

# **Town of Palmyra**

## **1817 Minutes**

1817:

Luman Harrison's mark: A crop off the left ear and a halfpenny under the right ear. (Transferred from Jonathan Horten on page 99 and entered April 11<sup>th</sup>, 1817.)

Gardner Wise' mark: A square crop off the left ear and a slit in the right ear. (Recorded May 21<sup>st</sup>, 1817.)

Job Fish's mark: A swallow's tail in the end of the right ear. Transferred from page 194 and entered May 24<sup>th</sup>, 1817. (Transferred to Ebenezer Hathaway on August 17<sup>th</sup>, 1827.)

Asa R. Swift's mark: A square crop of the left ear and a slope off the foreside of the right. Ear transferred from page 169 and entered June 4<sup>th</sup>, 1817.

Henry Post's mark: A square fork the underside of the right ear and a halfpenny the underside of the left ear. Entered January 17<sup>th</sup>, 1818.

William Hoag's mark: A crop of the right ear with two swallow tail forks in the end of the same and a half crop the underside of the left ear. Transferred from Joseph Hoag on page 187 and entered May 9<sup>th</sup>, 1818.

Stephen Durfee II's mark: A crop of the right ear and a slit in the upperside of the same and a slit in the underside of the left ear. Transferred from Henry Proper on page 187 and entered May 28<sup>th</sup>, 1818. (Transferred to Robert Faulkner on July 20<sup>th</sup>, 1821.)

Paul Sheffield's mark: A swallow's tail in the left ear and a halfcrop of the underside of the right ear. Transferred from Gabriel Woodmauser on page 191 and entered January 16<sup>th</sup>, 1819.

William P. Capron's mark: Two round holes in the left ear and one round hole in the right ear. Transferred from Joshua Kinney on page 156 and recorded March 11<sup>th</sup>, 1819.

Jacob Hoag's mark: A crop of the left ear and two swallow tail forks in the end of the same. Transferred from Stephen A. Hoag on page 187 and recorded March 16<sup>th</sup>, 1819.

Walter Norris' mark: A slope the foreside of the right ear.  
Transferred from Job B. Norris on page 180 and recorded May 10<sup>th</sup>,  
1819.

At the annual town meeting held in the meetinghouse in the Village  
of Palmyra on the 1st day of April, 1817. Present: Stephen Phelps,  
Ira Selby, and Frederick Smith, Esq. - Justices of the Peace,  
inspectors of said meeting.

Voted David White serve as Supervisor the year ensuing.

Voted James White serve as Town Clerk the year ensuing.

Voted Stephen Shearman, Henry Jessup, and Calvin Bradish serve  
as Assessors the year ensuing.

Voted Isaac Durfee, Gideon Sherman, and Asa Aldrich serve as  
Commissioners of Highways the year ensuing.

Voted Lemuel Durfee and Darius Comstock serve as Overseers of  
the Poor the year ensuing.

Voted Lemuel Spear serve as Collector the year ensuing.

Voted Lemuel Spear, Nathaniel Sanburn, Asa R. Swift, Jacob  
VanDusen, Jesse Penfield serve as Constables the year ensuing.

Voted Darius Comstock, Seymour Sewell, and Ira Selby serve as  
Commissioners of Common Schools for the year ensuing.

Voted James S. Stoddard, John Lapham, Charles Bradish, Stephen  
Shearman, Jonathan Ramsdale, and James White serve as  
Inspectors of Common Schools the year ensuing.

Voted the following persons serve as Overseers of Highways and  
Fence Viewers in the several road districts the year ensuing; viz.,

Ezra Shepardson	1	Ethan Lapham	17
John Rogers	2	George Crane	18
Caleb Beals	3	Isaac Eddy	19
Ambrose Salsburg	4	Asa R. Swift	20
Cooper Culver	5	Moses Baker	21
Howell Post	6	Nathan Morey	22
Earl Wilcox	7	Benjamin Hoag, Jr.	23
Stephen Durfee	8	Joseph Tyrrell	24
Enoch Still	9	Aaron Reeves	25
Stephen Durfee II	10	James White	26
Charles Findley	11	James Alexander	27
John Kingman	12	William Camburn	28

Jonathan Ramsdale	13	John Borden	29
Elisha W. Cobb	14	Jonah Hopkins	30
Henry Wilber	15	Seth Parker	31
Benjamin Thrasher	16	Paul Reed	32
Jacob Howell	33		

Voted James Waterman serve as Pound Keeper the year ensuing.

Voted swine and geese run at large, but owners pay all damages without any reference to fine.

Voted the law respecting horses passed at the last town meeting be and the same is hereby repealed.

Voted that horses shall not be free commoners, and that any person who shall permit his or her horse(s) to run at large shall forfeit and pay the sum of \$2 to be collected agreeable to the statute and applied to the benefit of the poor in said town.

Voted that the law respecting neat cattle stand as it was passed at the last annual town meeting, except that the fine be reduced to \$1 and said fine to be collected and applied in the same manner as the fine is directed to be collected and applied respecting horses.

Voted the fine respecting ram sheep be the same as last year. Said fine be collected and applied as in the law respecting horses.

Voted sheep shall not be free commoners the ensuing year.

Voted the law respecting wolves stand as last year.

Voted the town raise \$60 for erecting guide boards.

Voted the town raise \$30 for the purpose of procuring a standard of weights and measures.

Voted Ira Selby serve as Sealer of Weights and Measures, and he is hereby directed to procure the same.

Voted that \$10 be raised for repairing the pound, and the Supervisor is hereby directed to make the repair.

Voted this meeting stand adjourned until the 1<sup>st</sup> Tuesday in April next, then to be opened at this place at 10:00 a.m.

Signed: James White, Town Clerk

Survey of a public highway beginning at the west line of the Town of Palmyra running east 45 degrees, south 132 rods, thence east on the line between Samuel Ladd and Josiah Alverd 143 rods and 17 links, thence east 31 degrees, south 40 rods to the center of the highway at the foot of the hill west of Nehemiah Bassett's house. Explored and actually surveyed by us this 5<sup>th</sup> day of April, 1817.

Isaac Durfee and Asa Aldrich, Jr., Commissioners of Highways

The above is a true copy by me. James White, Town Clerk

Record from the minutes of the survey of a public highway beginning at the southeast corner of Preston R. Parker's farm, thence west 31 degrees, west 8 rods, thence west 11 degrees, north 12 rods, thence west 27 degrees, south 12 rods to the south line of said Parker's farm, thence west on said line 69 rods, thence west 8 degrees, south 72 rods to the center of the highway running north from Moses Culver's towards the north line of the Town of Palmyra. Explored and actually surveyed on June 10<sup>th</sup>, 1817 by Isaac Durfee and Gideon Sherman, Commissioners of Highways.

The above is a true copy by me. James White, Town Clerk

Record of the survey and alteration of a public highway beginning at the center of the highway 2 rods west of the house formerly owned by Isaac Richardson, thence south 9 degrees, east 14 rods, thence south 7 degrees, east 44 rods, thence south 2 degrees, west 8 rods, thence south 13 degrees, west 18 rods, thence south 28 degrees, west 12 rods to the center of a highway running from Scovell's mill, south to the town line. Explored and actually surveyed at Palmyra on June 30<sup>th</sup>, 1817, by Isaac Durfee and Asa Aldrich, Jr., Commissioners of Highways.

The above is a true copy by me. James White, Town Clerk

Record of the alteration of a public highway beginning in the center of the highway 30 rods north of the south line of Silas Stoddard's home farm, thence north 3 ½ degrees, west 180 rods, thence north 15 degrees, west 35 rods to the center of the highway.

Dated at Palmyra, November 8<sup>th</sup>, 1817. Isaac Durfee and Asa Aldrich, Jr., Commissioners of Highways.

I certify the above to be a true copy. James White, Town Clerk

Record of the alteration of a public highway beginning at the southeast corner of Charles Ford's farm, thence south 11 degrees, east 96 rods to the center of the highway, when it is now traveled.

Explored and actually surveyed by us on September 22<sup>nd</sup>, 1817.

Isaac Durfee and Asa Aldrich, Jr., Commissioners of Highways.

I certify the above to be a true copy. James White, Town Clerk.

Record of the alteration of a public highway beginning 14 rods south of the northwest corner of the Town of Palmyra, thence south 23 degrees, east 18 rods, thence south 39 degrees, east 112 rods, thence south 43 degrees, east 132 rods to the center of the highway, when it is now traveled. Explored and actually surveyed by us this 15<sup>th</sup> day of November, 1817, Town of Palmyra.

Isaac Durfee and Asa Aldrich, Jr., Commissioners of Highways.

I certify the above to be a true copy. James White, Town Clerk

Record of the alteration of a public highway beginning on the north line of John Border's home farm 8 rods west of the northeast corner, thence north 5 degrees, west 40 rods, thence north 45 degrees, west 16 rods, thence west 2 degrees, north 88 rods, thence west 19 degrees, north 36 rods to the center of the highway leading from Palmyra to Pultneyville. Explored and actually surveyed by us this 26<sup>th</sup> day of December, 1817.

Isaac Durfee and Asa Aldrich, Jr., Commissioners of Highways

I certify the above to be a true copy. James White, Town Clerk

Record of the alteration of a public highway beginning at the northeast corner of Oliver Durfee's farm, thence south 7 ½ degrees, east 94 rods to the center of the highway when it is now traveled. Explored and actually surveyed by us December 26<sup>th</sup>, 1817.

Isaac Durfee and Asa Aldrich, Jr., Commissioners of Highways

I certify the above to be a true copy. James White, Town Clerk