

# Minutes

## Town of Palmyra 1826

Margin Notation: March 9, 1826. Palmyra, March 8<sup>th</sup>, 1826. A description of the stray sheep that have been among my sheep ever since sometime in November last: One large short-tailed ewe with a half crop in the underside of the left ear with a slit in the other half and a crop on the right ear with a half-penny on the underside of the same ear. One small short-tailed ewe with a half penny on the upper side of the left ear. One small short-tailed weather without any ear mark on him. Luman Harrison

Margin Notation: Recorded March 21, 1826. We, the commissioners of Highways for the Town of Palmyra, do assign Ambrose Hall to Road District No. 2 there to be assessed and taxed on the highway in which he resides. March 21<sup>st</sup>, 1826.

Truman Heminway, Henry Jessup, and George Culver  
Commissioners of Highways

Margin Notation: Recorded March 21, 1826. Application having been made to the Commissioners of Highways of the Town of Palmyra, County of Wayne, for the discontinuance of the highway commencing at the corner of Thomas Rogers' fruit garden running east through his land towards Joshua Harry's so far as it runs through said land of said Rogers and it appears to said commissioners by the authority of freeholders of the said town to have become useless and unnecessary, and the said commissioners having jointly inquired into the matter and it being advised by the undersigned two of the commissioners upon such inquiry that the portion of the road above described is useless and unnecessary, we do adjudge that the person be and hereby is discontinued so far as is above mentioned. Dated: March 21<sup>st</sup>, 1826.

Truman Heminway and George Culver  
Commissioners of Highways

A true copy. A. R. Tiffany, Town Clerk

Margin Notation: March 24<sup>th</sup>, 1826. Record of the survey of a road commencing at the town line, where the road leading from David Swezey's saw mill intersects the said town line near the dwelling house of William Rowley, south 8 degrees, east 56 rods, thence south 14 degrees, east 38 rods, thence south 9 degrees, east 16 rods, thence south 13 degrees, east 62 rods to the west line of Lot No. 6, thence south between Lots No. 6 and 7, 83 rods, thence

south 10 degrees, east 44 rods, thence south 19 degrees, east 28 rods, thence south 14 degrees, east 50 rods, thence south 27 degrees, east 24 rods, thence south 33 degrees, east 44 rods, thence south 39 degrees, east 24 rods, thence south 37 degrees, east 46 rods, thence south 45 degrees, east 28 rods, where it will intersect the west line of land owned by Warren Hopkins. Palmyra, March 23<sup>rd</sup>, 1826.

Henry Jessup, Truman Heminway, and George Culver  
Commissioners of Highways

A true copy. A. R. Tiffany, Town Clerk

Margin Notation: Recorded March 24, 1826. Record of the survey of a road commencing at the town line at the northwest corner of Walter Sherwood's land and at the northeast corner of Alva Sherwood's land south 3 degrees, west 32 chains and 87 links to the land of Bela Morgan, thence south 5 degrees, west 25 chains and to the land said Morgan, thence south 18 chains and 6 links on the line of land between George F. Sickles and Thomas Reynier to the road running east and west by the said Sickles and Reynier. Palmyra, March 23, 1826.

Henry Jessup, Truman Heminway, and George Culver  
Commissioners of Highways

A true copy. A. R. Tiffany, Town Clerk

Margin Notation: Recorded March 25, 1826. Notice put up April 18, 1826. Survey of the alteration of a road leading from the Town of Williamson to Palmyra commencing in the center of said road 4 rods and 23 links north of a small river (?) near Pardon Willcox's dwelling home, thence south 44 degrees, west 20 rods, thence south 10 degrees, west 24 rods, thence north 28 rods, thence south 2 degrees, east 28 rods, thence south 2 degrees, west 44 rods, thence south 2 degrees, east 40 rods, thence south 38 rods, thence south 16 degrees, east 32 rods to the center of the first above mentioned highway. Dated: Palmyra, March 25, 1826.

Henry Jessup, Truman Heminway, and George Culver  
Commissioners of Highways

A true copy. A. R. Tiffany, Town Clerk

At the annual town meeting held at the meeting house near Stephen Sherman's land in the Town of Palmyra on Tuesday, april 4<sup>th</sup>, 1826, present: Frederick Smith, Abraham Salisbury, and

Alexander R. Tiffany, Justices of the Peace of said town and Inspectors of said meeting.

Voted that this meeting adjourn to Stephen Sherman's. Made recommendation to adjournment.

Voted that Stephen Sherman serve as Supervisor the year ensuing.

Voted that Martin W. Willcox serve as Town Clerk the year ensuing.

Voted that Nathaniel N. Beckwith, William Willcox, and Ambrose Salisbury serve as Assessors the year ensuing.

Voted that Oliver Clark and Hiram foster serve as Overseers of the Poor the year ensuing.

Voted that George Culver, Alexander McIntyre, and Truman Heminway serve as Commissioners of Highways.

Voted that Ambrose Green, Alexander R. Tiffany, and Lovell Hurd(?) serve as Commissioners of Common Schools.

Voted that Daniel L. Douglas, Cullen Foster, and Maltby Clark serve as Inspectors of Common Schools the year ensuing.

Voted that William R. Corwin, Cullen Foster, Truman Heminway, and Daniel Hendee serves as Constables the ensuing year.

Voted that the Collector have but 3% for his fees of collection.

Voted that Truman Heminway serve as Collector for the year ensuing.

Voted that the following persons serve as Overseers of Highways for the said district for which they are elected:

District No. 1 Joel McCollum	13 Abner F. Lakey
2 Leonard Wescott	14 David Shearman
3 George M. Williams	15 Oliver Durfee
4 Daniel Buck	16 Stephen Hopkins
5 Garner Archer	17 Caleb Avery
6 J. D. Rogers	18 Benjamin Clark
7 Thomas Goldsmith	19 Israel Y. Howell
8 Ambrose Salisbury	20 Paul Jagger
9 George Culver	21 Phineas Bill
10 Stephen Sweezy	22 Bela Morgan
11 Pardon Willcox	23 David Carr
12 Peter Harris	24 Elery Hicks

Voted that Commissioners and Inspectors of Common Schools be allowed \$.75 per day for their services.

Voted that the Supervisor procure a correct map of the town to be made, and the expense to be paid out of the contingent moneys of the town.

Voted that Alexander R. Tiffany pay over to the supervisor \$100, which is in his hand and that it be for contingent money of the town.

Voted that the sum of \$200 be raised for the purpose of building a bridge across Mud Creek near to and east of Barnhart's Mill over which the Turnpike Road passes.

Voted that whenever the Turnpike Company executes a bond to the supervisor of the Town of Palmyra conditioned that no gate shall be hereafter created, placed, or put upon said Turnpike Road within the Town of Palmyra, aforesaid, that the said Supervisor shall build or cause to be built with the money raised for that purpose a permanent and suitable bridge at the place above mentioned and that the Town of Palmyra shall keep the same in repair.

Voted that this meeting adjourn to meet again on the first Tuesday of April next at 10:00 a.m. at the Presbyterian Meeting House in the Village of Palmyra.

April 24<sup>th</sup>, 1826. Joseph S. Knowles' mark: A swallow tail in the left ear.

May 3<sup>rd</sup>, 1826. Smith Thayer's mark: A crop off of each ear.

Margin Notation: Recorded April 24<sup>th</sup>, 1826. We, the Commissioners of Common Schools of the Town of Palmyra, County of Wayne, upon application to us for that purpose and with consent of the respective trustees of School Districts No. 4 and No. 21 in said Town of Palmyra, to hereby annex to said District No. 21 all that part of said District No. 4 bounded by and included within the following lines: Beginning at the northeast corner of the lot on which Daniel Jagger now resides running thence south on the east line of said Jagger's lot to the south line of Gideon Sherman's land, thence east to the east line of Seth Howell's land, thence north on said Howell's line to the town line of Manchester, thence west on said town line to the northwest corner of Ephraim C. Crow's land, thence to the place of beginning. Given under our hands at Palmyra on April 15<sup>th</sup>, 1826.

A. R. Tiffany, Ambrose Grow, and Lovell Hurd

A true copy. M. W. Willcox, Town Clerk

To the Honorable Jacob W. Hallett, Jonathan Boynton, and William Gibson, Esquires, three of the Judges of the Common Pleas of the County of Wayne, the appeal of Sebeus Hammond of Palmyra in the County of Wayne, aforesaid from the decision of the Commissioners of Highways of the Town of Palmyra, aforesaid in discontinuing a certain road in the said town as follows: Commencing at the corner of Thomas Rogers I's garden running thence east through his (the said Thomas Rogers I) land toward Joshua Stacey's so far as it runs through said land of said Rogers, and your appellant considering himself aggrieved by the determination of the said commissioners in discontinuing the said road as above described, to appeal from such determination, praying your honors to convene as soon as may be convenient and decide such appeal according to the form of the statute in such case made and provided. Dated April 14, 1826.

Sebeus Hammond

The judges named in the above petition of appeal, having been on and viewed the road above mentioned and having reviewed the proceedings of the Commissioners of Highways of the Town of Palmyra aforesaid in discontinuing the road mentioned in the above petition and having heard the proofs and allegations of the respective parties interested therein, we the undersigned, being two the above named judges and to whom the above appeal has been made, do hereby adjudge and determine that the said appellant, Sebeus Hammond, is aggrieved by the decision of the said Commissioners of Highways of Palmyra aforesaid in discontinuing the said road, and we do hereby order, adjudge, and determine that the proceeding of the Commissioners of Highways of Palmyra, aforesaid in discontinuing the said road be and the same are hereby reversed pursuant to the statute in that case made and provided. This 24th day of April, 1826, at Palmyra aforesaid. William Gibson and Jonathan Boynton

I certify that the above is a correct copy of the doings of the judges therein mentioned and notice put up April 29<sup>th</sup>, 1826.

M. W. Willcox, Town Clerk

To the Honorable Jacob W. Hallett, William Gibson, and Jonathan Boynton—Judges of the county of Wayne: the petition of the undersigned freeholders of the town of Palmyra and county aforesaid respectfully submit that a road has been lately surveyed by the commissioners of Highways of the town of Palmyra leading from the town of Williamson to the village of Palmyra, commencing

near Pardon Willcox's dwelling house and running south on the west side of the hill and west of the old road until it intersects the said old road near the northeast corner of H. Miller's orchard as more fully appears by the survey of said road. By means of which said new road, the old road between the dwelling house of said Willcox's and the northeast corner of said Miller's orchard has become wholly useless and unnecessary, and the new road when worked will be every way sufficient for the accommodation of the public. Your petitioners therefore pray that the old road from the points above mentioned be discontinued. Dated April 24<sup>th</sup>, 1826.

Alva Hendee	Burr Butler
William B. Hulsey	Henry Jessup
Cyrus Foster	Asa Lilly
D. S. Jackways	Calvin Perkins
M. W. Willcox	Luther Wilder
M. H. Beckwith	Gideon Willcox

I certify that on April 24<sup>th</sup>, 1826, the several persons whose names are subscribed to the foregoing petition appeared before me and made oath that the several statements therein set forth were true.

Frederick Smith, Justice of the Peace, Wayne County

We, the undersigned Judges of the Court of Common Pleas of the County of Wayne, to whom the within petition is directed and delivered having due proof that the old road within mentioned was established by three of the Judges of the court of common Pleas of the county of Ontario, previous to the erection of the county of Wayne, and having been on and viewed the said old road and do believe that the same has become useless and unnecessary by the laying out of the new road within mentioned, and we do in pursuance of the act in that case made and provided, hereby order the said old road to be discontinued as soon as the said new road shall be opened and made palpable. Dated at Palmyra, April 24, 1826. J. W. Hallell, William Gibson, and Jonathan Boynton

I certify that the above is a correct copy of the doings of the judges, therein mentioned and notice put up April 29<sup>th</sup>, 1826.

M. W. Willcox, Town Clerk

Record of the survey of the alteration of a highway passing John F. Sickles east and west, commencing in the center of the highway passing Benjamin Cole's north and south at the corner of Joshua Cole's and Caleb Avery's land, thence west 3 degrees, north on the line between said lands 38 rods, where it intersects the road as now traveled on said line as by old survey recorded on page ---.

George Culver, Truman Heminway, and A. McIntyre  
Commissioners of Highways May 28<sup>th</sup>, 1826

I certify the above to be a true copy and notice put up June  
23<sup>rd</sup>, 1826. M. W. Willcox, Town Clerk

Record of the survey of the alteration of the highway running  
east from Caleb Avery's to Pultneyville Road, commencing  
in the center of the highway passing said Avery's north and  
south at the corner of Marquis and Calestia Cole's lands,  
thence east 3 degrees, south on the line of said lands 88  
rods, where it intersects the road as per old survey recorded  
on page --. May 28<sup>th</sup>, 1826.

George Culver, Truman Heminway, and A. McIntyre  
Commissioners of Highways

I certify the above to be a true copy and notice put up June  
23<sup>rd</sup>, 1826. M. W. Willcox, Town Clerk

Margin Notation: This road outlawed, and one laid by the  
Trustees in 1841 nearly the same.

A record of the survey of a road 4 rods wide in the village of  
Palmyra laid out by the Commissioners of Roads of the  
Town of Palmyra by the consent of all interested as follows,  
to wit: Beginning on the north line of Main Street in said  
village at a red cedar stake, stones, and bricks 12 rods and 6  
links west of Asa Lilly on the north side of said Main Street,  
running thence north 2 degrees, east 44 rods to the south  
side of the Erie Canal. The above line is the center of said  
road hereby laid out and established June 23, 1826. The  
above road is hereby annexed to Road District No. 1.

Truman Heminway, A. McIntyre, and George Culver  
Commissioners of Highways

I certify the above to be a true copy and notice up June 29<sup>th</sup>,  
1826. M. W. Willcox, Town Clerk

The undersigned Commissioners of Common Schools of the  
Town of Palmyra, do hereby annex to School District No. 5  
in said town all of those lots owned and occupied by Caleb  
Beals, except 50 acres to be taken from the south end of  
said lots by a line to be drawn parallel with the south line and  
so far distant there from as to contain 50 acres. Given under  
hands at Palmyra, June 29<sup>th</sup>, 1826.

A. R. Tiffany, Lovell Hurd, and Ambrose Grove

I certify the above to be a true copy.  
M. W. Willcox, Town Clerk

Survey of the alteration of the highway passing Benjamin Hopkins' dwelling house (as per old survey, now Warren Hopkins) commences at a stake and a quantity of stones imbedded on the line separating Warren Hopkins' premises from Daniel Jagger at the termination of the center survey of the road passing Daniel Jagger's dwelling house, thence south 36 ½ degrees, east 110 rods, and 23 links for the center of said highway to a stake and stones imbedded standing on the line separating Lewis Kent's premises from said Warren Hopkins. The center of the old road as per old survey, said alteration is laid 4 rods wide. Palmyra, August 16<sup>th</sup>, 1826.

George Culver, T. Heminway, and A. McIntyre  
Commissioners, Town of Palmyra

I certify the above to be a true copy. Marlin W. Willcox  
Town Clerk

Margin Notation: Recorded September 9<sup>th</sup>, 1826.

We, the Commissioners of Highways for the Town of Palmyra, do hereby discontinue so much of the road leading north 2 degrees, east from George Willcox's as commences 102 rods from the center of the turnpike north, thence north 33 degrees, east 24 rods, thence north 38 degrees, east 20 rods, thence north 2 degrees, west 12 rods, thence north 34 degrees, west 42 rods, where it intersects the road leading north 2 degrees, east to S. Clark's. (Original record on page 181, May 10<sup>th</sup>, 1814; alteration on page 260, July 20, 1824.)

George Culver, T. Heminway, and A. McIntyre  
Commissioners, Town of Palmyra

I certify the above to be a true copy. Marlin W. Willcox  
Town Clerk

Margin Notation: Recorded September 9<sup>th</sup>, 1826.

Record of the survey of the alteration of the public highway commencing in the center of the highway as per old survey near the south side of the west end of the Howell Mill Dam at a quantity of brick imbedded three feet deep, thence west 2 degrees, north 76 rods to Isaac Howell's west line, thence west 3 degrees, north 36 rods, thence west 24 degrees, north 30 rods, near the east line of the Todd farm, thence west 27 degrees, north 102 rods to the

center of the highway 2 rods south of the southwest corner of the Goodale lot to near the east end of H. Jessup's sawmill dam, thence west 30 degrees, north 26 rods as per survey of May 14<sup>th</sup>, 1806, page 115 to Main Street. All other surveys of said road are hereby declared void. May 17<sup>th</sup>, 1826.

George Culver, T. Heminway, and A. McIntyre  
Commissioners of Highways, Town of Palmyra

I certify the above to be a true copy. Marlin W. Willcox, Town Clerk

Margin Notation: Recorded September 9<sup>th</sup>, 1826.

Record of the survey of the alteration of a public highway commencing in the center of the highway leading south from S. Harrison's mill on the west line of James Galloway's original farm (now A. Galloway and S. Harrison's) 5 rods south of S. Harrison's corner, thence west 37 degrees, south 100 rods to the center of the highway on the bank of the creek, as per old survey, thence west where the road is now traveled. All other surveys of said road are hereby declared void. Said line runs for the south line. May 17<sup>th</sup>, 1826.

George Culver, T. Heminway, and A. McIntyre  
Commissioners of Highways, Town of Palmyra

I certify the above to be a true copy. Marlin W. Willcox, Town Clerk

Margin Notation: Recorded and notice put up November 9<sup>th</sup>, 1826.  
Jackson Street continued.

Record of the survey of a road commencing at a red cedar stake and bricks imbedded one foot underground on the line of lots owned by the heirs of William H. Cuyler and Joel McCollum, 2 rods and 12 links south of the south line of lands owned by Nathaniel H. Beckwith running east across Fayette Street 13½ degrees, north 40 rods to a red cedar stake and bricks imbedded one foot underground, thence north 53½ degrees, east 7 rods, thence east 5 degrees, north 34 rods to the south line of the road crossing Henry Jessup's mill dam running east towards Isaac Howell's. All parties being present and consenting to said survey that were interested in the premises. Said road to be 4 rods wide. Palmyra, November 9<sup>th</sup>, 1826. Alexander McIntyre, the other Commissioner, was duly notified but did not attend.

George Culver and Truman Heminway  
Commissioners of Highways

I certify the above to be a true copy. Marlin W. Willcox, Town Clerk

Broke into the enclosure of the subscriber on October 28<sup>th</sup>, last, a dun-colored two-year-old steer, no artificial mark. Also on the same day, a two-year-old black heifer with a swallowtail on each ear.

Palmyra, November 9<sup>th</sup>, 1826. Thomas Rogers, II

I certify the above to be a true copy. Marlin W. Willcox, Town Clerk

Broke into the enclosure of the subscriber about June 15<sup>th</sup>, last a red and white two-year-old steer with a short tail. Palmyra, November 16<sup>th</sup>, 1826. Alexander Glover

I certify the above to be a true copy. Marlin W. Willcox, Town Clerk

Broke into the enclosure of the subscriber on September 4<sup>th</sup>, last, four sheep of the following description, namely marked with a swallowtail in the left ear and a half crop on the underside of the right. Palmyra, November 16<sup>th</sup>, 1826. Thomas Rogers, II

I certify the above to be a true copy. Marlin W. Willcox, Town Clerk

Broke into the enclosure of the subscriber on November 1<sup>st</sup>, one brindle two-year-old steer with a yoke on; no artificial marks.

Palmyra, December 9<sup>th</sup>, 1826. Paul S. Brown

I certify the above to be a true copy. Marlin W. Willcox, Town Clerk

Broke into the enclosure of the subscriber about July 1<sup>st</sup>, last, a dark brindle, white-faced two-year-old steer, marked with a strip cut off of the back side of the left ear. Palmyra, December 12<sup>th</sup>, 1826.

Gideon Willcox

I certify the above to be a true copy. Marlin W. Willcox, Town Clerk

Broke into the enclosure of the subscriber about October 15<sup>th</sup>, last, one two-year-old steer and one two-year-old heifer, both black and white. Palmyra, February 12<sup>th</sup>, 1827. Ambrose Hall

I certify the above to be a true copy. Marlin W. Willcox, Town Clerk

A petition having been presented to us praying that that part of School District No. 6 in the town of Palmyra bounded as follows: Beginning at the southwest corner of William Perry's lot being the southeast corner of the Jenkins' tract, thence east along said

Perry's line to the southeast corner of Lot No.1 being the southeast corner of said Jenkins' tract, thence north along said Jenkins' east line to Samuel Clark's south line, thence east to said Clark's east line, thence north to the town line, thence west along said town line to the southwest corner of the Jenkins' tract, thence along the west of said tract, south to the place of beginning be annexed to School district No. 7 in said town, and we, having judged it expedient to grant the prayer of said petition, do with the consent of the trustees of the several districts hereby annex that part of School District No. 6 to said School District No. 7. Given under our hands this 29<sup>th</sup> day of December, 1826.

Alexander R. Tiffany, Lovell Hurd, and Ambrose Grow  
Commissioners of Common Schools, Town of Palmyra

I certify the above to be a true copy. M. W. Willcox, Town Clerk