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Minutes of Board Meeting Held Feb 6th 1925
Minutes of Board meeting held on above date to
transact the business as advertised concerning
a proposed road in Sec 1, Town 137 R 27
W. P. M. Board met at P. M. in said sec
and after hearing arguments from both
sides for and against said proposed
road they adjourned to the Town hall
for further discussion of said road
after hearing arguments further concerning
said proposed road the meeting adjourned
to March 3rd for further hearing
at this juncture the Surveyor J. W. Curo
that the Board employed to survey and
plat the road known as white line No 8
came in to submit his report
report duly submitted and allowed

Feb 6th 1925

Minutes of meeting of the Supervisors of Watertown
Sp. held on above date called to consider the
advisability of having white line ^{road} No 8 surveyed
and platted said road beginning at the old R. R.
bed and the Stone school house and then
running west to Town line. After due
deliberation the Board ordered John Curo
of Jenkins to survey and plat said road
The Board ordered the Clk to get an
estimate of 8 miles of municipal
telephone line complete

Adjourned

H. J. Butterfield

Present. D. Erickson Ch H Gould & Ford
Secret

Feb 24th 1925

Minutes of Board meeting held on above date to transact the business as advertised concerning a proposed road in Sec 16 T. 137 R. 27 W. P. M. Board met at 1 P.M. in said sec and after hearing arguments from both sides for and against said proposed road, they adjourned to the Town hall for further discussion of said road after hearing arguments further concerning said proposed road the meeting adjourned to Feb 3rd for further hearing.

at this junction the surveyor J. W. Curo that the Board employed to survey and plat the road known as white line 508 came in to submit his report report duly submitted and allowed and orderd payed

Members Present W. Erickson Chm
 J. Seckel Sup H. Gould Sup
 H. G. Butterfield Clk

March 3rd 1925

Minutes of Board of Auditors for the Year of Watertown, Crowding to minn.

Members Present-

- W. Erickson, Chairman
 - A. Gould Supervisor
 - F. Secker "
 - H. G. Butterfield Clerk
 - P. L. Newman T. Treas
- } Full Board

Meeting called to order by chairman
 It was ascertained by the road overseer report that the cost of road maintenance, from Carls mail box to the Stow school house, a distance of two miles was \$279.75; an average of \$139 $\frac{1}{2}$ per mile

After thoroughly going over the town treasurers books, for the year 1924 the auditing board seemed to be satisfied and approved the same

They then proceeded to levy the necessary tax for the year 1925.

There being nothing further before the board they adjourned at 5, P.M.

Attest H. G. Butterfield
 Town Clerk

March 17-1925

Minutes of Board meeting held on above date, meeting called to order by the clerk and official oaths were sworn to and signed by the newly elected town officers.

Fritz Secker was elected

Town Chairman for the ensuing year of 1925

The board then appointed J. D. Taylor road overseer for the township roads other than the roads that are being maintained by

Boozell + Stone

Moved seconded & carried that the wages for the road employees be 35 cts. per hour and work eight hours per day, i.e. from 8 o'clock A.M. to 12, from ~~one~~ 1 o'clock to 5 P.M.

W. H. Boozell was appointed road maintainance man from the Carl's mail box to the Waggett brook bridge. Wm Stone was appointed to maintain the Road from Waggett brook bridge to the Stone school house. Wages for man + team to be 70 cts. per hour during 1925.

Moved seconded & carried that Ernie Pittelkou be given the maintainance of the road from the Pittelkou mail box to the north line of

Ed Kimball's farm, adjourned for dinner, 1 P.M.

Board reconvened for further discussion of the telephone lines. Moved sec. & carried that the Town buy the necessary amount of telephone poles from Lawrence Barber at prices as submitted by his agent Wm Stone Jr.

Moved, sec. & carried that the board go and look over the proposed telephone lines, and have the clerk make a map of the lines as selected by them.

Adjourned to Mch 23/25

Attest H. G. Butterfield

Town Clerk

April 7th 1925

Minutes of board meeting held on above date
Full board present:

Rundgren car was hired to haul the board over the several different roads to ascertain the number of miles of the proposed telephone line was in the township and how many feet of dip wire would be needed, after going over the afor said roads, the board met at the Town Hall, and payed of outstanding time checks

Board then adjourned

Attest H. G. Butterfield Town Clerk

April 15th 1925

Board met pursuant to call, and went to Brainerd to see about Telephone connection also see an attorney to look up the business of the township issuing bonds for the proposed telephone line, after making an appointment to meet the manager of Bell telephone Co on the following Saturday the 18th of April 1925, they then called on Attorney M. E. Ryan of Brainerd and employed him to take the preliminary steps to fix up the proposed Township bonds for financing the proposed Telephone line they then returned home and adjourned

Attest H. G. Butterfield

Town Clerk

April 22nd 1925

Office of Town Clerk, Watertown Connecticut & State of Minn. Board was called by Brainerd undertaker, E. M. Mc. Namara to attend to the burial of Frank Allen of Watertown, who died in the Sisters hospital of said city, Harry Gould E. O. Rugger & H. G. Butterfield went to Brainerd and ordered the coffin and made all necessary preparations for burying the corpse, Harry Gould hired Am. G. Stimpson truck and driver, and went over

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to Braintree and brought the corpse to the
Watertown cemetery. In the mean time Rundgren
and Butterfield selected the grave site and hired
Ester Bozger to dig the grave & fire saw after the
body was lowered into it, after interment the
board went to the residence of the late Frank
Allen and procured all the valuable papers of his
and sent them to the Probate court. The board then
sealed the house, until such time as the probate
court authorizes the sale of Allen's personal
effects. The probate court appoints Harry Jones
administrator of the property.

At 6:30 P.M. the board again reconvenes
to appoint a road overseer, viz. J. D. Taylor
resigned, also to appoint a town treasurer, viz.
P. L. Newman resigned, as Mr Newman has
moved out of the township.

After due deliberation the appointer, C. H. Carl
as town treasurer, viz. P. L. Newman resigned
also appointer Emil Rittelkou road overseer, viz.
J. D. Taylor resigned

The clerk was then requested to communicate
with some electric co. beside the Concord of Chicago
and get bids on the necessary equipment of the
proposed telephone system of Watertown.

The clerk was also requested to get the addition
of some responsible bonding co. with a view to
bonding the newly appointed town treasurer
C. H. Carl.

Adjourned

Attest

H. G. Butterfield

Town Clerk

April 20, 1925

Minutes of board meeting held on above date -
Members present - H. Gould } Supervisors
E. O. Rundgren }
H. G. Butterfield - Clerk

Board met to confer with bidders for hauling telephone poles & distributing same along the lines as designated by the town board. The board then passed a resolution to confer with the manager of the Northwestern Telephone Co at Brainerd to make arrangements for telephone connection with same.

Proposed to get bids from the Western Electric Co for the equipment of the township proposed telephone system.

After seeing the manager of the N.W. Telephone Co at Brainerd, the agent will let the board know by letter or in person in a few days the best terms they will give us for switching facilities.

After conferring with James Stumwalt of Emery concerning the hauling of the tel poles, it was agreed to let said Stumwalt have the job of hauling at 25 cts per pole, providing no one else bids cheaper.

The Board then adjourned

Attest - H. G. Butterfield
M. C.

April 29th 1925

Minutes of board meeting held in above dated Board met pursuant to call of clerk, at 8.00 a.m., all members present.

They then proceeded to estimate the total cost of the telephone equipment as bid by the Monarch Telephone Co. of Chicago, F. O. B. Brainerd Minn.

They audited and allowed all bills standing out against the township, and instructed the clerk to issue orders for the same.

After due deliberation of the Western Electric Company, and finding their bid 2% lower than the other bidders, they decided to let the contract to the Western.

It was further agreed by the Western agent & the board, in case the township does not build the proposed telephone line the contract is mutually canceled.

Resolved that the town treasurer be instructed to use the Farmers State Bank of Pequot Minn. as the depository of all money belonging to the town.

Adjourned

Attest, H. G. Butterfield
Town Clerk

May 9th 1925

Minutes of board meeting held on above date
Members Present-

G. Secker, chm	} Supervisor
H. Gould	
E. O. Burdger	
H. G. Butterfield Clerk	

Meeting convened for business at 2 o'clock P. M. sharp.

By orders of State Federal Bank of St. Paul Minn. it was moved, sec. & carried that the special election be held on May 23rd 1925 from 9 o'clock A. M. to 5 o'clock P. M. to vote on the question of issuing township bonds, to the amount of \$5000.00, Five thousand dollars for the purpose of purchasing & building the proposed telephone lines that was voted at the spring election.

Resolved that the town bonds be issued at \$500.00 "Five hundred", and to issue 10 bonds (ten) first bond to mature at the end of five years at 4 1/2% then one each year following until all are paid.

The disputed time of Tom Newman for burning brush on the public highway known as the old Rail Road grad. was paid by the town chairman Fritz Secker, and the town reimbursed Mr Secker the full amt (\$245.00) so V. asst. for verification of same.

Adjourned Sin di

Attest H. G. Butterfield
Town Clerk

Office of Town Clerk of Watertown
Crawling Co Minn

Minutes of board meeting, held this
23rd day of May A. D. 1925:

Board convened for the purpose of holding a special election, by unanimous vote of those present it was agreed to hold the election without a moderator. Polls were duly opened and after 15 votes it was ascertained that the election was improperly called therefore the meeting was nullified and upon motion of sup. E. C. Rundgren seconded by H. Gould, the clerk was instructed to write up a petition and secure the requisite no. of signatures (12) of freeholders of the town to call another special election legally to vote on the bond question immediately after the petition was written and handed over to the board, there being present over 12 freeholders the petition was signed and returned to the clerk who was then instructed by the board to post the requisite special election notices, giving the usual ten day notice.

The board then proceeded to pay the road men the wages due them and adjourned

without day

Attest: H. G. Butterfield
Town Clerk

Office of Town Clerk
of Watertown Counciling Co. Minn
June 5th 1925

Minutes of Special Election held
in said town on June 5th 1925.
Meeting called to order by town
clerk.

Members present

F. Seckel, Town Chairman
Harry Gould Supervisor
E. C. Rundgren "
H. G. Butterfield Town Clerk.

F. Seckel acting ballot-box judge
E. C. Rundgren acting ballot-judge
Harry Gould " watching "
H. G. Butterfield " Clerk.

Poles opened at 9 o'clock A. M. closed
at 5 o'clock P. M.

J. W. Stone was chosen moderator

This special election was held by there
being a petition of the requisite number
of freeholders of the township signing
said petition. The object of this
special election was for the purpose
of ascertaining the views of those who
are qualified voters of the town of
Watertown for issuing town bonds to
finance the proposed telephone lines that
were voted at the spring election.

There were twenty five (25) votes
cast.

(over)

June 22nd 1925

Minutes of Board meeting held on above date
meeting called to ~~review~~ review the assessors books &
do any other that may come before the Board

Members Present

- F. Szekel Chr
 - E. C. Rundgren Sup.
 - H. Gould " " }
 - L. Sanford Assessor }
 - H. G. Butterfield Clk
- Full Board

After reading minutes of previous
meeting by the Clerk the Board proceeded
the Board proceeded to review the
assessors books

Moved by E. C. Rundgren & Seconded
by H. Gould that the assessors be accepted
motion carried

Moved by E. C. Rundgren & Sec by H. Gould
The board proceed to audit the accounts
of the road overseer's crew carried
the Clerk was instructed to issue
the Town warrants for each workman
as per the overseer books which was done

The Board then adjourned

Attested H. G. Butterfield
C. Clk.

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Office of the Town Clk

Watertown Minn

Crosslake P.O. 7-13th 25

Minutes of Board meeting held on above date. This meeting was called by the Town Clerk to have the Board act on the Telephone bond question as per instructions from the Township's Attorney M. C. Ryan.

Meeting call to order by
Chairman

Members present

F. Sreekel Chm

O. C. Rundquist Sup.

H. J. Butterfield

} Gould absent

Reading of the minutes of the previous meeting dispensed with as the Attorney had, had the Town record book so long the Clk had not had time to record them.

In accordance with Ryan's instruction it was resolved by O. C. Rundquist & Sec by F. Sreekel that there be another Special Election called by the Board for the purpose of voting on the bonds question thereupon the Clerk was instructed to post the usual 3 notices giving 10 day notice of said Special election carried

As the Road overseer failed to bring in the road mens time there was no one payed off

There being no other business before the meeting the Board adjourned

attested H. J. Butterfield

Aug 18th 1925

Board met pursuant to call of the Towns
Atty. and proceeded to approve of the reduction
of 1/4% on the Town Bonds as per the following
instructions of the Towns Atty. Reig

August 18th 1925.

Board of Supervisors met on above date on the shore of Phelps Lake at 14 spot or as near as the lake permits on Parish line No 5. Sec 24 T 137, R 27. West of 5th Principle Meridian. Full board present; the purpose of this meeting was to view the proposed new road or advelises, and hear all parties for or against the proposed road, after viewing the said proposed road and there being no opposition the road was granted for description of above mentioned road see Road petition on file in clerks office. The board then adjourned to the town hall and took up the business of the proposed telephone system of the township, and the bonds for same as per instructions of the townships attorney (M. E. Ryan.

The agent of the N.M. Electric Co was on hand at met the board at 11:30 A.M.

After a lengthy discussion of the telephone business, it was moved by Gould, & seconded by Rundgren that the switch board be dispensed with, there being no opposition.

The motion prevailed, after further argument, it was resolved unanimously that the original agreement with the N.M. Electric be cancelled and a new agreement drawn up if it was so done.

There being no further business before the board they adjourned without day.

Attest H. G. Butterfield
Your Clerk

August - 25th 1925

Board met pursuant to call of the Town Chairman at 8 o'clock P.M. on above date

Members present, F. Secker Chairman
H. Gould Supervisor
O. C. Rundgren "
H. S. Butterfield Clerk

It was ascertained that there would be about 20 tons of hauling from Brainerd to the Township of telephone equipment, such as wire poles etc. for completing the proposed telephone system of the township.

After due deliberation of purchasing telephone poles Rundgren moved that the board advertise for bids for same, contract to be let to the lowest responsible bidder, motion seconded by Gould, there being no opposition the motion carried.

Moved by Gould & seconded by Rundgren that there be three notices posted in the Town and one notice published in the Brainerd Tribune, motion carried.

The poles to be distributed by the successful bidder along the road, where the board designates. The board further reserves the right to reject any & all bids.

The board will receive bids on poles up to & including Sep 19th 1925; bids close at 3:00 P.M.

Moved by Rundgren & sec by Gould that the board advertise for bids on telephone equipment, but hold this motion over, until we see the Township Attorney, and get his opinion on the legality of the agreement already made with the N.W. Electric Co. There being no further business before the board, they adjourn, in due attestation, H. S. Butterfield Clerk

Sep 22nd 1925

Minutes of board meeting held on above date. This meeting was called by the Town chairman F. Secker, meeting called to order by chairman.

Reading of minutes of previous meeting read and approved.

The board of supervisors proceeded to examine the various freight bills & expenses of unloading and storing the townships telephone equipment, as performed by the town clerk after due deliberation, it was moved by Rurdgen & sec by Jones that the clerk draw warrants for the town treasurer to pay the amount the clerk had already payed out and also a warrant to cover the expenses of unloading and storing the balance of the telephone equipment that is lying on side track in Braman, there being no objection the motion prevailed.

Moved by Rurdgen & Sec by Jones that the board go and see the Banker that holds the mortgage on the Barber tel poles, and make a deal if possible.

Motion carried

Moved by Rurdgen & Sec by Secker that the expenser of the treasurer be payed for his trip to the Regus bank to take up the town orders held by said bank, motion carried.

There being no further business before the board they adjourned without day.

Attest: A. G. Butterfield
of Watertown Envelope Co. Town Clerk

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Minutes of Board meeting held Sept 22nd/25

Members present } Fr. Seckel Chmn
 } H. Gould Sup
 } O. E. Rundgren
 } H. S. Bullenfield Clk

Meeting called to order by Chairman
 at 10 A. M sharp. there being no sealed
 bid received for telephone poles the
 Board are at liberty to purchase in
 the open market

Motion made by H. Gould & Sec by
 O. E. Rundgren that they go right ahead
 at having the telephone ^{poles} gotten out

Legar Allen is to get out 100 or more

Wm. Bogzell	100	"	"	100	} to be delivered at 40 cents a pole 16 ft poles 5 in tops sealed
Wright	"	"	"	200	
Frank Gordon	"	"	"	200	

carried

Motion made by O. E. Rundgren & Sec
 by H. Gould that Wilmet Brunner bid
 on telephone poles to be delivered along
 the line be accepted contract to be drawn
 up in writing carried He is also to let them
 have tel poles at same price in spring if needed

Motion made by Rundgren that Frank Gordon
 be appointed to oversee the work of digging & setting
 the telephone posts & staking and putting on the brackets
 and insulators. that his wages shall be the same
 as the road workers is viz 4 7/2 cts per hour Sec
 by Harry Gould carried

Motion made by O. E. Rundgren that one
 hundred and twenty five dollars be expended
 on like line continued up to white St Sec
 by Fr. Seckel carried

Motion made by O. E. Rundgren that Mr
 Robin bill be paid Sec by Fr. Seckel carried
 there being no further business before the house the Board adjourns

H. S. Bullenfield
 of own clerk

Minutes of Board Meeting held Sep 29th 1925

Members Present {
 Fr. Seckel Chm
 H. Gould Sec
 O. O. Rundgreen "
 H. G. Butterfield Clk

Meeting called to order by Chm at 10 A.M. there being no sealed bids for telephone poles received the board are at liberty to purchase in the open market

Motion made by H. Gould sec by O. O. Rundgreen that they go right ahead at having the tel poles gotten out motion carried

The following offers were received and accepted to furnish poles viz

attached {
 H. G. Butterfield
 Town Clerk

- D. Allen to furnish poles 100 or more
- Coz Boozell " " 100
- S. O. Wright " " 200
- Frank Gordon " " 200

said poles to be 5 or 6 in top, 16 ft long at 40 cents per pole delivered along the line

Motion made by O. O. Rundgreen Sec by H. Gould that Wilmer Breunnen bid on tel poles to be delivered along the line be accepted contract to be drawn in duplicate

he is also to furnish poles at the same price in the spring if needed motion carried

Motion made by O. O. Rundgreen sec by H. Gould that Frank Gordon be appointed foreman on the setting of the poles putting on cross arms and insulators at the same wages as the road overseer gets ie 47 1/2 cts per hour Gordon to use his truck on the line at 1.50 per day and hauling tel equipment from Brainard as needed at \$3.00 per hundred motion carried

Motion made by O. O. Rundgreen Sec by Seckel that \$125.00 be expended on dyke line road Heath S.W. corner to the intersection of white line road 5605 in Sec 21-137-27 motion carried

Motion made by O. O. Rundgreen sec by Fr. Seckel that Sam Sobus bill for moving cemeteries be paid motion carried

Minutes of Board meeting held on above date
 this meeting was called by the Clerk to transact
 all the business that had accumulated after
 the Sep. 29th meeting

all members present

Fred Seckel Chm

O. C. Rundgreen Sec

H. Gould "

H. J. Butterfield Clk

Moved by O. C. Rundgreen that W. Barnum
 be paid \$275.00 as he failed to deliver
 the poles as contracted for motion sec by H. Gould
 motion carried

Moved by H. Gould & Sec by F. Seckel that
 the town pay the Western electric co
 \$3000.00 on this date & hold ^{back} the balance
 \$528.41 until the line is completed
 motion carried

Motion made by O. C. Rundgreen Sec by
 H. Gould that the proposition of the County
 engineer be accepted (by the Township to
 furnish a culvert for the big spring and the
 county will install said culvert
 motion carried

Moved by H. Gould Sec by O. C. Rundgreen
 that the road running from the steel bridge
 (known as the dike road) to white line road be
 completed immediat that is to cut it out and
 pull stumps motion carried

Moved by Rundgreen & Sec by F. Seckel that
 Ezra Kruger be hired to put up the wires
 and install the telephones of the Town wages
 to be five dollars (\$5.00) per day for eight
 hours a day and that the act is for man motion carried

Motion made by O. C. Rundgreen & Sec by Harry
 Gould that the Clerk write to J. W. Curo of
 Jenkins and have him come and survey the
 proposed road as petitioned for by Mrs. Harrison
 et. al. motion carried

H. J. Butterfield
 Sec.

Minutes of Board meeting held 10-23-25
 meeting call to straighten out the labor trouble
 on telephone line

Members Present { F. Seckel Chm
 H. Gould Sup
 O. C. Rundgreen
 H. G. Butterfield Clk

minutes of previous meeting read & approved
 This being a general call for a public hearing
 there were quite a number of the residents availed
 themselves of the call and attended the discussion

Motion made by O. C. Rundgreen & Sec by Henry
 Gould that they get an experience man to put up
 the wire and install the phones ^{and act as foreman} motion carried

Motion made by O. C. Rundgreen & Sec by Henry
 Gould that they draw an order for Mr Callie
 for ninety dollars for his 2 percent on 4500.00
 dollars expended motion carried

Motion made by O. C. Rundgreen & Sec by Frank
 Seckel that the Clerk ~~order~~ from the western line
 that the Clinton pair of wire splicing and
 cartons cutters motion carried ^{as usual}

Board adjourned
 H. G. Butterfield
 S. C.

Nov 7th 1925

Minutes of Board meeting held on above date
this meeting was call to transact the
nere every business that had accumulated
since the last meeting

Members present

E. Seckel Chm

H. Gould Sup.

H. G. Butterfield Clk

Meeting call to order by Chairman

minutes of previous meeting read and
approved

The Board then proceeded to audit
accounts of the various crews such as the
Road & Bridge crew Telephone and Survey crew
finding all accounts correct the clerk
proceeded to issue Town orders for all
workmen also to the different parties
that had furnished telephone poles to the
Township's tel system

The Clerk then turned over to the Town
the tools that he had orderd as per instruction
of Supervisors Seckel & Rundgreen

There being no further business
before the Board they adjourned

Attested H. G. Butterfield

Town Clerk

Minutes of Board Meeting held Nov 21st 20

This meeting called by the Town Clerk to pay off
the Township employees

Members Present

F. Seckel Town Chairman

H. Gould Sup

H. G. Butterfield Clerk

The Board proceeded to audit the various
accounts as turned in by the road overseer
and the Telephone time keeper after carefully
going over said accts the Supervisors approved
the same and signed the verified accounts
as per law of Township.

Moved by Gould and sec by Seckel that the
Clerk be instructed to order 1 dozen
Transformation brackets motion carried
There being no further business before
the Board they adjourned without day

Attested H. G. Butterfield
Town Clerk

Office of Town Clerk

Township of Watertown Minn Dec 12th /25
 Minutes of Board meeting held on above date
 meeting called by Town Clerk to pay off Township
 employees, There being a vacancy in the
 Supervisors office by reason of E. C. Rundgreen
 moving out of the Township, quite a number
 of the residents were present to urge the
 appointment of a Supervisor to fill said
 vacancy after a short discussion of the
 subject, it was moved by Harry Gould and
 Sec by F. Seckel that the office of Superm
 of E. C. Rundgreen office be declared
 vacant motion carried

Moved by Harry Gould + Sec by F. Seckel
 that ~~Wm~~ Buchke be appointed Supervisor
 vice E. C. Rundgreen removal motion carried

The Board proceeded to audit the various
 accts of the employees of the Town and the Clerk
 issued town orders for all accounts up to date
 i.e. Dec 12th /25

there being no further business before
 the Board they

adjourned without day

Attested H. G. Butterfield

Town Clerk

Members present at above meeting

F. Seckel Town Chairman

H. Gould Supervisor

H. G. Butterfield Clerk

Minutes of Board Meeting held Dec 22nd/25

Members Present { F. Seckel Chmn
H. Gould Sup
Wm Buchite "
H. G. Butterfield Clk

This meeting was called by the Chairman to discuss the proposition of the Bell Tel Co as the using their poles from Menifield to Brainerd

Minutes of previous meeting read and approved

Moved by H. Gould Sec by Wm Buchite that the Clerk write to the Tel Agt and have him come and meet the Board of Supervisor and check over the whole contract of tel equipm as furnished by the Western electric Co

Motion carried

Motion made by H. Gould & Sec by Wm Buchite that all the telephone work be stopped until they find how things are concerning on the tel line and when & where the Town can make the connection Motion carried

There being no more business before the Board they adjourned with out the day

Attested H. G. Butterfield

Town Clerk.