  
Town of Sharon, Ted Burant.  
Town of Stockton, Stanley Kirschling.  
Village of Almond, Harold Mehne.  
Village of Amherst, Thomas A. Guyant.  
Village of Amherst Junction, Joe Sroda.  
Village of Junction City, Paul Kitowski.  
Village of Nelsonville, Charles Anderson.  
Village of Park Ridge, Joseph Hannon.  
Village of Roshoit, A. P. Dobbe.  
Village of Whiting, Ernest Kluck.  
City of Stevens Point, First ward, Allan Barrows.  
City of Stevens Point, Second ward, Harold Frost.  
City of Stevens Point, Third ward, Gilbert Kirby.  
City of Stevens Point, Fourth ward, John N. Jakusz.  
City of Stevens Point, Fifth ward, Ray Clark.  
City of Stevens Point, Sixth ward, C. E. Nebel.  
City of Stevens Point, Seventh ward, Vincent G. Jurgella.  
City of Stevens Point, Eighth ward, Frank J. Steckel.  
City of Stevens Point, Ninth ward, Nat Kinney.

All members present except Supervisors H. P. Anderson, Krogwold, Kitowski and Jurgella, absent.

Certification from the town of Belmont was read by the clerk as follows:

Almond, Wisconsin  
October 31, 1955

Mr. Chester J. Kulas, County Clerk  
Stevens Point, Wisconsin

Dear Sir:

This will present Mr. Earl Towne, a supervisor of the town of Belmont, who will represent the town of Belmont during this session of the county board.

Mr. Stinson is unable to attend meetings at this time.

Signed  
W. E. WIED  
Clerk, Town of Belmont

Moved by Supervisor Morgan and seconded by Supervisor Jakusz that the certificate be accepted. Motion carried.

Supervisors Krogwold and H. P. Anderson entered the room.

Mr. Earl Towne will represent the town of Belmont during this session replacing Henry W. Stinson, chairman, who suffered a knee injury two weeks ago in a fall at his farm.

Clerk read minutes of the previous meeting.

Supervisor Wojcik interrupted the clerk stating that it didn't look right for the chairman not to have a cigar.

Supervisor Kitowski and Jurgella entered the room.

Moved by Supervisor Nebel and seconded by Supervisor Steckel that the minutes be confirmed. Motion carried.

Moved by Supervisor Morgan and seconded by Supervisor Kitowski that the clerk write a letter of sympathy and speedy recovery to the convalescent Henry W. Stinson, chairman, and Ruth Gilfry, county nurse. Motion carried.

Clerk read resolution No. 21 as follows:

#### RESOLUTION NO. 21

Whereas, Portage county is the owner of certain land located in the SE $\frac{1}{4}$  of the NE $\frac{1}{4}$  of Sec. 26, T 25N, R 7E; and

Whereas, a certain portion of this land is now required for the construction of U. S. Highway No. 51;

Therefore, be it now resolved, that Portage county convey to the state, the following described portion of this tract for highway purposes, and that the county clerk be authorized to execute and deliver to the state whatever instruments that are required to accomplish this purpose.

A piece or parcel of land located in the SE $\frac{1}{4}$  of NE $\frac{1}{4}$  of Sec. 26, T 25N, R 7E, and more particularly described as follows:

A strip of land, 65 feet wide, lying easterly of and abutting on the northerly 489.8 feet of the following described line:

Beginning at a point 159.5 feet west of the east quarter corner, of said Sec. 26, and extending thence N 22° 50' W a distance of 224.3 feet, thence N 23° 26' W a distance of 489.8 feet to the property line which is the north boundary of the parcel.

Said parcel contains 0.18 acre, more or less, exclusive of that previously acquired for highway purposes.

Dated this 18th day of October, 1955.

HENRY SWENSON  
THOMAS E. MORGAN

Supervisor Swenson appeared before the board explaining the

situation more clearly.

Moved by Supervisor Krogwold and seconded by Supervisor Steckel that the resolution be adopted. Motion carried.

Moved by Supervisor C. Anderson and seconded by Supervisor Krogwold that the clerk check on the land with the treasurer on how that land was acquired. Motion carried.

A communication from Malcolm Rosholt was read by the clerk as follows:

March 31, 1955

Chairman  
Education Committee  
Portage County Board of Supervisors  
Stevens Point, Wisconsin  
Dear Sir:

It has occurred to me on numerous occasions that Portage county lacks a history book with pertinent facts, dates and details of our early development and consolidation. Recently, one of our town chairmen asked me whether I knew when his particular township had been organized. It is high time to consider this question and it would be wise to have a history written when much of it, in fact, is still "fresh."

I would like to propose that the county board shall authorize me to write such a county history. It would take approximately six months to gather the materials, visit all the townships, go through the various township records, county and city records, newspapers, pictures, documents and other materials, and another year to write up and organize the materials, and six months to rewrite, check and double-check all facts. I would try to have the book written in two years. I would be willing to accept this assignment for \$5,000, a year, or \$10,000 for the two years. I would furnish my own transportation, gas and oil, in the course of my research throughout the county, as well as a typist who would assist in the final drafts. Should I be unable to finish in two years, whatever time I spend beyond that time will be at my own expense.

It is believed that a book covering the history of the county fairly adequately, running to about 400 pages, would cost \$3.00 each to print for an edition of not less than 2,000 copies, which would bring the printing bill to approximately \$6,000. If these books were sold for \$6.00 each, which would not be unreasonable to expect, a total sale of \$12,000 might be realized. It is fairly certain that most if not all the books would be sold in a few years. The schools of the county alone would probably require about 200 copies.

Libraries, historical societies, museums and related organizations not only in Wisconsin, but in other parts of the United States would probably purchase the book. The Stevens Point Chamber of Commerce might wish to buy and distribute copies to key information centers and chambers of commerce elsewhere.

I would waive all rights to sales of the first or any future edition. Owing to other commitments, it would not be possible to begin work on this project before Sept. 1, 1955.

Sincerely Yours,  
MALCOLM ROSHOLT

Moved by Supervisor Losinski and seconded by Supervisor Poliwoda that the communication be tabled. Motion carried.

The report of the general claims committee was read by the clerk as follows:

**Schedule Of Witness Fees In Justice Court Before  
E. L. Welch, Justice Of The Peace**

	Claimed	Allowed
<b>August 10, 1954</b>		
<b>State vs. Charles Warner:</b>		
H. S. Thompson, 1340 Minnesota Ave., 1 day, 2 miles	\$ 2.10	\$ 2.10
<b>August 28, 1955</b>		
<b>County vs. Ralph W. Probst:</b>		
Ray Kitowski, 517 Stanley St., 1 day, 2 miles	4.10	4.10
Wm. Kvatek, South River Drive, 1 day, 2 miles	4.10	4.10
Ray Nieman, 339 Scott St., 1 day, 2 miles	4.10	4.10
<b>November 16, 1954</b>		
<b>State vs. Valferd Zblewski:</b>		
W. J. Coleman, Amherst Jct., 1 day, 30 miles	3.50	3.50
John Dzikowski, 519 N. 2nd St., 1 day, 2 miles	2.10	2.10
Ray Kitowski, 517 Stanley St., 1 day, 2 miles	2.10	2.10
Neal Ketchum, 306 McCulloch St., 1 day, 2 miles	2.10	2.10
<b>November 12, 1954</b>		
<b>State vs. Rose Mary Okray:</b>		
Louis Shafton, 536 Ellis St., 1 day, 2 miles	2.10	2.10
Mrs. Louis Shafton, 536 Ellis St., 1 day, 2 miles	2.10	2.10
Robert Berard, 324 Plover St., 1 day, 2 miles	2.10	2.10
Neal Ketchum, 306 McCulloch St., 1 day, 2 miles	2.10	2.10
<b>November 16, 1954</b>		
<b>State vs. Edward Thurn:</b>		
James Pior, Route 2, Stevens Point, 1 day, 4 miles	2.20	2.20
<b>September 26, 1955</b>		
<b>County vs. Norbert Anthony Kiefer:</b>		
Ray Kitowski, 517 Stanley St., 1 day, 2 miles	4.10	4.10
George Mrozinski, Fifth Ave., 1 day, 2 miles	4.10	4.10
<b>September 27, 1955</b>		
<b>County vs. Chester A. Pliska:</b>		
Ray Kitowski, 517 Stanley St., 1 day, 2 miles	4.10	4.10
George Mrozinski, Fifth Ave., 1 day, 2 miles	4.10	4.10
<b>September 30, 1955</b>		
<b>County vs. Arthur R. Hoppe:</b>		
Chester Koziezkowski, Amherst, Wis., 1 day, 40 miles	6.00	6.00
Gregory Glodowski, Amherst, Wis., 1 day, 40 miles	4.10	4.10
Neal Ketchum, 306 McCulloch St., 1 day, 2 miles	4.10	4.10
<b>October 18, 1955</b>		
<b>County vs. Willard Schulke:</b>		
William Kvatek, So. River Drive, 1 day, 2 miles	4.10	4.10
Myles Burcham, 422 Church St., 1 day, 2 miles	4.10	4.10
Conrad Pliska, Stevens Point, 1 day, 2 miles	4.10	4.10
<b>May 10, 1955</b>		
<b>State vs. Charles Smith:</b>		
Stanley Kirschling, Route 1, Plover, Wis., 1 day, 20 miles	3.00	3.00
Myles Burcham, 422 Church St., 1 day, 2 miles	2.10	2.10
<b>May 13, 1955</b>		
<b>State vs. James La Graves:</b>		
Dr. Paul Sowka, 712 Main St., 1 day, 2 miles	2.10	2.10
Amount claimed	\$ 86.80	
Amount allowed	86.80	
Amount disallowed		

We, your committee on claims, have carefully examined the bills presented to us and have made corrections wherever necessary. We recommend that the amounts as allowed by the committee be allowed and that county orders be drawn for same.

THOMAS GUYANT

JOE SRODA  
M. POLIWODA  
ARLEIGH HETZEL  
EDWARD LOSINSKI  
General Claims Committee

Moved by Supervisor Guyant and seconded by Supervisor Hetzel that the report be accepted. Motion carried as the clerk called the roll, there being 34 ayes as follows: Supervisors H. P. Anderson, Hetzel, Swenson, Towne, Fletcher, Poliwoda, Losinski, Beck, Palek, Wojcik, Morgan, Glaza, Krogwold, Waterman, Jacklin, Burant, Kirschling, Mehne, Guyant, Sroda, Kitowski, C. Anderson, Hannon, Dobbe, Kluck, Barrows, Frost, Kirby, Jakusz, Clark, Nebel, Jurgella, Steckel and Kinney.

Supervisor H. P. Anderson asked how serious Ruth Gilfry's condition is. Waterman told the board that Mrs. Gilfry was hospitalized at Madison last week and she is likely to be a patient there for an extended time. Supervisor H. P. Anderson stated that he thought some special leave provision should be made for her. Mrs. Gilfry has been county nurse for about 19 years. Under the present sick leave schedule which was adopted last year allowing county employes six days sick leave annually, provisions for long term employes have not been fully worked out.

Moved by Supervisor H. P. Anderson and seconded by Supervisor Wojcik that Ruth Gilfry's sick leave be extended indefinitely. Motion carried.

A proposed new salary schedule was read by the clerk.

Supervisor Wojcik appeared before the board in regard to the district attorney's salary. He stated the reason they left the salary open was because the district attorney was going to draw up a resolution requesting a raise from \$3,100 to \$4,800 annually, and for assistance in his clerical help. The additional help would create a new position in the county and the salary committee felt that the board would have to take action.

John J. Haka, district attorney, stated that 70 per cent of his time and his stenographer's is spent in district attorney work; and 30 per cent in his practice. Most of this time is spent in welfare work.

The matter of a part time assistant district attorney for welfare work only was brought up before the board. The county would be reimbursed for part of the salary by the state which would amount to 75 per cent. Supervisor Waterman stated that the welfare thinks they could hire a man for \$200 a month - 2 days a week. The county's share would be \$600 a year. Supervisor Waterman suggested that the district attorney bring in his request the same time the welfare will bring in their report and recommendation, and they can work it out together.

Supervisor Kluck stated that the salary increase for the tax roll department head was given with the understanding that he do his own work without any extra help. In some counties there are one or more additional helpers during rush times.

Moved by Supervisor Nebel and seconded by Supervisor Steckel that the proposed salary schedule be tabled until such time when the welfare brings in their report and we can meet with the district attorney and settle the matter of a part time assistant district attorney. Motion carried.

Moved by Supervisor H. P. Anderson and seconded by Supervisor Krogwold that the board adjourn until 2:00 p. m. Motion carried.

Stevens Point, Wisconsin, November 1, 1955, 2:00 P. M., American Legion clubroom.

Meeting called to order by the Honorable Vilas O. Waterman, vice chairman.

Clerk called the roll. All members present except Supervisors C. Anderson, Hannon and Frost, absent.

Earl Towne was introduced to the board. He stated that Henry Stinson said to say hello to all the members from him.

Supervisors Hannon, Frost and C. Anderson entered the room. Clerk read a bill from the park board in the amount of \$578.70 for labor and materials rendered by the highway department.

Moved by Supervisor Losinski and seconded by Supervisor Clark that the bill be allowed. Motion carried, as the clerk called the roll, there being 34 ayes.

The county clerk informed the board that the parcel of land that is to be turned over to the state highway department is owned by the county highway department. The property owned by Alois J. Kurzynski and Rose M. Kurzynski was sold to the Portage county highway department for \$200.

Supervisor Nebel appeared before the board in regard to the progress his committee made on the new court house. Nebel stated the press has been giving the committee some good assistance and he wishes to compliment them on the amount of assistance they have been giving them. He informed the board that the city decided by a unanimous vote in joining with the county in the building of a new court house.

The committee recently inspected the accommodation building at Fond du Lac, which is known as a safety building. The building cost \$909,000. They provided space for many years to come. Nebel stated that since their visit there, they had a request from an architect in Milwaukee to meet with the committee. He said that quite some time is spent meeting with architects, and he pointed out how important it is to be careful on the selection of a good architect. He has to know something of constructing a court house and grouping the offices so that there will be efficiency.

Supervisor Nebel said that the W. F. McCaughey, an architectural firm of Park Ridge, Ill., told the committee he could start building in spring, if they gave him six months to get the blue prints ready. All the details wouldn't be ready but the foundation would be ready by spring. A lengthy discussion ensued, during which Supervisor Nebel brought up the fact that the committee should have a very definite resolution authorizing the hiring and selection of an architect to proceed with the plans.

Moved by Supervisor Krogwold and seconded by Supervisor Burant that the highway commissioner and committee be elected the first thing tomorrow morning. Motion carried.

Moved by Supervisor H. P. Anderson and seconded by Supervisor Burant that the board adjourn until 10:00 a. m. Motion carried.

CHESTER J. KULAS  
County Clerk

## SECOND DAY

Stevens Point, Wisconsin, November 2, 1955, 10:00 A. M., American Legion clubroom.

Meeting called to order by the Honorable Vilas O. Waterman, vice chairman.

Clerk called the roll. All members present except Supervisor Losinski, excused.

Clerk read today's agenda.

The minutes of the first day were read by the clerk.

Moved by Supervisor Kirschling and seconded by Supervisor Burant that the minutes be confirmed. Motion carried.

The first order of business was the election of the highway commissioner and committee.

Clerk read the following application for highway commissioner:

November 1, 1955

To the Honorable Chairman and Members of the Portage County Board of Supervisors:

Gentlemen:

I herewith submit my application for the position of highway commissioner of Portage county for the ensuing term.

Sincerely Yours,

PERRY WORDEN

Moved by Supervisor Nebel and seconded by Supervisor Jakusz that the clerk cast unanimous ballot for Perry Worden. Motion carried.

Clerk cast a unanimous ballot for Perry Worden for highway commissioner for the ensuing two year term.

The chair appointed Supervisors Krogwold and C. Anderson as tellers.

The board proceeded to vote for the first member of the highway committee to replace Henry Swenson. The total number of votes cast were 33 votes, of which Supervisor Swenson received 20, Beck 11, Kirschling 1 and Hetzel 1. One member was excused.

Moved by Supervisor H. P. Anderson and seconded by Supervisor Steckel that since Swenson received the greatest number of votes that the informal ballot be declared formal and Supervisor Swenson elected first member of the highway committee. Motion carried.

The board proceeded to vote for the second member of the highway committee to replace Supervisor Thomas Morgan. The total number of votes cast were 33, of which Supervisor Morgan received 24, Beck 7, Kirschling 1 and Kitowski 1. One member was excused.

Moved by Supervisor Hetzel and seconded by Supervisor Burant that since Morgan received the greatest number of votes that the informal ballot be declared formal and Supervisor Morgan elected the second member of the highway committee. Motion carried.

The board proceeded to vote for the third member of the highway committee to replace Supervisor Kirby. The total number of votes cast were 33, of which Supervisor Kirby received 28, Beck 3, Kirschling 1 and Kitowski 1. One member was excused.

Moved by Supervisor Steckel and seconded by Supervisor Kluck that since Kirby received the greatest number of votes that the informal ballot be declared formal and Supervisor Kirby elected third member of the highway committee. Motion carried.

Resolution No. 22 was read by the clerk as follows:

**RESOLUTION NO. 22**

Whereas, the special court house committee is composed of three members, namely two from the city of Stevens Point and one from the village of Nelsonville, and,

Whereas, none of the townships are represented on the special court house committee,

Now, therefore, be it hereby resolved that the special court house committee be increased from the present three members to six members to include representation from the townships.

JOSEPH WOJCIK  
GEO. FLETCHER

ERNEST KLUCK  
TED BURANT  
STANLEY KIRSCHLING

Supervisor Kirby stated that he hardly thought it right to enlarge this committee. If you break it down, there are 3 county board members that comprise the special court house committee, 3 city members, the chairman and vice chairman as ex-officio members, the mayor and the public works director.

Supervisor Kluck stated that the people from the townships feel they aren't properly represented. Two members are from the city and one from the villages.

Supervisor Kirschling said, "It is not for our sake but for the people we represent."

It was brought up before the board by Supervisor Jacklin that he thought when the people from the county learn that the chairman and vice chairman are members of this committee and representing the towns they will be satisfied.

Supervisor H. P. Anderson also appeared before the board stating that he was well satisfied with the way the committee has worked.

Moved by Supervisor Kirschling and seconded by Supervisor Wojcik that resolution No. 22 be adopted. Motion lost, there being 19 nays, 9 ayes, 1 excused and 5 present. The following members voted aye: Supervisors Hetzel, Poliwoda, Beck, Palek, Wojick, Glaza, Burant, Kirschling and Kluck. The following members voted naye: Supervisors H. P. Anderson, Towne, Swenson, Fletcher, Morgan, Krogwold, Waterman, Jacklin, Mehne, Guyant, Sroda, Kitowski, Hannon, Dobbe, Kirby, Jakusz, Clark, Jurgella and Steckel. Supervisors C. Anderson, Barrows, Frost, Nebel and Kinney voted present and Supervisor Losinski was excused.

Moved by Supervisor C. Anderson and seconded by Supervisor Frost that the county clerk be instructed to inform all county board members in advance of meetings of the special court house committee. It was also brought out that the chairman and vice chairman if possible should be present at these meetings. Motion carried.

The committee's past meetings have been open to the public and several members of the county board who are not members of the committee have been present at meetings.

Clerk read the following certification from the state department of public instruction:

STATE OF WISCONSIN  
DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC INSTRUCTION  
MADISON 2

Dated: October 20, 1955

To the County Clerk and the County Treasurer  
Portage County.

In accordance with the provisions of section 59.075(1) I am certifying the number of elementary teacher units operating in the county during the school year 1954-55 as follows:

Number of elementary teacher units under the jurisdiction of the county superintendent in districts which levied and placed on the tax rolls of the district for 1954-55 a tax of not less than 5 mills (districts operating elementary grades only, 3 mills) on the equalized valuation of the district for the year previous to the year of levy.

$$92 \times \$350 = \$32,200.00$$

Number of elementary teacher units under the jurisdiction of city superintendents in district which levied and placed on the tax rolls of the district for

1954-55 a tax of not less than 5 mills on the equalized valuation of the district for the year previous to the year of levy.

Stevens Point 32 x \$350 = \$11,200.00

Total school tax levy .....\$43,400.00

It will be necessary for the county board to levy such additional amounts as are certified by the county superintendent pursuant to the provisions of section 59.075(2).

Signed  
G. E. WATSON  
State Superintendent

WCK: rt

cc: County Supt. of Schools

Moved by Supervisor H. P. Anderson and seconded by Kirby that the certification be accepted.

During the discussion the motion and second was withdrawn and the certification laid over until the superintendent of schools gives her annual report.

Clerk read resolution No. 23 as follows:

**RESOLUTION NO. 23**

Whereas, resolution No. 60 passed by the Portage county board of supervisors unanimously authorizing Sheriff Florian A. Krutza to hire an extra full time man as deputy sheriff and,

Whereas, no provisions at the time were made to pay the added salary of a deputy sheriff,

Now, therefore, be it hereby resolved that the Portage county board of supervisors now in annual session assembled, that the finance committee be and they are hereby authorized to transfer \$1,300.00 from the contingent fund to the sheriffs department fund.

MARTIN POLIWODA  
FRANK. J. STECKEL  
JOE GLAZA  
ANTON PALEK  
RAY CLARK

After some controversial discussion it was moved by Supervisor C. Anderson and seconded by Supervisor Kluck that clerk be instructed to bring resolution No. 60 from the March 1 session and read it before the board at the afternoon session. Motion carried.

Moved by Supervisor Kirschling and seconded by Supervisor Beck that resolution No. 23 be adopted. Motion carried as the clerk called the roll, there being 33 ayes and 1 excused. The following members voted aye: Supervisors H. P. Anderson, Hetzel, Swenson, Towne, Fletcher, Poliwoda, Beck, Palek, Wojcik, Morgan, Glaza, Krogwold, Waterman, Jacklin, Burant, Kirschling, Mehne, Guyant, Sroda, Kitowski, C. Anderson, Hannon, Dobbe, Kluck, Barrows, Frost, Kirby, Jakusz, Clark, Nebel, Jurgella, Steckel and Kinney. Supervisor Losinski was excused.

Resolution No. 24 was read by the clerk as follows:

**RESOLUTION NO. 24**

Whereas, at the April 19, 1955 session of this, the Portage county board of supervisors, a motion was passed that the county will match any sum up to \$300 on a 50-50 basis, funds expended by any township to buy materials for grasshopper control and,

Whereas, there are such said claims, which were turned into the county clerk are as follows:

Town of Plover .....\$135.00  
Town of Pine Grove ..... 151.50

Town of Hull .....	42.50
Town of Stockton .....	612.56
Town of Sharon .....	675.90

Now, therefore, be it hereby resolved that Portage county pay the afore mentioned claims on a 50-50 basis as follows:

Town of Plover .....	\$ 67.50
Town of Pine Grove .....	75.75
Town of Hull .....	21.25
Town of Stockton .....	300.00
Town of Sharon .....	300.00

Total .....	\$764.50
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Now, therefore, be it further hereby resolved by the Portage county board of supervisors now in annual session assembled, that the finance committee be and they are hereby authorized to transfer \$764.50 from the contingent fund to the insect control fund.

STANLEY KIRSCHLING  
TED BURANT  
JOSEPH WOJCIK  
HENRY SWENSON  
MILVERN JACKLIN

Moved by Supervisor Nebel and seconded by Supervisor Sroda that resolution No. 24 be adopted. Motion carried as the clerk called the roll, there being 32 ayes and 2 excused. Supervisors H. P. Anderson and Losinski, excused.

Moved by Supervisor Kitowski and seconded by Supervisor Jakusz that the board adjourn until 2:00 p. m. Motion carried.

Stevens Point, Wisconsin, November 2, 1955, 2:00 P. M., American Legion clubrooms.

Meeting called to order by the Honorable Vilas O. Waterman, vice chairman.

Clerk called the roll. All members present except Supervisors H. P. Anderson, Swenson, Morgan, C. Anderson, Kirby and Jurgella, absent.

The report of the equalization committee was read by the clerk and laid over.

Supervisors Morgan, Swenson, Kirby and Jurgella entered the room.

Clerk read a communication from the treasurer as follows:

November 1, 1955.

To the Honorable Chairman and Members of the County Board of Supervisors of Portage County, Wisconsin:  
Gentlemen:

I hereby submit a schedule of tax certificates to be transferred from tax certificates held by county to tax deeds held by county.

**TOWN OF ALMOND**

Certificate No. 36, sale of 1955 .....	\$ 17.44
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**TOWN OF DEWEY**

Certificate No. 309, sale of 1955 .....	\$ 5.89
Certificate No. 318, sale of 1955 .....	5.89

**TOWN OF HULL**

Certificate No. 424, sale of 1955 .....	\$ .85
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**VILLAGE OF ALMOND**

Certificate No. 847, sale of 1955 .....	\$ 1.27
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**CITY OF STEVENS POINT**

**Second Ward**

Certificate No. 929, sale of 1955 .....	\$ .70
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**Sixth Ward**

Certificate No. 1004, sale of 1955 .....	\$ 5.60
Certificate No. 1004-A, sale of 1955 .....	21.20
Certificate No. 1010, sale of 1955 .....	3.50
Certificate No. 1010-A, sale of 1955 .....	21.20
Certificate No. 1016, sale of 1955 .....	5.60
Certificate No. 1016-A, sale of 1955 .....	13.50
<b>Total amount of certificates .....</b>	<b>\$102.64</b>

STEPHEN F. MOLSKI  
 Stephen F. Molski  
 County Treasurer

Moved by Supervisor Nebel and seconded by Supervisor Kitowski that the communication be accepted. Motion carried.

Supervisor C. Anderson entered the room.

Another communication from the treasurer was read by the clerk and referred to the committee on illegal assessments.

November 1, 1955

To the Honorable Chairman and Members of the County Board of Supervisors of Portage County, Wisconsin:  
 Gentlemen:

I hereby submit a schedule of tax certificates for cancellation for the reason herein stated:

**TOWN OF HULL**

To cancel certificate No. 461. Sale of 1952. Illegal description.	
Certificate \$0.54, interest \$0.21 .....	\$ .75
To cancel certificate No. 434. Sale of 1953. Illegal description.	
Certificate \$0.57, interest \$0.21 .....	.78
To cancel certificate No. 447 Sale of 1954. Illegal description.	
Certificate \$0.59, interest \$0.22 .....	.81
To cancel certificate No. 416. Sale of 1955. Illegal description.	
Certificate \$0.61, interest \$0.23 .....	.84
	<b>\$ 3.18</b>

To cancel and charge back to the town of Hull.

STEPHEN F. MOLSKI  
 County Treasurer

Clerk read resolution No. 60 from the March 1, 1955 minutes as follows:

**RESOLUTION NO. 60**

March 1, 1955

Whereas, the county board of supervisors after hearing a request by Sheriff Florian A. Krutza on the hiring of an extra full time man as deputy sheriff and,

Whereas, the hiring of a deputy sheriff would more faithfully perform the duties in the sheriff's office on a full twenty-four (24) hour basis.

Now therefore, be it resolved that the sheriff have the authority to hire a deputy sheriff at a salary the same as the undersheriff namely, \$3,600.00 per year.

EDWARD LOSINSKI  
 JOSEPH WOJCIK, JR.  
 STANLEY KIRSCHLING

An article that appeared in the newspaper concerning resolution No. 60 was read by the clerk as follows:

**March 2, 1955 Story:**

The board set the new deputy's salary at \$3,600.00 a year. Krutza said the cost to the county, however, would not be that much, as

adding a man to the department would obviate the need for hiring part-time attendants when patients are taken to Winnebago state hospital or prisoners taken to Waupun. He would still have to employ a female attendant occasionally when women are being transported, the sheriff said, though some member of the woman's family often will go with women patients being taken to Winnebago.

"The resolution was approved by a unanimous vote."

Supervisor Clark suggested the sheriff appear before the board in regard to his proposed raise and his new deputy.

The report of the judiciary committee was read by the clerk as follows:

October 28, 1955

We, your judiciary committee, to whom was referred schedule of claims for damages done by dogs, beg to report as follows:

	Claimed	Allowed
1. Archie Olds, 1 Holstein cow tail bit off .....	\$ 50.00	\$ 18.00
2. Thomas J. Poliwoda, 1 heifer killed .....	175.00	100.00
3. Barney Glaza, 1 heifer killed .....	45.00	40.50
4. Leo Ligman, 2 rabbits killed .....	3.00	2.70
5. John Priske, 1 pig killed .....	20.00	16.20
6. Arthur Saeger, 4 rabbits killed (1 buck & 3 does) ..	15.00	7.20
7. William Huebner, 1 large goose killed, 1 crippled ..	8.00	7.20
8. Merrill West, 5 ducks killed .....	16.00	11.25
9. Gregory Feltz, 1 year old heifer killed .....	115.00	51.25
10. Michael Grocholski, 2 White Rock chickens killed ..	4.00	3.60
11. Lo Dean Meddaugh, 4 Rhode Island roosters killed ..	8.00	7.20
12. John Yenter, Jr., 1 sheep killed .....	20.00	13.50
13. John Okray, 1 sheep killed, 1 crippled .....	34.00	22.50
14. George Cummings, 1 children's pony killed .....	100.00	63.00
15. Henry Steinke, 1 hog injured .....	15.00	13.50
16. Merlin Sandberg, 40 large White Rock hens killed ..	80.00	72.00
17. Maurice Fletcher, 209 pullets 8 weeks old killed ..	198.55	176.70
18. George Sobczak, 1 Guernsey cows tail bit off ..	50.00	18.00
19. Joe Mrozek, Jr. 2 Guernsey heifers killed, 1 injured ..	125.00	112.50
20. Fred W. Werner, 1 Holstein heifers tail bit off ..	25.00	18.00
21. Lawrence Carcy, 2 ducks and 8 chickens killed ..	11.80	10.62
22. Evelyn Pascavis, 20 chickens killed .....	25.00	22.50
23. Felix Danczyk, 2 geese, 11 guinea hens, 14 chickens killed ..	49.00	36.00
24. Harold Kurzynski, 38 chickens, 30 rabbits killed ..	121.00	91.80
25. Mrs. Chester Daniecki, 40 chickens, 1 guinea hen killed ..	67.00	45.90
26. Walter J. Skowronski, 34 ducks killed .....	68.00	61.20
27. Paul Kurzynski, 79 chickens and 11 hens killed ..	118.00	106.20
28. Regina Ciseski, 26 laying hens killed .....	39.00	23.40
29. John Zarecki, Sr., 25 rabbits killed .....	37.50	33.75
30. Adam Olszewski, 1 dairy cow injured .....	50.00	31.50
31. August Lehman, 10 chickens killed, 10 chickens injured ..	48.00	27.00
32. Joe Wroblewski, 1 Holstein cow killed .....	250.00	150.00
33. Mrs. Orville Parks, 2 Bantam chickens killed .....	5.00	1.80
34. Peter Zurawski, 5 rabbits killed .....	15.00	9.00
35. Eddie Schulist, cow killed .....	100.00	67.50
36. Adam Bushman, 10 chickens killed .....	25.00	18.00
37. Harry Stroik, 47 chickens killed .....	47.00	42.30

38. Ben Liss, 12 rabbits killed .....	18.00	16.20
39. Felix Rozek, 2 ducks killed .....	7.00	4.50
40. Peter Klopotek, 1 heifer killed .....	65.00	51.25
41. Charles Makuski, 15 chickens killed .....	11.25	10.13
42. Walter Glodowski, 17 chickens killed .....	34.00	30.60
43. Mrs. Mike Wierzba, 35 chickens killed .....	47.25	42.53
44. Victor Shulfer, 18 small rabbits, 3 large rabbits killed .....	25.50	21.60
45. Felix Klopotek, 5 ducks killed .....	12.50	11.25
46. Paul Anders, 16 large ducks, 11 small ducks killed .....	48.50	38.70
47. Gaylord Erickson, 5 rabbits killed .....	10.00	9.00
48. Ray Kizewski, 6 large rabbits, 13 small rabbits killed .....	19.75	17.33
49. Max Gilmeister, 25 chickens killed .....	25.00	22.50
50. Gregory Hintz, 21 chickens killed .....	12.60	11.34
51. Clara Cooney, 1 sheep and 2 lambs injured .....	30.00	22.50
52. Donald Lee, 1 hog and 2 rabbits killed .....	66.00	57.60
53. Phillip A. Gladowski, 2 ducks killed, 4 nearly killed .....	10.00	4.50
54. George Wayerski, 1 goose killed, 1 goose hen .....	12.00	7.20
55. Sidney Keener, 65 chicken Capons killed .....	97.50	87.75
56. Anna Duda, 6 ducks and 25 chickens killed .....	64.00	57.60
57. Alois Meronek, 1 pig killed .....	32.00	24.30
58. Vincent Kuzinski, 1 cows tail bit off .....	20.00	18.00
59. John Wojcik, 1 cow killed .....	750.00	250.00
60. John Wojcik, 6 (5 week old) pigs killed .....	60.00	54.00
61. Asa Lewis, 5 chickens, 2 turkey ducks killed .....	12.50	11.25
Amount claimed .....	\$3,673.20	
Amount allowed .....	\$2,434.90	

We, your judiciary committee, have carefully examined the bills presented to us and have made corrections where necessary. We recommend that the amounts as allowed by this committee be allowed and that county orders be drawn for same.

THOMAS GUYANT  
FRANK BECK  
ARLEIGH HETZEL  
EDWARD LOSINSKI  
STANLEY KIRSCHLING  
Judiciary Committee

Moved by Supervisor Glaza and seconded by Supervisor Swenson that the report be accepted. Motion carried as the clerk called the roll, there being 32 ayes, 1 naye and 1 absent. The following members voted aye: Supervisors Hetzel, Swenson, Towne, Fletcher, Poliwooda, Losinski, Beck, Palek, Wojcik, Morgan, Glaza, Krogwold, Waterman, Jacklin, Burant, Kirschling, Mehne, Guyant, Sroda, C. Anderson, Hannon, Dobbe, Kluck, Barrows, Frost, Kirby, Jakusz, Clark, Nebel, Jurgella, Steckel and Kinney. Supervisor Kitowski voted naye and Supervisor H. P. Anderson absent.

A discussion followed about the large number of dog claims.

Clerk read the following report of the claims committee:

November 2, 1955

To the Honorable Chairman and Members of the County Board of Supervisors of Portage County, Wisconsin:

Gentlemen:

We, your committee on claims, met in annual session and checked over the claims herein and have allowed or disallowed them as follows:

**Claimed Allowed**

1. Milvern E. Jacklin, 5 days committee work .....	\$ 43.90	\$ 43.90
2. George Fletcher, 6 days committee work .....	58.08	58.08
3. Paul B. Kitowski, 16 days committee work .....	152.96	152.96
4. Thomas Guyant, 7 days committee work .....	72.80	72.80
5. Ernest Kluck, 4 days committee work .....	32.72	32.72
6. Vilas Waterman, 5 days committee work .....	52.00	52.00
7. Stanley Kirschling, 3 days committee work .....	29.40	29.40
8. C. E. Nebel, 29 days committee work, plus tele- phone calls .....	245.92	245.92
9. Ray Clark, 5 days committee work .....	40.60	40.60
10. Nat Kinney, 3 days committee work .....	24.36	24.36
11. J. N. Jakusz, 10 days committee work .....	81.20	81.20
12. Charles Anderson, 7 days committee work .....	83.60	83.60
13. Joseph Wojcik, 13 days committee work .....	108.68	108.68
14. Joe Sroda, 6 days committee work .....	57.20	57.20
15. Frank Beck, 13 days committee work .....	125.84	125.84
16. Frank J. Steckel, 4 days committee work .....	32.48	32.48
17. Joe Glaza, 7 days committee work .....	61.46	61.46
18. H. P. Anderson, 2 days committee work .....	20.80	20.80
19. Martin Poliwoda, 7 days committee work .....	62.72	62.72
20. Edward Losinski, 7 days committee work .....	63.56	63.56
Total .....	\$1,450.28	

MARTIN POLIWODA  
THOMAS GUYANT  
JOE SRODA  
EDWARD LOSINSKI  
ARLEIGH HETZEL  
Claims Committee

Moved by Supervisor Krogwold and seconded by Supervisor Kitowski that the report be accepted. Motion carried as the clerk called the roll, there being 33 ayes and 1 absent. Supervisor H. P. Anderson, absent.

Resolution No. 25 was read by the clerk as follow:

**RESOLUTION NO. 25**

Whereas, the rate of six cents a mile is now authorized as traveling expense and,

Whereas, at the August 9, 1955 meeting a motion was made to turn over the matter of raising mileage for all county employes from six to seven cents was turned over to the salary committee,

Now, therefore, be it hereby resolved that the mileage for all county employes be raised to seven cents effective January 1, 1956.

JOSEPH WOJCIK  
ERNEST KLUCK  
STANLEY KIRSCHLING  
M. E. JACKLIN

Moved by Supervisor Kluck and seconded by Supervisor Sroda that resolution No. 25 be adopted and the mileage be raised from 6 to 7 cents effective January 1, 1956. Motion carried as the clerk called the roll, there being 33 ayes and 1 absent. Supervisor H. P. Anderson, absent.

Moved by Supervisor Jakusz and seconded by Supervisor Sroda that the board adjourn until 10:00 a. m. Motion carried.

CHESTER J. KULAS  
County Clerk

**THIRD DAY**

Stevens Point, Wisconsin, November 3, 1955, 10.00 A. M., American

### Legion clubroom.

Meeting called to order by the Honorable Vilas O. Waterman, vice chairman.

Clerk called the roll. All members present except Supervisors Wojcik, Morgan and C. Anderson, absent and Supervisors Beck and Palek, excused.

Clerk read the minutes of the second day. The chairman asked the board if there were any objections; if not the minutes stand as read.

Mr. H. R. Noble, president of the county park board, gave a report on the activities the past year.

Supervisors Wojcik, Morgan and Palek entered the room.

Some of the improvements made include a start on a swimming beach at DuBay park in the town of Eau Claire, road work at Collins park near Rosholt, improvements on Lake Emily to curb the drownings by creating a shallower part, and blacktopping of a parking area at Tech park in the town of Linwood.

Mr. Noble pointed out that 20 years ago the park commission was appointed by the county. At that time, he stated, only the Lake Emily park was operated by the county. Since then Collins, DuBay, Tech parks, Frost park near Almond, a park at Three Lakes near Rosholt, a small park at Wolf lake in the town of Almond and a small park near Plover river at Jordan have been established.

In addition, six ball parks have been established by the county in the towns of Lanark, Pine Grove, Buena Vista, Plover, DuBay and Lake Emily.

Establishing a ball park in Stockton is proposed in the plans for the coming year.

C. Anderson entered the room.

Noble explained that a deficit of \$300 to \$400 was expected in the fund this year due to the holding back of a bill amounting to \$578.70 by the finance committee. Bills over \$500 have to be approved by the board. Noble stated that an appropriation wouldn't have to be made if the park board would hold the bill from the county highway department until after the first of the year and then the deficit could be paid from the 1956 appropriation.

Supervisor Nebel said that the activities of the park board is one of the best things that happened to Portage county and instead of curtailing them, they should be increased.

Moved by Supervisor Nebel and seconded by Supervisor Fletcher that \$500 be transferred from the contingent fund to the park board to take care of this deficit at once. Motion carried as the clerk called the roll, there being 31 ayes, 1 naye, 1 absent and 1 excused. The following members voted aye: Supervisors H. P. Anderson, Hetzel, Swenson, Towne, Fletcher, Poliwoda, Losinski, Palek, Wojcik, Glaza, Krogwold, Waterman, Jacklin, Burant, Kirschling, Mehne, Guyant, Sroda, C. Anderson, Hannon, Dobbe, Kluck, Barrows, Frost, Kirby, Jakusz, Clark, Nebel, Jurgella, Steckel and Kinney. Supervisor Beck, excused, Supervisor Morgan, absent and Supervisor Kitowski voted naye.

Moved by Supervisor Krogwold and seconded by Supervisor Kirschling that the report of the park board be accepted. Motion carried.

The board then proceeded through the 1956 budget summary studying departmental expenses as Dale Wittman, county auditor, read item after item. Rollin R. Mabie was also present.

Moved by Supervisor Kluck and seconded by Supervisor Nebel

that the board adjourn until 2:00 p. m. Motion carried.

Stevens Point, Wisconsin, November 3, 1955, A. D., 2:00 P. M., American Legion clubrooms.

Meeting called to order by the Honorable Vilas O. Waterman, vice chairman.

Clerk called the roll. All members present except Supervisors Poliwoda, C. Anderson, Clark, Jurgella and Kinney, absent and Supervisors Beck and Jacklin, excused.

The board continued the study on the proposed 1956 budget.

Supervisors Jurgella, Poliwoda, Kinney and Clark entered the room.

Moved by Supervisor Kitowski and seconded by Supervisor Fletcher that Mr. Mabie be employed for the next year as county auditor. Motion carried.

Mayor Sorenson, president of infirmiry board, presented a statement and a discussion ensued on the infirmiry budget. The June 30th, 1955 statement showed an operating cost for the fiscal year of \$72,483.09 and the patient income was \$70,411.53.

Supervisor C. Anderson entered the room.

Moved by Supervisor Steckel and seconded by Supervisor Kitowski that the report be accepted. Motion carried.

Moved by Supervisor Palek and seconded by Supervisor Wojcik that Clarence Worzalla be reappointed and Mike Galecki replace O. A. Nelson, retired, as members of the infirmiry committee. Motion carried.

Mayor Sorenson spoke to the county board regarding the tower for the civilian defense program. He explained that the quarters provided by the Hotel Whiting are no longer available and new structure or quarters must be made available. He suggested Sergeant Manski come before the board and explain the program more thoroughly.

Moved by Supervisor Hetzel and seconded by Supervisor Steckel that the invitation from Mayor Sorenson for an annual dinner at the county infirmiry be accepted. Motion carried.

Neal Ketchum, senior traffic officer, presented the annual report of the county traffic department. It included a summary of accidents in the towns and villages and the normal activities of the traffic officers for a 12 month period ending October 31, 1955. A detailed report is on file in the county clerk's office.

Moved by Supervisor H. P. Anderson and seconded by Supervisor Wojcik that the report be accepted. Motion carried.

Supervisor Clark was excused.

A joint report of the rural and urban land committees showing the amount of county owned land sold was passed out to the members of the county board.

Moved by Supervisor Kluck and seconded by Supervisor Losinski that the report be accepted. Motion carried.

Moved by Supervisor H. P. Anderson and seconded by Supervisor Krogwold that the board adjourn until 10:00 a. m. Motion carried.

CHESTER J. KULAS

County Clerk

## FOURTH DAY

Stevens Point, Wisconsin, November 4, 1955, A. D., 10:30 A. M., circuit court room, court house.

Meeting called to order by the Honorable Vilas O. Waterman,

vice chairman.

Clerk called the roll. All members present except Supervisors C. Anderson, Kinney, absent and Supervisor Beck, excused.

Clerk read the minutes of the third day.

Moved by Supervisor Kirschling and seconded by Supervisor Wojcik that the minutes be confirmed.

Moved by Supervisor Krogwold and seconded by Supervisor Clark that H. R. Noble be reappointed as member of the park board for the next seven years. Motion carried.

Supervisor Waterman stated that there was some additional land sold and the combined total of \$2,042.46 was invested, the land sold for \$3,520.00 and that the total profit was \$1,477.54.

Supervisor Kinney entered the room.

Mr. R. B. Lewis, welfare director, gave his report to the board, which in part is as follows:

**ANNUAL REPORT  
OF  
PORTAGE COUNTY  
PUBLIC WELFARE DEPARTMENT  
1955**

To the Honorable Chairman and Members of the Portage County Board:

It is a privilege and a pleasure to report to you the activities of the Portage county public welfare department covering the period of October 1, 1954 to October 1, 1955.

Your welfare board consists of five members of the Portage county board namely: Vilas Waterman, chairman; Stanley Kirschling, vice-chairman; Charles Anderson, secretary; Harold Frost and Vincent Jurgella, members.

Our staff consists of the following: Ray Bartkowiak, case worker II; Ed Formella, case worker I; Dorothy Atkins, case worker I; Loretta MacDonald, case worker I; Robin Williams, child welfare worker II; Mildred Seefluth, clerk III; Valeria Constance, clerk II; Carol Jensen, clerk typist; Virginia Zurawski, clerk typist; Lilah Mosing, clerk typist and R. B. Lewis, director III.

Our duties consist of the administration of public assistance programs in Portage county including old age assistance, aid to dependent children, foster homes, aid to the blind, aid to the totally and permanently disabled, the child welfare program, and juvenile probation service for the juvenile judge. We also make other investigations for the various courts, for state and federal officials engaged in the welfare field; co-operate with private agencies and state agencies; hospitalization collections and co-operate with the county clerk in the handling of non-resident relief claims.

During the last year there was some confusion and misunderstanding amongst the recipients of aid in our county because of peculiar legislation passed by the legislature concerning the insurance held by old age recipients. Two years ago the legislature passed a law insisting that anyone receiving assistance who had insurance either had to cash it in or assign it to this department, and of the insurance which was cashed in, the first \$300.00 was to be deposited with the county treasurer for burial expenses and the next \$200.00 was to be kept by the recipient for emergency purposes. Early in 1955 the legislature passed a law stating that all the money held for burial purposes by the county treasurer had to be returned to the recipient; that he was allowed to have up to \$1,000.00 in insurance and \$500.00 in cash; so all the money that was held in trust by the Portage county treasurer for this department had to be returned

to the recipients.

During the past year, we again had very splendid co-operation with the Portage county Medical society, the personnel at St. Michael's hospital and the Portage county infirmary. We have maintained a high level of medical care for our people and the cost has been reduced considerably.

We have continued reporting to the public, through the press each month, the number of persons on our rolls in each category and the amount of money expended by us. We are very anxious that anyone interested should know the facts and the costs of public assistance in Portage county.

Following we give you a summary of the money expended by the public welfare department during the past year.

	Total	Reimbursements		County	
		State	Federal	Cost	
Old Age Assistance .....	\$359,793.29	\$120,741.27	\$187,801.42	\$51,250.60	—14.2%
Aid to Dependent Children .....	117,409.92	39,292.00	54,786.64	23,331.28	—19.9%
Aid to The Blind .....	8,122.26	2,655.45	4,499.00	967.81	—11.9%
Aid to Disabled .....	25,298.95	8,978.97	10,982.61	5,337.37	—21.1%
<b>Total .....</b>	<b>\$510,624.42</b>	<b>\$171,667.69</b>	<b>\$258,069.67</b>	<b>\$80,887.06</b>	<b>—15.8%</b>
Payment for children committed by the court to private agencies, 15 children, at a cost of .....				\$4,111.06	
Reimbursement from parents .....				420.00	

Net cost to Portage county ..... \$3,691.06

#### Average Monthly Case Load

Old age assistance .....	550
Aid to dependent children (232 children) .....	80
Foster children .....	12
Aid to the blind .....	14
Aid to the disabled .....	30
Total alimony and support payments received .....	\$ 4,594.00
Payments made by responsible relatives to this dept. ....	1,415.00
Estate collections - total number of collections .....	20
Total amount collected .....	12,452.06
Number of estates probated .....	3
Number of estates pending probation .....	6

We are charged by the county board with the collection of hospital charges incurred by persons sent to St. Michael's hospital at county expense. We have contacted each of these persons and as a result have turned into the county treasurer an amount of \$1,584.91 during the past year.

Each year we like to report to you on one of the categories serviced by our agency. Two years ago we discussed with you quite thoroughly our child welfare program and last year we discussed the category of aid to the totally and permanently disabled.

This year, because of the change that is taking place, we would like to discuss briefly the old age assistance program. The problem of the aged presents a real challenge because a whole new class of people has emerged in our country and this presents a great social, economic and political change in American life.

This is the retired class of men and women who are living out the last ten or twenty or more years of their lives without working

for a living. During the past fifty years in our country our total population has doubled, while the men and women sixty-five years of age and older has quadrupled. Since 1930 the number in this age bracket has increased 100 per cent, while the total population has only increased 30 per cent; so you can readily see we are enjoying a longer life, and as it now stands one in twelve of the entire population are sixty-five years or older. This figure is increasing in our country as a whole by more than 300,000 a year.

Many of our older workers dread retirement because of the sense of financial insecurity, because they are attached to their work, or because a life of loneliness is their only prospect. In many cases their plight is tragic, and we are all agreed that enforced retirement hastens physical and mental deterioration and death.

The general trend is toward living in the cities and this has also aggravated the problem of the aged. In 1900 half of our population lived on farms, but today this is only true of 20 per cent. Farming permitted the old people to retire gradually, performing light chores and retaining ownership and at least a nominal management of the farm, while relinquishing the heavy work to the children and grand children. Large farm houses accommodated three generations and often were centers of sociability, such as family reunions and Sunday dinners. In the cities, and to an increasing extent in the country, this solidarity of family relations has changed. The traditional three generation dwelling has been superseded by the two generation unit in which there is too little or no room for the old folks. Labor saving devices in the home reduced the chores and housekeeping tasks formerly performed by the grandparents as a welcomed service.

Surely, now, most men and women as they become older are covered by social security, or a retirement plan of some kind. But with aging, people become infirm and require a great deal more medical attention than they did when they were younger, and under the present social security laws there is no provision made for medical care for these people. As a result when they become ill they must seek medical care from an agency such as ours. The net result is that while the number of people on our rolls has decreased to the lowest in the history of the Portage county public welfare department, the cost has not gone down accordingly. The people who come to us now, as a rule, are for medical care to a great extent and the cost of medical care is not participated in by the federal government, and the state department of public welfare only reimburses us at the rate of 35 per cent for medical care only.

With the very splendid co-operation of Judge Levi who refers all cases of persons over the age of sixty-five to our department for consideration before giving them a county order for hospitalization, we are able to contact these needy older people and put them on our rolls and get at least the 35 per cent reimbursement.

In order to be eligible for old age assistance through our agency, a person has to be sixty-five years of age or older, have no more than \$500.00 cash on hand and an insurance policy with a cash value of no more than \$1,000.00. He may have a homestead upon which, of course, a lien is filed which is enforced only after the death of the recipient or upon the sale of the property.

We are doing our very best to administer the old age assistance program in the most sympathetic way possible and yet take advantage of the various laws, rules and regulations as promulgated by the federal and state governments so that they will participate to the maximum in order that as small an amount as possible

should be borne wholly by our local community.

To the end that we may administer all of our categorical aids in the most economical and efficient manner, we ask the co-operation of all the members of the county board individually and collectively and also the people of our community. If we work together, we know that our older people as well as other unfortunate people of our county will be well taken care of at a minimum cost and will pay in the end large dividends in better, happier and healthier citizens.

Respectfully Submitted,  
 Portage County Public Welfare Board  
 VILAS WATERMAN  
 Vilas Waterman, Chairman  
 STANLEY KIRSCHLING  
 Stanley Kirschling, Vice-Chairman  
 CHARLES ANDERSON  
 Charles Anderson, Secretary  
 VINCENT JURGELLA  
 Vincent Jurgella, Member  
 HAROLD J. FROST  
 Harold J. Frost, Member  
 R. B. LEWIS  
 R. B. Lewis, Director III

Moved by Supervisor Morgan and seconded by Supervisor Fletcher that the report be accepted. Motion carried.

Mr. R. B. Lewis, veterans service officer, gave his report as follows:

To the Honorable Chairman and Members of the Portage County Board:

It is my privilege and pleasure to report to you the activities of the county veterans service office during the past year covering the period of November 1, 1954 to November 1, 1955.

At the present time we are experiencing the return of many veterans who have served their hitch in the army, navy, marine corps, air force or coast guard, and we are very happy to help them along on the way back into civilian life.

We are very grateful that at the present time there is no armed conflict in which the boys from Portage county are engaged. We hope that it never happens again, but to those men and women who did serve their country during the time of war, we are doing our very best to help them and see that they secure the benefits to which they are entitled because they served their country in time of war. We have with us many very severely disabled veterans whom we are trying our best to see they get proper care.

We counsel the returned servicemen as soon after discharge as possible to relieve much of the confusion in arranging for benefits for these men and women should a future emergency develop. At the present time most of the people coming out of service are comparatively young people and are going into GI training, either in college or on-the-job training either in vocational training or on-the-farm training. We urge these young people to submit to a good physical examination within the first year following their separation from service, and we especially urge those veterans who served in Korea or Japan to pay particular attention to having chest x-rays and watching for signs of tuberculosis because tuberculosis is very rampant in Korea and Japan and could cause a very bad situation among our returning servicemen and their families if not watched

very closely.

The veterans administration has a veterans counselling center at the State Teachers college in Stevens Point which takes care of veterans outside of Milwaukee and the Madison areas for guidance and counselling as far as their education is concerned. Your county veterans service office has had splendid co-operation with Mr. Boyce who is in charge of the counselling center.

The number of veterans in Portage county now exceeds more than 7,000 veterans. These are made up of veterans of Spanish-American war, World war I, World war II and Korean veterans.

During the year there are many changes in the rules and regulations governing veterans' benefits, and we do our very best to keep up with these fast changes and procedures of the veterans administration and the Wisconsin department of veterans affairs. We do our best also to see that the veterans of Portage county are informed of their rights both under the federal and state laws. We attended the institute at the University of Wisconsin for county veterans service officers as well as schools conducted by the veterans administration and the Wisconsin department of veterans affairs and conferences held on veterans' benefits with various veterans' groups in Madison, Milwaukee, Stevens Point, King and La Crosse.

The scope of our office covers many problems to confront us daily. In working out the problem of the veteran and his dependents we have the very splendid co-operation of the veterans' organizations such as the American Legion, Veterans of Foreign Wars, and the Disabled American Veterans. Their representatives in the regional office of the veterans administration do us a great deal of good.

On a federal level we prosecute claims for disabilities incurred by veterans of Spanish-American war, World war I, World war II, and Korean as well as men with service connected disabilities incurred during peace time.

We also prosecute claims for pension benefits under the laws where disabilities are not due to service; we seek medical treatment at government expense for service incurred disabilities; also for disabilities not incurred in service where the veteran is unable to pay for his own care. In addition we have secured for many veterans of Portage county, dental care, domiciliary care, prosthetic appliances, artificial limbs, braces, eyes and so forth. I have received a certification from the veterans administration as an accredited service officer permitting me to present claims before any veterans administration office in the United States. During the year I have appeared before the rating boards on very many occasions making personal appearances with veterans in order that they might get their cases heard before the proper tribunals.

During the past year we experienced a very drastic review of persons on the pension rolls by the veterans administration, and the result was that many of these pension claims were disallowed. It required very much extra work and hearings before the boards in getting the proper payments to these men who were entitled to them!

State Benefits: The benefits to veterans outlined under the laws of Wisconsin appear to be very liberal and evidently are designed to do a great deal of good for the veterans of Wisconsin, but these benefits are greatly curtailed by the various stringent policies established by the board of the Wisconsin department of veterans affairs which administers the state veterans program. Through the

Wisconsin department of veterans affairs we are able to obtain some benefits for the veterans of all wars including hospitalization for veterans who cannot be cared for by the veterans administration. We do our very best to co-operate with the state department at all times. The state of Wisconsin General hospital furnishes very fine service for our veterans at a very minimum cost. Any Wisconsin veteran can be cared for at the state of Wisconsin General hospital at a rate of \$5.90 a day and many veterans from Portage county take advantage of that law. The state department of veterans affairs also operates the Grand Army Home for veterans at King and is entirely responsible for maintenance of that home. They furnish domiciliary care there for veterans and certain dependents. It is a very splendid home and has a capacity of around 500.

The tempo in your county veterans service office has been maintained at a very high level during the past year. We had during the year 10,318 interviews. We mailed out more than 12,000 letters. We addressed meetings and various groups throughout the county informing them of their benefits under the laws. These meetings were held at Rosholt, Almond, Amherst, Plover, Junction City, Bancroft, Stevens Point, as well as meeting with other groups interested in veterans affairs. In this manner we do our very best to set forth the benefits available to the veteran and keep him informed concerning his rights and privileges, and this has resulted in many veterans obtaining benefits to which they are entitled.

During the last year we conducted a very successful Portage county veterans service night to which all the veterans of Portage county and their wives and dependents were invited. At this service night we had the top men from the veterans administration here to confer with the veterans and their dependents concerning loans, pension benefits, hospitalization, guardianships and so forth. We also had at this meeting Mr. James F. Burns, the department service officer of the American legion, who is recognized as one of the top men in the field of service work as well as the men from the Wisconsin department of veterans affairs. We intend to conduct another service night for veterans of Portage county this coming year.

We have appeared before every group of draftees leaving Portage county during the past year. The groups are small now and we hope that they will soon become nil. We do like to talk to these men and appraise them of some of the things they are going to encounter while they are in service. We invite them to use our service office while they are in service and especially when they return, and as a result we have been able to help many a person who is in service be a better soldier.

Perhaps the biggest problem facing the operation of the Portage county veterans service office is the hospitalization of Portage county veterans. We average in the hospitals and in domiciliary care more than 130 Portage county veterans every day of the year. Hospitalization is becoming a very acute problem because of the lack of beds. We have plenty of beds available in hospitals treating patients for tuberculosis. We are having fairly good luck with getting care for patients in general medical and surgical hospitals but for the boy who has "gone off his rocker" and needs psychiatric care it is almost impossible to get him into a veterans' hospital unless he has a service connected disability established, because of the lack of beds in our psychiatric hospitals. At the present time when these boys go off the deep end we have to have them committed to Winnebago where they have to remain until they can be

transferred to a veterans hospital when a bed becomes available. We utilize the various government hospitals in our area, the cancer center at Hines, Illinois; surgical and medical at Wood, Wisconsin; TB hospitals in Waukesha and Madison; psychiatric hospitals at Tomah, St. Cloud, Minnesota, Downey and Danville, Illinois; also general medical at Iron Mountain, Michigan, besides the domiciliary care at King. The veterans administration maintains a contract with St. Michael's hospital for the care locally of those veterans with service connected disabilities.

As a result of all the claims filed for compensation, pension, death and various other benefits the money paid to Portage county veterans amounts to a large sum. At the present time we have a very large number of veterans who are in training under the Korean, GI bill and some even training under the World war II GI bill. We have more than 1,100 disabled veterans who are drawing either retirement pay or compensation for their service connected disabilities with benefits ranging from \$17.50 a month up to \$400.00 a month.

**Federal Benefits:**

Compensation and retirement benefits paid to World war I, World war II, and Korean veterans for service connected disabilities .....	\$ 322,894.50
Pensions to Spanish-American war veterans, World war I, World war II, and Korean veterans .....	174,670.00
Subsistence payments to trainees .....	325,800.00

**State Department:**

Grants .....	3,288.00
State housing loans .....	88,600.00
State rehabilitation loans .....	14,840.00

**Death Benefits:**

Burial allowances paid .....	5,250.00
Government insurance collected .....	75,250.00
Death compensation paid to widows and orphans .....	185,600.00

<b>Total</b> .....	<b>\$1,196,192.50</b>
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In addition to all these benefits the veterans administration loan directly to the veterans of Portage county for housing, this is in addition to the GI loans made by the lending agencies in the county, is more than \$500,000.00. We believe the veterans of Portage county have a very enviable record as far as their repayment of their obligations to the federal and state government is concerned, and up to date only one GI loan has gone hay-wire in the county and as of this date there is not a single GI loan seriously in arrears. The veterans in Portage county are doing a swell job in meeting their obligations as far as payment for their loans is concerned. The GI loan for World war II veterans expires on June 30, 1957 and also under the last ruling of congress GI's can now obtain a direct loan with which to purchase a farm. Korean veterans have until 10 years after their discharge to get a GI loan.

All of this calls for a great deal of work and it could not be accomplished by working alone. We must have and we have had, I'm very happy to say, the very fine co-operation of the county board members who have taken a personal interest in many veterans' problems and claims. Without your help and the help of various officials in the county we could not accomplish the things that we have and for this co-operation we want to extend to you our very sincere thanks. It is our sincere desire to be of better service to the veterans who have served in the Spanish-American war, World war

I, World war II and Korean conflict and their dependents and to that end we do ask your continued co-operation.

Sincerely,  
R. B. LEWIS,

County Veterans Service Officer

Moved by Supervisor Dobbe and seconded by Supervisor Sroda that the report be accepted. Motion carried.

The following communication was read by the clerk:  
Honorable Chairman and Members of the Portage County Board:

We, the veterans service officers committee, move that R. B. Lewis be engaged as county veterans service officer for Portage county for the next two years.

VILAS WATERMAN  
STANLEY KIRSCHLING  
CHARLES A. ANDERSON  
VINCENT JURGELLA  
HAROLD J. FROST

Moved by Supervisor Kluck and seconded by Supervisor Wojcik that the letter be accepted. Motion carried.

Leonard Luce, county club agent, reported on the 4-H club activities during the past year. He stated that there are more than 500 members in the 34 4-H clubs in the county. They are led by 62 adult leaders and 15 junior leaders. His work took in music, speaking contest, and participation in the state fairs which won them two blue ribbons.

He said the potential for 4-H growth in the county is high and he hoped to raise the total membership above the state average of 18 per cent of the eligible youth where it now stands.

Moved by Supervisor H. P. Anderson and seconded by Supervisor Dobbe that the report be accepted. Motion carried.

District Attorney John J. Haka appeared before the board in regard to adding a part time assistant district attorney to the county staff. The new assistant would be hired principally to take care of welfare department matters and 75 per cent of his salary in that job would be reimbursed by the state.

Supervisor Waterman told the board that the cost of the assistant would not exceed \$250 monthly and the present welfare funds would permit his hiring without adding to the county budget.

The district attorney told the board of the duties of his office and asked for a salary increase from his present \$3,100 annually to \$6,300 annually, the increase to include an allowance for secretarial help. He said that 70 per cent of the work he does is in his capacity as district attorney, and about 50 per cent of his secretary's work concerns county business. At present, he receives an annual \$300 allowance for stationery, telephone calls, mileage and other expenses. The matter was referred to the salary committee.

Moved by Supervisor Krogwold and seconded by Supervisor Sroda that the board adjourn until 2:00 p. m. Motion carried.

Stevens Point, Wisconsin, November 4, 1955, 2:00 P. M., circuit court room, court house.

Meeting called to order by the Honorable Vilas O. Waterman, vice chairman.

Clerk called the roll. All members present except Supervisors H. P. Anderson, Palek, Frost and Jurgella, absent and Supervisors Beck and Dobbe, excused.

Clerk read resolution No. 26 as follows:

**RESOLUTION NO. 26**

Whereas, the office of the register of deeds has heretofore been

allowed the sum of \$700.00 for extra clerical help to cover vacation time, sick leave and proof-reading time;

Whereas, the office of the register of deeds will require the sum of \$400.00 for said purpose during the calendar year of 1956;

Now therefore, be it resolved, that the office of the register of deeds be allowed the sum of \$400.00 for extra clerical help to cover vacation time, sick leave and proof-reading of records in the 1956 financial budget.

Dated this 3rd day of November, 1955.

ERNEST KLUCK  
TED BURANT  
EDWARD LOSINSKI  
J. N. JAKUSZ

Moved by Supervisor Kitowski and seconded by Supervisor Glaza that the resolution be adopted. Motion carried as the clerk called the roll, there being 26 ayes, 2 naves, 4 absent and 2 excused. The following members voted aye: Supervisors Hetzel, Swenson, Towne, Fletcher, Poliwoda, Losinski, Wojcik, Morgan, Glaza, Krogwold, Waterman, Jacklin, Burant, Kirschling, Mehne, Guyant, Sroda, Kitowski, C. Anderson, Hannon, Kluck, Barrows, Kirby, Jakusz, Clark and Steckel. The following members voted naye: Supervisors Nebel and Kinney. Supervisors H. P. Anderson, Palek, Frost and Jurgella, absent and Supervisors Beck and Dobbe, excused.

Supervisors Frost and Jurgella entered the room.

Clerk read resolution No. 27 as follows:

**RESOLUTION NO. 27**

Inasmuch as the legal work for the Portage county public welfare department has increased to a point where the district attorney is unable to handle the work,

Therefore be it resolved that the district attorney is hereby authorized to appoint an assistant district attorney who will be assigned to do the legal work required for the Portage county public welfare department. The salary of which shall not exceed \$250.00 per month.

VILAS WATERMAN  
STANLEY KIRSCHLING  
VINCENT JURGELLA  
HAROLD FROST  
CHARLES A. ANDERSON

Moved by Supervisor Nebel and seconded by Supervisor Morgan that the resolution be adopted.

During the discussion the motion and second was withdrawn in favor of waiting until the board hears from the salary committee in regard to the district attorney's salary.

Clerk read petition No. 2 as follows:

Petition to make town road a county trunk highway.

November 3, 1955

To the Honorable Chairman and Members of the Portage County Board of Supervisors:

Gentlemen: (Report of the road and bridge committee)

The road and bridge committee met on Friday, October 28, with all members present.

It was moved, seconded and passed that the petition of the towns of Buena Vista and Lanark for a road running as follows:

Commencing at the intersection of County Trunk Q in section 7, town of Lanark, thence west one mile to the town line of Buena Vista in section 12 of said town, thence south approximately one quarter mile along present town road to a point where highway

turns and goes west through the centers of section 12, 11, 10, 9, 8, in the town of Buena Vista to where it intersects with County Trunk J in Portage county, be accepted and placed on the county trunk system subject to the approval of the state highway commission.

H. P. ANDERSON  
HENRY SWENSON  
GILBERT T. KIRBY  
ERNEST KLUCK  
THOMAS E. MORGAN

Moved by Supervisor Krogwold and seconded by Supervisor Fletcher that the petition be adopted. Motion carried as the clerk called the roll, there being 28 ayes, 1 naye, 2 absent and 3 excused. The following members voted aye: Supervisors Hetzel, Swenson, Towne, Fletcher, Poliwoda, Losinski, Wojcik, Morgan, Glaza, Krogwold, Waterman, Jacklin, Burant, Mehne, Guyant, Sroda, Kitowski, C. Anderson, Hannon, Barrows, Frost, Kirby, Jakusz, Clark, Nebel, Jurgella, Steckel and Kinney. Supervisor Kirschling voted naye. Supervisors H. P. Anderson and Palek, absent and Supervisors Beck, Dobbe and Kluck were excused.

The following communication from the Stevens Point Daily Journal was read by the clerk:

November 3, 1955

Honorable Chairman and Members of the Portage County Board of Supervisors:  
Stevens Point, Wisconsin  
Gentlemen:

The Journal Printing company respectfully submits the following bid:

To publish the official proceedings of the county board of supervisors, as required by law, for the year 1956 in the Stevens Point Daily Journal at the rate legally provided by the statutes within 60 days of each meeting if the official copy is received in time; to furnish at the end of the year 200 copies of the proceedings in book form for \$218;

To print the county directory of officers and the statistical report at cost plus 10 per cent and the circuit and county court calendars at the rate of \$2.50 per page.

This bid is the same as you accepted for 1955.

Yours Very Truly,  
Journal Printing Company  
WELDON C. LEAHY

Moved by Supervisor Nebel and seconded by Supervisor Clark that the communication be accepted. Motion carried.

Supervisor Palek entered the room.

Clerk read resolution No. 28 as follows:

**RESOLUTION NO. 28**

Whereas, that certain highway in Portage county known as County Trunk "X" does not now connect with any federal or state highway,

Be it resolved, that the highway extension hereinafter described be, and hereby is, established as a part of said County Trunk "X;"

Commencing at a point on the town line between the town of Hull and the town of Dewey in Portage county, Wisconsin, on the division line between range 7 east and range 8 east and at the south end of the present County Trunk "X," thence west on the town line to intersect with the present federal Highway No. 51.

Dated this 4th day of  
November, 1955.

JOSEPH WOJCIK  
EDWARD LOSINSKI

Moved by Supervisor Kitowski and seconded by Supervisor Fletcher that the resolution be adopted. Motion carried as the clerk called the roll, there being 31 ayes, 1 absent and 2 excused. The following members voted aye: Supervisors Hetzel, Swenson, Towne, Fletcher, Poliwoda, Losinski, Palek, Wojcik, Morgan, Glaza, Krogwold, Waterman, Jacklin, Burant, Kirschling, Mehne, Guyant, Sroda, Kitowski, C. Anderson, Hannon, Kluck, Barrows, Frost, Kirby, Jakusz, Clark, Nebel, Jurgella, Steckel and Kinney. Supervisor H. P. Anderson, absent and Supervisors Beck and Dobbe, excused.

Clerk read resolution No. 29 as follows:

**RESOLUTION NO. 29**

To the Honorable Chairman and Members of the County Board of Supervisors of Portage County, Wisconsin:

Whereas, the district attorney for Portage county, Wisconsin, is on a part-time basis and it is necessary for him to spend most of his time in carrying out the duties of that office and,

Whereas, it is necessary for him to furnish and pay for his own office, secretarial help, etc., in carrying out the duties of the district attorney;

Therefore, be it resolved that the district attorney for Portage county receive a salary of \$5,000 per year which will compensate him for his salary and secretarial help which is needed in performing the duties of district attorney.

Dated: November 4, 1955.

JOSEPH WOJCIK  
ERNEST KLUCK  
STANLEY KIRSCHLING  
MILVERNE JACKLIN

Moved by Supervisor Kluck and seconded by Supervisor Wojcik that the resolution be adopted. Motion carried as the clerk called the roll, there being 28 ayes, 3 naves, 1 absent and 2 excused. The following members voted aye: Supervisors Hetzel, Swenson, Towne, Poliwoda, Losinski, Palek, Wojcik, Morgan, Waterman, Jacklin, Burant, Kirschling, Mehne, Guyant, Sroda, Kitowski, C. Anderson, Hannon, Kluck, Barrows, Frost, Kirby, Jakusz, Clark, Nebel, Jurgella, Steckel and Kinney. The following members voted naye: Supervisors Fletcher, Glaza and Krogwold. Supervisor H. P. Anderson, absent and Supervisors Beck and Dobbe were excused.

Clerk reread resolution No. 27.

Moved by Supervisor Morgan and seconded by Supervisor Burant that the resolution be adopted. Motion carried as the clerk called the roll, there being 31 ayes, 1 absent and 2 excused. Supervisors Beck and Dobbe were excused and Supervisor H. P. Anderson, absent.

Mr. M. P. Pinkerton, county agricultural agent, reported on the work done by his office during the past year. He said he expects increased emphasis on farm efficiency in the future and told of trends in that direction. One clue to the trend, he said, is the increasing reforestation work being done in the county. During 1955, Portage county land owners bought 1,331,951 trees from state nurseries, and another 53,975 were planted through 4-H clubs and schools. This is enough to plant 1,385 acres, Mr. Pinkerton said. He expects to see more land planted in trees in coming years.

Soil conservation service plans were used in strip-cropping 416 acres and 18 miles of waterways and terraces were constructed this fall. Farm Planner Orville Zeeh, SCS representative here, aided in improvement of 260 acres of crop and pasture land and added 33 farmers to the program.

Moved by Supervisor C. Anderson and seconded by Supervisor Swenson that the report be accepted. Motion carried.

Mrs. Joyce Natzke, county home agent, reported in detail on the work of her office in the past year. She said there are now 450 women in 24 Homemaker clubs in the county. They attended lessons last year on foods, clothing, home decoration and health. This winter's program, which began a month ago, started with lessons on meat preparation.

Moved by Supervisor Losinski and seconded by Supervisor Wojcik that the report be accepted. Motion carried.

Moved by Supervisor Morgan and seconded by Supervisor Jurgella that the board thank Mrs. Natzke for the treat. Motion carried.

Moved by Supervisor Burant and seconded by Supervisor Wojcik that the board adjourn until 10:00 Monday morning at the American Legion clubroom. Motion carried.

CHESTER J. KULAS  
County Clerk

## FIFTH DAY

Stevens Point, Wisconsin, November 7, 1955, 10:30 A. M., American Legion clubroom.

Meeting called to order by the Honorable Vilas O. Waterman, vice chairman.

Clerk called the roll. All members present except Supervisor Losinski, Palek, Burant, Kitowski, C. Anderson and Frost, absent.

Clerk read the minutes of the fourth day's session.

Moved by Supervisor Nebel and seconded by Supervisor Steckel that the minutes be confirmed. Motion carried.

Supervisors Palek and Frost entered the room.

Miss Rowena Allen, superintendent of schools, gave her annual report on the activities of that office. She proposed a second special class for mentally retarded children be established in the county. John Melchior, Madison, of the division for handicapped children in the state department of public instruction was introduced and he told the board that classes for retarded children are limited to 15 per teacher. He said the present county special school, operated this year in rented quarters in the Lincoln school in Stevens Point, is at capacity and has a waiting list.

Supervisor Waterman said there is an empty room in the Bancroft school, which that district would make available to the county rent and heat free, if it is desired to set up a second class in that area.

Supervisor Kluck added that the new Roosevelt school in Plover included an opportunity room which had been designed to accommodate a class for retarded children.

In response to questions, Mr. Melchior said he believes there are enough retarded children in the county to justify four to six special classes. He pointed out that retarded children have a chance to compete against children with similar difficulties in special schools and gain a sense of success, many for the first time in their lives.

He noted that special schools cost the county about \$300 a pupil, while inmates at the state institutions cost about \$2,500 annually.

After being questioned about the end result of special schooling for retarded youngsters, Melchior said that in areas where such schools have been in operation for many years, many graduates have gone on to become selfsupporting. He noted that more than 60

per cent of retarded youngsters are children of normal parents who have been retarded by disease, often German measles contracted by the mother during early pregnancy.

A detailed report on state aids, both elementary and vocational school levels, high school tuition and transportation costs, etc., is on file in the county clerk's office.

A communication addressed to the education committee was read by Supervisor Dobbe and referred to the education committee.

October 31, 1955

Education Committee  
Portage County Board  
Stevens Point, Wisconsin  
Gentlemen:

It has been a long time since I have come to your board for any financial assistance but this time I come with a definite purpose, one in which the financial assistance might prove valuable to one of our teachers in the county. There is a definite need today for the training of teachers in the field of resource education (conservation) to enable our teachers to more clearly present to young America the need for the understanding of our resources. The state colleges are offering such leadership training at the Eagle River camp during the summer. This camp is sponsored by the state colleges. I feel that it is a special opportunity for teachers to get this broad understanding of conservation at this camp.

However, to be able to elect and select capable people who would be interested in taking advantage of this six credit course, we think it would be appropriate, if it's at all possible, to offer a \$100.00 scholarship which would be an incentive for some teacher to go, and I personally hope that your committee will see fit to make this possible for at least one of the county teachers. It is my belief that this teacher will come back to Portage county, and, in better education, give back to the county a great deal of value in our educational program.

Sincerely Yours,  
F. J. SCHMEECKLE, Director  
Conservation Education Dept.  
Trees for Tomorrow

FJS/ls

Moved by Supervisor Kluck and seconded by Supervisor Sroda that the report of the superintendent of schools be accepted. Motion carried.

Arthur Piltz, division engineer for the state highway commission, outlined highway work planned for next year. Included is resurfacing of Highway 54 between Plover and the Wood county line, already under contract and scheduled to start early next year; extension of new Highway 51 northward from its present end in the town of Dewey to join new construction at the Marathon county line; relocation of Highway 51 between the Moore Barn and Plover intersections with Highway 54; engineering for relocation of the section of Highway 51 between Plover and Stevens Point, and a possible start late next year on relocation of Highway 10 between the Wood county line and Stevens Point. On the latter program, Mr. Piltz said, engineering work is already authorized though no allotment has been made.

Resolution No. 30 was read by the clerk:

**RESOLUTION NO. 30**  
**County Aid Construction And Maintenance**  
**During The Calendar Year 1956**

Section I. — The county board of supervisors of Portage county, Wisconsin, regularly assembled, does hereby ordain that such funds as may be made available to the county for highway work in the year 1956 under the provisions of section 20.420 and chapter 83 of the statutes and the additional sums herein appropriated shall be expended as hereinafter set forth:

Section II. — County Trunk Highway Allotment. Whereas the state highway commission has notified the county clerk that a sum of money estimated to be two hundred sixteen thousand, one hundred dollars (\$216,100.00) will become available at the end of the fiscal year under the provisions of section 83.10 and 20.420(83) and (84) of the statutes, for the county trunk highway system in the county, but the actual amount will not be known until the close of the fiscal year, June 30, 1956,

Be it resolved that the county highway committee is authorized and directed to expend the said sum to the extent required, to match and supplement federal aid for construction, right of way, and other costs on any federal projects located on the county trunk highway system of said county, which are not recovered from federal funds, and to expend any balance for constructing, repairing, and maintaining such county trunk highway system and the bridges thereon, including snow and ice removal and control, as directed in section 83.10(1) of the statutes, and to reimburse the general fund for any expenditures that may be made therefrom pursuant to section 83.10(6) of the statutes. The distribution to such purposes is estimated, but not specifically directed, to be as follows:

(a) The sum of two hundred sixteen thousand one hundred dollars (\$216,100.00) for improvements of the county trunk highway system by maintenance, construction, oiling and snow removal.

Section III. — Whereas it appears that certain additional highway improvements in the county are necessary and warranted,

Be it resolved that the county board does hereby appropriate the following sums for the purpose hereinafter set forth:

(d) The sum of five thousand dollars (\$5,000.00) for traffic officers.

(c) For the maintenance construction, oiling and snow removal in the county trunk highway system the sum of two hundred thirty thousand dollars (\$230,000.00).

(a) For administration, including salaries, per diem, office and travel expense of the county highway commissioner, his clerks and assistants not paid from construction or maintenance funds, the sum of eight thousand dollars (\$8,000.00).

(b) For per diem and travel expense of the county highway committee, the sum of one thousand five hundred dollars (\$1,500.00).

Total authorized in this section \$245,100.00.

Section IV. — Whereas appropriations are made herein, in addition to the amounts to be received from the state and available for work in the county under section 20.420 of the statutes,

Be it resolved that the county board does hereby levy a tax on all of the property in the county to meet such appropriations as follows:

(a) For the various purposes as set forth in section III. hereof the sum of two hundred forty-four thousand five hundred dollars (\$244,500.00).

Warning: It is directed that provision for this levy shall be made in the county budget, but that this levy shall not be duplicated.

Section V. — Whereas the various highway activities for which provision is made in this resolution are continuous from year to

year, and the exact cost of any work cannot be known at the time of making the appropriation therefor,

Be it resolved that this board does hereby direct that any balance remaining in any appropriation for a specific highway improvement after the same shall have been completed may be used by the county highway committee to make up any deficit that may occur in any other improvement, which is part of the same item, in the county budget, for which provision is herein made, and any balances remaining at the end of the year in any highway fund shall remain and be available for the same purpose in the ensuing year.

Section VI. — Whereas the exact amount of the funds that will become available from the state for highway purposes in the county under section 20.420 of the statutes will not be known until on or after June 30, 1956,

Be it resolved that the county treasurer is hereby authorized and directed to make payments for the purposes for which such funds are to be used, as hereinbefore authorized, from any funds in the county treasury that are not required for the purposes for which appropriated prior to August 1, 1956, and to reimburse such funds in the county treasury from the sums received under section 20.420 of the statutes.

Section VII. — Whereas the county highway committee and county highway commissioner are charged with the duty and responsibility of carrying out the construction and maintenance of highways for which provision is made, and other related supervisory and administrative duties.

Be it resolved that the county highway commissioner shall have authority to employ, discharge, suspend, or reinstate such personnel as he deems necessary for such purposes; provided, however, that the county highway committee may by action recorded in its minutes determine the number of persons to be hired and may also at any time by action so recorded order the county highway commissioner to employ, discharge, suspend, or reinstate any such person. The term "personnel" or "person" shall include all patrolmen, laborers, foremen, clerks, stenographers, or other employes necessary to carry on such activities.

Presented Nov. 7, 1955.

Voted on foregoing resolution:

Ayes 30, noes —

The foregoing resolution was adopted on Nov. 7, 1955.

CHESTER J. KULAS  
County Clerk

By:

HENRY SWENSON  
THOS. E. MORGAN  
GILBERT KIRBY

County Highway Committee

Moved by Supervisor Wojcik and seconded by Supervisor Glaza that the resolution be adopted. Motion carried as the clerk called the roll, there being 30 ayes, 3 absent and 1 excused. Supervisors Beck, Kitowski and C. Anderson, absent and Supervisor Jakusz excused.

Clerk read resolution No. 31 as follows:

**RESOLUTION NO. 31**

**Providing For The Advance Or Transfer  
Of Construction Funds In Portage County**

Whereas section 84.03(5), Wisconsin statutes, provides that the state highway commission and a county board, or a county highway committee when authorized by the county board, may agree upon the advance of one or more future years' allotments for such county, under section 84.03(3), to be expended on selected improvements on

state trunk highways or connecting streets within such county to the extent so agreed, and

Whereas occasions frequently arise when it is necessary or desirable to provide for the advance, allocation, or transfer of construction funds to or between previously authorized or additional needed construction improvements on state trunk highways or connecting streets in this county,

Therefore, in order to provide for promptly making available the funds necessary for such improvements and to avoid the delay and expense incident to calling a special meeting of this board for such purpose,

Be it resolved that the state highway commission be and is hereby petitioned to advance pursuant to section 84.03(5), Wisconsin statutes, upon filing of a request therefor by the county highway committee of this county, which said committee is hereby authorized to file, such sums as may be required and are not otherwise available for any such previously authorized or additional needed construction improvements in this county, with the understanding that the amounts thus advanced will be deducted from future state allotments for state trunk highway construction in this county under section 84.03(3) of the statutes, and

Be it further resolved that the state highway commission be and is hereby petitioned upon the filing of a request therefor by the county highway committee of this county, which said committee is hereby authorized to file to transfer to or between any such previously authorized or additional needed construction improvements in this county, any funds allotted by the state under the provisions of section 84.03(3), Wisconsin statutes, and previously allocated to any other improvement or remaining unallocated in reserve.

The foregoing resolution was adopted on Nov. 7, 1955.

CHESTER J. KULAS  
County Clerk

Resolution presented by  
HENRY SWENSON  
THOMAS E. MORGAN  
GILBERT T. KIRBY

Moved by Supervisor Wojcik and seconded by Supervisor Glaza that the resolution be adopted. Motion carried.

Resolution No. 32 was read by the clerk as follows:

**RESOLUTION NO. 32**

November 7, 1955

Be it hereby resolved that F. M. Thompson be authorized to transfer \$2,024.49 from the insurance fund to the county trunk maintenance fund inasmuch as the insurance fund is no longer being used.

Signed HENRY SWENSON  
THOMAS E. MORGAN  
GILBERT T. KIRBY

Moved by Supervisor Dobbe and seconded by Supervisor Krogwald that the resolution be adopted. Motion carried.

Moved by Supervisor Sroda and seconded by Supervisor Wojcik that the highway report be accepted. Motion carried.

Moved by Supervisor Sroda and seconded by Supervisor Nebel that the board adjourn until 2:00 p. m. Motion carried.

Stevens Point, Wisconsin, November 7, 1955, 2:00 P. M., American Legion clubroom.

Meeting called to order by the Honorable Vilas O. Waterman, vice chairman.

Clerk called the roll. All members present.

The clerk read the following invitation:

November 7, 1955

To the Honorable Members of the County Board of Supervisors:  
 You are cordially invited to attend a noon luncheon at Pete Redfield's Silver Coach on Tuesday, November 8, 1955.

PERRY WORDEN  
 Highway Commissioner  
 R. B. LEWIS  
 Welfare Director

Moved by Supervisor Dobbe and seconded by Supervisor Steckel that the invitation be accepted. Motion carried.

Ruth Gilfry, county nurse, reported on her work in the past year. She said 357 children in the county received Salk polio shots during the year. Rural areas of the county listed six cases of polio with one, a town of Alban child, still paralyzed. "We have been very, very fortunate in Portage county," Mrs. Gilfry commented.

Other immunization clinics were conducted with vaccination for small pox and three-way shots for diptheria, whooping cough and tetanus administered to nearly 2,000 children.

Tuberculosis control methods discovered 11 suspected cases last year. Of them, two were found not to have tuberculosis. There were six county cases discharged from the River Pines sanatorium and one died there.

Moved by Supervisor Nebel and seconded by Supervisor Steckel that the report be accepted. Motion carried.

Moved by Supervisor Nebel and seconded by Supervisor Losinski that Mrs. Gilfry be complimented on the splendid work she has done in the past and present. Motion carried.

Supervisor Fletcher asked for a reading of a resolution passed April 21, 1954. The resolution setting salaries was recommended by the salary committee, and read that it was to cover the period starting Jan. 1, 1955, "Throughout the year 1956."

Supervisor Fletcher pointed out that the board had never rescinded that schedule but Supervisor Waterman replied that there was no need to rescind it. The board can raise those salaries any time it wants to.

Moved by Supervisor Kirby and seconded by Supervisor Morgan that the board reconsider resolution No. 26. Motion carried as the clerk called the roll, there being 30 ayes, 2 nays and 2 present. The following members voted aye: Supervisors H. P. Anderson, Hetzel, Swenson, Towne, Fletcher, Poliwooda, Losinski, Beck, Palek, Wojcik, Morgan, Glaza, Krogwold, Waterman, Jacklin, Burant, Kirschling, Mehne, Guyant, Sroda, C. Anderson, Hannon, Dobbe, Barrows, Frost, Kirby, Clark, Nebel, Steckel and Kinney. Supervisors Kitowski and Kluck voted naye and Supervisors Jakusz and Jurgella voted present.

Moved by Supervisor Kirby and seconded by Supervisor Dobbe that the board eliminate the \$400. Motion carried as the clerk called the roll, there being 29 ayes and 5 nays. The following members voted aye: Supervisors H. P. Anderson, Hetzel, Swenson, Towne, Fletcher, Poliwooda, Losinski, Beck, Palek, Wojcik, Morgan, Frost, Kirby, Clark, Nebel, Steckel and Kinney. The following members voted naye: Supervisors Kitowski, Kluck, Barrows, Jakusz and Jurgella.

Moved by Supervisor Kinney and seconded by Supervisor Kluck that the board accept the proposed salaries for 1956. Motion carried as the clerk called the roll there being 34 ayes.

Moved by Supervisor Nebel and seconded by Supervisor Fletcher that the board reconsider resolution 27. Motion carried as the clerk

called the roll there being 27 ayes, 6 naye's and 1 present. The following members voted aye: Supervisors H. P. Anderson, Hetzel, Swenson, Towne, Fletcher, Losinski, Beck, Palek, Wojcik, Morgan, Glaza, Krogwold, Waterman, Jacklin, Burant, Kirschling, Mehne, Guyant, Sroda, C. Anderson, Dobbe, Barrows, Frost, Kirby, Clark, Nebel and Steckel. The following members voted naye: Supervisors Kitowski, Hannon, Kluck, Jakusz, Jurgella and Kinney. Supervisor Poliwoda voted present.

Moved by Supervisor Kirschling and seconded by Supervisor Wojcik that the district attorney's salary be set at \$4,200 with a \$300 expense allowance.

Moved by Supervisor Steckel and seconded by Supervisor Nebel that an amendment be added to set the salary at \$3,700 with a \$300 expense allowance. Motion lost as the clerk called the roll there being 16 ayes, 17 naye's and 1 present. The following members voted aye: Supervisors H. P. Anderson, Hetzel, Swenson, Fletcher, Losinski, Beck, Palek, Glaza, Krogwold, Guyant, Dobbe, Frost, Kirby, Clark, Nebel and Steckel. The following members voted naye: Supervisors Towne, Wojcik, Morgan, Waterman, Jacklin, Burant, Kirschling, Mehne, Sroda, Kitowski, C. Anderson, Hannon, Kluck, Barrows, Jakusz, Jurgella and Kinney. Supervisor Poliwoda voted present.

Roll taken on Kirschling's original motion carried, there being 34 ayes.

Moved by Supervisor H. P. Anderson and seconded by Supervisor Losinski that the salary committee prior to the next spring election set up an irrepalable salary schedule separating the elected officials from the appointed employes. The salary should be set for two years and remain fixed for the period of their terms. Motion carried.

The report of the sheriff's department was passed out by Claude Uphagrove, bookkeeper. He read a summary of the sheriff's accounts for the first nine months of 1955 compared to a similar period last year. During that time, costs of the sheriff's office have risen from \$17,638 to \$20,151.02 and income has risen from \$2,610.36 to \$5,340.16.

Moved by Supervisor Kirschling and seconded by Supervisor Wojcik that the sheriff's report be accepted. Motion carried.

Moved by Supervisor Kluck and seconded by Supervisor Steckel that the board adjourn until 10:00 a. m. Motion carried.

CHESTER J. KULAS  
County Clerk

## SIXTH DAY

Stevens Point, Wisconsin, November 8, 1955, 10:00 A. M., council chambers, city water department.

Meeting called to order by the Honorable Vilas O. Waterman, vice chairman.

Clerk called the roll. All members present except Supervisors Towne, Palek, Hetzel, Morgan, Burant, Barrows, Kitowski, Dobbe and Kinney, absent.

The chair dispensed with the reading of the minutes.

Supervisor Morgan entered the room and was excused. Supervisors Kitowski and Barrows entered the room.

Moved by Supervisor H. P. Anderson and seconded by Supervisor Morgan that the board dissolve into a committee of the whole for

the purpose of conducting the hearing on the budget. Motion carried. Supervisors Towne, Palek, Hetzel, Kinney, Burant and Dobbe entered the room.

The board proceeded to a hearing on the budget, as county Auditor Rollin R. Mabie read item after item, pausing at each item for comment from the members of the board.

Among those present besides the county auditors were Mayor Leonard Sorenson, City Assessor Ralph A. Cook and Barney F. Omernik.

The budget in the sum of \$580,488.37 was presented to the board as follows:

<b>County Property Tax For 1956 Budget (Adopted)</b>	
County Tax for Other Than Highway .....	\$335,388.37
County Tax for Highways .....	245,100.00

<b>Total County Property Tax</b> .....	<b>\$580,488.37</b>
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**Analysis Of County Property Tax For 1956 Budget**

**State Special Charges Upon County**

Insane in Outside Institutions .....	\$ 47,318.04
Wisconsin Colony and Training Schools .....	8,646.18
Industrial School for Boys .....	447.14
Tuberculosis Sanatoria (State) .....	3,169.24
County Tuberculosis Sanatoria .....	30,058.44
Industrial School for Girls .....	257.86
School for Dependent Children .....	4,421.23
State General Hospital .....	3,383.18
State Orthopedic Hospital .....	1,486.75
County School Tax .....	44,663.20

**Other County Taxes:**

County Superintendent of Schools and Special Schools ....	21,570.00
Soldier's Relief .....	1,700.00
Social Security - Secs. 49.18, 49.19, 49.37, 49.61 .....	36,000.00
All Other County Taxes .....	377,367.11

<b>Total County Property Tax</b> .....	<b>\$580,488.37</b>
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**EXPENDITURES FOR OPERATION AND MAINTENANCE**

<b>Account Name (General Govt.)</b>	<b>1956 Expenditures</b>
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County Board .....	\$ 13,000.00
County Clerk .....	10,160.00
County Treasurer .....	7,800.00
Assessment of Taxes .....	4,100.00
District Attorney .....	5,200.00
Divorce Counsel .....	750.00
County Court .....	16,340.00
Justice Court .....	8,000.00
Circuit Court .....	21,000.00
Coroner .....	1,000.00
Court House .....	16,000.00
Elections .....	6,000.00
Special Accounting and Auditing .....	1,000.00
Property and Liability Insurance .....	2,000.00
Tax Roll Department .....	4,040.00

**Protection Of Persons And Property:**

Sheriff .....	28,920.00
Register of Deeds .....	9,290.00
Bounties .....	900.00
Dance Supervision .....	2,800.00
Police Radio System .....	2,600.00

Fire Aid to State .....	750.00
<b>Health And Sanitation:</b>	
Goitre Tablets .....	350.00
Vital Statistics .....	750.00
County Tuberculosis Sanatorium .....	30,058.44
Patients at State and Other County Sans .....	3,169.24
X-Ray .....	1,000.00
Public Health Nurse .....	6,100.00
Diphtheria and Small Pox .....	600.00
<b>Education:</b>	
County Superintendent of Schools .....	12,770.00
Supervising Teacher .....	5,100.00
Tuition Outside Training Schools .....	350.00
County Agricultural Agent .....	10,920.00
Home Demonstration Agent .....	2,350.00
Aid to Common Schools .....	44,663.20
County School Committee .....	300.00
County Special School .....	8,800.00
<b>Charities And Corrections:</b>	
County Welfare Department .....	17,000.00
County Home Infirmary .....	70,000.00
Outdoor Poor Relief .....	1,500.00
Aid to Dependent Children .....	29,000.00
Care of Soldiers' Graves .....	1,500.00
Aid for Disabled .....	6,000.00
Aid to Blind .....	1,000.00
Soldiers Relief .....	1,700.00
Veterans Service .....	8,000.00
Insane in Outside Institutions .....	47,318.04
Industrial School for Girls .....	257.86
Industrial School for Boys .....	447.14
Wisconsin Colony and Training School .....	8,646.18
School for Dependent Children .....	4,421.23
Wisconsin General Hospital .....	3,383.18
Wisconsin Orthopedic Hospital .....	1,486.75
Other Hospitalization .....	15,000.00
<b>Unclassified:</b>	
Fairs .....	1,400.00
Conservation .....	2,000.00
County Parks .....	7,500.00
Tax Deed Expense .....	300.00
Sundry Unclassified .....	100.00
Social Security (Employer) .....	1,500.00
Insect Control .....	1,000.00
Ambulance .....	1,647.11

Total Operation and Maintenance ..... \$521,038.37

Before the adjournment until 2:00 p. m., Mr. Towne presented a letter from Mr. Stinson thanking the county board members and the county employees for their contributions to him while he was ill in the hospital.

Moved by Supervisor Kitowski and seconded by Supervisor Glaza that the communication be placed on file. Motion carried.

Stevens Point, Wisconsin, November 8, 1955, 2:00 P. M., council chambers, city water department.

Meeting called to order by the Honorable Vilas O. Waterman, vice chairman.

Clerk called the roll. All members present.

Mr. Robert McDonald representing the Portage county taxpayer's alliance attended the afternoon session in addition to those present in the morning.

The hearing on the budget continued as follows with Mr. McDonald questioning several of the items listed in the budget:

### REVENUES

#### (Other Than County Property Tax And Highways)

Income Tax for County .....	\$ 53,000.00
Tax Fees and Penalties .....	7,300.00
Inheritance Tax for County .....	500.00
Utility Tax from State .....	27,000.00
Forest Crop Tax from Districts .....	100.00
<b>Fees And Costs:</b>	
County Clerk's Fees .....	2,000.00
County Court Fees and Costs .....	700.00
Justice Court Fees and Costs .....	7,800.00
Circuit Court Fees and Costs .....	2,200.00
Sheriff's Fees .....	1,200.00
Register of Deeds Fees .....	8,500.00
<b>Licenses And Permits:</b>	
Dance Licenses and Permits .....	2,900.00
<b>Fines, Forfeits And Penalties:</b>	
Penal Fines for County .....	1,000.00
Board of Prisoners at County Jail .....	3,000.00
Revenue from Prisoner Labor .....	50.00
<b>Gifts And Grants:</b>	
State Aid for Supervising Teacher .....	5,100.00
State Aid for County Special School .....	2,300.00
State Aid for County Nurse .....	1,000.00
<b>Other Revenue:</b>	
County Infirmary .....	70,000.00

### SUMMARY

Operation and Maintenance .....	\$521,038.37
Contingent Fund .....	10,000.00
<b>Total</b> .....	<b>\$531,038.37</b>
Less Receipts .....	195,650.00

County Tax for Other Than Highways .....

\$335,388.37

### EXPENDITURES FOR HIGHWAYS

<b>Operation And Maintenance:</b>	
Highway Administration .....	\$ 8,600.00
Highway Committee .....	1,500.00
Maintenance County Trunk Highway System and Oiling ..	222,000.00
Construction County Trunk Highway System .....	130,000.00
Snow Removal .....	70,000.00
Traffic Officers .....	25,000.00
<b>Outlay:</b>	
Bridge Construction .....	50,000.00
<b>Total Expenditures</b> .....	<b>\$507,100.00</b>

### HIGHWAY REVENUES

Revenue from State for County Trunk Highway System ..	\$217,000.00
Revenue from State for County Trunk Highway System	
Construction .....	25,000.00
County Ordinance Fines .....	20,000.00
<b>Total</b> .....	<b>\$262,000.00</b>

**SUMMARY**

Operation and Maintenance (Highway) ..... \$507,100.00  
 Less: Revenue ..... 262,000.00

County Tax for Highways ..... \$245,100.00

Moved by Supervisor H. P. Anderson and seconded by Supervisor Wojcik that we dissolve as a committee on the budget and reconvene as a county board. Motion carried.

Moved by Supervisor Losinski and seconded by Supervisor Dobbe that the board adjourn until 10:00 a. m. Motion carried.

CHESTER J. KULAS  
 County Clerk

**SEVENTH DAY**

Stevens Point, Wisconsin, November 9, 1955, 10:00 A. M., circuit court room, court house.

Meeting called to order by the Honorable Vilas O. Waterman, vice chairman.

Clerk called the roll. All members present.

The minutes of the fifth day were read by the clerk and stand as read.

Moved by Supervisor Clark and seconded by Supervisor Kitowski that the resolution committee be abolished. Motion carried.

Moved by Supervisor Fletcher and seconded by Supervisor Dobbe that a collection be taken up for the retarded children in the McKinley school and that the teachers be complimented on the wonderful job they have done. Motion carried.

The following communication was read by the clerk:

November 9, 1955

To the Honorable Portage County Board of Supervisors:  
 Gentlemen:

Inasmuch as the register of deeds office is not equipped with a photostatic machine and, therefore all recorded instruments must be carefully checked and proof-read daily, which consumes considerable time and deprives the clerical force of sufficient time to give proper service to other current matters, I respectfully request that the sum of \$400 be appropriated for that purpose.

Please give this matter your serious consideration as the register of deeds office is different from any other county office and the additional amount is warranted because of the increasing demand for certified copies of births, marriage and death records and military discharges used for veterans' benefits.

Sincerely Yours,  
 ED D. HAKA,  
 Register of Deeds

EDH/dmg

Moved by Supervisor Nebel and seconded by Supervisor Sroda that the report be tabled. Motion carried.

The report of the soldiers and sailors service commission was read by the clerk as follows:

November 1, 1955

To the Honorable Chairman and Members of the Portage County Board:

Your soldiers and sailors service commission do hereby submit a report of their activities during the period January 1, 1955 to November 1, 1955.

Appropriation .....	\$1,700.00
Expenditures for Relief:	
Medical Payments and Direct Relief .....	\$720.66
Other Expenditures	
Commissioners Meeting .....	\$73.08
Bond .....	10.62
Sub Total .....	\$ 83.70
Total Expenditures .....	\$ 804.36
Balance November 1, 1955 .....	\$ 895.64

Respectfully Submitted,  
Portage County Veterans Service Comm.  
JAMES CROWLEY, Chairman

Moved by Supervisor Kluck and seconded by Supervisor Sroda  
that the report be accepted. Motion carried.

Clerk read resolution No. 33 as follows:

**RESOLUTION NO. 33**

**Resolution For Construction Of A  
Combination Courthouse, Jail And City Hall**

Whereas, it has been decided that it is in the best interest of Portage county, Wisconsin and the city of Stevens Point, Wisconsin to construct a combination courthouse and city hall in order to house the offices and equipment for Portage County and the city of Stevens Point, and

Whereas, a special court house committee for Portage county, Wisconsin has been appointed by the Portage county board of supervisors and a building committee appointed by the mayor of Stevens Point, Wisconsin with the approval of the council of said city, and

Whereas, said special courthouse committee have made extensive studies and consultations concerning a joint courthouse and city hall, and

Whereas, the special courthouse committee of Portage county, Wisconsin and the building committee of the city of Stevens Point, Wisconsin have held joint meetings and discussed the construction of a combination courthouse and city hall, and

Whereas, after careful study and consultations by the special courthouse committee of Portage county, and the building committee of Stevens Point, Wisconsin said joint committee having determined that for the public interest and convenience to construct a combination courthouse and city hall, and

Now therefore, be it hereby resolved by the Portage county board of supervisors that it hereby authorizes the special courthouse committee to either individually or jointly with the building committee of Stevens Point to prepare preliminary plans and negotiate and select an architect for the construction of a combination courthouse and city hall for Portage county, Wisconsin, and

Therefore, be it hereby further resolved that the final plans of the courthouse and city hall which will be drawn by the architect shall be approved by the Portage county board of supervisors and the common council of the city of Stevens Point.

VILAS WATERMAN  
C. E. NEBEL

CHARLES A. ANDERSON  
HAROLD J. FROST

Special Courthouse Committee

Moved by Supervisor Kitowski and seconded by Supervisor Kluck that the resolution be adopted. Motion carried as the clerk called the roll, there being 32 ayes and 2 naves. The following members

voted aye: Supervisors H. P. Anderson, Hetzel, Swenson, Towne, Fletcher, Losinski, Beck, Palek, Wojcik, Morgan, Glaza, Krogwold, Waterman, Jacklin, Kirschling, Mehne, Guyant, Sroda, Kitowski, C. Anderson, Hannon, Dobbe, Kluck, Barrows, Frost, Kirby, Jakusz, Clark, Nebel, Jurgella, Steckel and Kinney. Supervisors Poliwooda and Burant voted naye.

Clerk read resolution No. 34 as follows:

**RESOLUTION NO. 34**

To the Honorable Board of Supervisors  
Portage County, Wisconsin

Whereas, there is a need for an extra room for the mentally handicapped children in Portage county therefore:

Be it resolved that the school be established under the direction of the education committee and that the sum of \$2,500.00 be placed in the budget for maintaining the second class from September 1, 1956 to January 1, 1957.

A. P. DOBBE  
HAROLD MEHNE  
TED BURANT

Moved by Supervisor Swenson and seconded by Supervisor Kluck that the resolution be adopted. Motion carried, as the clerk called the roll there being 25 ayes. City members did not vote.

Resolution No. 35 was read by the clerk as follows:

**RESOLUTION NO. 35**

To the Honorable Board of Supervisors  
Portage County, Wisconsin

Whereas, the teaching of conservation is becoming more important each year, and

Whereas, scholarships are being provided by counties, and different organizations to send teachers to the camp at Eagle River to train for this special teaching field, therefore,

Be it resolved that the county board place the sum of \$100.00 in the budget of the county superintendent of schools to be given to the county supervising teacher to attend this camp.

A. P. DOBBE  
HAROLD MEHNE  
TED BURANT

Moved by Supervisor Krogwold and seconded by Supervisor Fletcher that the resolution be adopted. Motion carried as the clerk called the roll, there being 25 ayes. City members did not vote.

The report of the dance hall committee was read by the clerk as follows:

November 9, 1955

To the Honorable Chairman and Members of the County Board of Portage County, Wisconsin:  
Gentlemen:

We, the dance hall committee wish to report. We have inspected twenty-eight dance halls in the county and five in the city and have rechecked four and have found them O.K. There were three halls added, two in the county and one in the city.

FRANK BECK  
ANTON PALEK  
NAT KINNEY

Moved by Supervisor Nebel and seconded by Supervisor Frost that the report be accepted. Motion carried.

Supervisor C. Anderson read resolution No. 42-A from the seventh day's minutes of the annual session 1954 as follows:

**RESOLUTION NO. 42-A**

Stevens Point, Wisconsin  
November 18, 1954

To the Honorable County Board of Supervisors of Portage County,  
Wisconsin:

Gentlemen:

Whereas, Portage county at the present time has only one state conservation warden assigned to said county and,

Whereas, there is a great need for additional helpers to assist the state warden in order to enforce the existing conservation laws, and,

Whereas, section 23.10 (2) of the 1953 Wisconsin statutes gives the power to the county board of a county to appoint county conservation wardens, and,

Whereas, it is desirable to have appointed county of Portage conservation wardens not to exceed a number of five and said county of Portage conservation wardens to serve with pay by the county not to exceed \$1,000.00.

Now, therefore, be it resolved that Portage county board of supervisors authorize the appointment of five (5) Portage county conservation wardens under section 23.10(2).

CHARLES ANDERSON

Moved by Supervisor Frost and seconded by Supervisor Sroda that the resolution be amended to read eight (8) conservation wardens instead of five. Motion carried.

The chair moved to adjourn until 2:00 p. m.

Stevens Point, Wisconsin, November 9, 1955, 2:00 P. M., circuit court room, court house.

Meeting called to order by the Honorable Vilas O. Waterman, vice chairman.

Clerk called the roll. All members present except Supervisors Hannon, Jurgella, Palek and Hetzel, absent, and Supervisor Swenson, was excused.

Moved by Supervisor Kirschling and seconded by Supervisor Losinski that the county clerk be authorized to notify the county board members of the time and place when the equalization committee meets with the supervisor of assessments. Motion carried.

Supervisors Jurgella, Palek and Hetzel entered the room.

Supervisor Jacklin left the room.

Because the statistical report has not been published as yet the report of the equalization committee was read by the clerk as follows:

Regular meeting of the equalization committee.

September 23, 1955

Mr. Daily, supervisor of assessments, for the state gave his annual report.

Present at the meeting were committee members, Russell Krogwold, Allen Barrows, George Fletcher and Milvern Jacklin. The annual statistical report of property valuations for 1954 and two enclosures for 1955 personal and real estate valuations and their ratios were discussed.

Sanction on the report of Mr. Daily was authorized by the committee.

RUSSELL KROGWOLD  
GEORGE FLETCHER

MILVERN JACKLIN  
ALLEN F. BARROWS, Sec.

Moved by Supervisor Nebel and seconded by Supervisor Steckel

that the report be accepted. Motion carried as the clerk called the roll, there being 31 ayes, 2 absent and 1 excused. The following members voted aye: Supervisors H. P. Anderson, Hetzel, Towne, Fletcher, Poliwoda, Losinski, Beck, Palek, Wojcik, Morgan, Glaza, Krogwold, Waterman, Burant, Kirschling, Mehne, Guyant, Sroda, Kitowski, C. Anderson, Dobbe, Kluck, Barrows, Frost, Kirby, Jakusz, Clark, Nebel, Jurgella, Steckel and Kinney. Supervisors Jacklin and Hannon, absent and Supervisor Swenson, excused.

Resolution No. 36 was read by the clerk as follows:

**RESOLUTION NO. 36**

November 9, 1955

To the Honorable Chairman and Members of the County Board of Supervisors:  
Gentlemen:

Whereas, it appears by the records of the county that there are certain amounts due the county from units thereof chargeable to municipalities as monies expended for pension purposes, as follows:

Town of Buena Vista .....	\$1,023.96
Town of Carson .....	1,604.66
Town of Eau Pleine .....	1,258.63
Town of Hull .....	1,583.00
Town of Lanark .....	695.74
Town of Stockton .....	1,672.72
Village of Amherst Junction .....	45.89
Village of Whiting .....	4,101.53

Now, therefore, be it resolved, that the county clerk be, and he is hereby authorized to enter into the tax roll of said units the several amounts remaining due at the time of certifying tax rolls of such units.

Moved by Supervisor Kitowski and seconded by Supervisor Sroda that the resolution be adopted. Motion carried.

Resolution No. 37 was read by the clerk:

**RESOLUTION NO. 37**

November 9, 1955

To the Honorable Chairman and Members of the County Board of Supervisors:  
Gentlemen:

Whereas, it appears by the records of the county that there are certain amounts due the county from units thereof chargeable to municipalities as monies expended for relief purposes, as follows:

Town of Almond .....	\$ 679.91
Town of Eau Pleine .....	1,546.50

Total .....

\$2,226.41

Now, therefore, be it resolved, that the county clerk be, and he is hereby authorized to enter into the roll of said units the several amounts remaining due at the time of certifying tax rolls of such units.

Moved by Supervisor Kitowski and seconded by Supervisor Jurgella that the resolution be adopted. Motion carried.

The following resolution was proposed by Supervisor Nebel:

**RESOLUTION NO. 38**

November 9, 1955

Whereas, the Wisconsin State College football team has a very remarkable record and won all of the conference and non-conference games, and,

Whereas, this has given the board, the State College, and the county of Portage very favorable publicity,

Therefore be it resolved, that the county board wishes to go on record at this time as complimenting the college for their splendid performance.

And be it further resolved, that a copy of this be made a part of our minutes and that also a copy be sent to the athletic department of the college.

HENRY STINSON  
County Board Chairman

HS&CJK:mjt

CHESTER J. KULAS  
County Clerk

Moved by Supervisor Kluck and seconded by Supervisor Kitowski that the resolution be adopted. Motion carried.

A taxpayer, Barney Omernik, came before the board and suggested that some figure be put in as revenue from county owned land sold and during the discussion it was moved by Supervisor Losinski and seconded by Supervisor Wojcik that the item in the budget for county owned land sold be left as is, without any anticipated revenue, because most of the county owned land has been sold and there is very little land left to be sold. Motion carried.

The report of the judiciary committee was read by the clerk as follows:

November 9, 1955

We, your judiciary committee, to whom was referred schedule of claims for damages done by dogs, beg to report as follows:

	Claimed	Allowed
1. Regina Ciseski, 31 leghorn hens killed .....	\$ 49.60	\$41.85
2. George Starks, 7 chickens killed .....	14.00	12.60
3. Veronica Koziczkowski, 2 yearling Holstein heifers killed .....	90.00	81.00

THOMAS GUYANT

EDWARD LOSINSKI

STANLEY KIRSCHLING

FRANK BECK

Moved by Supervisor Krogwold and seconded by Supervisor Kluck that the report be accepted. Motion carried as the clerk called the roll, there being 30 ayes, 1 absent and 3 excused. The following members voted aye: Supervisors H. P. Anderson, Hetzel, Fletcher, Poliwoda, Losinski, Beck, Palek, Wojcik, Morgan, Glaza, Krogwold, Waterman, Burant, Kirschling, Mehne, Guyant, Sroda, Kitowski, C. Anderson, Dobbe, Kluck, Barrows, Frost, Kirby, Jakusz, Clark, Nebel, Jurgella, Steckel and Kinney. Supervisors Swenson, Towne and Jacklin, excused and Supervisor Hannon, absent.

The report of the claims committee was read by the clerk as follows:

November 9, 1955

To the Honorable Chairman and Members of the County Board of Supervisors of Portage County, Wisconsin:

Gentlemen:

We, your committee on claims, met in adjourned session and checked over the claims herein and have allowed or disallowed them as follows:

	Claimed	Allowed
1. A. P. Dobbe, 4 days committee work .....	\$ 40.64	\$ 40.64
2. Russell Krogwold, 14 days committee work .....	147.28	147.28
3. Harold Frost, 5 days committee work .....	55.83	55.83
4. John Kiefer, 9 days committee work .....	75.24	75.24
5. Arleigh Hetzel, 11 days committee work .....	114.40	114.40
6. Harold Mehne, 7 days committee work .....	77.00	77.00
7. Martin Poliwoda, 10 days committee work .....	94.28	94.28

8. Arleigh Hetzel, 5 days committee work .....	51.10	51.10
9. Thomas Guyant, 2 days committee work .....	20.80	20.80
10. Henry Stinson, 3 days committee work .....	33.00	33.00
11. Frank J. Steckel, 1 day committee work .....	8.12	8.12
12. Anton Palek, 2 days committee work .....	22.00	22.00

\$739.69    \$739.69

MARTIN POLIWODA

THOMAS GUYANT

EDWARD LOSINSKI

ARLEIGH HETZEL

JOE SRODA

Claims Committee

Moved by Supervisor Morgan and seconded by Supervisor Krogwold that the report be accepted. Motion carried as the clerk called the roll, there being 30 ayes, 1 absent, and 3 excused. Supervisors Swenson, Towne and Jacklin were excused and Supervisor Hannon, absent.

Moved by Supervisor Losinski, and seconded by Supervisor Burant that the county board members compliment Vilas Waterman on the fine job he has done as chairman of the county board. Motion carried.

Clerk read the report of the mileage and per diem committee as follows:

November 9, 1955

To the Honorable Chairman and Members of the County Board of Supervisors of Portage County, Wisconsin:

Gentlemen:

We, your committee on mileage and per diem, would respectfully report and recommend the adoption of the same and that the chairman and county clerk be instructed to draw an order on the county treasurer for the amounts of \$3.00 per day:

	Days	Mileage	Amount
Harold Anderson .....	7	40	\$ 72.80
Arleigh Hetzel .....	7	40	72.80
Henry Swenson .....	7	46	75.32
Earl Towne .....	7	63	82.46
George Fletcher .....	7	28	67.76
Martin Poliwoda .....	7	16	62.72
Edward Losinski .....	7	18	63.56
Frank Beck .....	7	28	67.76
Anton Palek .....	7	50	77.00
Joseph Wojcik .....	7	6	58.52
Thomas Morgan .....	7	44	74.48
Joe Glaza .....	7	13	61.46
Russell Krogwold .....	7	42	73.64
Vilas Waterman .....	7	40	72.80
Milvern E. Jacklin .....	7	13	61.46
Ted Burant .....	7	28	67.76
Stanley Kirschling .....	7	30	68.60
Harold Mehne .....	7	50	77.00
Thomas Guyant .....	7	40	72.80
Joe Sroda .....	7	36	71.12
Paul Kitowski .....	7	26	66.92
Charles Anderson .....	7	30	68.60
Joseph Hannon .....	7	4	57.68
Ernest Kluck .....	7	4	57.68
A. P. Dobbe .....	7	36	71.12
Allan Barrows .....	7	2	56.84
Harold Frost .....	7	2	56.84
Gilbert Kirby .....	7	2	56.84
John Jakusz .....	7	2	56.84

Ray Clark .....	7	2	56.84
C. E. Nebel .....	7	2	56.84
Vincent Jurgella .....	7	2	56.84
Frank Steckel .....	7	2	56.84
Nat Kinney .....	7	2	56.84
Total .....			\$2,235.38

H. P. ANDERSON  
JOSEPH WOJCIK

Mileage and Per Diem Committee

Moved by Supervisor Krogwold and seconded by Supervisor Losinski that the report be accepted. Motion carried as the clerk called the roll, there being 30 ayes, 1 absent and 3 excused. Supervisors Swenson, Towne and Jacklin were excused and Supervisor Hannon, absent.

Supervisor Swenson entered the room.

Moved by Supervisor Kitowski and seconded by Supervisor Wojcik that the 1956 budget in the sum of \$580,904.52, as read, be adopted. Motion carried as the clerk called the roll, there being 30 ayes, 1 absent and 2 excused. Supervisors Towne, Jacklin and Clark were excused and Supervisor Hannon, absent.

Moved by Supervisor Kinney and seconded by Supervisor Kitowski that the county employes do not have to report to work Saturday morning because of the holiday November 11. Motion carried.

Resolution No. 37 was read by the clerk as follows:

November 9, 1955

**RESOLUTION NO. 37**

Be it hereby resolved by the county board of supervisors of Portage county, Wisconsin, now in annual session assembled that the resolutions, petitions and motions adopted and carried at this meeting and all appropriations made and claims allowed at this meeting be and they are hereby ratified and confirmed in all respects by this board.

PAUL B. KITOWSKI

Moved by Supervisor Kitowski and seconded by Supervisor Jakusz that the resolution be adopted. Motion carried.

Moved by Supervisor C. Anderson and seconded by Supervisor Losinski that the board adjourn subject to call by the county board chairman without a petition. Motion carried.

CHESTER J. KULAS  
County Clerk

STATE OF WISCONSIN)

(SS.

COUNTY OF PORTAGE)

I, Chester J. Kulas, county clerk of said county, and Mary Jane Trzebiatowski, deputy, do hereby certify that the above is a true and correct record of the proceedings of the annual meeting of the county board of supervisors of Portage county, Wisconsin, which was read by the county clerk in the presence of the members of the county board of supervisors and by them approved.

CHESTER J. KULAS  
County Clerk

Attest:

MARY JANE TRZEBIATOWSKI  
Deputy County Clerk

## RULES OF THE BOARD

### Rules Adopted by the Board of Supervisors of Portage County at the November Session, 1931

- Rule 1. The hour for daily meeting of this board shall be 9 o'clock a. m. unless otherwise ordered.
- Rule 2. The chairman shall take the chair at the time to which the board stands adjourned, and the board shall then be called to order, and the roll of members called.
- Rule 3. Upon the appearance of a quorum, the journal of the preceding day shall be read by the clerk, and any mistakes therein may be corrected by the board; provided that upon the last day of the session the journal for that day shall be read by the clerk, and before the final adjournment corrected by the board.
- Rule 4. The chair shall preserve order, and shall decide questions of order, subject to an appeal of the board.
- Rule 5. The chairman shall vote on all questions taken by yeas and naves, except on appeal from his own decisions.
- Rule 6. Every member, previous to his speaking, shall rise and address himself to the chair.
- Rule 7. When two or more members rise at once, the chair shall designate the member who is first to speak. But in all cases, the members who shall first rise and address the chair, shall speak first.
- Rule 8. No motion shall be debated or put unless the same be seconded. It shall be stated by the chairman before debate; and any such motion shall be reduced to writing if any member desires it.
- Rule 9. Every written resolution or motion shall have prefixed thereto the name of the person introducing it. And when ordered by a committee the names of said committee shall be endorsed thereon.
- Rule 10. A vote on any question shall be taken by the yeas and naves when called for by any member of the board.
- Rule 11. No rule of the board shall be suspended, altered or amended without the concurrence of two-thirds of the members present.
- Rule 12. On the meeting of the board after the reading and the correcting of the journal of the preceding day, the order of business shall be as follows: 1st. Reception of petitions, memorials, etc. 2d. Resolutions may be offered and considered. 3d. Reports of committees and consideration thereof. 4th. Consideration of miscellaneous business on the table.
- Rule 13. No account or claim against the county shall be audited unless it be made out in items, and duly verified, and be filed with the clerk of the board in the manner prescribed by law, except as provided by Chapter 153, General Laws of 1868, unless by consent of two-thirds of the members present.
- Rule 14. As amended November, 1898: All resolutions appropriating money shall be voted upon by yeas and naves, and shall not be acted upon until the next day after presentation, without the consent of the majority of the members elected.
- Rule 15. It shall be the duty of the chairman of all committees to report work completed, or progress of work, upon the call of committees according to Rule 12.

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Hon. Herbert A. Bunde .....	Circuit Judge
Wis. Rapids, Wis.	
Clarence L. Olk .....	Circuit Court Reporter
P. O. Stevens Point, Wis.	
John J. Haka .....	District Attorney
Ethel Anderson .....	Clerk of Court
Elizabeth Yach .....	Deputy Clerk of Courts
Hon. James H. Levi .....	County Judge
Dorothy Kardach .....	Register in Probate
Eleanor Krubsack .....	County Court Reporter
Chester J. Kulas .....	County Clerk
Mary Jane Trzebiatowski .....	Deputy Clerk
Della Yingling .....	Deputy Clerk
Edward D. Haka .....	Register of Deeds
Donna Golke .....	Deputy Register of Deeds
Stephen F. Moiski .....	County Treasurer
Florence Moiski .....	Deputy County Treasurer
M. P. Pinkerton .....	County Agent
Leonard F. Luce .....	4-H Club Agent
Joyce Kruger .....	Home Demonstration Agent
Florian A. Krutza .....	Sheriff
Emil R. Meshak .....	Undersheriff
John Dzikoski, Jr. ....	Coroner
Florian A. Krutza .....	Deputy Coroner
Rowena L. Allen .....	Superintendent of Schools
Ronald Piekarski .....	Supervising Teacher
W. W. Clark, Vesper .....	State Senator
P. O. Stevens Point, Wis.	
John T. Kostuck .....	Assemblyman
P. O. Stevens Point, Wis.	
Hassell Vaughn .....	} County Veterans Service Commission
George Somers .....	
P. O. Stevens Point, Wis.	
James Crowley .....	} Jury Commissioners
P. O. Stevens Point, Wis.	
Robert E. Kostka .....	
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Perry Worden .....	County Highway Commissioner
Neal Ketchum .....	} Highway Motor Police
Raymond Kitowski .....	
William Kvatek .....	
Myles Burcham .....	
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Dr. A. G. Dunn .....	Eye, Ear, Nose and Throat Physician
Henry W. Stinson .....	Chairman County Board
Vilas Waterman .....	Vice Chairman County Board
Reuben B. Lewis .....	Welfare Director—Service Officer
Ruth Gilfry .....	County Nurse
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