

(c) The issues raised by the appeal shall stand for trial by jury and shall be tried and determined at the next term of the district court held within the county in which the proceedings were commenced, or in such other county in which the appeal shall be heard, beginning after the filing of the appeal; and shall take precedence of all other matters of a civil nature in court. If there be more than one appeal triable in one county, the court may, on its own motion or upon the motion of a party in interest, consolidate two or more appeals and try them together, but the rights of the appellants shall be separately determined. If the appellant fails to prevail, the cost of the trial shall be paid by the appellant. In case of appeal as to damages or benefits to property situated in the county other than the county where the drainage proceedings are pending, and if the appellant so requests, the trial shall be held at the next term of the district court of the county wherein the lands are situated. In such case, the clerk of the district court where the appeal is filed, shall make, certify and file in the office of the clerk of the district court of the county where the trial is to be had, a transcript of the papers and documents on file in his office in the proceedings so far as they pertain to the matters on account of which the appeal is taken. After the final determination of such appeal, the clerk of the district court where the action is tried, shall certify and return the verdict to the district court of the county where the proceedings were instituted.

(d) The clerk of the district court shall file a certified copy of the final determination of any such appeal with the auditor of the county affected.

(e) An appeal on the third ground may be to the district court of any county wherein lands are affected. Such appeal shall be made within 30 days after the order allowing or disallowing the claim and shall be governed as far as applicable by the provisions of this subdivision.

Approved May 10, 1967.

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#### CHAPTER 366—H. F. No. 1871

[Not Coded]

*An act relating to the county of Washington and creating the office of county administrator for the county; specifying his qualifications, term of office and duties.*

Be it enacted by the Legislature of the State of Minnesota:

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Section 1. **Washington county; administrator.** In the county of Washington, the board of county commissioners may appoint a county administrator who shall be the administrative head of the county government, and shall be responsible for the administration of all departments of the county government which the board of county commissioners has the authority to control. He shall be appointed with regard to merit only, and he need not be a resident of the county at the time of his appointment.

Sec. 2. The county board may fix the compensation of the county administrator.

Sec. 3. The county administrator shall serve at the pleasure of the board, and his employment may be terminated by the board without notice at any time. If the county administrator is employed on a month to month basis, upon termination of his employment by the county board he shall be compensated for the period of his employment, and, in addition, shall receive an amount equal to three months regular salary.

Sec. 4. It shall be the duty of the county administrator:

(a) To see that all the orders, resolutions and regulations of the county board are faithfully executed;

(b) To attend all of the convened meetings of the county board and recommend such measures for adoption as he may deem expedient;

(c) To initiate and present the annual budget to the county board for its review and consideration;

(d) To make reports to the county board from time to time on the affairs of the county, and on its future financial needs;

(e) To appoint, with the approval of the county board, the subordinate officers, agents, and employees considered necessary for the general administration of county affairs.

Sec. 5. The duties and responsibilities of the clerk of the county board may be assigned at the discretion of the county board to the county administrator or a subordinate officer or employee of his department.

Sec. 6. This act shall be effective only after its approval by the board of county commissioners of the county of Washington, and

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upon compliance with the provisions of Minnesota Statutes 1965, Section 645.021.

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CHAPTER 367—H. F. No. 1872

[Not Coded]

*An act authorizing the boards of county commissioners of Polk and Norman counties to lease the Sunnyrest Sanatorium premises to a private nonprofit corporation, for use as a center for the counseling and treatment of alcoholics.*

Be it enacted by the Legislature of the State of Minnesota:

**Section 1. Norman and Polk counties; lease of Sunnyrest Sanatorium premises.** The boards of county commissioners of Polk and Norman counties are authorized to lease for a nominal consideration, without consideration, or for such consideration as may be agreed upon, to a private nonprofit corporation, all or any portion of the premises known and described as the "Sunnyrest Sanatorium" property, situated in Polk county, Minnesota, and more particularly described as follows:

Beginning at the southwest corner of the Southeast Quarter of the Northwest Quarter (SE $\frac{1}{4}$  NW  $\frac{1}{4}$ ) of Section Thirty-six (36) Township One hundred and Fifty (150) North of Range Forty-Seven (47), West of the Fifth Principal Meridian, thence running east on the quarter section line a distance of Seven Hundred and nineteen and  $\frac{4}{10}$  feet (719.4) to the West Line of Bruce Street in Norcross Addition to Crookston, according to the recorded plat thereof, thence north 30' East, along the west line of said Bruce Street and its extension, a distance of Eighteen Hundred and Thirty-three (1833) feet, thence running north 89° 30' West a distance of Seven Hundred and Twenty (720) feet to the left bank of Red Lake River; thence running southwesterly along the meanderings of said river to its intersection with the west line of Lot Four (4) in said Section Thirty-six (36) being a distance of about Forty-four and  $\frac{7}{100}$  (44.07) feet, thence south 30' East along the west line of Lot Four (4) and the west line of the southeast quarter of the Northwest Quarter (SE  $\frac{1}{4}$  NW $\frac{1}{4}$ ) of said Section Thirty-six (36) a distance of Eighteen Hundred Eight and  $\frac{26}{100}$  (1808.26) feet to the place of beginning, containing Thirty and  $\frac{76}{100}$  (30.76)

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