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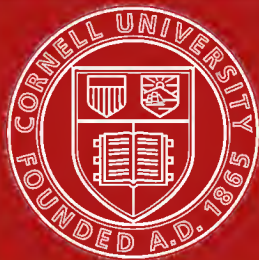
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THE EARLY RECORDS
OF THE
TOWN OF PROVIDENCE

VOLUME XIII

BEING THE BOOK CALLED TOWN MEETING
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PREFACE

This volume continues the work of collecting and printing the Early Records of the Town of Providence authorized by the following resolution of the City Council approved March 6, 1891:

“RESOLVED, That Horatio Rogers, George M. Carpenter and Edward Field are hereby appointed record commissioners, who shall serve without compensation, for the purpose of collecting and printing the early records of the town of Providence. And said commissioners are hereby authorized to expend the sum of one thousand dollars for collecting and printing said records, said sum to be charged to the appropriation for printing.”

Since the inauguration of the work the City Council has from time to time made additional appropriations for its continuance.

The record book known as “Town Meeting No 2 1716 1721” which is here produced in type purports to contain the proceedings of the town meetings between those dates but in fact it also contains records for the years 1722, 1723, 1724 and 1725. A careful examination of it, leaves one somewhat in doubt as to just what this book was intended to be, for though it has many features about it to convey the impression that it is the original book of record there are likewise certain indications that it was used by the town clerk as a “Blotter” in which to make memoranda of the town proceedings previous to the more

extended record. The perplexing irregularity of dates as shown in its present condition probably resulted from a lack of care in placing the sheets in proper order when the volume was bound up many years ago, and the incongruity of the title doubtless arose from the fact that, as bound, proceedings for the year 1721 come upon the last page of the manuscript book, thus misleading the person in charge of the binding into the belief that 1721 was the latest date referred to in the volume. The Commissioners in this case as in other cases have printed the book exactly as it appears in the original and for convenience have prepared the following table which shows the chronological order of the meetings and the pages on which the record of the meetings appear.

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By a change in the contract for city printing the present volume and the one preceding it, have been printed by the Remington Printing Co. and the Commissioners take pleasure in testifying to the satisfactory manner in which the typographical work has been done. They also desire to express their appreciation of the great interest which both Mr. Pardon S. Remington and Mr. John E. Hurley of the company have shown in carrying out the wishes of the Commissioners.

The work of transcribing these two volumes has been performed by Miss Bertha E. Barrett.

The methods pursued in printing have been the same as those heretofore used and for convenience are here repeated.

The figures at the top of the pages and enclosed in brackets indicate the paging of the present volume.

The heavy figures enclosed in brackets represent the paging of the original book as it now stands.

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An index to names and an index to subjects are added. There is no separate index to Indian names, since very few occur in the volume.

HORATIO ROGERS,
EDWARD FIELD,
Record Commissioners.

Providence, July, 1897.

TOWN MEETING

RECORD

NUMBER TWO

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[2] Att a Towne meeting held at Prouidence the first munday in June 1716—Jt being the Towns Election day for the Town's sivel officers

Major Jenckes Moderator

Justice Richard Waterman Chosen Clerke & Jngaged

The meeting is adjorned to y^e 11th day of this munth

June y^e iith 1716 the meeting is a gaine in being Major Junckes Continues Moderator

M^r Nicholas Power Edward Potter & Daniel Mathuson Chosen Constables and Jngaged

Joseph Angel Chosen Town Sarjant & Engaged

Mr^s Joseph Whipple; Arthur ffenner Capt Thomas Harris Cap^t Saluanus Scott. Leue^{tt} William Harris & M^r Edward Smith Chosen Town Councill & Engaged

Leue^{tt} William Harris Chosen Town Treasur^r & Engaged

Cap^t William Crawfford Joseph ffenner & John Arnold Jun^r Chosen way wardens or surveyors of y^e high ways & Engaged

Cap^t Samuel Wilkinson Leiu^{tt} William Harris & Arthur
ffenner Jun^r Chosen Ratemakers & Engaged

—Misters—

Eliezer Arnold James Dexter & Thomas Arnold Jun^r
Chosen Ouer seers of y^e Poore & Engaged—

Cap^t Wi^{ll} Crawford Joseph Phillips & Edward Hawkings
Jun^r Chosen Hog Constables

The meeting is desolued

[3] Att A Towne meeteing held att Prouidence January
y^e 27—1715[] Jt being the Towns quarter day—Justice
Richard Waterman Chosen Modrator M^r Daniel Abbott
Chosen Grand Juriman to serve att y^e next Gen^{ll} Coart of
Tryals to be held att Newport y^e Last Tusday in March next
Coming & Leiu^{tt} Roger Burlingame Jacob Clerke Ebenezer
Spreague & Joseph Arnold: are Chosen Pette Jurimen To
serue att s^d Coart

Voated and ordered that Jf any of the Jnhabitants of this
Towne shall and do kill a wolf or woulues within this Town
ship he or they shall haue twenty shillings ~~pp~~^{pp} head allowed
and payed out of the Town Treasurry to y^e s^d person or pers-
ons in money they haueing a note from any one assistant or
Justice of our Towne to y^e Town Treasu' for the same

The meeting is a jorned to y^e 14th of february next then to
be held att y^e house of M^r Turpin

february y^e 14th 1715/16

The meeting is a gaine Jn being; Richard Waterman Continues Moderator Ebenezer Spreague for Resonable aligations was dismissed from y^e aboue Choice of Juryman: & Benjamin Potter Chosen in his Roome

M^r Joseph Whipple & Richard Waterman Jun^r Chosen to meate a Com^{tee} of Pautuxet to Jnspect into the most Conueniant Place to Lay a highway for y^e Conueniency of y^e inhabitants of Moshantatack: & make Report of there proceedings to a Town meeting

Voted and ordered that Jf any person or persons within this towne shall & do lett any swine go at Large without being Lawfully yoaked and Ringed and are there of Lawfully Conuicted shall pay a fine att y^e disscretion of the Justices not Exceeding ten shillings ʒ head | & not under three shillings | for the first offence and all damages don by s^d swine while they were at Liberty & for the seacond offence a dubble fine and so to be Continued: and the money after Charges deducted the ouer plush to be put into the towne treasury to defray towne Charges And this to be in force y^e first of march next

[4] Voated and ordered that there shall be so much money drawn out of the Town treasury as may be sufficient to by Planck and Spikes to puit our town Prison in Repaire and Cap^t William Crawfford is Chosen to Jmply a workman to make s^d Prison sure in all Respects

Samuel Comstock Jun^r John Arnold Jun^r & Henry Mawry Chosen to Lay out a highway from the highway formerly Layed out by the Town to Westquotomset: to Wansocut so

far as they shall think meete: and make Returne of there proceedings to the towne for y^e Towns allowance and Confirmation of s^d work the meeting is disolued

☞ Richard Waterman Town Clerk

Att a Towne meeting held att Prouidence April y^e 27th 1716
Jt being the Towns Quarter day

Major Joseph Jenckes Moderator

M^r John Arnold M^r John Burton M^r Edward Smith and M^r Daniel Abbott Chosen Dept^s to serue at the Gen^rl | Court | Election to be held att Newport the first Wednesday in May next and y^e day before y^e Election—

Vpon a Bill Presented this day by Cap^t Saluanus Scott: Jt is Granted that the s^d Cap^t Scott shall haue Liberty to fence the highway that was the Country Roade ouer Pautucket Riuer Prouided he make Conueniant Carte Gates in the Roade: and maintaine them for the space of four yeares: Prouided Pautucket Bridg stands and is Passable so long; not Else this Js Jntended only: where the highway goeth through his own Land

Vpon the petition of Walter Pheteplace and others Jt is ordered that Cap^t Samuel Wilkinson surveyor and M^r Edward Smith Lay out a highway from the Roade that goes throw Jnmans-Purchis west ward towards John Molauories and the neighbourhood there abouts: and take the Jnformation of y^e proprietors. of the Lands where may be the most Conueniant place for Laying s^d way: and make Returne of there proceedings to a Town meeting. the meeting is desolued

[5] You A. B being by y^e free voat of y^e free men of this Town Chosen Jnto y^e Place & office of a————do solomnly Engage true and faithfull a Legance to his majestye his Heirs & sucesors and in your s^d office Equal Justice and Right to do to all persons boath poore and Rich according to y^e best of your vnderstanding without pertiallity; and this Jngagement you do make and giue att y^e perril of y^e penilty of Perjury

Then I do Jn behalfe of this towne and Colony Reingage to stand by you and support you in y^e due Execution of your s^d office

[6] Att a Towne meeting held att Prouidence this 27th of July 1716 Jt being the Towne Quarterday

Leue^{tt} Gou' Joseph Jenckes Chosen Moderator Leue^{tt} William Harris Chosen Grandjuriman to serue att y^e next Genr^{ll} Court of Tryals to be held att Newport the first tusday in Sept^r next

M^r Ebenezer Spreague | Ensign | John Steere Jun^r | M^r | William Turpin & M^r Joseph Browne Chosen Pete Jurimen to serve att s^d Court.

Vpon the Reading a bill Prefered by Joseph Jenckes Jun^r & Richard Waterman Jun^r Concerning the Charge brought vpon y^e Towne by Reason of y^e Small Pox that hath bin and is now in y^e Towne

M^r Phillip Tillinghast and Cap^t Thomas Harris Chosen to Enspect in to what the Towns Preportionable part may bee; and make vp accounts with Cap^t Crawfford Major Smith and others Concerned so as to Come to a Right vnderstand-

ing in y^e matter that y^e Towne may not be Ronged And y^e s^d Committee to make Returne to the ouer | seers | of the Poore what the Towns preportion is

The meeting is desolved

Att a Towne meeting held att Prouidence this 27th of October 1716 Jt being the Towns Quarter day

Major Jenckes Js Chosen Moderator

M^r Joseph Whipple

M^r Eward Smith

Cap^t Samuel Wilkinson

Major Wi^m Smith

Chosen deputies to serue att y^e Genr^l Assembly to be held in Prouidence y^e Last wednsday of this Jnstant October.

[7] Att A Townes Quarter day meeting held att Prouidence this 27th of: January: Anno Dom: 1717/8

His Hon^r the Dep^t Gon^r Joseph Jenckes Chosen Moderator

Leiu^e^{tt} William Harris Chosen Grandjuryman to serue att y^e next Genr^l Court of Tryals to be holden att Newport y^e Last Tusday in march next And Doct^r John Jenckes Daniell Abbott Nathan Place and Ezekel Warner are Chosen pete Jurimen to serue at s^d Court

Vpon a bill presented by seuerall persons Liueing in the northern part of the Towne ship: that they may haue a pound

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built in that parte of the Towne: the which by voate is Granted: and also a Committee of three men Chosen to ap-
poynt where s^d Pound shall be sett

Ensigne James Whipple John Arnold Jun^r and Sam^l Com-
stock Jun^r are the three men Chosen

The meeting is dissolved

Att A Townes Quarter meeting held att Prouidence this
28th day of July: 1718—by Reason the 27th day happened to be
on the first day of the weeke—

Joseph Jenckes Esqu^t Chosen moderator

Cap^t John Crawfford Chosen Grand Juriman and Ebenezer
Spreague Ezekell Warner John Balleu and Elisha Knowlton
Chosen Pettee Jurymen to serue at the next Gen^l Court of
Tryols to be held att Newport the first Tusday in Sept^r next
Ensueing—The meeting is desolved—

Att a Townes Quarter meeting held att Prouidence this
27th day of october 1718 Jt being the Towns Quarter day—

Major Joseph Jenckes Chosen Moderator

Chosen Deputies To serue att y^e next Gen^l Assembly—

[8] Assembly To be held att this Towne of Prouidence y^e
29th of this Instant October Anno Dom: 1718—

Justice Richard Waterman Cap^t William Crawfford Leue^{tt}
William Harris and Doc^{tr} John Jenckes

The Commettee Chosen to appoynt the place for y^e building
a pound in the Northern parte of our Towne ship this day
made Return of a place they haue pitched vpon: which is by
the highway side betwene James Whipples and William
Whipples where they the s^d Whipples haue promised to allow
Land so Long as it is Jmproved for that vse

The which Returne is by the Towne Accepted where vpon
| it is voated & ordered that | mr Sam^{ll} Wilkinson Jun^r and
Ensign James Wipple shall Build a Pound vpon said place or
spot of Land pitched vpon: and haue their satisfaction out of
the Townes Treasury for there Labour and servis there in

The meeting is dissolved

Att a Towne meeting held att Prouidence the 27th day of
January Anno Dom: 1718/9 Jt being the Towns quarter day

Richard Waterman Junr Chosen Moderator M^r Samuell
Wilkinson Junr Chosen Grand Juryman and Ensign John
Steere M^r William Turpin Sarjant Nathaniel Browne and
M^r William ffield are Chosen Pettee Jurymen To Serve att the
next Gen^{ll} Court of Tryals to be holden att Newport the Last
Tusday in march next Comeing

Vpon a Bill presented by M^r William Brooke and others
Concerning a highway that Js Like to be stopt by Sam^{ll} Win-
sors house in y^e woods

Cap^t Thomas Harris Leue^t Nicholas Sheldon and M^r Thomas Steere are chosen to goe and view [9] M^r Eliezer Arnold M^r James Dexter and M^r Thomas Arnold Jun^r Chosen Our seers of the poore and Engaged

The meeting is Adjorned to munday next y^e 10th of this Instant June to be held att y^e house of M^r Will^m Turpin

June y^e: 10th 1717 Jt being munday The meeting is Againe in being: Major Jenckes Continues Moderator

Voted and ordered that Samuel Winsor William ffeild and William Olney Jun^r shall build and make a Pound and sett it in the vsal Place | in Dexters lane | and do it with all Conueniant speede and haue there pay out of the Towne Treasury for to satisfie there Labour and Charge there in

The meeting is dissolved

Att the Towns Quarter meeting held | att Prouidence | this 27th of July 1717—

M^r Eliezer Arnold Chosen Moderator—

M^r Jonathan Spreague Chosen Grandjuriman M^r Jonathan Spreague Jun^r M^r William Brooke M^r John Angel weaver & M^r John Jnman Chosen Pettee Juremen To serue Jn the next Gen^l Court of Tryals to be holden att Newport y^e first Tusday in September next

The meeting is adjorned to y^e house of sarjant Turpin

Munday y^e 26th of August 1717 The meeting is againe in being

the meeting is dissolved

[10] Att a Townes Quarter meeting held att Prouidence
October y^e 28 1717

Cap^t Richard Waterman Chosen Moderator M^r Andrew
Harris Cap^t Siluanus Scott Leiu^{tt} Wi^{llm} : Harris and M^r James
Dexter Chosen Deputies To serue att y^e next Genr^{ll} Court of
Assembly to be held for this Colony Att Warwick the Last
Wednsday in october Currant

Proposed to appoynt a man to Repaire Waybauset Bridg att
y^e Charge of the Towne Prouided he doth not Exceede thirty
shillings : and the money to be drawn out of the Councill
Treasurry : Jt being only Intended for the present nessesety
until sum more Legal method be taken for the Repaireing s^d
bridg

Voted and past : and Cap^t Richard Waterman Js the man
Chosen

The meeting is dissolved

Att A Towne meeting held att Prouidence this 6th day of
January 1717/8

Major Jenckes Chosen Moderator

Voated and ordered that the Justices of this Towne shall
Proceede according to the statute of y^e 22^d of Henry y^e 8th
Cap^t y^e 5th for the Repaireing of the Bridg att Waybousset

The Towne hath Giuen there voice and Past a voat that y^e
Towne Councill shall vse all Lawfull means against y^e Towne

of East Greenwich so as to Rid themselves of y^e Charge of maintaining Mary March

The meeting is dissolved

[11] Capt^t Richard Waterman & : Justice Richard Browne. are Chosen an Audet to audet ye Towns debts

Who are ordered to Jnspect y^e Towns debts and make Report to y^e Towns next Quarter meeting : Jn order that y^e Towne may be in there way to Raise money to defray y^e Towns debts

The meeting is dissolved

Att A Quarter meeting held att Prouidence y^e 28th day of January 1716/17

Cap^t Richard Waterman Chosen Moderator M^r Jonathan Spreague Chosen Grand juriman to serue att y^e next Genr^{ll} Court of Tryals to be holden att Newport y^e Last tusday in March Next And Samuel Comestock Jun^r Leiu^{tt} Roger Burlingame Leiu^{tt} William Harris | & | Ebenezer Spreague to serue pette Jurimen att s^d Court—

Justice Richard Browne and Cap^t Richard Waterman are Jmpowered to allow or disallow of y^e seueral accounts brought before them as they were before Jmpowered as a Committee

Voated and ordered that there shall be a Rate of the sum of one hundred and fifty Pounds Leuied upon the Jnhabitants of y^e Towne of Prouidence Jn order to defray y^e Towns debts

And that the money shall be payed in to y^e Towns Treasury by y^e 27th of April next and that y^e Towne Clerke shall Giue order to y^e Ratemakers for y^e Leuing or preportioning s^d Rate upon y^e Jnhabitants

The meeting is dissolved

[12] Att a Towns Quarter meeting held att Prouidence ye 27th of April 1717 Joseph Jenckes Chosen Moderator Mr Joseph Whipple Cap^t William Crawford M^r Edward Smith & M^r Daniel Abbott Chosen deputies to serue att the next Gen^{ll} Court of Election to be held att Newport the first wednesday in may next and the day before the Election

Voted and ordered that Richard Waterman Clerke shall by a booke for the Towns vse for the Entre of Deedes & c^{tr} and be Reimbursed his Charge againe by the Towne

The meeting is dissolved

Att a Townes meeting held att Prouidence y^e first munday in June 1717 Jt being the Townes Election day for siuel officers his Hon^r : Joseph Jenckes Dep^t Gou^t Chosen Moderator

Cap^t Richard Waterman Chosen Clerke and Jngaged

William Ashton : Silas Carpenter & John Balcom eng^d
Chosen Constables and Jngaged

M^r William Turpin Chosen Towne Sarjant and Jngaged

M^r Joseph Whipple Mr Arthur ffenner Capt Thomas Harris
M^r Edward Smith Chosen Towne Councillmen and Engaged

Cap^t Saluanus Scott Leue^{tt} William Harris Chosen & Engaged

Cap^t Thomas Harris M^r Thomas Olney weaver Chosen Rate-makers and Jngaged: M^r Thomas Arnold Jun^t Chosen and Engaged

M^r James Browne Chosen Towne Treasurer and Jngaged

Thomas Burlingame Daniel Angel Joseph Browne Chosen surveyors of highways and Jngaged

[13] Att A Towne meeting held att Prouidence this 2^d day of June Anno Dom: 1718 Jt being the Townes Election day for the Choise of Towne officers

Major Joseph Jenckes Chosen Moderator Cap^t Richard Waterman: Chosen Clerke & Jngaged

Constables Chosen Stephen Dexter | Engaged | Nathan Place | engaged | and Richard Knight | Engaged | Carp^{tr}

M^r Joseph whipple Cap^t Thomas Harris Cap^t Siluenus Scott m^r Edward Smith Cap^t William Crawford and Leiu^{tt} William Harris Chosen Towne Councillmen and Engaged Leiu^{tt} William Harris Chosen Towne Treasurer and Engaged

Thomas Burlingame John Arnold miller and Edward Jnman Jun^t Chosen Surueyos for highways

Ebenezer Jenckes John Burton | engaged | & Benjamin Waterman Chosen Ratemakers

Voated and ordered that there shall be three men more added as surueyors to take the Care for the Repaireing the highways and so now there is six men ordered for that servis

Thomas Burlinggame John Arnold miller | engaged | Edward Jnman Juner | Engaged | Joseph Browne | Engaged | Nehemiah Sheldon and John Steere Jun^r Chosen Surueyors for y^e highways all Engaged

Mr^s Eleizer Arnold Thomas Arnold & James Dexter Chosen ouer Ceers for the Poore

[14] Robert Curry Chosen Town Sarjant and by Reason he is no ffree man: Leiu^{tt} James Olney Personally appeared and Promised and Engaged in the face of the meeteing to Respond and make Good all or any damage that shall or may accrew to the Shreiff or any other person or persons by Reason of the s^d Curries not being a freeman or of a Compitent Esstate for s^d office

Where vpon ye s^d Currey is ingaged

William Ashton | Engaged | Samuell Wilkinson Jun^r | Engaged | and William Whipple Chosen Hog Constables

The meeting is adjorned to munday next Jt being y^e 9th day of this Instant June and then to be held att the house of Leiu^{tt} James Olney:—June the 9th i718 Jt being Munday the meeting is againe in being

M^r Arthur ffenner Chosen moderator Ebenezer Jenckes positaually Refused to take the place of a Ratemaker

Where vpon Cap^t William Crawford Chosen and Engaged
in his Roome

[15] Voated and ordered that the Committee appoynted to
Jnspect the Towns debts shall haue power to Allow or dis-
allow of accounts brought before them: and to order what
money shall be Raised ouer and aboue what the Towne is all
Ready in debt: and to order att what time s^d Rate shall be paid
in to the Towns Treasuerey and what method the Treasurer
shall take in paying out s^d Rate

the meeting is dissolued

<p>[16] Att A Towns Quarter meeting held att Prouidence this 28th day of Aprill 1718 Leiu^{tt} Andrew Harris Chosen Moderator M^r Jonathan Spreague Jun^r Cap^t Thomas Harris M^r Daniel Abbott & M^r Joseph Browne Chosen deputies to serue att the next Genr^{ll} Court of Election to be holden att Newport the first wednsday in May next and the day before the Election</p>	}	<p>Deputies Chosen</p>
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<p>Voated and past That m^r Peleg Rhoades shall Petision the next Genr^{ll} Assembly; Jn the Townes behalf for sum assistance with money out of the Genr^{ll} Treasury Toward the Repaireing of Waybauset Bridg</p>	}	<p>Mr Rhoades chosen to peti- sion ye Genr^{ll} Assembly in the Townes behalf</p>
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Cap^t Richard Waterman M^r Ebenezer Jenckes & m^r Richard
Browne Chosen a Committee to audit the Towns debts Jn order
to the Leaueing a Rate: and to make Returne to the Townes

next meeting on the first munday Jn June next so that the Towne may know what money to Raise to defray the Towns Charges

The meeting is adjurned to the first munday in June next

[17] what or wheither a passage may not be found to pass sum other way that may Conueniantly serue Jf that way Complained of should be stopt: and make Returne with their opinions to the next meeting of y^e Towne: They are also to Jnspect y^e way so far as John Aldrishes and make Returne as afore s^d1 .

Vpon the Reading of a bill presented by Mrs Nicholas | Power | Benjamin Tillinghast Samuell Winsor Joseph Whipple Joseph ffenner Richard ffenner and m^r Richard Browne for the Liberty to fence in the highways with there Land att the Lower End of the Neck for the space of five years more as it hath bin the five years Last past Jt is voated and Granted provided the petisiners or there partners make and maintaine a Cupple of Carte gates for the Conueniancy of Publick Passage in the highway

The meeting Js dissolved

Att a Towne meeting held att Prouidence this: 27:th day of Aprill anno Dom—: 1719:—Jt being the Towns Quarter day

Major Joseph Jenckes Esq^r Chosen Moderator Cap^t Richard Waterman Cap^t William Crauford Leiu^{tt} William Harris and

1 This entry is evidently the continuation of the order at the end of page 8.

M^r Elisha Knowlton are Chosen Deputies To serue att the next Gen^r Court of Election to be holden att Newport the first wednesday in may next Comeing: and the day before the Election

Granted that John Absolam Jun^r shall haue twenty shillings out of the Townes Treasu^y for a wolfs head he formerly brought before major Thomas ffenner deceased

The meeteing is dissolued

[18] Att a Towne meeteing held att Prouidence the first day of June anno Dom 1719 Jt being munday and the Towns Election day for Towne officers

Cap^t Richard Waterman Chosen Moderator Richard Waterman Jun^r Chosen Clerke Engaged

Charles Tillinghast Chosen Constable Engaged Hazadiah Comestock Chosen Constable Tollaration Harris Chosen Constable Engaged William Turpin Chosen Towne Serjant Engage

Co ^{ll} Joseph Whipple	}	Engaged
Cap ^t Thomas Harris		Engaged
M ^r Edward Smith		Engaged
Cap ^t Natha ^{ll} Jenckes		Engaged Chosen Town Coun-
M ^r James Browne		Engaged cillmen
M ^r Phillip Tillinghast		Engaged

William ffield Engaged	}	Chosen surveyors to take Care for the Repaireing the high- ways
Nehemiah Sheldon Engaged		
John Arnold Jun ^r Engaged		
James Whipple Refused		
Cap ^t Thomas Angel Engaged		
M ^r Thomas Burlinggame Engaged		

M^r William Harris Chosen Towne Treasurer

Ebenezer Jenckes	}	Engaged
Cap ^t Thomas Harris		Chosen Rate makers Engaged
M ^r James Arnold		Engaged

M ^r Nathaniell Browne	}	Positiuely Refused
M ^r Sam ^l Wilkinson Jun ^r		Chosen hogg Constables
M ^r Ebenezer Bates		Engaged

[19] The Town of Prouidence their Shedal Booke Began with a half sheete placed in the middle: this 27th of July anno Dom: 1719

Att a Towns Quarter meeteing held att Prouidence this 27th day of October=anno Dom: 1719 Major William Hopkins Chosen Moderator Cap^t Vollintine Whiteman M^r Stephen Arnold M^r Jacob Clerke and M^r Hope Angel are Chosen deputies to serue Jn the Gen^l Assembly to be held att Warwick the Last Wednesday in this Jnstant October:

Vpon a bill presented by major William Hopkins y^e moderator Concerning John Yeates is wanting Relieff

It is voated and ordered that the Towne Councill shall haue all power to take Care and to act and doe in the whole of s^d affaier as to them may seeme proper It is also voted and ordered that the Towne Councill shall haue the Like authority Concerning John Blackstone and his famoly

Voated and ordered that there shall be allowed to Every freeholder of this Town two pence ~~pp~~^{pp} head. for Every head of a Gray Squerrill brought to the Towne Treasurrer To be payed by him out of the Towns Treasurrey and this order to be in force for the space of one whole yeare

The meeteing is dissolued

[20] Att A Townes Quarter meeting this 27th of January anno Dom: 1719: 20: Called by warrant

Major William Hopkins Chosen Moderator M^r Jonathan Spreague Jun^r and M^r Thomas feild are Chosen Grand Jurimen M^r Benjamin Tillinghast M^r Thomas Burlinggame M^r John Angell weauour: & M^r Robert Currie are Chosen pettee Jurimen To serue att y^e next Genr^{ll} Court of Tryals To be holden att Newport y^e Last Tusday in march next Ensueing

Vpon a bill presented by M^r John Dexter Cumplaining that he is stopt from free passage to and from his Land where he Liues

Where vpon it is voated and ordered that M^r Edward Smith M^r Thomas Arnold Jun^r and M^r William Hopkins Carp^{tr} shall Enspect into the premisses and make Returne of there Judgments and opinians there in to the Townes next meeteing

Voated and ordered that there shall be a Rate Levied and proportioned vpon the Jnhabitents of this Towne of Prouidence of one hundred pounds

M^r Phillip Tillinghast | and M^r Andrew Harris are Chosen deputies to serue att y^e Gen^l Assembly to be held by adjournment from Last october past

The meeting is dissolved

[21] Att a Towns Quarter meeting held att Prouidence this 28th day of October 1723:—the 27th day being the first day of the weeke

Co^{ll} Joseph Jenckes Chosen Moderator Cap^t Samuell Wilkinson M^r Richard Brown M^r Thomas Arnold Jun^r and M^r Henry Harris Are Chosen Deputies to serue in the Gen^l assembly To be held att Warwick the Last Wednsday in this Jnstant october

Voated and ordered that there shall be three pence ^{pp} head allowed and payed by the Town Treasurer out of the Towns Treasurey for Euery Gray Squirriels head or the skin there of; that shall be killed by any of the Town Jnhabitents within this Town: and brought to the Towns Treasurer and this act to Continue for the space of two years

The meeting is dissolved

Att a Towne meeting held at Prouidence the .20th day of nouember: anno Dom: 1723 Co^{ll} Joseph Jenckes Moderator

Cap^t Richard Waterman: Major William Smith Cap^t Daniell Abbott and m^r John Angell weauer Chosen deputies to serue att y^e Genr^{ll} Assembly to be held att Newport the 26th day of this Jnstant nouember

Voated that Richard Waterman Clerke shall sign a petition Jn behalf of the Town for the procureing Quarter sessions or sum other Legall Court for heareing and determining of actions of Debt Trespass Detinue or any actions of the Case not Exceeding twenty or thirty pounds and present it to y^e next Genr^{ll} Assembly to be held att Newport

the meeteing is dissolved

[22] Att a Towne meeting held att Prouidence this 27th day of January Anno Dom: 1723/4: Jt being the Towns quarter day

Co^{ll} Joseph Whipple Chosen Moderator

Ensign William Potter and William Ashton Chosen Grand Jurymen and Ebenezer Spreague Richard Knight John Spreague and Josiah Thornton Chosen pette Jurimen to serue att the next Genr^{ll} Court of tryals to be held att newport the Last Tusday in March next

Co^{ll} Joseph Whipple M^r Nicholas Power & Richard Waterman Jun^r Chosen a Committee to agree with M^r Thomas Staples vpon what terms he may haue Liberty to dig clay att Waybauset hill for to make Bricks the which order is Recorded in the booke of Town acts and orders

Voated that Ensign William Potter shall Put Waybousset Bridg in Repaire and and haue his pay out of the Town Treas-
urey

The meeting is dissolved

Att a Towne Quarter meeting held att Prouidence the 27th
day of Aprill: 1724: Cap^t Richard Waterman Chosen Moderator

Cap^t Richard Waterman Major William Smith Cap^t Daniell
Abbott and Cornet Jonathan Spreague are Chosen Dep^{ts} to serue
att y^e next Gen^{ll} Court of Election to be held att Newport the
first wednsday in may next and the day before the Election

[23] Att A Towns Quarter meeteing held att Prouidence
this 27th day of Aprill Anno Dom 1725 Co^{ll} Nicholas Power
Chosen Moderator Justice Richard Waterman Cap^t Joseph
Mawrey M^r Jonathan Spreague Jun^r and M^r Thomas Olney are
Chosen deputyes to serue At the next Gen^{ll} Court of Election
to be held att Newport the first wednesday in May next and
the day before the election

Cap^t James Arnold is chosen and appoynted for the Repai-
ing of Pautuxet Bridg

Mr Phillip Tillinghast Cap^t Richard Waterman and m^r John
Burton are Chosen: to Audet the Town Treasurers Accounts:
and Also to Audet perticulior persons Accounts: that claimes
any debts due from the Towne and to Allow or disAllow as
they shall see Cause

Richard Waterman Clerke Js Chosen to Carry the Proxeys
to the Genr^l | Court of | Election

The meeteing is dissolued

[24] 26 weekes at 4^s-6^d ~~per~~ weeke
 26
 4
 —
 104
 13
 —
 5-17

James Westgate Charges: 5: days aideing the Constable in
Conueying Corril to Newport

Charged by Henry Sweeteing about Corril	1-0
Summoning y ^e Euidences	1-6
Pressign y ^e watchers to watch y ^e prison	5-0
To Carrying him to newport	

Samuell Kilton Charges for one nights watching and sum
attendance the next day vpon Corril

[25] Att A meeteing of the Audit this 29th day of may
anno Dom: 1725

Wee find due to M ^r William Turpin } ×	03-06-04:
To Cloatheing for Mary March }	
To Charges vpon Marjary Jndian	01-09-00
To Cornelious Estin for Keepeing Mary owen	05-17-00
To M ^r John Burton for keepeing Mary Peetes child	03-00-00

To Richard Waterman Jun ^r for the Repareing } Waybauset Bridg the Last yeare past }	01-16-06
To William Potter for Laying plank on s ^d bridg &: 3: sticks of timber	00-11-00
To Joseph Jenckes Esq ^r for Laying a way from } Pautuckett to Jeremiah Brownes: }	00-05-00
To Justice Browne for his seruisse don in Laying } out said way }	00-05-00
Allowed to James Westgate for aideing the Con- } stable in Carrying Corrill to Newport Jale }	00-16-00
Wee find due to Justice Richard Browne for } summoning and Attending the Jury that Lay- } ed the highway from Town to the Bay Line }	00-19-00
due to m ^r Robert Currie Town Sarjant for his } years seruis in s ^d office }	04-00-00
for his summoning the Jury that Layed out the } highway from the Town to the bay Line }	00-15-00
To his attending the Jury in Laying s ^d way	01-16-00
To his time and trouble in Geathering Mary } owens Goods }	00-14-00
To his goeing to Newport by the deputie Gou ^{rs} } order in the Case of Correl }	01-05-00
Allowed to Henry Sweeteing for his trouble } about Corrill and his Carring him to newport }	01-06-00

[26] There is Allowed to Each Jurior that Layed the highway from the Towne to the Bay Line toward the north-west part of y^e Township the sum of five shillings and sixpence ʒ day for Each day that they shall make appeare by a tickett from vnder the hand of the foreman that they was vpon s^d seruis

there is allowed to Cap^t: Wilkinson after the Rate of five shillings and six pence ʒ day for each days attendance in Laying out s^d way

Wee haueing this day made vp accounts with the Town Treasurer: and wee find there is due vnto him for what he hath payed out of his own Esstate: with his salary the Just sum of
16^l-19-00

february y^e 22^d anno Dom: 1725/6

Phillip Tillinghast
John Burton
Richard Waterman

And we find there is due to m^r James Browne for the Keeping Mary Marsh: which Remains Vnpaid the sum of 05^l-13^s-6^d which we haue Giuen order to the Treasurer to pay

and wee doe Adjudg our selues to be worthy for our Labour and seruis there in: the sum of Eleuen shillings a peice

John Burton
Phillip Tillinghast
Richard Waterman

[27] Att A Towne meeteing held att Proui|dence| the seauenth day of June Anno Dom; 1725 Jt being the Towns Election day for Chooseing of Town officers

Co^{ll} Nicholas Power Chosen moderator
 Justice Richard Waterman Chosen Town Clerke*
 m^r William Turpin Chosen Town Sarjant
 Job Harris Chosen Constable*
 Joseph Arnold Jun^r Chosen Constable*
 Nicholas Sheldon Jun^r Chosen Constable*

Co ^{ll} Joseph Whipple*	}	Chosen Ton Councillmen
M ^r Phillip Tillinghast*		
M ^r James Browne		
Cap ^t James Olney*		
m ^r James Dexter*		
M ^r Thomas Olney		

M^r William Turpin Chosen Town Treasurer:*

m^r Benjamin Tillinghast Chosen Sealer and packer

Cap^t Dan^{ll} Abbott Chosen Surueyor of the highways and m^r Benjamin Smith of Locosquicit* and mr Joseph Hernden* and m^r Joseph Smith Jun^r of wenshcot* and mr Daniell Angel* and mr James Angel*: and Leiu^{tt} John Steere and Ensign Josiah Thornton and Cap^t Thomas Angel: and Leiu^{tt} Roger Burlinggame* and mr Sam^{ll} Relph and m^r Nehemiah Sheldon and John Sayles Jun^r Chosen Surueyors of the highways

m^r Thomas Arnold | Jun^r | M^r William Turpin* and m^r Joseph Arnold* chosen ouer seers for the poore

m^r William olney* Cap^t John Whipple Leiu^{tt} Job whipple*
 m^r Richard Sayles* m^r John Burton m^r Thomas Burlinggame

m^r John manton and m^r Richard Thornton are Chosen fence viewers

M^r William Olney* and m^r Thomas Kilton are Chosen hemp viewers*

[28] M^r Robert Currie Js Chosen Town sarjant* Jn the Roome of M^r William Turpin who Refused

M^r Nathaniel Jenckes | Jun^r | * and m^r Jeremiah Arnold* are Chosen fence viewers

M^r John Angel Js Chosen our seere of the poore*

Cap^t James olney and m^r William Whipple Chosen pond keepers*

This meeteing is Adjorned to the 29th day of this Jnstant June

Remoued into the new Booke

[29] Co^{ll} Joseph Whipple Js Chosen Town councillman Jn the Roome of Major William Smith who Refused & Engaged

M^r William Olney* and Cap^t John Whipple are Chosen fence viewers in the Roome of m^r James Browne and m^r Richard Browne who Refused

The meeting is desolved

Att a Townes Quarter meeting held this 27th day of July
anno Dom 1724

Co^{ll} Joseph Jenckes Chosen Moderator Leiu^{tt} Wi^{ll} Harris &
Leu^{tt} Nicholass Sheldon are chosen Grand Jurymen & Leue^{tt}
John Steere m^t James Angell M^r Joseph ffield and m^t Abraham
Clarke are Chosen Pettee Jurymen to serue att y^e next Genr^{ll}
Court of Tryals to be held att newport y^e first Tusday in Sep-
tember next Ensueing .

Voated that Cap^t Richard Waterman and Ensign William
Potter: shall take the Care of waybauset Bridge and Keepe it
in Repaire: and haue there satisfaction for there Charge and
Labour there in out of the Town Treasurrey

The meeting is dissolued

Att a Towns quarter meeteing held att Prouidence this 27th
day of October anno Dom; 1724

M^r Andrew Harris Chosen Moderator Cap^t Richard Water-
man M^r Andrew Harris Major William Smith and Leue^{tt} Wil-
liam Edmonds are Chosen deputies to serue att the next Court
of Genr^{ll} Court of Assembly to be held at Prouidence the Last
wednesday of this Jnstant October

Leue^{tt} Elisha Knowlton is Chosen Deputie in the Roome of
m^r Andrew Harris Who Refused

[30] To the Towne mett this 27th day of July 1724
Gentlemen J beleiue you are not vnsinsable of the act made
for so much for Each Squerrill head: now my desire is that

you will make it Equall that the Rats may be stated at the same price: which is the desire of

Danⁿ Abbot

Voated and Granted at the aboue s^d meeteing

Att a Towns quarter meeteing held att Prouidence this 27th day of January Anno Dom 1724/5

Coⁿ Nicholas Power Jun^r and M^r Henry Harris are Chosen Grand Jurymen; and m^r John Hawkings M^r Stephen Paine m^r Daniell Smith and m^r Joseph Bagley are chosen Pette Jurymen to serue att the next Genⁿ Court of Tryals to be held att Newport y^e Last Tusday in march next Ensueing

Voated that all the Gray Squerrils heads and Rats heads that are brought into the Town Treasurer betwixt this time and the first day of march next Comeing shall be payed for out of the Treasurey according to the former orders: : and after that time the said acts are declared to be Void nuld of of no Effect and from thence forward the said acts are Repealled

Voated that there shall be the sum of fiue shillings Ɔ head allowed and paid out of the Towns Treasurey for Euery wild Cats skin that shall be brought and shewn to the Towns Treasurer; by any of our towns people and made appeare to be Killed by them within said Township;

the meeteing is dissollued

[31] M^r Phillip Tillinghast m^r Richard Browne and m^r William Jenckes are Chosen an audit to audit the Town Treas-

urers accounts and to Audet perticulior persons accounts and to Giue order to the s^d Treasurer to pay all such debts as they shall find due from s^d Towne: out of the Towns Treasury: and to order and disspose in the premisses as they shall see meete in Justice to doe

Voated that the former act to haue three pence ~~pp~~^{pp} head for each Gray squerrills | head | brought into the Town Treasury: shall be Continued to y^e End of y^e s^d two years

The meeteing is desolued

At a Towne meeteing held at Prouidence this first day of June anno Dom 1724: Jt being munday and the Townes Election day for the Choseing of Town officers

Joseph Jenckes Esq^t Chosen Moderator ×

Capt^t Richard Waterman Chosen Town Clerke × Engaged

M^r Robert Currie Chosen Town Sarjant × Engaged

Thomas Harding Chosen first Constable

Samuel Comestock Jun^t Chosen seacond Constable ×

Stukly Westcot Jun^t Chosen the third Constable: ×

Major William Smith

Cap^t Thomas Harris ×

Cap^t James olney

M^r Phillip Tillinghast ×

M^r Peleg Rhoades ×

M^r James Dexter ×

} Chosen Town Councill men

M^r William Turpin Chosen Town Treasurer × []

[32] Ensign William Potter × Cap^t Thomas Angel m^r Richard ffenner m^r Thomas Burlinggame Ensign Josiah Thornton × Leiu^{tt} John Steere × m^r Samuelli Relph × m^r Seth whipple × m^r William Bates m^r Benjamin Carpenter Leue^{tt} Joseph Wilkinson × and M^r John Balcom are Chosen surveyors of highways

M^r Thomas Arnold × m^r William Turpin × and m^r Joseph Arnold are Chosen ouer seers for the poore

Cap^t James Olney and Ensign James Whipple are Chosen Pound Keepers × Engaged

M^r Benjamin Tillinghast is Chosen sealer and packer

M^r William Olney and M^r Thomas Kilton are Chosen Hemp viewers Engaged

M^r James Browne m^r Richard Browne Leue^{tt} Job Whipple × Ensigne Richard Sayles × m^r Thomas Burlinggame m^r James Congdon M^r John Manton × M^r Richard Thornton × Cap^t Joseph Mawrey M^r Thomas Steere Ensign James Aldrich Leue^{tt} Thomas Hopkins m^r John Aldrich m^r Jeremiah Arnold × and m^r Nathaniell Jenckes Jun^r × are Chosen fence viewers

M^r Thomas Harding procured m^r Henry Sweeting to serue Constable in: his Roome who was by the Towne accepted by Voate—: and there upon Engaged

The meeteing is adjorned to the first munday in July next:

July y^e 6th 1724—Jt being munday [] meeteing is againe
in being

Joseph Whipple Js Chosen Moderator

[33] The Jnventory of the desed John Mathuson hoo died
upon the 4 of december Jn the year 1700 Jn patuxet in y^e
township of providence in y^e Collone of Rhodisland and prouid-
ent plantationes Jn new england is as followeth

Jn primus on Coat and wascoat old and much woren	0-4- 6
to 3 pare of breches - - - - -	0-3- 0
to 3 old hats - - - - -	0-2- 6
to a old pare of shoos and stokenes - - -	0-4- 0
to awash lether belt - - - - -	0-2- 0
to a pare of mittins and neckloath - - - -	0-1- 0
to a testement and pocket boock - - - -	0-2- 8
to a siluer buckel - - - - -	0-0- 8
to 1 shirtt - - - - -	0-2- 0
to 2 glas boteles - - - - -	0-0-10
to 3 poudderhorns and poudder and a atin and 3 hoock - - - - -	0-1- 4
to a knif and 3 pipes - - - - -	0-1- 5
to a barel of drink part sider and part bear - - -	0-7- 0
to a set of shurt buten - - - - -	0-1- 5
the sum totl arers exspted - - - - -	1-12-10
more since; horse	
more	0-18-00

This| Jnventory was taken upon The 19 of this Jnstant 19
Dec: 1700 by usse

Peleg Rhoades
Elisha Arnold

Benjamin Carpenter of Patuxett in the afore s^d Providence hath made oath to the trueth of all the said Mathusons Estate in this Inwentarey; that he knowes of no more Estate of him the s^d Mathuson so also hath Peleg Roades & Elisha Arnold as to the apriseall of s^d Estate. Taken before the Councill of Providence Januarey the 7th: 1700[—]

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[35] Co ^{ll} whipple—.....	60
M ^r Tillinghast:—.....	85
m ^r James Browne—.....	
Cap ^t Olney:—.....	
M ^r Dexter—.....	
mr Olney—.....	
Cap ^t Harris—.....	
m ^r winsor—.....	
Major Smith—.....	
m ^r Harris—.....	
m ^r Spreague—.....	
E ^d Smith—.....	

[36] Att a Townes Quarter meeteing held att Prouidence this 27th day of Aprill Anno Dom: 1720

C|ap^t | Richard Waterman Chosen Moderator
M^r William Harris Major William Smith M^r Samuell Aldrich and m^r Hope Angell are Chosen to serue deputies att y^e next Gen^{ll} Court of Election to be holden at newport y^e first wednesday in may next and the day before the Election

Voated and ordered that there shall be a Committee Chosen to audit the accounts with the Towne Treasurer: and also to Notifie the Inhabitents to bring in their accounts before s^d Committee and for them the s^d Committee to allow or disallow of such accounts as they appear to be Just to them and make Report to the adjournment of this meeting: And If the 100^{lb} agreed vpon be not sufficient to defray the Townes debts then to make a further addition as the Towne shall think fitt

M^r James Browne m^r John Burton and Richard Waterman Jun^r are Chosen a Committee

The meeting is adjourned to the Last munday in may next Comeing

May y^e 30th 1720: It being munday the meeting is againe in being

Richard Waterman Jun^r Continues Moderator

Voated that m^r James Dexter shall haue allowed ten pounds for Keepeing Mary Marsh in the time of sickness the Last winter—seauen monthes

voated and ordered that Samuell Wilkinson Jun^r shall haue 13^s-4^d allowed and paid him out [37] of the Townes Treasury for to defray the Charge he hath bin att in paying his fine for not serueing Grand Juryman when he was vnder an Inngagement: In the Towne whereby y^e Towne was to blame in Chuseing him

Voated and ordered that there shall be fifty pounds added to the one hundred pounds before agreed vpon & voated to be Raised

where vpon Jt is voated and order that there shall be the sum of one hundred and fifty pounds Leuied & proportioned vpon the Jnhabitents of this Towne of Prouidence and to be paid in money or Bills of Publick Creadit: and that the Towne Clerke shall Notifie and Giue order to the Rate makers to proportion the s^d sum vpon the s^d Jnhabitant with all Convenient speede and deliver the same in three Rate bills or Lists to the Towne Clerke to be Copied and delivered to the Towne Treasurer that so he may deliuer the same to the Constables with their warrents for the Colecting and Geathering the same: and that the s^d Constables shall pay in the s^d sums as is Contained in Each of there preticulior Lists: Jn to the Towns Treasurry on or before the first munday in october next

Voated and ordered that the same Committee shall and are Continued to finish makeing vp the accounts with the Towne Treasurer and make Report to the Towne att there next quarter meeteing—Jonathan Spreague Esq^r is Chosen deputie to serue att the next siting of the Gen^l Assembly in the Roome of Samuell Aldrich—

the meeteing is dissolved

[38] Att a Towne meeteing held att Prouidence the: 6th day of June anno Dom: 1720: Jt being the first munday in s^d month and the Towns Election day for the Choice of there Towne officers—

Major Will^m Hopkins Chosen Moderator

Richard Waterman Chosen Clerke And Engaged

Co ^{ll} Joseph Whipple ×	}	Chosen Town Councillmen Engaged those Crost
M ^r Phillip Tillinghast ×		
Cap ^t Nathaniell Jenckes ×		
M ^r James Browne ×		
Cap ^t Thomas Harris ×		
Mr. Edward Smith ×		

M ^r Daniel Coock ×	}	Chosen Constables Engaged those Crost
M ^r Daniel Angel ×		
M ^r Abraham Clerke		

M ^r William Turpin ×	}	Chosen Towne serjant Engaged
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M ^r Thomas olney weauer	}	Chosen Town Treasurer Engaged
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Cap ^t John Jenckes ×	}	Chosen Surueyors of higways Engaged those Crost
M ^r Thomas Olney Jun ^t		
M ^r Nehemiah Sheldon ×		
M ^r Thomas Burllinggame		
M ^r Benjamin Smith Jun ^t ×		
M ^r Richard ffenner ×		

Voated and ordered that there shall be two more surueyors for highways where vpon Ensign John × Steere and m^r Richard Spreague are Chosen ×

[39] M ^r Edward smith ×	}	Chosen Ratemakers Engaged those Crost.
Cap ^t Josiah Westcott ×		
M ^r Joseph Browne ×		

Major Wi^{ll} Hopkins for those on the East side of Pochasett Riuer about Pautuxett and Masipauge and Cap^t Thomas Harris and m^r John Burton for the western parte of the Towne: To take a List of there seueral partes for which they are Chosen of all such as are Capable of being made free men and bring there seueral Lists to the Townes next quarter meeting which will be on the 27th of July next.

The meeteing is adjorned to y^c 27th day of July next for the Engagemet of m^r Phillip Tillinghast × and m^r Benjamin Tillinghast but Jn Case they take there Jngagements before
Then this meeteing is dissolued

Att a Townes quarter meeteing held att Prouidence July the the 27th 1720

Major William Hopkins Chosen Moderator

M^r Daniel Abbott and m^r Stephen Dexter are Chosen Grand Jurimen

M^r Joshua Winsor m^r Thomas Steere m^r William Hawkings Jun^r and m^r William Spreague Jun^r are Chosen pette Jurymen to serue att the next Genr^{ll} Court of Tryals to be held¹

[41] To the Worthy moderator and the Rest of the worthy Freemen of the town of Providence assembled Jan^y 27th 1723/4

¹ At this point a small sheet of paper has been inserted in the original book and has been numbered consecutively with the other pages of the book. The continuation of the record on page 40 will be found on page 43.

The Humble Petition of us the Subscribers Sheweth That Whereas there was at the Last Quarter meeting an act Passed concerning Squirrels, the which act wee think was made without Due consideration and without any manner of Restrictions: Wee humbly pray that when any Squirrel heads are brought to the Town Treasurer that he Examine whether they was killed on the first day of the week and if they are that there Shall be allowed nothing for them there being an act of assembly made in this Colony for preventing Sports & passtimes on the first day of the week: wee think this act is an Encouragement to break that, unless there be the above Restriction made in the Squirrel Act, wee also think that if those heads are paid for that are killed on the first day of the week, it will be a means of Encouragement to vice & Immorality & therefore doubt not but you will Grant our Request which is so much to the Encouragem^t of Good manners & c^a

Jn: olney	John Whipple	Joseph Whipple
	Charles Bardin	James Browne
		Nicholas Power
		Robert Gibbs

[42] To y^e Town mett y^e 27th day of January 1723/4

It is prayed Ensign Potter be appoynted to put waybauset Bridg in Repaiar and haue his pay out of the Town Treasurey

Att a Town meeteing held this 27th of January i723/4 the Within persons were accepted to be free of the Town and Returned to y^e Gen^l assembly for there acceptance to be made free of the Colony

Robert Gibbs }
Jerimiah field } freemen proposed to be made
Cotton Palmer }

Resolued Waterman

Pardon Tillinghast

William Waterman

Thomas Williams Jun^r

William Carpenter Jun^r

Tittis Thornton

Jeremiah Thornton

Jeames Thornton Jun^r

William Walling

John Corp

John Gortton

Jsrel Gortton

John Haws

Clemand King

Thomas King

Jeomes King Jun^r

Joab Whapel son of Jobe

Elezer Whippel Jun^r

Hezekiah Spreague

Gaiberice Peecok

John Steere minor

Hosia Steere

[43] held att Newport the first Tusday in September
next^r

^r This record is continued from original page 41.

M^r Arthur ffenner Majo^r William Smith, m^r William Harris and m^r Daniell Abbott are Chosen deputies to serue att y^e Gen^ll Court of Assembly to be held att Prouidence y^e Last wednesday in October next Comeing

The meteing is desolued

Att a Towns quarter meeteing held att Prouidence the 27:th of october Anno Dom: 1720

Major William Hopkins Chosen Moderator

The meeteing is adjorned for the space of y^e quarter of an houre and then to be held att the house of Cap^t James olney

this day freemen was made and accepted by the Towne and Returned to the assembly for ye acceptance of the Colony
the meeting is dissolued

Att a Towns Quarter meeteing held att Prouidence this 27th day of January anno Dom: 1720/21

Major William Hopkins Chosen Moderator:

Grand Jurimen Called for by the moderator Returned	} William Harris Robert Currey
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Pettee jurymen Called for by the moderator Returned	} Samuel Aldrich Roger Burlinggame William Hopkins Carpenter Ebenezer Spreague
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[44] It is voated and ordered that | from and after y^e first day of aprill next | Noo Geese shall be Lett goe vpon the Common or in the highways nor in the water with in this Township of Prouidence or with in the Jurisdiction there of nor vpon any other persons Land. Except those that one the Geese: on the pennilty of the forfeiture of all such Geese that are so found —Past:

It is voated and ordered that Herndens Lane and the highway that Leads from thence to pautuckett may be fenced for the space of fve years from hence next Comeing provided there be sufficient Gates sett vp and maintained in s^d Lane and highway that may be Conueniant for both horse men and Cartes to pass through as well as foot men dureing all the said term

It is further voated and ordered that Nathan Place shall bring what deputies Bills he hath in his hands to m^r James Browne that he may Jnspect into what the sum of s^d Bills amounts to and also Jndcavour to git Jnformation how big the Rate was that was Leuied vpon the Town Jn the yeare 1715 and there vpon give an account to Richard Waterman Town Clerke:—

And the said Richard Waterman after he hath found how much of the 19⁶–12⁵–8^d is due to | m^r | William Harris former Treasurer that then he the said Richard Waterman shall giue an order to m^r Thomas olney present Town Treasurer to pay to the s^d William Harris what is his Just due out of the Towns Treasurrey

It is also voated and ordered that Each free holder with in this Township of Prouidence shall from and after this day haue

two pence pp head for euery head of a Gray Squirrill that shall be by them brought before the Towns Treasurer: and to be payed out of the Townes Treasurrey: and this order to Continue dureing the Towns pleasure

And the s^d Treasurer shall be Carefull to accept of no squirrils heads but such as are killed within this Town ship

The meeteing is dissolued

[45] Att a meeteing of the Committee Chosen to make vp the accounts with the Town Treasurer and also to audet the Townes debts this 23^d day of may Anno Dom: 1720: And to Jnspect into such accounts as shall be brought before them: And there vpon to allow of such accounts as to them shall seeme Legal: and draw a List of the same to be a Rule for the Treasurer to pay out the money by—

deputies Bills	{ Wee haue thought fitt to Raise Sixteene pounds to pay y ^e deputies ties	£ s. d 16-00-00
Charges upon Mary Marsh	{ due to William Turpin To Cloatheing for Mary March And there will be due for her keepeing ye 14 th day of June next the sum of the which sum m ^r Turpin saith he is Jngaged for	01-19-03 09-00-00

<p>Mary Marshis account Continued</p>	<p>{ due to m^r James Dexter for her keepinge and attendance Jn the Time of sickness 7 monthes } by Paid to John Arnold by paid to doctor Jenckes</p>	<p>10-00-00 01-02-00 01-00-10</p>
<p>Charges upon Mary Aldrich</p>	<p>{ due to William Lawrance for keepinge of Mary Aldrich two yeares Come the 9th day of December next }</p>	<p>18-00-</p>
<p>due to Robert Currey</p>	<p>{ Wages To Goeing with a warrant to Wi^m Blancher }</p>	<p>04-00- 00-02-</p>
<p>Charges vpon John Daley</p>	<p>{ due To John Rhoades for keepe- ing of John Dalie one yeare Come y^e Last of October next }</p>	<p>12-00-</p>
<p>due for Sarjants wages</p>	<p>{ To m^r William Turpin for Sarjants wages }</p>	<p>04-00-</p>
<p>for other things</p>	<p>{ To 4 yards of osenbrigs for the Cripple att Nathaniel Brownes } { To warning the Jury and atten- dance in the Layeing out the highway by John Wilkinsons }</p>	<p>00-08-00 00-12-00</p>

Charges upon Richard Collins upon []	{ due To Doctor John Jenckes for the care of Richard Collings when he is well }	04-10-[]
	{ for Phissick To Bettee Saturn in the time of sickness Jn febr- ary: 1719: 20 }	02-02-09
[46] further charges vpon Richard Collings	{ Due to Elnathan Browne for Keepeing Richard Collings 7 weekes already att 7 ^s pp ^r weeke }	$\begin{matrix} \text{£} & \text{s} & \text{d} \\ 02-09-00 \end{matrix}$
	{ And wee suppose 2 weekes more washing }	00-14-00 00-05-00
allowed to Char- les Til- linghast	{ due To the Constable Charles Tillinghast for his Charges Jn Keepeing and Carrying Susannah Harue out of our Towne for himself and aid }	00-08-00
Allowed to Dani- el Ab- bott	{ due to Daniel Abbott for Pay- ing 2 Rates for William Screech }	00-03-04
	{ &: 2: Rates for Sam vmpotoun Indian }	00-02-06
We think fitt to Raise for Squerrils heads	{ To y ^e defraying the Charge of Squerrils heads }	16-00-00

for bring- ing Collings to Towne	{ There is due to Cap ^t Thomas Angel M ^r William Hopkins and M ^r Samuel Bates and those they Jmplied to bring Richard Col- lings to Towne }	} 00-16-00
[] rges high [] ays	{ Wee think fitt to Raise for the defraying the Charge of the high- way through Hosannah Brownes Land and the highway att or neere James Mathewsons Land }	} 03-18-00
[] a Record [] ooke	{ due to Richard Waterman Jun ^r for a Record Booke }	} 00-14-00
	{ due to John Rhoades for keepe- ing John Dalie formerly }	} 03-12-00
	{ allowed to Samuel Wilkinson Jun ^r the sum of 13 ^s -4 ^d for seruis done }	} 00-13-04

[47] The aboue accounts are voated and allowed att a
Towne meeteing y^e 30th day of may: 1720—

Where vpon it is voated and ordered to Raise 150^l-00^s-00^d

And it is further voated and ordered that the Tow [] Treas-
urer shall pay all Legal dues and duties in Geathering and
such other | Lawfull | Charges that shall accrew in bring in
the s^d sum of one hundred and fifty pounds in to the Towns
Treasurry

Attest Richard Waterman Town Clerke

The Committee that was appoynted to audit the accounts of this Ratee was m^r James Browne m^r John Burton & Richard Waterman Junr

Att a Towns Quarter meeteing held att Prouidence this 27th day of Aprill anno Dom: 1721:

M^r Arthur ffenner Chosen Moderator

Major William Smith M^r Andrew Harris Cap^t Daniell Abbott and m^r Ebenezer Spreague are Chosen Deputies to se[] att the Gen^l Court of Election to be held att newport the first wednesday in may next and the day before the Elect[]

The meeteing is desolued

Att a Towns quarter meeteing held att Prouidence October y^e 27th anno Dom=1721

Co^{ll} Joseph Whipple Chosen Moderator

Voted and ordered that Arthur ffenner Esq^r and M^r William Potter shall prouide timber and other nessesary [] Conueniant for the Repaireing of the Bridg att Wayb[] and put the said Bridge in Repaire with all Conueniant Speede and | haue | there pay for there Laber and Charge there in out of the Towns Treasurry

the meeteing is dissolved

[48] an account of the Rate that was Leuied y^e 5th of december: 1718

The Townes parte	} Contained	}	48- 7-5
the Northern woods			47- 0-1
the Southern Woods			35- 5-6
			<u>130-13-0</u>

An account of the Rate that was Leuied y^e 20^h day of march 1718

The Towne parte	56-00-11
the northern woods parte	55-04-01
the Southern woods parte	39-12-03
	<u>150-16-03</u>

M^r William Harris dt^r To y^e Town as Town Treasur:

The Rate that was Rectified from a former audet: June y^e 2 1715 wee find the account in the audit to be = 77^s-00-00

Though wee allowe it now in our account to be but 60^s-00-00 } 60-00-00

In the yeare 1716/17 there was Leuied by the Rate makers } 150-16-03

[]n the yeare 1718 there was Leuied by the Rate makers } 130-13-00

Total 341-09-03

And 10^s brought by Justice Waterman for a fine & 5^s by M^r Burton 000-10-00
 four shillings being Leuied } 000-05-00
 vpon John Newffields when }
 he Lay sick and after he was
 dead—so was not paid— 342-04-03

and Eight shillings Levied vpon the other of the newffield
Jndians When Stephen Dexter was Constable and hath Refused
to geather the said Rate from Either of them:

	342-04-03
12 ^s sett back to y ^e Jndians	000-12-00
	341-12-03
Total Received	

Nathan Place declareth that he hath 3^{lb} in deputies bills in
his hands that wee haue accepted as though he had brought
them in and allowed them in y^e account: Except it proue other
ways

[49] Att a Towne meeteing held att Prouidence the 27th
day of July Anno Dom = 1719 Jt being the Townes quarter
day

Joseph Jenckes Esq^r Chosen moderator

M^r John Dexter and m^r William Ashton Chosen Grand Juri-
men; And m^r Jonathan Spreague Jun^r m^r William Brooke m^r
Ezekell Warner and m^r Hope Angel are Chosen Pettee Juri-
men to serue att the next Ger^{ll} Court of Tryals to be held att
newport within and for the Colony of Rhoad Jsland and Proui-
dence plantations the first Tusday in September next Ensueing
the meeteing is dissolved

Creadit To m ^r William Harris Town Treas- uror by the Committees accounts which was by them allowed: to be paid by the Treasurer which he hath Charged him self d ^{tr} for and doth acquitt the Towne of the same	}	300-05-11
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To the ouer plush of the deputies bills—	015-07-00
To the Constables for the geathering y ^e 60 [℥] Rate	003-00-00
To warrants and Copies for y ^e geathering s ^d Rate	000-06-00
To y ^e Ratemakers for proportioning s ^d Rate	001-02-00
To my own fees for Receiving and paying out s ^d Rate	} 001-10-00
To the Constables fees for the geathering the Rate Jn the yeare: 1716/17:	} 007-10-00
To the Rate Leuiors for Leuieing	001-02-06
To the warrants and Copies for the Constables to geather the s ^d Rate	} 000-06-00
To warrants and Copies for the Geathering y ^e Rate 1718	} 000-06-00
To my fees	003-15-00
To wolf bills and a Bill of 40 ^s to John King and 3 ^{lb} —	} 026-15-00
To John Hoyle and Loacksqiset pound: 7 [℥] -5	}

[50] January y^e 25th 1720/21:

Wee the subscribers made vp accounts with m^r William Harris the Late Towne Treasurer and wee find there is due to him when he hath paid all the accounts that he hath accepted to pay which is all that hath bin brought to him Except the Squerrils heads: the sum of 19[℥]-12^s-08^d- but then we suppose Nathan Place hath .3[℥]: of deputies bills in his hands

Att a Towne meeteing held y ^e 27 th day of January 1720/21 the aboue account was voated and Accepted	} James Browne Richard Waterman }	} Comtt ^e

J. W.....	83
J. B.....	86
P. T.....	46
N. P.....	50
E S.....	72
N J.....	73
J O.....	40
S. W.....	
T H.....	55

Att a Court of Justices held att Prouidence this 5th day of June anno Dom 1721: Present

Andrew Harris Esq^r Assistent:
Richard Waterman Justice
Jonathan Spreague Justice

John Rhoades and Elizabeth his wife Complainers against Robert Latham for the breach of his majesty's Peace both by actions and in Threatenings and disspite full words by Reason the party Complained of: desires a Longer time to make answer: the which is Granted provided he procure sureties for his appeareance and his peaceable behaiour in the meane time since the parties in Contriuercy by the allowance of y^e Court haue Committed the whole differance to arbitration and haue Chose m^r W^m. Spreague and Leuett Brallinggame to arbitrate the Case betwixt them & Jf they cannot agree for them to Chose the 3^d man & what two of the three agrees vpon they oblige them selues Each to the other in the sum of 40^s Cureant money to be Recouered by way of action

[51] Att a Towne meeteing held att Prouidence this 5th day of June 1721: Jt being the first munday in said month and the Towns Election day for Chooseing of Towne officers

Cap^t Richard Waterman is Chosan Town Clerk: Engaged

Robert Currie Chosen Towne Serjant:	}	Engaged those Crast are engaged
Henry Eastain Chosen Constable ×		
John Sayles Jun ^r Chosen × Constable		

Moses Burlingame Chosen Constable who was dismissed for Reasonable alligations

Co ^{ll} Joseph × Whipple	}	Chosen Town Councill men	}	those Crossed are Engaged
M ^r James Browne Refused				
m ^r Nicholas × Power				
M ^r Edward Smith Refused				
Cap ^t Nathaniell Jenckes ×				
Cap ^t Thomas Harris ×				

Thomas Olney w^s Chosen Town Treasurer Engaged

M ^r Edward Smith	}	Chosen Ratemakers
Cap ^{tn} Josiah Westcott ×		
& m ^r Joseph Brown ×		

M ^r Stephen Dexter ×	}	Chosen Surueyors of highways those Crossed are Engaged
M ^r John Dexter ×		
M ^r Ebenezer Spreague ×		
M ^r John Steere × Jun ^r ×		
M ^r Nehemiah Sheldon ×		
M ^r Thomas Burlingame		
M ^r John Bolcom		
M ^r Samuell ffisk		

M^r Eliezer Arnold Engaged }
 M^r Thomas Arnold Jun^r } Chosen ouer seers for the
 M^r William Turpin Engaged } poore

Cap^t James olney }
 M^r William Whipple } Pound Engaged keepers
 William Whipple Refused

[52] M^r × James Browne }
 M^r Richard Browne }
 m^r × William | Hopkins | Carp^{tr} } Chosen fence viewers
 m^r Richard Sayles } those Crossed are
 m^r Charles Dyer } Engaged
 m^r × Arthur ffenner Jun^r }
 m^r John Steere Jun^r × }
 & m^r James Aldrich }

M^r Benjamin Tillinghast }
 Chosen Packer & and Sealer } Engaged

M^r Thomas Kilton }
 m^r Daniell Angell } Chosen Hog Constables
 and m^r Ebenezer × Bates } Engaged

The Town Constables Chosen and Engaged for the Ciuell
 are Henry Estance:—
 John Sayles Jun^r
 Samuell Gorton

M^r Nathaniell Blague M^r Thomas Kilton are Chosen hemp
 viewers—Engaged

M^r Jonathan Spreague Jun^r Js Chosen deputy to serue att the next Gen^l Court of Assembly to be held att Newport Jn this Jnstant June Jn the Roome of m^r Andrew Harris

for as much as M^r James Browne hath Positiuely Refused to serue in the place of a Town Councill man: where vpon Cap^t James Olney is Chosen in his Roome and also m^r Edward Smith hath positiuely Refused to serue in the place and office of a Town Councill man: where vpon M^r Phillip Tillinghast is Chosen in his Roome ×

The meeteing is adjorned to Saterdag next it being the 10th day of this Jnstant June att twelue a Clock in the day—

Saterdag y^e 10th day of June 1721:

the meeteing is againe in being—Co^{ll} Joseph Whipple Continues moderator

The Town Councill men Chosen to act to the assistants and Justices for this yeare: and Engaged are—

}	Co ^{ll} Joseph Whipple
	Cap ^t Nathaniell Jenckes
	Cap ^t Thomas Harris
	M ^r Nicholas Power
	Cap ^t James Olney
	M ^r Phillip Tillinghast

[53] John Potter Jun^r is Chosen Constable Jn the Roome of Moses Burllinggame

Ensign James Whipple is Chosen Pound Keeper in the Roome of M^r William Whipple

The meeteing is adjorned to munday the 19th day of this Jnstant June

In order to Engage John Potter Jun^r to the place of a Constable: other ways to Chose an other in his Roome: but in Case the s^d Potter takes his ingagement before that time then this meeteing is dissolued

June y^e: 19th day 1721: the meeteing is againe in being—

Richard Waterman Chosen Moderator Co^{ll} Joseph Whipple being absent

John Potter Jun^r appeared before this meeteing and made excuse of his Enabilityes that disenabled him for serueing in the place of a Constable: and his alligations was accepted by the Justices and there vpon the s^d Potter Js dismiss for this yeare In hopes he may be better Enabled to performe the office by his Industry to acquaint himself with Larneing against an other time

Where vpon Samuell Gorton was Chosen in to the office of a Constable and Engaged in the Roome of the said John Potter

The meeteing is dissolued:

Att a Townes Quarter meeteing held att Prouidence July y^e 27th anno Dom 1721 M^r Arthur ffenner Chosen moderator

Cap^{tn} Joseph Mawrey and m^r Henry Harris Chosen Grand jury men

Richard Phillips Samuell Wilkinson Jun^r Moses Burlinggame and Richard Sayles Chosen Pette Jury men to serue att y^e next Gen^{ll} Court of Tryals to be held att Newport the first Tusday in September next

Major William Smith Captⁿ James Olney Cap^{tn} Josiah Westcott and Leiu^{tt} Elisha Knowlton are Chosen Deputies to serue in the Genr^{ll} Court of assembly to be held att Warwick the Last wednesday in October next ensueing

the meeteing is dissolved

[54] Att a Townes Quarter meeteing held att Prouidence the 27th day of January Anno Dom: 1721/2

M^r Andrew Harris Chosen Moderator

M^r Jonathan Spreague and m^r Eliezer Arnold are Chosen Grand Jurymen: M^r William Olney m^r John Burton m^r William Hopkins Carpenter and m^r James Congdon are Chosen pettee Jurymen to serue att the next Genr^{ll} Court of Tryals to be held att Newport the Last Tusday in march next Ensueing

The meeteing is dissolved

Att a Townes Quarter meeteing held att Prouidence this 27th day of Aprill anno Dom 1722

Major Joseph Jenckes Chosen Moderator

Co^{ll} Joseph Whipple M^r Nicholas Power M^r Thomas Olney and m^r William Turpin are Chosen Deputies to serue att the Genr^{ll} Court of Election to be held att Newport the first Wednesday in may next and the day before the Election
the meeteing is dissolved

Att a Towns Quarter meeteing held at Prouidence this 27th day of July anno Dom: 1722: Richard Waterman Chosen Moderator

M^r William Olney and m^r Stukley | Westcott | are Chosen Grand Jurymen Leue^t Elisha Knowlton m^r Henry Harris | m^r | William Hawkins Jun^r and m^r James Aldrich are Chosen pettee Jury men to serue att the next Gen^r^l Court of Tryals to be held for this Colony att Newport the first Tusday in September next

The meeteing is dissolued

[55] Att a Town meeteing held at Prouidence this 4th day of June anno Dom 1722 Jt being the Towns Election day for the Choyce of Towne officers

Co^l Joseph Jenckes Chosen Moderator

Justice Richard Waterman Chosen Town Clerke × & Engaged

m^r Robert Currie Chosen Town Sarjant × & Engaged

m^r Vrian Daus × Chosen Constable ×

m^r Joseph Hernden × Chosen Constable

m^r Nicholas Harris Chosen Constable: Excused by the authority

Co^l Joseph Whipple × m^r Arthur ffenner × Cap^t Nathaniell Jenckes × Major William Smith × Cap^t: James Olney × and Cap^t Thomas Harris × are Chosen Town Councill men

Justice Thomas Olney is Chosen Town Treasurer—Refused—

William Ashton × Zachariah Matheson × Richard Knight × Zachariah Rhoades × Thomas Burlingame × William Spreague Jun^r × Joseph Smith of: Wenscott: Jun^r × Ensign John Steere × and Nathaniell Jenckes × Jun^r are Chosen surveyors for the Repareing the Highways

M^r Eliezer Arnold m^r Thomas Arnold and m^r William Turpin are Chosen: Ouer seeres for the Poore

M^r Benjamin Tillinghast is Chosen Packer and Sealler

m^r Thomas Olney Positiuely Refused the place of a Town Treasurer Where vpon m^r William Turpin is Chosen and: Engaged: in his Roome

m^r James Browne × M^r Richard Browne × Ensign John Steere × Ensign William Hopkins Carpt^r × m^r Charles Dyer × M^r Richard Sayles × m^r Arthur ffenner Jun^r × m^r James Aldrich are Chosen ffence viewers

Nicholas Harris for Reasonable allegations was Excused: And M^r John Stone was Chosen and Jngaged Constable in his Rome

Cap^t James olney is Chosen Pound Keeper for the Town Pound and Ensign James Whipple is Chosen Pound Keeper for the woods Pound

M^r Arthur ffenner son of major ffenner Chosen Hog Constable and Samuell Ballaue × and Richard Knight are also

Chosen Hog Constables for the Woods parte:—Richard Knight
Refused

the meeteing is adjorned to Saterday next y^e 9th of this
Jnstant June—

[56] June y^e 9th 1722 Jt being Saterday the meeteing is
again in being;

Major Jenckes Continues Moderator:

officers Engaged

M^r Thomas Burlinggame took his Jngagement to execute
his office Jn the Propriety of Mashantatack

The meeteing is dissolved

Att a Townes Quarter meeteing held att Prouidence this
27th day of october anno Dom 1722

Co^{ll} Joseph Whipple Chosen Moderator

Co^{ll} Joseph Whipple M^r Phillip Tillinghast Cap^t Nicholas
Power and Thomas | olney | Esq^r are Chosen Deputies to
serue att the next Gen^rl | Court of | Assembly assembly to be
held att Prouidence the Last wednsday of this Jnstant october

Vpon the Petision of Phillip Pheteplice Concerning a high-
way that was formerly Layed out by Cap^t Sam^{ll} Wilkinson
and m^r Edward Smith which Run vnto his Land Jt is voated
and ordered that the said highway shall be Layed open as it
formerly was

the meeteing is desolved

Att a Townes Quarter meeteing held att Prouidence the 28th day January anno Dom 1722/3 by Reason the 27th day was the first day of y^e weake

Coⁿ Joseph Whipple Chosen moderator

Cap^t James Olney and | m^r | Joseph Browne Chosen Grand jurymen

m^r Benjamin Whipple m^r Nathaniel Browne m^r William Ashton and m^r Thomas Kilton are Chosen pette Jurimen to serue att the next Gen^rⁿ Court of Tryals to be held att Newport the Last Tusday in march next Ensueing

Voated

[57] m^r Arthur ffenner Cap^t Richard Waterman and Justice Richard Brown are Chosen a Committee to meete to geather att sum Conueniant Time to Receiue accounts of such persons as haue money due from said Towne and the said Committee Js fully Jmpowered: to allow and disallow of such accounts according to there discessions in Justice and to deliuer abill or List of such accounts as are by them allowed: vnder there hands and seales vnto the Town treasurer which List shall be a sufficiant Rule and order | from y^e treasurer | to pay Euery person and persons according to the s^d Committees Allowance

The meeteing is dissolved

Att a Townes Quarter meeteing held this 27th day of Aprill anno Dom 1723

M^r Joseph Jenckes Chosen Moderator

Co^{ll} Joseph Whipple m^r Phillip Tillinghast: M^r Nicholas Power & m^r William Turpin: are Chosen Deputies To serue | in y^e Assembly | att the Next Gen^{ll} Court of Election to be held att Newport: the first wednsday in may next and also the day before the Election

ordered that there shall be a Pound Built att Moshantatuck: and there vpon M^r John Burton m^r Thomas Burlingame and m^r James Brigs are Chosen a Committee to appoynt and order the place where the s^d Pound shall be sett: and Leiu^{tt} Roger Burlingame is appoynted to haue the Care Charge and ouer sight of the Building said Pound and to be paid out of the Towns Treasurry

The meeteing is dissolued

[58] Att a Towne meeteing held att Prouidence the 3^d day of June anno Dom 1723 Jt being the day for the Choice of Town officers

Co^{ll} Joseph Jenckes Chosen moderator

Cap^t Richard Waterman Chosen Town Clerke—*
M^r Robert Currie Chosen Town Sarjant *
m^r Thomas Comstock Chosen Constable
m^r John House Chosen Constable
m^r William Spreague Jun^r Chosen Constable *
m^r Samuell Gorton Chosen Constable *

Co ^{ll} Joseph Whipple *	}	Chosen Town Councillmen
M ^r Arthur ffenner		
Major William Smith *		
Cap ^t Nathaniell Jenckes		
Cap ^t James Olney *		
Cap ^t Thomas Harris *		

M^r William Turpin Chosen Town Treasurer *

Cap ^t Daniell Abbott * :	}	Surueyors of highway
Leiu ^{tt} John Steere: *		
m ^r Daud Arnold *		
m ^r John Arnold		
m ^r Benjamin Carpenter		
m ^r John Browne *		
m ^r John Thornton *		
Sarjant Thomas Burlinggame *		
m ^r Nicholas Sheldon Jun ^r *		
m ^r Benjamin Wright		

M ^r Thomas Arnold	}	Chosen ouerseers for the poore
m ^r William Turpin		
m ^r Joseph Arnold ×		

m^r James Browne m^r Richard Browne Leiu^{tt} Job Whipple*
 m^r Richard Sayles*: m^r John Burton × Sarjant Thomas Bur-
 llinggame m^r John manton and m^r Richard Thornton* ffence
 uiewers

m^r Benjamin Tillinghast Chosen Sealer and Packer*

mr^s William Hamman Timothy Carpenter Jun^r John Whitman × and | John | Sheldon Jun^r × Chosen Hogg Constables

m^r William Olney and m^r Thomas Kilton Chosen Hemp viewers

[59] James Olney* And m^r William Whipple Chosen Pound Keepers

Cap^t Joseph Mawrey* and m^r Thomas Steere Chosen fence viewers also | and m^r James Aldrich* |

The meeteing is Dissolued

Att a Towns quarter meeteing held this 27th day of July;:
1723

Co^{ll} Joseph Whipple Chosen Moderator

Cap^t Joseph Mawrey and Leiu^{tt} William Harris Chosen Grand jury men: and Cap^t Dan^{ll} Abbott Leiu^{tt} William Edmonds Leiu^{tt} Job Whipple and Leiu^{tt} Elisha Knowlton ware Chosen pette Jury men to serue att the next Gen^{ll} Court of Tryals to be held att Newport the first Tusday in September next Ensueing

Voated and ordered that Jf any sheepe Ram or Rams be found goeing att Liberty or att Large within this Town of Providence and not being vnder sum Confinement: betwixt the twentieth day of august and the fifth day of nouember annually

It shall and may be Lawfull for any person or persons that are [] Inhabitants in this Town To Geld any such Ram: or Rams: and no aduantage taken

Voated that the act | & | order that was made Concerning the haueing two pence pp^r head for the head of Each Gray Squirrill that should be brought into the Town Treasurrer shall be Repealed: and it is hereby Repealed: and not to stand nor be of any force after the Last day of September next Ensueing

The meeteing is desolued

[60] Co ^{ll} Whipple.....	
Cap ^t Jenckes	
m ^r Tillinghast.....	45
m ^r Power	45
Cap ^t Olney.....	
Cap ^t Harris.....	
m ^r ffenner	54
m ^r Smith	54
m ^r P Rhoades..	
i723:	
Co ^{ll} Whipple	59
Cap ^t Jenckes.....	
Major Smith.....	
M ^r ffenner.....	
Cap ^t Harris.....	
Cap ^t Olney	
m ^r Power	36
m ^r Arnold.....	36
M ^r Browne.	

	31	31	9-10-0
		7 6	0- 4-0
	—	—	0- 6-0
2765478	217	186	4- 0-0
1382730	3-6	3	—
	—	—	14- 0-0
	2210 6	1819	
	11	9	

[61] m^r Eleizer Arnold m^r James Dexter | Refused | &
m^r Thomas Arnold Jun^r Chosen Ouer seers for the Poore

m^r James Browne m^r Richard Browne Cap^t Vallintine En-
gaged m^r Richard Harris | Engaged | m^r Thomas Burlinggame
& m^r John Burton Chosen ffence viewers

Voated and ordered that there shall be another surueyor for
the Repaireing the highways Chosen which will make the
number seauen

Where vpon m^r Stephen Harding Js Chosen surueyor for y^e
Repaireing the highways

m^r William Ashton Chosen Vandue master Engaged

m^r Andrew Harris Chosen deputie to sitt in the Gen^rl As-
sembly att y^e time of Adjornment from the first wednsday in
may Last past: Jn stead and Roome of Richard Waterman
Jun^r—aduanced—

Cap^t James Olney Chosen Pound keeper to keepe the Towne
Pound

m^r Richard Harris Chosen Pound Keeper for the woods
pound in the Northern woods

William Ashton Chosen hog Constable in the Roome of Nathaniel Browne and Jngaged

The meteing is adjorned to munday next att 12 a Clock in the day; Genrall sealler to be Chosen

June y^e 8th 1719: Jt being munday the meeteing is againe Jn being

John Dexter Chosen surueyor of y^e highways Jn the Roome of Ensign James Whipple

Voated and ordered that the Pound Keeper | in y^e northern woods | shall att all times Leaue the Kee of s^d Pound att y^e house of M^r Eliezer Whipple so that Jt may be their Ready [62] for any officer or other person that shall haue occation to make vse of s^d Pound for the proper vse there of for this present yeare: by Reson the s^d Pound Keeper Liueth Remote from the pound This Js Jntended only for the Pound Jn the northern woods

Benjamin Tillinghast Chosen Sealler

M^r William Turpin Chosen ouer seeor for the Poore Jn the Roome of m^r James Dexter and Engaged

The meeteing Js dissolued

Att A Townes Quarter meeteing held att Prouidence July y^e 27th anno Dom: 1721:

M^r Arthur ffenner Chosen Moderator

Cap^m Joseph Mawrey and M^r Henry Harris are Chosen Grand Jury men | to serue | att the next Genr^l Court of Tryals to be held att newport the first Tusday in September next

Richard Phillips: Samuell Wilkinson Jun^r Moses Burlingame and Richard Sayles are Chosen pettee Jurymen to serue att said Court

Major William Smith Carp^m James Olney Cap^m Josiah westcott and Leiu^t Elisha Knowlton are Chosen Deputies to serue in the Genr^l Court of Assembly to be held att Warwick the Last wednsday in October next Ensueing The meeteing is dissolved

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