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Township Clk. of Jackson Twp.) (Filed for Record Nov. 11th 1901
to)Cert. of Special Election (at 8:00 o'clock A.M.
County Auditor)to vote tax in aid of D.M. & S.R.R.)(W.H.Vance, Recorder.

To the County Auditor of Madison County, Iowa:

I, J. C. Sawhill, Township Clerk of Jackson Township in Madison County, and State of Iowa, hereby certify that on the 25th day of October A.D. 1901, there was a petition of the resident freehold tax-payers of Jackson Township, Madison County, Iowa, presented to the trustees of said Township, asking that a special election be called to submit to the legal voters of said Township, the question,-Shall a tax of five per cent (5%) be levied on the assessed valuation thereof for the year Nineteen Hundred Two (1902), for the purpose of aidi g the Des Moines Southern Railway Company in the construction of a line of railroad from a point on the line of the Chicago Great Western Railway in Warren County, Iowa, by the way of and through said jackson township, running to a point within four miles of the North line thereof, to a point within the incorporated limits of the town of Greenfield, Adair County, Iowa, upon the conditions set forth in said petition, which are hereinafter set out.

That said trustees of said jackson Township in said County and State, on said 25 day of October A.D. 1901, found that said petition contained the genuine signatures of a majority of the resident freehold tax-payers of said Jackson Township, and there and then ordered that a special election be held at the regular voting place, the Center School House, in said Township of jackson in said County and State, on the 7th day of November A.D. 1901, and immediately gave notice of a special election by publishing the same in the Winterset madisonian, a weekly newspaper published in Winterset in Madison County, Iowa, and also by posting copies of said notice in five (5) public places in Jackson Township, for more than ten days before said election was held; an exact copy of which notice is hereto attached, marked exhibit "A" and incorporated in and made a part of this certificate, and that said notice was and is in words and figures as follows, to-wit:

"Notice of Special Election."

"To the legal voters of Jackson Township, in Madison County, State of Iowa:

Whereas, a petition has this day been presented to the undersigned, the Trustees of Jackson Township, Madison County, Iowa, signed by a majority of the resident freehold tax-payers of said Township, asking that a secial election be called to submit to the legal voters of said Township, the question: "Shall a tax of five (5) per cent be levied upon the assessed valuation thereof for the year nineteen hundred and two (1902 for the purpose of aiding the Des Moines Southern Railway Company in the construction of a line of railroad from a point on the line of the Chicago Great Western Railway in Warren County, Iowa, by the way of and through said Jackson Township, running to a point within four miles of the North line thereof, to a point within the incorporated limits of the town of Greenfield, Adair County, Iowa, upon the following conditions to wit:

1st. That said Company locate and build within the limits od said ~~Jackson~~ Township of Jackson, Madison County, Iowa, a depot for the transaction of its business and the convenience of the people.

2nd. That said railroad shall be of standard guage, and be graded, tied and railed with not less that sixty pound rails, and be so completed by the thirty-first day of December A.D. 1904, ready for the regular operation of traina over the same from the said point on the Chicago Great Western Railway to the depot in the said Township of ~~J~~ Jackson, Madison County, Iowa."

3rd. Said tax shall be leived when the ordinary taxes are leived in the year nineteen hundred and two (1902); the one half thereof to be collected when the ordinary taxes are collected in the year nineteen hundred and three (1903), and one half collected when the ordinary taxes are collected in the yaar nineteen hundred and four (1904), and paid to the said Des Moines Southern Railway Company when said railroad is

completed as above stated and within the time specified, but should the said railroad be so completed before all the taxes herein specified are collected, the amount so collected at the time of the completion thereof as above stated, shall be due and payable to the said company and the balance thereof shall be payable as thereafter collected.

4th. In no case shall any part of the said tax be paid to said Company until the road is so completed ready for the operation of trains over the same from the said point in Warren County, Iowa, to the depot in Jackson Township, Iowa.

5th. In case of a failure on the part of said Company to comply with any one or more of said conditions or should the road build over a route that does not go through the said Township, or if nothing is done toward locating said line before September 1st,1902,said tax shall be forfeited and never be paid to said Company; and on such failure, the trustees of Jackson Township, madison County, Iowa, may at once certify such fact to the Board of Supervisors of Madison County, Iowa, who may then cancel and abate the tax.

Now therefore, it appearing to the said Trustees that the said petition is signed by a majority of the resident freehold tax-payers of Jackson Township, Madison County, Iowa, and that it is in conformity with law and sufficient under the requirements thereof,

It is hereby ordered that a special election be held at the regualr voting place, the Center School House, in said Township of Jackson, Madison County, Iowa, on the 7th day of November A.D. 1901, at which time and place the question of aiding the Des Moines Southern Rail way Company as aforesaid, under the conditions aforesaid, shall be submitted to the legal voters of said Township of Jackson, Madison County, Iowa.

Dated at Pitzer,Iowa, this 25th day of October A.D. 1901.

W. L. Niblo)
M. W. Bennett) Trustees.
J. C. Creswell)

Attest: J. C. Sawhill, Township Clerk."

That on the 7th day of November A.D. 1901, an election was held as provided in said notice, and that at said election there was cast by legal voters, One Hunderd and Ten ballots in favor of the proposition hereinafter set out, and Ninety ballots against said proposition total number of ballots cast, 203: and that the majority in favor of said proposition was Twenty ballots.

That the proposition which was submitted to the aforesaid voters and voted on by each of them, was in words and figures as follows, to-wit:

"Official Ballot for Special Election on November 7, 1901."

"Shall the Board of Supervisors of Madison County, Iowa, levy a tax of (5) per cent on the assessed or taxable property of jackson Township, Madison county, Iowa, for the year nineteen hundred and two (1902), for the purpose of aiding the Des Moines Southern Railway Company in the construction of a line of railroad from a point on the line of the Chicago Great Western Railway in Warren County, Iowa, by the way of and through the said Township running to a point within four miles of the north line thereof, to a point within the incorporated limits of the town of Greenfield,"Adair County, Iowa, upon the following conditions, to-wit:

1st. That said Company locate and build within the limits of said Township of Jackson, Madison County, Iowa, a depot for the transaction of its business and for the convenience of the people.

2nd. That said railroad shall be of standard guage, and be graded, tied and railed with not less than sixty pound rails and be so completed by the thirty-first day of December A.D. 1904, ready for the operation of trains over the same from the said point on the Chicago Great Western Railway to the depot in the said Township of Jackson, Madison County, Iowa.

3rd. Said tax shall be levied when the ordinary taxes are levied in the year nineteen hundred two (1902); the one half thereof to be collected when the ordinary taxes are collected in the year nineteen hundred three (1903), and one half collected when the ordinary taxes are collected in the year nineteen hundred four (1904), and paid to said Des Moines Southern Railway Company when said railroad is completed as above stated and within the time specified, but should the said road be so completed before all taxes herein specified are collected, the amount so collected at the time of the completion thereof, as above stated, shall be due and payable to the said Company and the balance thereof shall be payable as thereafter collected.

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5th. In case of a failure on the part of the said Company to comply with any one or more of said conditions or should the road build over a route that does not go through the said Township,or if nothing is done toward locating the said line before September 1st,1902, said tax shall be forfeited and never be paid to said Company; and on such failure the Trustees of Jackson Township, Madison County, Iowa, may at once certify such fact to the Board of Supervisors of Madison County, Iowa, who may then cancel and abate the tax."

"Yes ( )"

"No ( )"

And that on the back of the ballot containing the aforesaid proposition, there was endorsed the following, to-wit:

"Special Official Ballot, November 7, 1901."

"For voting a Five Per Cent Tax on the taxable property of jackson Township, Madison County, Iowa, in the year 1902, to aid the Des Moines Southern Railway Company in constructing a railroad.

Jackson Township, Madison County, Ia.

H. A. Mueller
County Auditor.
J. C. Sawhill
Township Clerk.
M. W. Bennett
Judge.

And that the Board of Supervisors are hereby commanded as shown by the result of said election, to levy a tax of five per cent (5%) on the assessed or taxable property of the Township of Jackson in the County of Madison and State of Iowa, in the year nineteen hundred two (1902), in favor of the Des Moines Southern Railway Company, one half thereof to be collected in the year nineteen hundred three (1903), and the other half in the year nineteen

four (1904), and to be paid to said Company when it shall fulfill the conditions s et forth in the aforesaid proposition.

Witness my hand as Township Clerk, in the Township of Jackson, County of Madison, State of Iowa, this 9th day of November, 1901.

J. C. Sawhill
Clerk of Jackson Township, Madison County, Iowa.

"Exhibit A"

"Notice of Special Election."

"To the leg al voters of Jackson Township, Madison County, Iowa:

Whereas, a petition has this day been presented to the undersigned, the Trustees of Jackson Township, Madison County, Iowa, signed by a majority of the resident freehold tax payers of said Township, asking that a special election be c alled to submit to the legal voters of said Township, the question; "Shall a tax of Five (5) per cent be leived upon the assessed valuation thereof for the year nineteen hundred and two (1902) for the purpose of aiding the Des Moines Southern Railway Company in the construction of a line of railroad from a point on the line of the Chicago Great Western Railway in Warren County, Iowa, by the way of and through said Jackson Township, running to a poin within four miles of the north line thereof, to a point within the incorporated limits of the town of Greenfield, Adair county, Iowa, upon the following conditions, to-wit:

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Now therefore, it appearing to the trustees that the said petition is signed by a majority of the resident freehold tax-payers of Jackson Township, madison County, Io wa, and that it is in conformity with the law and sufficient under the requirements thereof, It is hereby ordered that a special election be held at the regular voting place, the center School House, in said Township of Jackson, Madison County, Iowa, on the 7th day of November A.D. 1901, at which time and place the question of aiding the Des Moines Southern Railway Company as aforesaid, under the conditions aforesaid, shall be submitted to the legal voters of said Township of Jackson, Madison County, Iowa.

Dated at Pitzer, Iowa, this 25th day of October A.D. 1901.

W. L. Niblo, :
M. Wm. Bennett : Trustees.
J. C. Cresswell :

Attest: J. C. Sawhill, Township Clerk."