

CHAPTER 389

COUNTY SURVEYOR

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389.01 ELECTION; TERM; BOND. In each county in this state there shall be elected at the general election in 1918 a county surveyor. The term of office of the county surveyor shall be four years and until his successor is elected and qualified, and begin on the first Monday in January next succeeding his election. The office shall be filled by election every four years thereafter. Before entering upon his duties, the county surveyor shall give bond to the county, approved by the county board, in the sum of \$500, conditioned for the faithful discharge of his duties, which bond, with his oath, shall be filed for record with the register of deeds.

[R. L. s. 575; 1913 c. 458 ss. 1, 2; 1915 c. 168 ss. 1, 2] (820, 821, 936)

NOTE: See State ex rel v Berg, 132 M 426, 434, 157 NW 652.

NOTE: See section 162.11, subdivision 7.

389.013 RAMSEY COUNTY, OFFICE OF COUNTY SURVEYOR ABOLISHED. In counties having more than 300,000 and less than 450,000 inhabitants the office of county surveyor is abolished 30 days after April 21, 1953. The records of that office shall be delivered to the county highway engineer.

[1953 c 509 s 2]

389.02 DEPUTIES; SURVEYS, RECORDS. The county surveyor may appoint such deputies as he thinks proper, for the faithful and correct performance of whose duties he shall be responsible. He shall make all surveys within his county ordered by any court, public board, or officer, or required by any person. He shall keep a fair and correct record of each survey made by himself or deputy, in a book to be provided by the county board, which he shall turn over to his successor in office. He shall number such surveys progressively and preserve a copy of the field notes, which shall be complete and accurate, and calculations of each such survey, with the number thereof properly endorsed thereon, a copy of which, with a fair and accurate plat, together with a certificate of survey, shall be furnished by such surveyor to any person requesting the same.

[R. L. s. 576] (937)

389.03 COMPENSATION; RECORDS. Except as otherwise provided by law, the compensation of county surveyors or their deputies, including their necessary expenses, shall be fixed by the board of county commissioners. All records of surveys shall be public records and open at all reasonable times to inspection by any person. The county board shall, at the expense of the county, provide for the county surveyor all proper and necessary books for keeping such records. Such county record book of survey shall be kept in the office of the county surveyor or of the register of the deeds of the county, in event an office for the county surveyor is maintained in the court house then such records shall be kept in the office of the county surveyor.

[R L s 577; 1909 c 303 s 1; 1919 c 480 s 1; 1943 c 296 s 1; 1953 c 416 s 1] (938)

389.04 RULES FOR SURVEYS. In all surveys the courses shall be expressed according to the true meridian, and the variation of the magnetic meridian from the true meridian shall be expressed on the plat, with the year, month, and day of the survey. In subdividing townships, sections, or parts of sections, as established by the United States survey thereof, and in reestablishing lost government

corners, the county surveyor shall follow the rules established by or pursuant to acts of congress, and all such surveys shall be made in strict conformity to the original survey made by the United States.

[R. L. s. 578] (939)

389.05 PLATS AND FIELD NOTES. To enable surveyors to conform to the requirements of this chapter, county boards shall procure and file with the registers of deeds of their respective counties certified copies of the original plats and field notes of the United States surveys.

[R. L. s. 579] (940)

389.06 LOST POSTS. When a section or quarter section post originally fixed by the United States survey is destroyed, the surveyor shall fix a new post in accordance with the field notes of the United States surveyor, with similar marks to those placed on like posts by such surveyor.

[R. L. s. 580] (941)