

Inventory of the

DeKalb Township
DeKalb, Illinois

Records

In the

Regional History Center

RC 158

INTRODUCTION

Jean Wilson, DeKalb Township Supervisor, donated these volumes to the Regional History Center on November 9, 1982. Before donating the records Wilson had obtained permission from the Illinois Local Government Records Commission and township supervisors. There are no restrictions on access and literary rights in the records are in the public domain.

Linear feet of shelf space: 1
Number of containers: 1
Northern Illinois Regional History Center
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SCOPE AND CONTENT

There are four bound volumes in the collection covering the period 1851 to 1939 with some gaps. The volumes provide a record of township taxes collected, funds disbursed, election of supervisors, and development of roads. Minutes of meetings for the period 1886 to 1939 complete the collection. Researchers using this collection should review the Center's DeKalb County Records and RC 53, DeKalb Township High School.

HISTORICAL SKETCH

In 1849 DeKalb County voters chose to organize the county into thirteen townships and selected Orange as the name for the township in which the village of DeKalb was located. County supervisors changed the name to DeKalb Township in 1850 because a township in another Illinois county had already been named Orange. In that same year township voters elected Thomas R. Hopkins as first supervisor.

More extensive DeKalb Township history may be found in the various county histories and atlases in the Center's reference collection.

SUBJECT TRACINGS

DeKalb, Politics
Hopkins, Thomas R.
Roads
Town Meetings

COLLECTION INVENTORY

<u>BOX</u>	<u>VOLUME</u>	<u>DESCRIPTION</u>
1	1	Collections, Disbursements, Audits 1851-1914
	2	Collections, Disbursements, Minutes 1904-1939
	3-4	Highway Commissioners Minutes, Taxes Collected, Disbursements, Audits 1886-1916