

A petition was presented asking for the building of a bridge over the Wild Rice River on the section line between Sections 12, 13, 14 & 11 in Township (131) Range (53) west.

Upon full consideration of said petition it is ordered by this Board that J. S. Gray, E. D. Post, and John Herman be appointed a committee to view the location of the proposed bridge fix upon its site and draw up Plan and Specification for the same stating the material to be used and an estimate of the cost and report the same at the next meeting of the Board.

O. C. Newman
Chairman

Session March 3rd A.D. 1884

J. S. Gray, E. D. Post and John Herman appointed as Bridge Men to locate a bridge to be built at or near Hamlin in Sargent County D.T. and draw Plans and Specification returned the following report

To The Hon Board of County Commissioners Sargent County D.T.
The undersigned Bridge Committee appointed by the Board at its last session to view grounds and locate bridge on Section line between Sections (11 & 14) Township (131) Range (53) about (33) rods west of the South East corner of Section (11) Township (131) Range (53) across the Wild Rice River. We have this 25th day of February 1884 met and located site for said bridge about thirty three rods west of the south East corner of Section (11) Township (131) Range (53) said bridge to be built across the Wild Rice River said bridge to be (74) feet long and (16) feet wide five spans one span of (20) feet and four spans of (14) feet each. Approved by E. D. Post and recommended by John Herman and that J. S. Gray make out complete Plan and Specification for said bridge.

John Herman

E. D. Post

J. S. Gray

Plan and Specification of the Hamlin Bridge

This bridge to be built across the Wild Rice River on the section line between Sec (11 and 14) Township (131) Range (53)

(1st) Said bridge is to be seventy four (74) feet long by sixteen (16) feet wide with five Bents and five spans with mud sill on the west end (1st) span commencing on the west end of said bridge is (14) 2nd (14) 3rd (14) 4th (20) 5th (14) length of Bent first Bent commencing (14) from mud sill on the west end is four feet second (16) 3rd (10) 4th (10) 5th (14) the mud sill of both ten feet Bent to be let down into the ground one foot and rocks placed on top of them mud sill of both ten feet Bent sufficient to make them solid and Bent to be well framed together the Posts of Bent to be well fastened to the caps and mud sill with (40) Penny Spikes.

(2nd) There is to be five stringers to each span commencing on the west end of said bridge 1st span 16 ft 14 x 10 14 feet long 2nd (14 x 10) 14 feet 3rd (14 x 10) 14 feet 4th (6 x 10) 20 feet 5th (14 x 10) 14 feet

- < 3rd > All Stringers to be bolted down to Caps of Bent. Bent must end mud side with (14 3/4) inch drift Bolt. Drift Bolt to be made with thread on top end. Bottom end pointed. There is to be one drift Bolt in each end of all the stringers and side stringers to lay in a line. Bent's to be made per plan.
- < 4th > The floor of said Bridge is to be laid with Two inch Plank Sixteen feet long after the first floor is laid there is to be a second floor Eight feet through the center of said Bridge four feet from the outside floor of Bridge to be spiked down with (20) Penny spikes to each bearing of each Plank.
- < 5th > There is to be a Railing the whole length of said Bridge on both sides Railing Two feet and six inches above the floor of Bridge Posts of Railing to be (4x4) Cap of Railing (2x4) Posts of Railing to be fastened on to outside stringers with 1/2 inch Bolt. Bolt for railing Posts on all (14 ft) spans (8 1/2) inch on (20 ft) spans (10 1/2) inch Caps of Railing placed on top of Railing Posts and spiked down to the top of Posts with (20) Penny spikes.
- < 6th > There is to be a (12) inch Board at the bottom of Railing and on the inside also an 8 inch Board at top of Railing and on the inside Boards to be placed the whole length of Railing on both sides of said Bridge Posts of Railing four feet from center to center.
- < 7th > The Twenty foot span is to be one foot higher than the east end of said Bridge and three feet higher than the west end of said Bridge.
- < 8th > Caps of Bent 8x8 = 16 ft mud side 6x10 = 16 ft Stringers of all 14 ft spans 4x10 = 14 ft Stringers of 20 ft spans 6x10 = 20 ft long All Posts of Bent 8x8
- < 9th > All work done as per plan and specification all material to be first class

Jason S Gray

Communications

Officer February 28th 1884

To The Hon Board of County Commissioners Sargent County D.T.
I will build and complete the Bridge to be built across the Hills Rice River on the section line between sections (14 & 11) in Township (131) Range (53) for the sum of \$465.00 in County order at for Bridge to be according to plan and specification all work to be done in good workman like manner.

James Davis

Officer March 3rd 1884

To The Hon Board of County Commissioners Sargent County D.T.
I will furnish all material and build the Bridge to be built across the Hills Rice River on the line between sections (11 & 14) Township (131) Range (53) about (33) feet of the South East corner of section (11) Township (131) Range (53) for the sum of \$460.00 in Sargent County order at for said Bridge to be built Two feet higher than plan and specification and to be completed on or before the 1st day of April 1884

Jason S Gray