DEPARTMENT OF CONSERVATION: Third class cities—
No power to appoint Park Board.

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October 2, 1936.

Dear Sir:

This is in reply to your request for an official opinion as to whether or not a third class city may legally appoint a park board under existing laws.

Cities of the first and second class are authorized to maintain a "Board of Park Commissioners," who shall have charge of all parks of the city, but I do not find any such a provision applicable to third class cities.

Chapter 129, Section 259 of the Acts of 1905 places parks under the control of the Board of Works in third class cities, and by Chapter 58 of the Acts of 1909, third class cities may create a board of trustees to manage their public parks.

Chapter 307 of the Acts of 1935 transfers the duties of the Board of Works to a newly created board known as the Board of Public Works and Safety. This applies to third class cities.

In direct answer to your inquiry, my opinion is that third class cities cannot appoint a park board such as is provided by law for first and second class cities.

COUNTIES: County Agent, procedure for filing salary claim.

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October 8, 1936.

Dear Sir:

I have before me your letter submitting the question as to how bills covering salary and expenses of a county agent are