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**Minute Book, Volume 5**  
**Tuesday 6<sup>th</sup> of April, 1847**

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At the annual Town meeting of the inhabitants of the town of Palmyra held pursuant to adjournment at the Public House occupied by Butler Newton in the Village of Palmyra on tuesday the sixth day of April 1847.

Present and Presiding

Frederick Smith, Isaac E Beecher, and James Hubbell justices of the peace in and for said town and Charles A Hart Town clerk it vas

**Voted** – that three constables be chosen for the ensuing year

**Voted** – that there be chosen one overseer of the poor for the ensuing year

**Voted** – that there be one ? Master for the ensuing year

**Voted** – Thomas Rogers be chosen ? Master for the ensuing year

**Voted** – that the supervisors pay to John W Gilbert the amount of Tax overpaid by said Gilbert for the year 1846 when being satisfied by /? Or otherwise that a mistake occurred.

**Voted** – that the supervisor pay to Edward A Allen the amount of tax overpaid by said Allen for the year 1846 upon being satisfied by ? or otherwise that a mistake occurred.

**Voted** – the the supervisor pay to Butler Muton the ? of five dollars for the use of his house in holding the election this day and at previous times.

The report of William Beal supervisor having been read was accepted.

The report of the Commissioners of Highways for said town having been read upon a recommendation of said Commissioners it vas

**Voted** – that the supervisor be authorized and directed to raise by tax on said town the ? of one hundred dollars for repairing roads and bridges and paying the debt of said town.

The following named persons having received the greatest number of votes are declared duly elected to the several and respective offices for which they are respectively named to wit:

Augustus Elmendorf - Supervisor

Edwin M Anderson – Town Clerk

James R Sanford - Assessor

James P Horton – Commissioner of Highways

Dist No 1     En? C Cosart?  
                 Hazard W Rogers – Ins. Of election

Dist. No 2     Jas Reeves  
                 George Harrison – Ins. Of election  
                 Thomas W Gurney – Town Sealer  
                 William Foster – Superintendent of Common Schools  
                 Ambrose Salisbury – Justice full term  
                 William H Southwick – Justice vacancy  
                 William H Bowman – Overseer of the Poor  
                 John Williamson – Collector  
                 John Williamson

Elisha Flower  
Durfee A Sherman – Constables  
Dist. No 1 James S Seeley – Ins. Of election  
Dist. No 2 Jacob Norris – Ins. Of election

The following named persons were duly chosen overseers of highways in and for the respective road districts to which they are named as follows, to wit:

District No. 1 – William Foster  
District No. 2 – William Beal  
District No. 3 – David Johnson  
District No. 4 – Samuel J Horton  
District No. 5 – Thomas Galloway  
District No. 6 – Joseph Rogers  
District No. 7 – William Pullman  
District No. 8 – Hiram Foster  
District No. 9 – Dennis Clark  
District No. 10 – George Harrison  
District No. 11 – Zebulon Reeves  
District No. 12 – J P Stupplebeen  
District No. 13 – Hender Parshall  
District No. 14 – William Palmer  
District No. 15 – Oliver Durfee  
District No. 16 – Cephas Jagger  
District No. 17 – James Hick?  
District No. 18 – Stephen Mosher  
District No. 19 – Israel ? Howell  
District No. 20 – John Jagger  
District No. 21 – William Durfee  
District No. 22 – Ira Greenwood  
District No. 23 – James R Sanford  
District No. 24 – James Walton  
District No. 25 – James Reeves  
District No. 26 – William VanHusen  
District No. 27 – Daniel J Rossman  
District No. 28 – John O'Neil  
District No. 29 – Abram Carl  
District No. 30 – Asa K White  
District No. 31 – Thomas Rainer  
District No. 32 – D D ?  
District No. 33 – James Hubbell  
District No. 34 – Maltby Clark  
District No. 35 – William Tripp  
District No. 36 – Andrew Feller  
District No. 37 – George Evans  
District No. 38 – Joseph Aldrich  
District No. 39 – Joseph Wilcox

District No. 40 –Jacob Pettitte

That this meeting do stand adjourned until the first Tuesday in April 1848 there to be held at the Bunker Hill House kept by Butler Newton in the village of Palmyra at Ten O'Clock A M

Charles A Hart – Town Clerk

Isaac E Beecher

Fred K Smith – Justices of the Peace

We the board of town officers of the town of Palmyra at the annual town meeting held therein on the 6<sup>th</sup> day of April 1847 do certify that we have and we do hereby appoint the following named persons to be Inspectors of Election respectively in the two election districts to wit: James Seeley one of the inspectors of election for the election district number one in the said town of Palmyra and Jacob Norris one of the inspectors of election for district number two in Palmyra aforesaid. The aforesaid James Seeley and Jacob Norris having received the greatest number of votes for Inspectors for inspectors of election for the respective district for which they are named next to the inspectors duly elected by the people.

Given under our hands at Palmyra in town meeting aforesaid this 6<sup>th</sup> day of April 1847

Isaac E Beecher

Fred K Smith - Justices of the Peace

Charles A Hart – Town Clerk

#### **1847 Excise Notice**

Whereas by the 4<sup>th</sup> section of the act entitled an act relating to excise and the licensing ? of intoxicating liquors passed May 14<sup>th</sup> 1845 it is made the duty of the Justice of the Peace of any town whenever a petition shall be presented to them signed by one fourth of so many of the legal voters of such town as shall have voted at the last preceding election requesting them the said Justices to present the question of License or No License again to the electors to give notice that such question will be presented to them such petition or request as the law in such cases require have been presented to us.

We do therefore hereby give notice to the electors of the town of Palmyra that the question of License of No License will be presented to them for their consideration and decision on Tuesday next being the 27<sup>th</sup> day of April 1847 at the ? of Butler Newton in the village of Palmyra at 10 o'clock am

Fred K Smith

James Hubbell

J E Beecher – Justices of the Peace

Whereas at a meeting of the gratified voters of the town of Palmyra held April 27<sup>th</sup> 1847 at the house of B Newton for the purpose of again testing the question of License or No License pursuant to the act entitled an act relating to excise and to licensing ? of intoxicating liquors passed May 14<sup>th</sup> 1845.

Then were three hundred and eighty two votes polled upon which were written on printed the words No License and then were one hundred and eighty eight votes polled in which written on printed the words License showing a majority of ninety seven votes against

? of License for the sale of intoxicating liquors passed May 14<sup>th</sup> 1845.

Fred K Smith

Isaac E Beecher – Inspector of town meeting

A copy of the original on file in this office May 3<sup>rd</sup> 1847

E M Anderson – Town Clerk

At a meeting of the board of town officers of the town of Palmyra held at the town clerk office in said town pursuant to law on Monday the 4<sup>th</sup> day of October 1847 ? Augustus Elmendorf Supervisor L L Seaman James R Snaford and ? L Rodgers Assessors and Edwin M Anderson Town Clerk

It was unanimously voted that this board deem it in expedient? And unnecessary will not at this time make any alteration in the existing election district of said town and that the election during the year be held at the house of William P Nottingham in Election District Number one and at the stone school house ? the methodist and Presbyterian Churches in election district number two

A Elmendorf – Supervisor

J S Rodgers

L L Seaman

J R Sanford – Assessors

I certify that the above is a true copy of the original on file in my office E M Anderson – Town Clerk

E M Anderson – Town Clerk

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at the annual town meeting in the town of Palmyra held pursuant to adjournment at the house occupied by Butler Newton in the village of Palmyra on Tuesday the 4<sup>th</sup> day of April 1848

Pursuant Presiding Ambrose Salisbury, Isaac E Beecher, W H Southwick Esq, Justice of the peace in and for said town Edwin M Anderson Town Clerk it was

Voted – that four constables be chosen for the ensuing year

Voted – that the supervisor pay John Chapman the amount of tax overpaid by said Chapman for the year 1847

Voted – that the supervisors pay to Rev E A Platt? The amount of tax overpaid by said E A Platt? For year 1847

The report of the commissioners of highways having been read upon recommendation of said commissioners it was

Voted – the supervisor be authorized and directed to raise by tax on said town the sum of three hundred and fifty dollars in addition to the sum allowed by law to pay for constructing and repairing roads and bridges

Voted – resolved that the supervisor be requested to institute an immediate and thorough search for the recent ? of this town and that there be an ? to ? any necessary ? for that object at the cost of the town

The following persons having received the highest number of votes are declared duly elected to the several and respective offices for which they are respectively named to wit:

Augustus Elmendorf – Supervisor

Amos C Sanford – Town Clerk

William H Southwick – Justice of the Peace

William Foster – Town Superintendent

Hendee Parshall – Assessor

Hazard W Rodgers

John H Gilbert – Inspectors of election district no 1

Charles Hudson

George Harrison – Inspectors of election district no 2

Shadrach Hildreth – Commissioner of Highways

Elisha Flower – Overseer of the Poor

William Walton – Town Sealer

William Drake – Collector

John Williamson

Walter Stephens

John S Brown

Durfee A Sherman – Constables

The following persons were duly chosen path master on overseer of highways in and for the respective district in which they are named

1 – William Parh

2 – James Galloway

3 – David Johnson

4 – Josiah Drake

5 – Thomas Galloway

6 – Rosman G Gordon?

7 – Willard Pulman?

8 – A Salisbury

9 – Tripp Ellisson

10 – George Harrison

11 – George Brown

12 – Peter Stupplebeen

13 – James J Bromfield

14 – Joab Drake

15 – James A Shaw

16 – Paul Jangger?

17 – Seymen I Monroe

18 – Stephen Mosien?

19 – William Snee?

20 – William Post

21 – Gurdon G Smith

22 – Ira Greenwood

23 – James R Sanford

24 – George Wilcox

25 – Rufus Sweezey

26 – William VanHusen

27 – Jacob M Hammond

28 – Nathaniel Crandall

29 – A F Suchey?

30 – Luther R Benton

31 – Silus Taber?

32 - ? Smith ?

- 33 – Jacob Sherman
- 34 – Edwin Stacey
- 35 – William Tripp
- 36 – John Beal
- 37 – George Evans
- 38 – Charles M Addams
- 39 – Silvester Westfall
- 40 – Robert Hunt

We the board of town officers of the town of Palmyra at the annual town meeting held therein on the 4<sup>th</sup> day of April 1848 do certify that we have and do hereby appoint the following named persons to be inspectors of elections respectively in two election districts to wit Samuel Palmer one of the inspectors of election for the election district number one in said town of Palmyra and Jacob Norris one of the Inspectors of election for district number 2 in Palmyra aforesaid the said Samuel Palmer and Jacob Norris having received the greatest number of votes for inspectors of election for the inspection district for which they are named ? so the inspector next of the inspection duly elected by the people.

Given under our hands at Palmyra in town meeting aforesaid this 4<sup>th</sup> day of April 1848.