"The clerk shall keep the records of the council and perform such other duties as may be required by this charter or the council."

Inasmuch as the recording of absences is a necessary part of the proceedings of the city council, it naturally follows that the clerk of the council is required to certify absences to the payroll clerk who in turn probably reports such absences to the city auditor. The salary deductions for absences from council meetings are presumably made at the close of the payroll period in which the absences occurred. However, it seems that the ministerial details of handling salary deductions lies properly within the province of the officer charged with that duty. Consequently, I hesitate to offer any opinion on the detail of the handling of salary deductions.

Respectfully,

HERBERT S. DUFFY, Attorney General.

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## APPROVAL—TRANSCRIPT OF PROCEEDINGS RELATING TO THE SALE OF THREE CERTAIN PARCELS OF OHIO AND HOCKING CANAL LANDS, RESPECTIVELY TO SEVERAL GRANTEES NAMED THEREIN.

COLUMBUS, OHIO, June 11, 1937.

HON. CARL G. WAHL, Director, Department of Public Works, Columbus, Ohio.

DEAR SIR: You have submitted for my examination and approval transcripts of your proceedings as Superintendent of Public Works for the sale of three certain parcels of abandoned Ohio and Hocking Canal lands, respectively, to the several grantees therein named.

These sales and the respective proceedings of your department relating to the same, designated with respect to the names of the several grantees, the locations of the parcels of land sold and the purchase prices to be paid by the respective grantees for the parcels of land sold, are as follows :

Name	Location	Purchase Price
Floyd McRoberts	Chillicothe, Ohio	\$340.00
Douglas Wright	Chillicothe, Ohio	\$360.00
Carrie Fisk	York Township,	
	Athens County,Ohio	\$100.00

The first two sales above referred to are of small parcels of abandoned Ohio Canal lands which you are authorized to sell under the provisions of Section 13971, General Code, relating to the sale of canal lands generally, and by the more special provisions of the Act of June 7, 1911, 102 O. L., 293; while the third sale referred to above is of abandoned Hocking Canal lands which you are authorized to sell under the general provisions of Section 13971, General Code, and by the special provisions of the Act of April 19, 1929, 113 O.L., 521, which provides, among other things, for the sale of abandoned Hocking Canal lands.

In each of the transcripts of your proceedings for the sale of these several parcels of abandoned canal lands, you have made a finding that the parcel of land sold cannot be leased so as to produce an income yield of six per cent upon the appraised value of such parcel of land, and you thus meet the condition imposed by the statutory provisions above noted with respect to the sale of abandoned canal property. And inasmuch as it appears that the appraised value of each of these parcels of canal lands is less than the sum of \$500.00, you are authorized by these statutory provisions to sell these several properties at private sale by and with the consent and approval of the Governor and the Attorney General.

Upon the considerations above noted, the sale of each of these parcels of canal lands and your proceedings relating thereto are approved by me as is evidenced by my approval endorsed upon the several transcripts of your proceedings relating to such sales and upon the duplicate copies thereof, all of which are herewith returned to you to the end that proper deeds may be prepared for the conveyance of these several parcels of abandoned canal lands to the respective purchasers thereof.

Respectfully,

HERBERT S. DUFFY, Attorney General.