

24-204. Duties of township trustee; eminent domain proceedings; assistance of engineer; adjournments. On the day set for the hearing of said petition, if it appear to the trustee that any person or persons who may be interested in said ditch have not been notified as required by this act, or that any requisite preliminary steps have not been taken, he shall adjourn to some future time, not exceeding twenty (20) days, and order such notice to be given, or such preliminary steps to be taken. But if said trustee shall find that said bond has been filed and said notice given, he shall proceed to determine said petition, and if he deem it necessary shall view the premises along such proposed route, and if he find such ditch, drain or watercourses to be necessary, and that the same is demanded by or will be conducive to the public health, convenience and welfare, shall institute proceedings to exercise the power of eminent domain in accordance with K.S.A. 26-501 to 26-516, inclusive, and after the determination of such proceedings shall proceed to locate and establish such ditch, drain or watercourse as conforms with the route described in the eminent domain proceedings. Such trustee, in hearing and determining said petition shall call to his assistance an engineer to locate, level, and measure the distance of such ditch, drain, or watercourse, and may adjourn from time to time to determine their proceedings herein; and the said township clerk shall enter a full and complete record of all such proceedings in the journal of the proceedings of the trustee of such township.

History: L. 1879, ch. 100, § 4; R.S. 1923, 24-204; L. 1963, ch. 234, § 55; Jan. 1, 1964.