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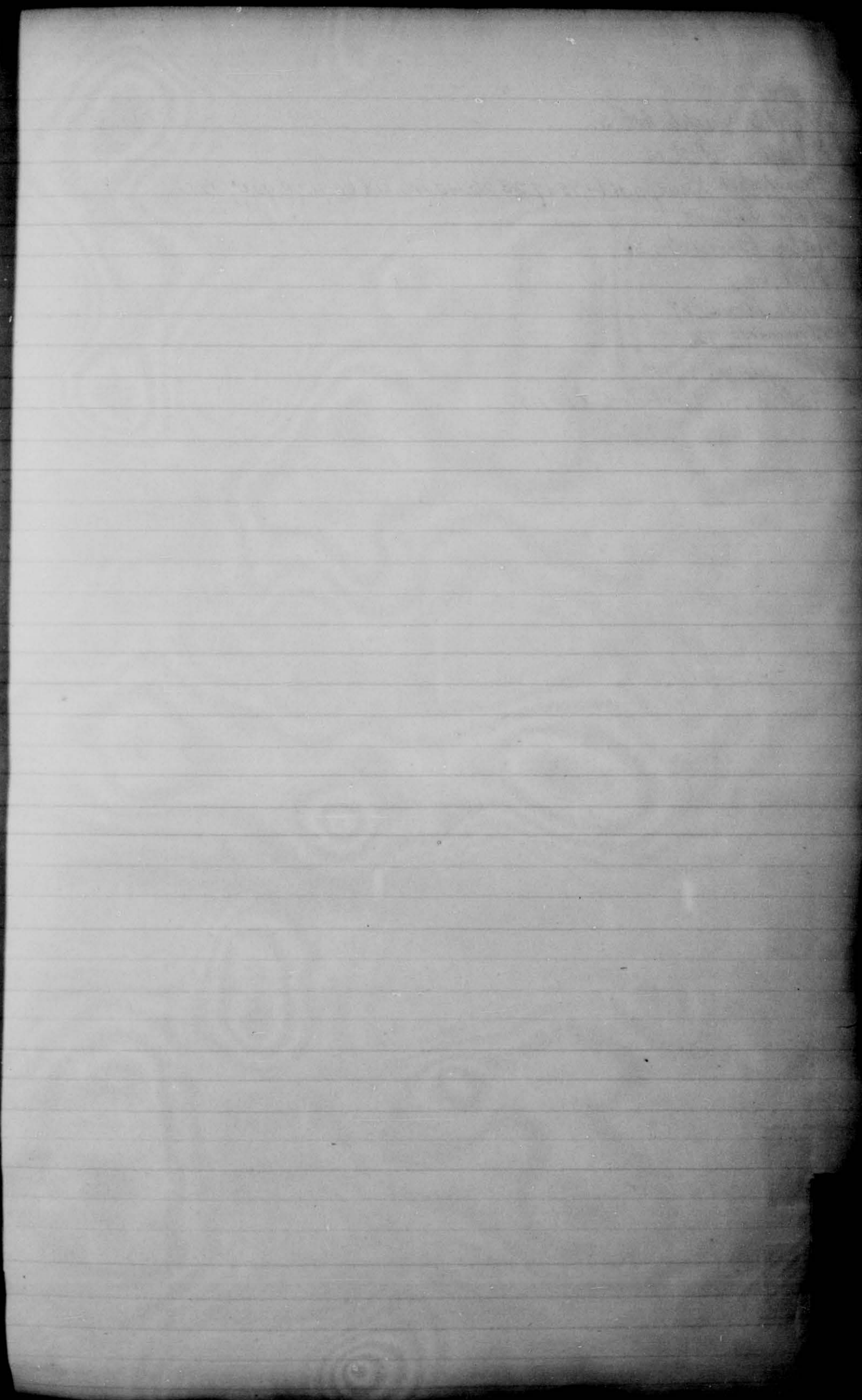
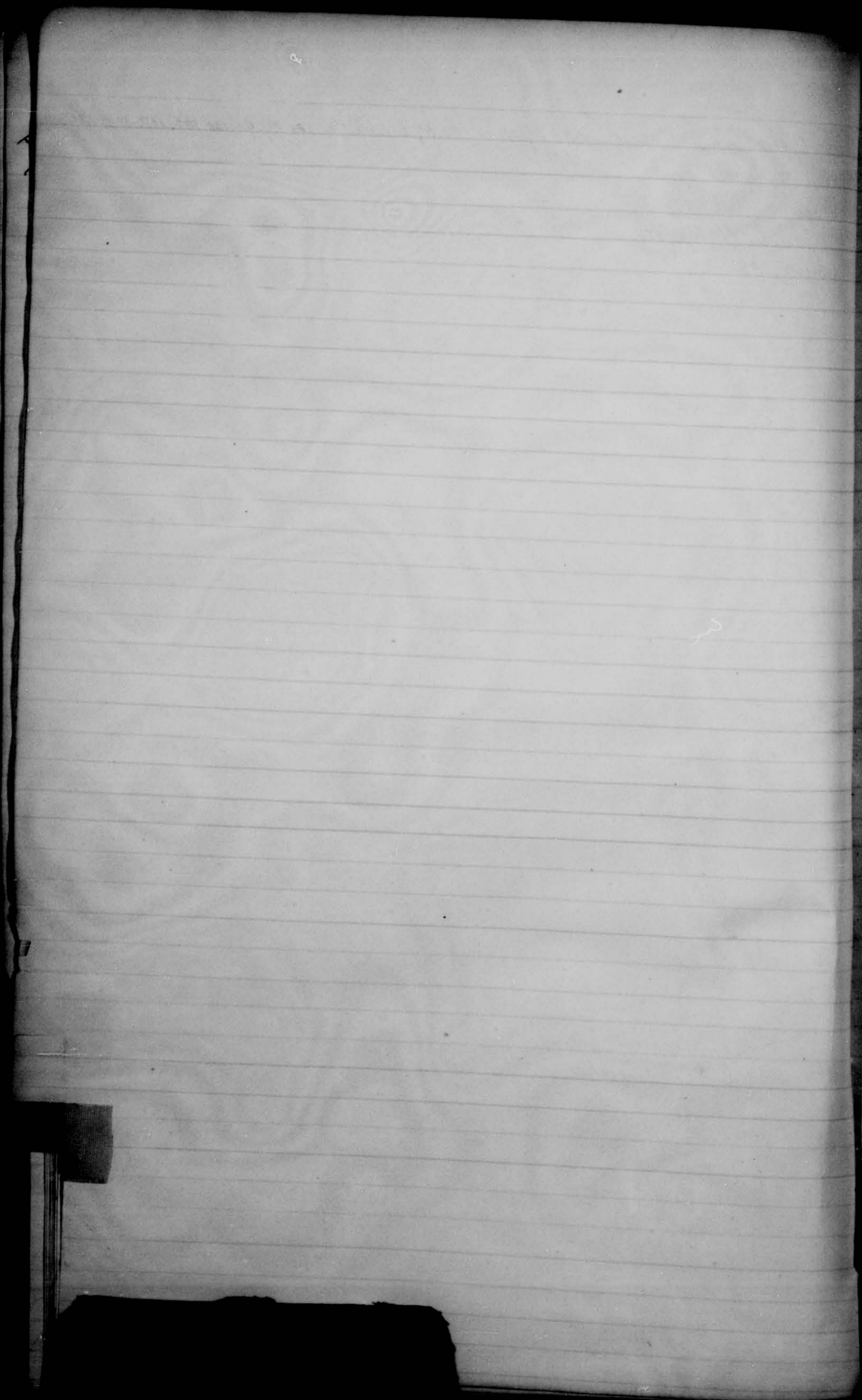
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\* At a Towne meeting hold at Providence the 4<sup>th</sup> day of  
Anno Dom: 1725: It being the Towne Election day for choosing  
officers: Coll Nicholas Power chosen Moderator

\* Capt Richard Waterman chosen Towne Clerk and Engaged  
Mr William Turpin chosen Towne sergeant: & Resposed  
Mr Job Harris Joseph Arnold Junr and Mr Nicholas Sheldon Junr  
chosen Constables and Engaged

Coll Joseph Whipple \*  
Mr Phillip Tillinghast \*  
Mr James Burdett \*  
Capt James Olney \*  
Justice Dexter  
Mr Thomas Olney  
Chosen Towne Councilmen

Mr William Turpin chosen Towne treasurer \*  
Mr Benjamin Tillinghast chosen sealer and packer

Capt Daniel Abbot Mr Benjamin Smith of 1000 pounds  
Mr Joseph Smith Junr of 1000 pounds  
John Peters Esq John Thorenton Capt Thomas Angell  
Buellingham Samuel Delph Nehemiah Sheldon and John Taylor  
Chosen Surveyors of the highways

Mr Thomas Arnold Junr William Turpin Joseph Arnold and  
Angell Junr: are chosen Overseers of the poor

Mr William Olney Capt John Whipple Lieut Jos Whipple  
payor \* Mr John Burdett Mr Thomas Buellingham Mr John  
mantel and Mr Richard Thorenton are chosen Towne Officers  
and Nathaniel Jencks Junr and Mr Jeremiah Arnold

Mr William Olney and Mr Thomas Hilton are chosen  
Comptrolvers \*

Mr Robert Currie is chosen Towne sergeant: \* In the name of  
William Turpin who Resposed

Capt James Olney and Mr William Whipple are chosen  
The meeting is adjourned to the 29<sup>th</sup> day of the month

June 29<sup>th</sup> 1725.  
 The meeting is again in being. Mr Nicholas Power continues  
 Moderator  
 Reason that Mr Philip Tillinghast sent the last Town meeting  
 which was the Towns Election day for Town officers: was  
 the Court: held at Newport 15<sup>th</sup> of this Instant  
 June. Upon into the place and office of a Justice of Peace  
 whose upon Mr John Nigel June 15<sup>th</sup> of this Instant  
 of a Town Council man in his name  
 Robert Gibb and Mr Richard Harris are chosen: Mr  
 Philip Tillinghast refused to take his oaths: and to the  
 end of a Justice of Peace. The same day in the place of a Town Council  
 man and John Nigel is engaged in the name of James Brown who  
 refused to be engaged one of the Council  
 It is voted and ordered that Mr Nicholas Power shall buy  
 a Booke for the Town Councils use and have his satisfaction out  
 of the Towns Treasury  
 the meeting is dissolved

At a Towns quarter meeting held at Providence this 27<sup>th</sup>  
 day of July - Anno Domini 1725  
 Mr Joseph Jencks chosen Moderator  
 Mr William Olney and Mr Thomas Comstock are chosen Grand  
 Jurymen: and Mr Ebenezer Sprague - Mr Elipha Akhols - Lieut  
 the Town: and Mr Peter Alorick - are chosen Peers Jurymen  
 to serve at the next Court of Trials to be held  
 at Newport the 15<sup>th</sup> day of September next  
 Mr Richard Waterman Mr Jonathan Sprague Junr Lieut Elipha  
 Knowlton and Mr Thomas Olney are chosen Deputies to serve  
 at the next Court of Assembly to be held  
 at Warwick the last Wednesday of October next  
 the meeting is dissolved

The acts for the manner of the paying in the bank  
 money: have bin published  
 the meeting is dissolved  
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At a Towns quarter meeting held at Providence  
 day of January Anno Domini 1725/6  
 Mr Joseph Jencks Moderator  
 Mr William Olney and Mr William Afton are chosen Grand  
 Jurymen: and Mr John Hanchings Mr Thomas Whipple -  
 Mr Joseph Smith: Paper, and Mr Samuel Victor are chosen Peers  
 Jurymen to serve at the next Court of Trials to be held  
 at Newport the last Tuesday in March next ensuing  
 This Day the acts of the two last Courts of Trials were  
 published - the meeting is dissolved

At a Towns Quarter meeting held at Providence this  
 day of April - Anno Domini 1726  
 Joseph Jencks Esqr chosen Moderator

Capt Richard Waterman Mr Jonathan Sprague Junr Lieut Elipha  
 Knowlton and Capt James Forrester are chosen Deputies to serve at  
 the next Court of Election to be held Newport 15<sup>th</sup> of  
 Wednesday in May next and the day before the Election

It is voted and ordered that upon the petition of Joseph  
 Jencks Esqr that the Baptists shall have Liberty to  
 there meeting house they are now in building as much  
 southward of the southernmost part of the lot the  
 the old meeting house standeth as the 5<sup>th</sup> house falls from  
 of the northern part of the lot - and that Capt De  
 Abbott shall have power being chosen to sell of the 5<sup>th</sup> lot  
 there - and the land on the north side of the 5<sup>th</sup> lot  
 to remain to the same

Mr Joseph Whipple Protested against the Grant for the  
 following Reasons: first that he hath Eight Rights of Town  
 ago in the Towns Order his share: 2<sup>d</sup> by being givables  
 It will much prejudice the Publick payage: and Justice of  
 His Majestys Good People in the northern part of  
 the Towns

Capt Richard Waterman is chosen to carry  
 and deliver them to the Governour in Court  
 the meeting is dissolved

All a Towns meeting held at Providence the 6<sup>th</sup> day of June Anno Dom: 1726 - It being the first Monday in said month: and the Towns Election-day for the choosing of Town officers:

Joseph Jencks Chofon Moderator  
 Richard Waterman Chofon Towne Clerk  
 William Potter Chofon Towne Sergeant \*

Joseph Whipple \*  
 Philip Stillinghast \*  
 James Olney \*  
 Thomas Olney \*  
 John Angel Junr \*  
 are Chofon Town Council men

Arthur Honner Benjamin Paine \* Walter Photopeas \*  
 Josiah Wepcott are Chofon Constables \*

William Turpin Chofon Towne Treasurer \*

Stephen Daxtor \* Mrs William Ashton \* Mrs John Payles Junr \*  
 Thomas Olney Junr \* Richard Knight \*  
 Joseph Horroon \* Ephraim James Angol \* Edward Juman Junr \*  
 Daniell Angol \* Joseph Smith Junr \* Capt Reitt John Gooday \*  
 Joseph Harding Capt Thomas Angol Capt Pepper Buelinggano \*  
 Samuel Delpht \* Mrs Nohomiah Sheldon and Mrs John Thornton  
 are Chofon Surveyors for the Repairing the highway

Thomas Jansd William Turpin Joseph Stand and John Angol  
 Junr are Chofon Surveyors over fees for the poor

Capt John Whipple Mrs William Olney \* Capt Job Whipple \* Reitt  
 Richard Payles Mrs John Buxton Mrs Thomas Buelinggano Mrs  
 John Manton Mrs Richard Thornton Mrs Nathaniel Jones Junr  
 and Mrs Jeromiah Mould are \* Chofon Surveyors

Capt James Olney and Mrs James Whipple are Chofon  
 Surveyors Round Keepers

Mr Benjamin Stillinghast is Chofon fealor and  
 Mrs William Olney and Mrs Thomas Vilton are Chofon  
 keepers.

Capt Richard Waterman Mrs Philip Stillinghast and Mrs Richard  
 Brown are Chofon an audit to audit the Towns debts  
 the meeting is disposed

All a meeting of the Committee this 16<sup>th</sup> day of July Anno Dom 1726  
 In order to audit the Towns debts -  
 we find there is due to Mrs William Sturpin for several  
 Articles of Service done: and money payed for the Town say 13 - 7  
 as he is one of the over fees of the poor

We find there is due to Mrs Robert Currie for his  
 salary of serving Towne servant the last years  
 past: and for repairing many other sum considerable time  
 and sum other Service done: and money payed  
 to the Towns say 14 - 00 - 0

We find there is due to Mrs Job Harris the last years  
 Constables for several Services done for the Towns  
 in Demanding and warning several People out of Towns  
 say 10 - 10 - 0

We find there is due to Samuel Walton for services  
 done in watching of Corral at the time of this  
 time being prohibited upon the Complaint of Mary Potesta  
 say 00 - 06

We find by account that there is due to Reitt  
 William Potter for the Repairing way say for Bridges  
 say 02 - 04

No Justice Brown for two warrants to warn  
 people out of Towns - say 00 - 02

~~Due to Reitt William Potter for services done  
 in Repairing way say for Bridges~~

Due to Richard Waterman Junr the sum of  
 pounds one shilling 4 for plank and Labour  
 in Repairing way say for Bridges - say 02 - 00

The several people employed in the Repairing  
 Way August Bldg

To John Angel Junr	00	08	00
To Joseph Angel	00	01	00
To Charles Stillinghaff	00	04	00
To James Westgate	00	08	00
To our <del>expenses</del> for this days services: 5: 2: 00	15	00	00

And was doo Resolv'd by order now William Turpin Town  
 Treasurer to pay the above mentioned sums to the  
 several persons a few names: according as they are  
 plac'd against eachmans name

the Committee is Drifon  
 and Continues

Phillip Stillinghaff  
 Richard Broome  
 Richard Waterman

At a Towne meeting held at Providence the 24<sup>th</sup> day  
 of July anno Dom: 1726

Call Joseph Jenckes Chofon Moderator

Mr Joseph Owen and Mr William Broake are Chofon  
 Grand Jurymen and Mr Robert Currie Mr Stephen Peirce  
 Mr David Arnold and Mr Thomas Victor are Chofon  
 Petter Jurymen to serve at the next Gen<sup>l</sup> Court  
 Court of Tryals to be held at Newport the  
 first Tueday in September next

Richard Waterman Major William Smith Mr Philip Jenckes  
 and Mr Daniel Jenckes are Chofon Deputies to serve at the  
 next Gen<sup>l</sup> Court of Assembly to be held at Providence  
 the 1<sup>st</sup> Wednesday in October next ensuing  
 The meeting is dissolved

At a Towne Quarter meeting held at Providence this  
 24<sup>th</sup> day of January anno Dom: 1727

Call Joseph Jenckes Chofon Moderator

Mr Stephen Paine and Mr Robert Currie are Chofon Grand  
 Jurymen and Mr Peter Bedeau Mr Nathaniel Jenckes  
 Mr Cornely Egan and Mr Joseph Buxtingham are Chofon Petter  
 Jurymen to serve at the next Gen<sup>l</sup> Court of Tryals and Justice  
 Delinory to be held at Newport the 1<sup>st</sup> Wednesday in March  
 next ensuing - The meeting is dissolved

At a Towne Quarter meeting held at Providence this 24<sup>th</sup> day of  
 April anno Dom: 1727

Call Joseph Jenckes Chofon Moderator

Richard Waterman Major William Smith Mr William Jenckes  
 and Mr Philip Stillinghaff are Chofon Deputies to serve at the  
 Gen<sup>l</sup> Court of Election to be held at Newport the 1<sup>st</sup>  
 Wednesday in May next and the day before the election  
 The meeting is dissolved

8.  
At a Town Meeting held at Providence this 5<sup>th</sup> day of  
June anno dom: 1727 — being the Towns Election day —  
for the choosing the Towns officers —  
Cott Nicholas Power chosen Moderator — — —

Capt Richard Waterman chosen Town Clerk —  
Mr Arthur Gannon chosen Town Serjeant — \*

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Cott Joseph Whipple — \*  
Mr Philip Tillinghast — \*  
Mr William Olney — \*  
Capt James Olney — \* } chosen Town Council men  
Mr Thomas Olney — Deput  
Capt Stephen Dexter \*  
Mr James Williams Jr chosen in the name of Thomas Olney

Mr William Ashton \*  
Mr John Scott — } chosen Constables  
Mr Richard Knight Junr — \*  
Mr Daniel Swete — \*

Mr William Olney chosen Town Treasurer — \*

Mr Robert Currie Mr Joseph Brown Junr \* Mr Noah Whipple \*  
Mr Hazzial Congdon \* Mr Stephen Hopkins \* Mr Grael Arnold  
Mr Richard Jenner \* Mr John Potter Junr \* Mr Richard Knight  
Mr Stephen Harding Mr Walter Philippeau \* Mr Nathaniel  
Jonahes \* Mr Thomas Sheppy Mr John Wheaton \* and  
Capt Daniel Abbot and chosen Jurors for the highways —  
Mr Peter Bellau Jr chosen Fealder and Paehor — \*

Capt John Whipple Mr William Olney Capt Job Whipple Lieutt  
Richard Taylor Mr John Burton \* Mr Thomas Burlingame \*  
Mr John Manton Mr Richard Thornton Mr Nathaniel Jencks  
Junr \* Mr Jonnial Arnold Mr James Birch \* Capt Joseph  
and chosen Towns Voiners

Mr Jonathan Proague Junr \* Mr William Burpin \* Mr Joseph  
Arnold Mr John Angol Junr and chosen Overseers for the  
poore — — —

Capt James Olney and Mr James Whipple are chosen Paids Keepers —  
Mr William Olney and Mr Thomas Hilton are chosen Receivers —  
Mr William Hopkins Junr \* Mr Edward Manton and Mr John  
Inman are chosen Hogg Constables

Capt Stephen Dexter Jr chosen Depty to serve at the next Court  
Court of Assembly to be held at Newport in the name of  
Capt Richard Waterman —

Richard Waterman Mr Philip Tillinghast and Mr Richard Brown  
are chosen to audit the Towns debts: and to allow or disallow  
and also audit the Treasurers accounts —

The meeting is adjourned to the last munday in this month  
June 26<sup>th</sup> 1727 It being munday and the last munday in  
said month; Cott Nicholas Power chosen Moderator

Mr David Arnold Jr chosen Constable in the name of  
John Scott: being accepted in his stead — at his Request;  
Mr John Knight is chosen Constable in the name of  
Richard Knight: being accepted in his stead: at his Request  
Mr William Feils is chosen Overseer for the poore  
in the name of John Angol that Deput

The meeting is adjourned to the Towns next quarter Town  
meeting ~~the~~ Day

It is voted and ordered ~~that~~ upon a petition of several  
Proprs that the Paids cut Loquaquisset shall be removed  
to the place where the former Paids stood or as near  
as may be provided that Capt James Olney will allow  
a Commission upon and adjourn to the place where the  
for Paids was and that Capt Job Whipple and  
Daniel Jencks are entrusted and authorized  
Remains

10. At a Towns quarter meeting held at Providence this 27<sup>th</sup> day of July Anno Dom 1727

Cott Nicholas Power Chosen Moderator

Mr Robert Gibbs and Mr Job Harris are Chosen Grand Jurymen -  
Mr Thomas Olney Junr and Mr John Browne Mr Elipha Grobne and  
Mr Thomas Standing are Chosen petty Jurymen to serve at the  
next Court of Oyer and Terminer to be hold at Newport the first  
Tuesday of September next ensuing

Cott Joseph Whipple Mr Philip Loring Capt William Potter  
and Capt Stephen Dexter are Chosen Deputies to serve at the  
next Court of Assembly to be hold at Warwick the first  
Wednesday in October next ensuing

It is voted and ordered that Mr William Turpin shall repair  
the Stoves Pans and set it up in some convenient place upon  
the piece of Land that was slated for a buying place and straining place  
and also to repair the stocks and whipping post: and have  
his pay out of the Towns Treasury  
The meeting is dissolved

At a Towns Quarter meeting held at Providence  
this 24<sup>th</sup> day of January Anno Dom 1729

Cott Nicholas Power Chosen Moderator

Mr Jonathan Pussard Junr and Mr Jonathan Whipple  
are Chosen Grand Jurymen  
and Mr Hazariah Comstock Mr Joseph Bagley Doct<sup>r</sup>  
Jobson Brown and Mr William Stone are Chosen  
petty Jurymen to serve at the next Court  
of Oyer and Terminer to be hold at Newport the first  
Monday in March next ensuing

It is voted and Ordered by a free vote that the Town Council  
of Providence doe take special care  
for the repairing that which was the Lands and  
Estate of Thomas Pary: departed

11. So that it may be improved for the Towns use

It is voted and ordered that Capt Richard Waterman  
shall perform the Court of Assembly of this Colony at the  
next sitting: to raise money out of the Towns Treasury  
Treasury for the repairing way about Bridg  
The meeting is dissolved

At a Towns Quarter meeting held at Providence this 27<sup>th</sup>  
day of April Anno Dom 1728

Richard Waterman Chosen Moderator

Major William Smith Reult Elipha Knowlton: Capt  
Daniel Abbott and Mr Thomas Olney are Chosen Deputies  
to serve at the generall Court of Election to be hold at  
Newport the first Monday day of May next ensuing the date  
here of: - and the day before the Election  
Cott Nicholas Power is Chosen to carry the Proxies  
The meeting is dissolved

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At a Towns meeting held at Prudens the first <sup>Monday</sup> day of June anno Dom: 1728.

It being the Towns Election day for Town officers

Capt Richard Waterman Chosen Moderator

Capt Richard Waterman Chosen Town Clerk

Mr Arthur Jenner Chosen Town Surveyor \*

Capt Joseph Whipple

Mr Philip Stirling

Major William Smith

Mr John Angel Junr

Mr John Potter Junr

Capt James Olney

Chosen Town Council men

Mr Elipha Groons

Mr Walter Phelps

Mr Jonathan Whitman

Mr John Knight

Mr Timothy Carpenter

Chosen Constables

Mr William Sturpin Chosen Town Treasurer \*

Capt William Potter \* Capt Daniel Abbott \* Mr John Comstock

Mr Edward Smith \* Mr Joseph Horns \* Mr Thomas Hazard

Mr Nathaniel Plaese \* Mr John Church

Ensign Thomas Harris \* Mr Richard Knight \* Mr Israel Arnold

Mr John Wharton \* Mr Richard Jenner \* Mr Hazard

Comstock \* Mr Benjamin Paine \* Mr William

Bradway \* Mr Daniel Knowles - Chosen Surveyors for

the High ways - and Mr Job Harris is also Chosen Surveyor

of the High ways \*

Mr John Jonathan Sprague Junr \* Mr William Sturpin

Mr Joseph Arnold \* and Mr William Ford are Chosen

overseers for the Poor \*

Mr Peter Ballau Chosen Schooler and Parker \*

Capt John Whipple \* Mr William Olney \* Mr John Taylor \* Mr

William Arnold \* Mr John Manton \* Mr Richard Thornton

Mr Nathaniel Jones Junr \* Mr Jeremiah Arnold

Capt Joseph Morrey and Mr James Fitch: Mr Thomas

Quelling and Mr Jobbey Westcott: are Chosen

viewers

Mr William Olney and Mr Thomas Kilton are

Chosen Assessors - Homr Viewers

Mr Robert Currie and Mr Ensign James Whipple are

Chosen Paup Keepers

Capt Richard Waterman Mr Philip Stirling & Mr

Richard Brown are Chosen an audit to audit the Towns debts

and also the Treasurers accounts

Ensign MacCallin \* and James Morrey are Chosen Regulators

the meeting is adjourned to Monday next

Monday the 10<sup>th</sup> of this June: 1728:

the meeting is againe in being

Richard Waterman continues Moderator

the meeting is adjourned

At a Towns meeting held at Prudens this 27<sup>th</sup> day of

April anno Dom: 1732

Capt Richard Waterman Chosen Moderator

14.  
A Towne meeting held at Prudence  
the 27<sup>th</sup> day of July: on no Day - 1728  
Mr W<sup>m</sup> Olney Moderator

Mr Charles Bardin and Mr John Olney son of Mr W<sup>m</sup>  
Olney are chosen Grand Jurymen: and Mr James King  
Mr Daniel Jenkes, Mr Thomas Paine and Mr Stephen Hopkins  
are chosen Pettes Jurymen To serve at the next Court  
Court of Tryals to be held at for this County at Newport  
the first Tuesday in September next

It is voted that the Charge of the Building of the  
Drawbridge shall be payed out of the Towns Treasury -

Voted that Capt Joseph Whipple Mr John Smith and  
Richard Waterman Jun<sup>r</sup> shall make up Accounts  
with the workmen that Built the Drawbridge -

and also Give an order in writing under their  
hands to the Town Treasurer for the payment of the  
money to the workmen out of the Towns Treasury -

Voted that Mr Joseph Brown shall have the Keeping of the  
Keys of the Drawbridge: that the which shall be at  
every ones service as they shall have Reasonable  
Occasion -

Voted and Granted that there shall be a paired Buick  
and set in Cogswisset woods: and Capt Vallintine  
Whitman shall and is chosen and appointed to  
employ workmen to do the work and set the  
poles in an publick place adjoining to the Kings  
high way within halfe a mile of his own Dwelling  
house: and bring the whole stave of the Building  
to the Town Council: who are fully hereby  
Impowered to Give order to the Town Treasurer  
et: for the payment of the same or such  
parts thereof as they shall thinke proper  
out of the Towns Treasury -

15.  
Here follows a protest entered by several persons against  
the vote passed against the draw bridge

Prudence July 27<sup>th</sup> 1728  
The protest of us whose names are here unto subscribed  
against a vote passed that the Town should defray the  
Charge of the Draw bridge at waybayot; The Reasons -  
are as followeth: first that we take it to be a very  
Great Injustice that it should be payed to a vote when  
not one halfe of the free men are here nor there was  
not any publick notice given to the Town in  
general of any tax or Rate to be levied upon the  
Towne &c.

Reasonably we doo think the Charge mentioned in these  
bill is unreasonable: and in s<sup>d</sup> bill they doo declare  
that they would have no decision and yett the right  
found in general yett doo force it to a vote  
when not halfe the Town are here or are not  
fixable of any such thing.

thirdly that it was Reported when the work was  
begun that there was a enough had subscribed  
to defray the Charge.

- Thomas Harris
- Silvanus Scott
- Jonathan Sprague
- Ezekiel Warner
- John Thornton
- Henry Morrey
- John Brown Jun<sup>r</sup>
- Richard Knight
- Stephen Stanton

The meeting is dissolved

16. At a Towns Quarter meeting held at Prudence this 28<sup>th</sup> day of October anno Dom 1728 - the 27<sup>th</sup> day being the first day of the week -

Major William Smith chosen Moderator x x x  
Major William Smith Mr William Jones Col Joseph Whipples and Mr Ezeiel Warner are chosen Deputies to go with all the next Court of Assembly to be held at this Town of Prudence the last Wednesday of this Instant October

It is voted and ordered that there shall be a Pound built in that Part of the Town ship called wayneckeague - and to be set near the house of the said Waterman - Provided the Petitioners or some other of the Inhabitants there do procure Land to set it upon;

and It is further voted that the said Waterman and John Hawnings Junr shall build the said Pound: and be the cost thereof pay out of the Towns Treasury

at Upon the petition of several of the freemen of this Town It is voted that the deputies now chosen shall in the Towns behalf petition the Court of Assembly to be held at this Town the last Wednesday in this Instant October: that woe may have Counties stated and settled within this Colony: which is supposed may be much for the ease and benefit of the Inhabitants of this Colony In Court

The meeting is dissolved

Common Light Bridges shall be amended by the whole County or that is for their Common Good and ease: and yet if any shall things or other profits in that River: they in Reason and Law is it seemeth: and chargeable: and those for the Justice of each in God description may tax such proportionally to their profit

At a Towns Quarter meeting held at Prudence this 27<sup>th</sup> day of January anno Dom 1728/9  
Major William Smith chosen Moderator

Mr Jeremiah Arnold: and Capt James Brown Junr are chosen Grand Jury men - Ensign Joseph Smith; Mr John Brown Mr Joseph Arnold Junr and Mr Robert Curie are chosen Petter Jury men to go with at the next General Court of trials to be held at Newport the last Tuesday in March next ensuing

Where as there was a vote pass at a Quarter meeting held at Prudence the 24<sup>th</sup> day of July last past that the charge of the Building of the draw bridge at way neckeague should be payed out of the Towns Treasury

the which act is upon the prayer and petition of several of the Inhabitants of sd Town: <sup>being the same as was</sup> ~~being the same as was~~ repealed: and it is here by declared to be repealed

where as the subscribers do propose against the proceedings of this meeting in making void the vote of the 24<sup>th</sup> of July last past relating to the draw bridge being a legal quarter meeting and a legally voted and the money draw out of the Town Treasury to pay the workmen of the said bridge it was never known where there was any vote by the Court of Assembly of this Government past and money paid out of the Court Treasury that any such vote was made void: and we hope you will allow thours power Greater than our Towns: a further Reason is that the vote past in drawing of the men to the north ward in the year was not a legal vote for thours woe more to the south ward and in the House: and thours for woe Reason the vote was hardly answered in the Negative -

- |                 |                   |                |
|-----------------|-------------------|----------------|
| Bradbery Snow   | Hear Frosting     | John Smith     |
| John Whitman    | Jonathan Whipples | John Angol     |
| John Olney      | Ephraim Olney     | John Hawnings  |
| Nathaniel Jones | Robert Curie      | Stephen Dexter |
| Joseph Brown    | John Angol        | Peter Bollen   |
|                 | Ezeiel Hawnings   | Daniel Smith   |
|                 | Nathan Waterman   | Thomas Hardin  |
|                 |                   | Richard Watson |
|                 |                   | John Whipple   |

all the Petitions that was brought into this Meeting -  
are Defer'd. to the next. ~~quarter meeting~~ -  
the meeting is defor'd

At a Towns Quarter meeting held at Providence the  
28<sup>th</sup> day of April anno domi 1729:

Major William Smith Chosen Moderator -  
Major William Smith Reivt. Eliza Knowlton Mr. Ezekiel  
Warner, and Capt. Danl<sup>l</sup> Abbott are Chosen Deputies to see  
att the next Yearly Court of Election to be held att Newport  
the first Wednesday in May next and the day before the Election

It is granted unto John King that he shall have the  
sum of twenty five pounds out of the Towns Treasury  
being in Repay - by reason of his sons Lamons

It is further voted and allowed that the charge that hath  
bin expended upon one William Huxon a stranger in the  
healing of his Leg that was broken in March last be payed out  
of the Towns Treasury: and so he be dismissed with  
him self out of the Town: and it is further voted that  
the our poor for the poor make up accounts with those  
persons that have bin at charge: <sup>with him</sup> in the towns behalfe

It is voted and ordered that the heads of wildcats be  
advanc'd to ten shillings a piece: and that for every  
wildcat that shall be killed within this Township -  
throm and after the depletion of this meeting there  
shall be allowed and payed for every such head as shall  
be brought to the Towns Treasury the sum of  
ten shillings -

It is further voted that Capt. Whitman shall  
forth with send the pound at Coahpipet and  
in the place where it was if he may have it  
from the owner of the Land

It is further voted and ordered that all lands  
that shall be taken upon any mans Land: and  
wandered from the owners: shall be forfit to any  
Person that shall take them: during of his damage

It is voted that all the petitions that lies before this  
meeting be not answer'd shall be and are refer'd  
to the next quarter meeting -  
this meeting is defor'd

At a Towne meeting held at Providence the 2<sup>d</sup> day of  
June anno domi 1729: It being munday and the Towns  
Election day for the Choyce of the Towns officers -

Major William Smith Chosen Moderator -  
Richard Waterman Chosen Town Clerke -  
William Hopkins Jun<sup>r</sup> Chosen ~~Treasurer~~ Towns Joint \*

Co<sup>ll</sup> Joseph Whipple - \*  
Mr. Philip Stillinghast  
Co<sup>ll</sup> Nicholas Power \*  
Capt. James Olney - \*  
Capt. Stephen Dexter \*  
Mr. John Potter Jun<sup>r</sup> - \*  
} are Chosen Towns Council men

Joseph Feild  
William Arnold  
Job Comstock \*  
William Burton \*  
Eliza Arnold - \*  
} are Chosen Constables -

William Turpin is Chosen Towns Treasurer  
Peter Ballaen Jun<sup>r</sup>: is Chosen Realler and Pacher

Capt Dan<sup>l</sup> Abbott Charles Tillinghast Edward Smith Joseph  
Hornes Jun<sup>r</sup> Hieronimus Prosser Capt John Whipple  
William Hastings Nathan Pease Ensign Thomas Harris Richard  
Knight Eliza Pease Benjamin Carpenter Richard Parlos Leitch  
Richard Jernot \* Hieronimus Prosser Benjamin Paine \* Job  
Hornes \* Nathaniel Jencher and Thomas Gray of Woonsocket  
are chosen surveyors for the highways

Jonathan Prosser Jun<sup>r</sup> \* William Sturpin Joseph Stanols  
and William Pease are chosen overseers for the Poor

Capt John Whipple William Olroy John Taylor William Stanols  
John Manton Richard Thornton Nathaniel Jencher Jun<sup>r</sup>  
Jeronim Stanols Capt Joseph Monroy James Florich Thomas  
Brallingame and publicly westcot are chosen jurors

Robert Currier and James Whipple are chosen Pound Keepers

Capt Richard Waterman Mr Phillip Tillinghast and Justice  
Richard Brown are chosen an audit to audit the  
Treasurers Accounts

Mr William Jencher is chosen a Deputy to serve at  
the next Court of Assembly to be held at Newport  
in the Rooms of William Smith Major William Smith

The meeting is adjourned to the next quarter day to  
engage officers or chose others in their Rooms in case any  
die unless they are engaged before and then this  
meeting is dissolved

Monday ye 28 of July the meeting is againe In being  
Mr Benjamin Smith Jun<sup>r</sup> is chosen overseer for the  
Poor in the Rooms of Joseph Stanols who is chosen

At a Towns Quarter meeting held at Providence this 28<sup>th</sup> day  
of July anno Dom: 1729  
God Joseph Whipple chosen moderator

Capt Dan<sup>l</sup> Abbott and Mr Arthur Jernot are chosen Grand Jurymen  
and Benjamin Pease Mr Joseph Baye Mr Jonathan Prosser Jun<sup>r</sup>  
and Mr John Thornton are chosen Justices of the Peace  
at the next Court of tryals to be held at Newport the  
first Tuesday of September next ensuing

It is voted and ordered upon the petition of several persons  
that the pound at ~~the~~ Locosquit shall be removed to the  
place where the former pound stood or as near as may be  
provided that Ensign James Whipple will allow a sum  
any upon and adjoining to that place: and that Capt  
John Whipple and Mr Daniel Jencher are authorized  
and empowered to remove the same at their own  
Cost and Charge: and demand the price of Capt Whitman  
for the use of sd pound: and that they shall have  
the use of and profit of the old pound for the  
propagating sd work

Ensign James Whipple being present consented  
and allowed of the sd vote with his consent  
the Land whereon the sd pound shall stand during  
the time the town will continue a pound in the  
place

the meeting is dissolved

22. At a Townes Quarter meeting held att Providence  
the 27<sup>th</sup> day of October anno Dom; 1729: —

Major William Smith chosen Moderator  
Mr Ezechiel Warner Mr William Jenches Capt Joseph Morrey  
and Mr William Turpin are chosen Deputies to serve in the  
Gen<sup>l</sup> Court of Assembly to be held at Warwick the last  
Wednesday of this Instant October —  
William Olney Blacksmith is by the Town Accepted  
In the place of a fow stable In the Rooms of Joseph Field  
and there upon Engaged —  
The hog petition is refused —  
the meeting is dissolved —

At a Townes Quarter meeting held att Providence this  
27<sup>th</sup> day of January: 1729: 30

Maj<sup>r</sup> William Smith chosen Moderator —  
Capt Thomas Harris and Mr Zachariah Eddy are chosen  
Grand jury men and Mr William Randall Jun<sup>r</sup> Ensign Thomas  
Harris Mr Nathaniel Jones Jun<sup>r</sup> and Mr Thomas [unclear] chosen  
petty jury men to serve at the next Gen<sup>l</sup> Court of Ojays —

This meeting being warranted by warrant to consider  
and order whether there should be any money allowed  
out of our Townes Treasury to add to what will be  
allowed out of the Gen<sup>l</sup> Treasury for the building  
of the County Court House so that the said house might  
be made so large as to be serviceable for the Townes  
Publick use — The which was voted by paper —

And Granted by eighty three votes: —  
It was further voted and ordered that the said house  
should be built forty foot long and thirty foot  
and Eighteen foot plus betwixt Joyns  
and It is further voted and ordered that there shall  
be a chimney or two built in said house from the Chamber  
floor and upwards —

65  
26  
91  
26

23.  
It is further voted and ordered that Capt James  
Bronson Jun<sup>r</sup> shall on the Towns behalf Joyn with  
Major Smith In building said house

It is further voted and ordered that Doct<sup>r</sup> Jabor  
Boron shall have the sum of twenty five pounds  
Payed to him out of the Towns Treasury toward  
the Charge he hath bin att In Cursing of John  
Kings: son —

And It is further voted and ordered that Capt  
James Bronson shall be added to Richard Waterman  
to take Care and Keep the Bridg att Way bought  
in the place: In the Rooms of Capt William  
Potter dissolved —

the meeting is dissolved

At a Townes Meeting called by warrant Given  
under the hands of the assistants In order to call the  
Town together to give their determination where the  
County Court House should —

At a Townes meeting held att Providence this 27<sup>th</sup> day  
of March anno Dom 1730 being called by warrant from  
under the hands of the assistants: In order to determine  
by vote where the County Court House should be sett  
either at Capt Mr William Pagos or att Capt James Olney

Cott Nicholas Power chosen Moderator —  
Voted by paper and the votes being that the said  
house should be sett att Mr William Pagos Cott: being the  
place that was appointed by the Committee

At a Towns Quarter meeting held at Providence the 27<sup>th</sup> day of April anno domini 1730.

Go<sup>al</sup> Nicholas Power chosen Moderator -  
Mr Ezeiel Warner: Capt Daniel Abbott: Mr Jonathan Sprague Jun<sup>r</sup> and Mr James Browne Jun<sup>r</sup> were chosen deputies to serve at the next Gen<sup>l</sup> Court of Assembly - to be held at Newport on the first Wednesday in May next - ensuing being the day of Election of Gen<sup>l</sup> officers and the day before the Election -

Pursuant to several Petitions Presented by several freemen of this Town: It is voted that Richard Waterman shall in behalf of this Town: Petition the Generall assembly to chuse a committee to divide the Town of Providence into three or four parts as they shall think most proper -

Mr John Arnold Mr John Morroy ~~Mr Thomas~~  
Capt Collintino Whitman Mr Thomas Steers Leuit  
Richard Sayles Mr Joseph Rhoades Mr Stoloration  
Harris Mr James Congdon and chosen Grandjurymen  
And Mr Silas Carpenter Mr Elisha Steers Mr Daniel Genches Mr George Browne Mr Ezeiel Waterman  
Mr Thomas Arnold and Mr Joseph Field are chosen to be Justs at Providence the first Tuesday in June next

Wee the subscribers freemen of the Town of Providence: Considering and finding the Land of William Pags house shoud be sett is an estate taile and not tacked and that the heirs of William Olney to whom said estate is entailed may ~~recover~~ recover the same and the Town may lose the money they shall disburse in building there of: and may prove very mischous to the whole County as well as to said Town in being deprived of their buildings by said Olneys Heirs: Others fore was doo hereby protest against the said Town of Providence payeing out of their Towns Treasury any money -

money towards building any addition to the said County house or ordering any money to be paid towards the same - witness our hands the twenty seventh day of April 1730 -

Joseph Whipple: Stephen Doctor Elisha Knowlton William Rhoades James Doctor James Olney Silvanus Scott Joseph Bagley Job Whipple John Sayles John Arnold John Morroy Haradiah Comstock Joseph Morroy Peter Aldrich Elisha Smith Joshua Winsor Solomon Paine Eponatus Olney William Olney Charles Walker Dick Brown John Whipple: Thomas Olney James Aldrich Richard Gloman Richard Harris Daniel Angel William Broadway John Angel John Olney Jun<sup>r</sup> Robert Currie Walter Photoplaus Thomas Smith Richard Sprague John Inrian John Smith son of Benjamin Smith Peter Barnes Richard Arnold John Whipple Edward Smith Zachariah Eddy Nathaniel Jones Thomas Harding Phillip Smith Robert Gibbs Arthur Hennon Wm Turpin Samuel Wilton Daniel Prooto John Scott William Hopkins ~~William Hopkins~~ Richard Sayles Henry Morroy Joh Balcom Anthony Arnold Thomas Smith Jun<sup>r</sup> Daniel Arnold John Standings Jun<sup>r</sup> Joseph Morroy Jun<sup>r</sup> Jonathan Morroy Grace White Emphrey Macclonen Nathaniel Jones Jun<sup>r</sup> Oliver Morroy Tho Brown Joseph Smith Jun<sup>r</sup> Joseph Olney John Smith Jun<sup>r</sup> Zabiah Whipple Michal Inman Philip Photoplaus Joseph Pettingell William Saynt Grace Richard son Moses Herndon John Smith son of Tho: Hose Steers John Thornton Jun<sup>r</sup> Thomas Wallen David Thornton William Gooman Zachariah Eddy Jun<sup>r</sup> Thomas Pollock John Morroy Elierer Whipple Eriah Morroy Thomas Adams Elierer Whipple Joseph Inman Thomas Mory James Angel Thomas Arnold Daniel Morroy Annanias Morroy Daniel Matherson John Pholson Jun<sup>r</sup> Tho: Matherson Joseph Williams John Arnold Henry Sanders Joseph Herndon Jun<sup>r</sup> John Bennet William Olney: BCS

Recorded for mee Richard Waterman Clerk

26  
Wednesday May 25<sup>th</sup> 1730 =

We whose names are here under written being a committee appointed to audit the Treasurers accounts and inspect into the Towns debts: and give order to the Treasurer for the paying of such debts as were found due in primis. Toff Charges in work and Charges expended in Keeping Way beset Bridge in Repair since the last audit -

We find by account of Capt. William Potter deceased that there is due to him the sum of - 03 - 13 - 1 which we give order for the payment of - To Charles Stillinghast one of his executors

since To Capt. James Browne for himself and those he employed about the Bridge } 07 - 16 - 6

To Richard Waterman and those employed by him - } 05 - 09 - 0

From To Mr. Elisha Groome former Constable for service done in mowing People out of Town him self and aid } 02 - 19 - 8

From To Mr. Joseph Arnold one of the former overseers of the Poor - } 01 - 06 - 0

From To Mr. Jonathan Sprague for service done concerning the Poor } 01 - 01 - 0

We do order that all the above said sums shall be paid by the Town Treasurer out of the Towns Treasury -

Philip Stillinghast  
Richard Browne  
Richard Waterman

27  
May the 25<sup>th</sup> 1730

This day was the subscribers audited the Town Treasurers accounts: and we find there is due to the Treasurer Mr. William Turpin the sum of - - - } 08 - 18 - 10  
Eighteen shillings and ten pence  
there is due to our selves for our fees the sum of six shillings a piece - - - }  
Philip Stillinghast  
Richard Browne  
Richard Waterman

At a Town meeting held at Providence this first day of June anno domini 1730. It being munday, and the Towns Election day to chuse the Town officers -

Col<sup>d</sup> Nicholas Power Chosen Moderator -  
Richard Waterman Chosen Town Clerk \*  
William Hopkins son of Wm Chosen Town sergeant \*

Mr Philip Stillinghast \*  
Col<sup>d</sup> Nicholas Power \*  
Mr John Potter Jun<sup>r</sup>  
Mr Benjamin Smith Jun<sup>r</sup>  
Mr Thomas Field  
Leitt Richard Jenner } Chosen Town Councilmen.

Mr William Turpin Chosen Town Treasurer \*

Thomas Kilton -  
David Arnold - \*  
Michal Inman -  
Josiah Westcot - \*  
John Johnson Jun<sup>r</sup> - \*  
William Westcot Jun<sup>r</sup> - \*  
Erza Bartlot - \*  
Joseph Carpenter \* } Chosen Constables -

and Job Bartlot Chosen Constable on the north side of Pawtucket River

William Ashton Daniel Abbot Jonathan Jenckes -  
Horehiah Sprague Abraham Tower Robert Dan<sup>l</sup> Mathewson Jun<sup>r</sup> \* Thomas Arnold Thomas Olney son of Capt Olney Ollivor Moroy & Honor or Batts William Hankings Nathan Plaus Hefannah B Brown William Rhodes Daniel Jenckes -  
Mr John Knight - Mr Richard Knight \*

Capt Moses Burlingame \* Abraham Clark Joseph H...  
den Jun<sup>r</sup> \* and Walter Phelps \* Chosen surveyors of highways  
Peter Ballaen Chosen palor and Parker - \*

Capt John Whipple - Mr William Olney Job Whipple  
Richard Taylor John Buxton Thomas Burlingame  
John Manton Nathan Thornton Nathaniel Jones  
Jun<sup>r</sup> Jeromiah Arnold \* James ... \*  
and Capt Joseph Moroy are Chosen for -  
Viewers -

William Turpin \* Capt Moses Burlingame and  
Capt Vallintino Whitman Chosen overseers  
for the poor -

Robert Currie and James Whipple are Chosen  
poor keepers Currie for the Town pound -  
and Whipple for the woods pound at Loakes  
squriet -

Charles Stillinghast and John Whipple for wainor  
are Chosen for viewors - engaged -

Robert Currie Humphrey Macclaren \* John Wilkinton \*  
and Charles Howeloch Chosen for  
Constables -

Richard Brown Philip Stillinghast and Richard Water  
man Jun<sup>r</sup> are Chosen auditors to audit the  
Treasurers accounts and Towns debts -  
the meeting is adjourned to munday next -

James O Norton Chosen for

A Town meeting held at Providence this first day of June Anno Domini 1730. It being Monday, and the Towns Election day to chuse the Town officers -

Mr Nicholas Power Chosen Moderator -  
Richard Waldeman Chosen Town Clerk - \*  
William Hopkins son of Wm Chosen Town Sergeant \*

Mr Philip Stillinghast \*  
Mr Nicholas Power \*  
Mr John Potter Junr  
Mr Benjamin Smith Junr  
Mr Thomas Field  
Lieut Richard Jenner } Chosen Town Councill men -

Mr William Turpin Chosen Town Treasurer \*

Thomas Kilton - \*  
David Arnold - \*  
Michal Inman -  
Josiah Westcot - \*  
John Pholoon Junr \* } Chosen Constables -  
William Westcot Junr \* }  
Erza Bartlot - \* } and Job Bartlot Chosen  
Joseph Carpentor \* } Constables on the north  
side of Pawtucket River

William Ashton Daniel Abbot Jonathan Jenckes -  
Horeajah Sprague Abraham Townslet Dan A  
Matthewson Junr Thomas Arnold Thomas Olney  
son of Capt Olney Moroye Benson or Batts  
William Jennings Nathan Plais Hefannah  
Mrs Brown William Rhodes Daniel Jenckes -  
John Knight Mr Richard Knight \*

Capt Major Burlingame \* Abraham Clarke Joseph  
Dea Junr \* and Walter Pike Plaid Chosen Surveyors of  
Highways

Peter Ballace Chosen Paolor and Parker - \*

Capt John Whipple Mr William Olney Job Whipple  
Richard Sayles Mr John Beaton Thomas Burlingame  
John Manton Richard Thornton Nathaniel Jones  
Junr Jeromiah Arnold \* James Arnold Stebbins  
and Capt Joseph Moroye are Chosen Viewers -

William Turpin Capt Major Burlingame and  
Capt Vallentino Whitman Chosen Overseers  
for the poor -

Robert Currie and James Whipple are Chosen  
Pound Keepers Currie for the Town pound -  
and Whipple for the woods pound at Loakes  
squriet -

Charles Stillinghast and John Whipple Forewainers  
are Chosen Viewers -

Robert Currie Humphrey MacLafon \* John Wilkinton \*  
and Charles Howelock Chosen Log  
Constables

Richard Brown Philip Stillinghast and Richard Water  
Junr are Chosen auditors to audit the  
Treasurers accounts and Towns debts -  
the meeting is adjourned to Monday next -

30. ~~Meeting~~

June the 8<sup>th</sup> 1730 - It being Monday the meeting is  
again in being ~~at~~ Nicholas Power is a  
Continues Moderator -

Thomas Olney Junr. ~~Shoson~~ Confable in the Deeds  
of Thomas Hilton who Deputi: and is also engaged

Mr Daniel Smith Leitt Richard Fayles and  
Leitt Joseph Fenner ~~Shoson~~ Deputies  
Thomas Hilton ~~Shoson~~ Deputi: of Leathor  
The meeting is desolved -

At a Towns Quarter meeting held at Prudence this 27<sup>th</sup>  
day of July Anno Dom: 1730 -  
Cott Nicholas Power ~~Shoson~~ Moderator -

John Hayes is ~~Shoson~~ a Town Council man in the  
Charge of Mr Richard Fenner who was advised -

Mr Zachariah Eddy and Mr William Ashton are ~~Shoson~~  
Grand Jury men: and Mr Daniel Angel Mr Thomas  
Shepps Richard Peters and Henry Harris are ~~Shoson~~  
Petty Jury men to serve at ~~the~~ next Superior  
Court of Judicature Court of Appls and General Wols  
delivered to be held at Newport the first Tuesday  
in September next ensuing -

~~It is ordered that the~~

It is ordered and ordered that John Thornton  
shall have the sum of fifteen pounds paid  
out of the Towns Treasury for the value  
of numbering the Inhabitants of this Town  
and making Returns to the Town Clerk -

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According to the Act of Assembly: and to have  
his money when he hath compleated ~~the~~ the work  
the said John Thornton being present Accepted  
and Promised to perform the work  
the meeting is dissolved

At a Towns Quarter meeting held at Prudence this 27<sup>th</sup> day  
of October - Anno Dom: 1730 -

Cott Nicholas Power ~~Shoson~~ Moderator  
Cott Nicholas Power Mr Thomas Olney Capt Richard Fayles  
and Mr John Potter Junr are ~~Shoson~~ Deputies  
to serve at the next Yearly Court of Assembly to be held  
at Prudence on the first Wednesday in October Current

Mr John Smith Timothy Holton Robert Colwell Hope Angol  
Noah Whipple John Conner Joseph Bagly and Solomon Paine  
are ~~Shoson~~ Grand Jury men -

And Ebenezer Shrago John Balus John Whitman Deputies  
Thomas Olney Junr Capt Roger Bealingsham and Samuel  
Hilton are ~~Shoson~~ Petty Jury men to serve at the next  
Superior Court of Common Pleas and Sessions of the Peace  
to be held at Prudence in the County of Prudence on the  
second Tuesday of December next  
The meeting is desolved

At a Towns Quarter meeting held at Providence on the 27<sup>th</sup> day of January Anno Dom. 1730/31

Mr Thomas Olney chosen Moderator  
Mr John Olney Junr and Mr John Payles are chosen Grand Jury men  
And Mr Melvion Bulow Benjamin Spontor Walter Meteplice and William Burton are chosen Peter Jurymen  
To serve an warrant the last Tuesday of March next In the Superior Court of Judicature Court of Aids and General Court delivry

At a Towns Quarter meeting held at Providence this 24<sup>th</sup> day of April Anno Dom. 1731  
Being called by warrant to the County Court house but for reason of that being filled with the workmens being then in finishing of it the Town having liberty meet in Quakers meeting house that is close by

Mr Nicholas Power chosen Moderator  
John Potter Junr Capt Jacob Crowen John Thornton and William Rhoades are chosen deputies to serve at the Court of Election to be held at Newport on the first Wednesday in May next and the day before the election

Mr Thomas Bualdingame Mr Peter Chase Mr Daniel Smith and Mr Richard Thornton are chosen Grand Jury men  
and Capt John Whipple Mr John Handings and Mr Peter Bellasis are chosen Peter Jury men to serve at the next Superior Court of Common Pleas and General Court of the peace to be held at Providence on the first Tuesday of June next ensuing

Mr John Whipple Forewainer of chosen Town Jurymen to serve at the same In the Superior Court and Mr William Gifford other deputy of that office at

at his own Request:  
And the said John Whipple is engaged in his Oath upon said terms that he is not to be excused for being chosen and liable to serve in that or any other such like office the next years of chosen

Capt Richard Waterman is chosen to be on the committee with the other Towns to audit the Towns former debts that was that was contracted before the Town was divided: the meeting dissolved

At a Town meeting called by warrant at the County Court house in Providence this 4<sup>th</sup> day of June Anno Dom. 1731  
It being the first Monday in June and the Towns Election Day for choosing a Town officers

Mr Nicholas Power is chosen Moderator  
Capt Richard Waterman chosen Town Clerk and engaged  
Mr John Whipple Forewainer chosen Town Jurymen

Mr Philip Hildinghaft  
Capt Richard Waterman  
Capt Stephens Dexter  
Mr John Potter Junr Deputy  
Mr James Crowen chosen in his Oath  
Mr John Thornton  
Leitt Nathaniel Jeniches  
are chosen Town Council Men and engaged

Mr William Turpin chosen Town Treasurer  
Mr Joseph Sheldon chosen Constable  
Mr Benjamin Smith of Pawtuxett chosen Constable  
Mr John King chosen Constable  
Mr Thomas Thornton chosen Constable

George Bronn  
 Joseph Olney  
 Edward Arnold  
 Daniel Waterman  
 Richard Thornton  
 Samuel Fish  
 John Knight  
 Solomon Paine  
 Thomas Olney Junr  
 Richard Knight  
 Joseph Stanton  
 Samuel Bunting

are chosen  
 surveyors of the Highways

Mr Peter Ballou chosen feallor and Parker  
 Mr William Sturpin  
 Mr Thomas Harding chosen in his room  
 Capt Peter Bunting chosen over seers for the roads  
 Mr Samuel Kilton and Mr John Whipple for wainor  
 Capt Stephen Dextor  
 Capt John Whipple  
 Mr Edward Fanner  
 Mr John Holden  
 Mr Nehemiah Sheldon  
 Mr Eliza Standish  
 Mr Thomas Bunting  
 Mr Richard Fallow  
 Mr John Farrow  
 Mr Robert Curie chosen Pound Keeper  
 Mr Thomas Kilton chosen feallor of leather

At the Towns Next meeting being the 27<sup>th</sup> day of July: Anno Domini: 1731

Mr William Olney Junr was chosen Waywarden or surveyor of the Highways in the room of Thomas Olney Junr who refused

The meeting is dissolved

At a Towns Quarter meeting hold at Providence this 27<sup>th</sup> day of July: Anno Domini - 1731

Col Nicholas Power chosen Moderator  
 Mr Philip Tillinghast, Mr John Potter Junr, Mr John Angel Junr and Mr Richard Thornton are chosen Deputies to sit in Court of Sessions to be hold at Warwick the first Wednesday of October next

Mr Charles Tillinghast is chosen Grand Jurymen and Mr Jonathan Donald is chosen Petter Jurymen to serve at the next superior Court of Judicature Court of Appeals and General Goals Delivery to be hold at Newport on the first Tuesday of September next ensuing  
 The meeting is dissolved

At a Towns Quarter meeting hold at Providence on the 27<sup>th</sup> day of October Anno Domini 1731

Cap. Ezekiel Warner chosen Moderator  
 Daniel Waterman, Daniel Smith, Rowitt, Thomas Harris and Jacob Hartshears are chosen Grand Jurymen to serve at the next sessions of the Judges to be hold at Providence in the County of Providence on the second Tuesday of December next ensuing

And Edward Fanner, Joseph Angel and Thomas Olney Kilton are chosen Petter Jurymen to serve at the next superior Court of Common Pleas and sessions of the Peace to be hold at Providence in the County of Providence on the second Tuesday in December next

TIGHT BINDING

At a Towne Quarter meeting hold att Pruidence this 29<sup>th</sup> day of January anno Domini 1731 1/2

Col<sup>l</sup> nicholas Power chosen Moderator -  
Mr<sup>r</sup> Edward Manton is chosen Grand Jury man and Mr<sup>r</sup> Nicholas Sheldon Jun<sup>r</sup> is chosen Petter Jury man to serve at the next superior Court of Judicature Court of Apize: ~~and~~ and General Court delivery the 1<sup>st</sup> of Tuesday in March next ensuing. The meeting is adjourned

At a Towne quarter meeting hold att Pruidence this 29<sup>th</sup> day of April anno Dom. 1732 -  
Richard Waterman chosen Moderator

Capt. Richard Waterman Mr<sup>r</sup> John Potter Jun<sup>r</sup> Mr<sup>r</sup> John Thornton and Capt. Gabor Bowens are chosen Deputies to serve at the General Court of Election to be hold att Newport the first Wednesday in May next: and the Day before the election

Mr<sup>r</sup> Hope Singel Mr<sup>r</sup> Thomas Comstock Mr<sup>r</sup> publy Westcott and Mr<sup>r</sup> Joseph Smith are chosen Grand Jurymen to serve at the next sessions of the Peace to be hold at Pruidence in the County of Pruidence on the first Tuesday in June next

Mr<sup>r</sup> John Sheldon Jun<sup>r</sup> Mr<sup>r</sup> James Edwards and Mr<sup>r</sup> Edward Arnold are chosen Petter Jury men to serve at the next Inferior Court of Common Pleas to be hold at Pruidence in the County of Pruidence on the first Tuesday in June next

Mr<sup>r</sup> John Potter is chosen to carry to Newport  
Potter 134  
Conyoll 139  
Thornton 62  
Bowen 126  
Angel 68

At a Towne meeting hold att Pruidence this 5<sup>th</sup> day of June anno Dom 1732 - It being munday and the first munday in 3<sup>rd</sup> month: And the Towns election day for choosing Town officers -

Juyice Richard Waterman chosen Moderator  
Capt. Richard Waterman chosen Town Clarke \*  
John Whipple Fordwainer chosen Town saryant \*

Mr<sup>r</sup> James Congdon  
Mr<sup>r</sup> John Thornton  
Capt. Stephen Dexter chosen Town Finul men;  
Mr<sup>r</sup> Edward Jenner \*  
Mr<sup>r</sup> Nathaniel Jenches \*  
Mr<sup>r</sup> Thomas Buringgane \*

Mr<sup>r</sup> William Olverpin chosen Town Overseer \*  
Mr<sup>r</sup> Joseph Olroy \*  
Mr<sup>r</sup> William Westcot Jun<sup>r</sup> \*  
Mr<sup>r</sup> John Williams \*  
Mr<sup>r</sup> Israel Arnold \*  
Chosen Constables

Mr<sup>r</sup> William Olverpin \*  
Mr<sup>r</sup> Thomas Harding \*  
Capt. Roger Buringgane  
Chosen over seers for the Poor

Mr<sup>r</sup> Daniel Smith \*  
Mr<sup>r</sup> George Browne \*  
Mr<sup>r</sup> John Sheldon Jun<sup>r</sup> \*  
Chosen Rate makers

Mr<sup>r</sup> Peter Ballau chosen Sealot and Pauger & Gauge of Cape  
Mr<sup>r</sup> Daniel Smith and Mr<sup>r</sup> George Browne are chosen surveyors and measurers of Boards and Plank Timber and slit work and shingles and flabords -

Engigne fithor Potter is chosen to be viewer of  
fish and oyle and Whales bone

Joseph Angel Samuel Victor Capt Ezeiel Warner John Pandal  
Pilas Carpenter Nemiah Sheldon Thomas Clemons Benjamin  
Whipple chosen Comp and fter viewers

Capt John Whipple Capt Joseph Doctor Benjamin Carpenter  
Zuruel Waterman Cornelius ephim Richard Farle Peter Buntinggans  
Jonathan Jencher John manton Christopher Harris chosen foms viewer

Capt Joseph fennor George Brown Edward Arnold Eliza Baker  
Robert Knight Daniel Mathewson John Stone Junr Jonathan Pandal  
Solomon Parie Jeromiah Smith Richard Knight Joseph Thornton  
John Studwin Ebenezer Jencher Eliza Green John Tracy chosen  
favour of high ways

Joseph Brown chosen forder of wood Robert Garie Ponds keeper  
Capt Joseph fennor is chosen deputy to serue at the next sitting of  
the assembly in the Peoms of John Potter Junr. aduanced

The meeting is adjoined to the last Saturday of this  
Instant June: the meeting for want of members

At a Townes Quarter meeting held at Providence this 29<sup>th</sup>  
day of July anno dominic 1732

Joseph Jencher Esq<sup>r</sup> chosen Moderator

Mr Jonathan Pandal chosen Grand Jurymen: And Capt Roger Burdett  
Gano: is chosen Petre Jurymen to serue at the next superior  
Court Court of Apire and Genorall Court delivery to be held at  
Newport the first Tuseday in September next ensuing

Mr John Angel Mr Thomas Any Justice Richard Waterman: and  
Mr James Congdon are chosen Deputies to attend the next  
Gen<sup>l</sup> Court of Assembly to be held at Providence on the  
last Wednesday in October next ensuing

Joseph Carpenter chosen scallor and Pachor  
the meeting is adjoined

At a Townes quarter meeting held at Providence this  
29<sup>th</sup> day of October anno dom: 1732

Mr Robert Gibbs chosen Moderator  
Mr Daniel Smith Mr Zuruel Waterman Mr George Brown  
and Jacob Harts Horns

are chosen Grand Jurymen to serue at the next sessions  
of the Peace to be held at Providence in the County of  
Providence on the searond Tuseday of December next  
ensuing

Capt Stephen Remington Nathaniel Jencher Junior  
and Mr Charles Stillinghaff are chosen Petre Jurymen to  
serue at the next inferior Court to be held at Providence  
in the County of Providence on the searond Tuseday of  
December next ensuing - Mr Charles Stillinghaff  
Deputy, And Richard Waterman Junr chosen in his  
place

It is voted that the Jurymen of highways shall warn  
the inhabitants of the Towns to make up the way  
at the muddy Ridge out of the Oldes way  
the meeting is adjoined

At a Townes Quarter meeting held at Providence  
this 29<sup>th</sup> day of January anno dom: 1732 3

Capt Richard Waterman chosen Moderator

Joseph Waterman is chosen Grand Jurymen  
and Thomas Buntinggans chosen Petre Jurymen  
to serue at the next superior Court to be held  
at Newport on the last Tuseday in March next  
ensuing: Joseph Waterman chosen faviour of  
the high ways

140.  
It is Voted and Ordered that Richard Waterman -  
Clerk; shall sign a Petition in behalf of the Town  
to lay before the General Assembly now sitting in Providence  
to pray an act may be passed for the  
preventing the Oysters southward from ~~being~~  
being burnt into fire  
the Court Break up that evening so there was nothing done  
on that affair

It is Voted: That Mr David Nutting Burg and Mr  
Joseph Brown shall be cited and joyned with Richard  
Waterman to keep the Bridge at waybaught  
in Repaire: Capt James Brown having refused  
And Richard Waterman Junr and Deleg Dexter are  
Chosen hempard & lox wiewers in the name of  
Joseph Angel and Samuel Gilton  
Informed: he refused to serve any longer  
the meeting is dissolved

~~Part of the meeting was dissolved  
giving of the power of the town  
to the people now the meeting is dissolved  
and the meeting is dissolved~~

Att a Townes Quarter Meeting held at Providence the  
29<sup>th</sup> day of April anno Dom; 1733

Jupico Richard Waterman Chosen Moderator  
Jupico Richard Waterman, Capt. John Bowen Mr Richard  
Thornton, and Capt. Joseph Senior are Chosen Deputies  
to serve at the Court of Election to be hold at  
Newport on the first Monday in May next and the day  
before the Election

Peter

41.  
Peter Barnes Jonathan Randall Richard Knight and  
Thomas Field Junr are Chosen Grand Jurymen to serve  
at the next Inferiour Court to be hold at Providence; on  
the first Tuesday in June next  
And Stephen Thornton; Jonathan Knight  
Westcot Junr are Chosen Petter Jurymen to serve at  
said Court

Richard Waterman Chosen to carry the Procees to Newport  
the meeting is dissolved

Att a Town meeting held at Providence the 4<sup>th</sup>  
day of June anno Dom; 1733. At being Monday  
and the first Monday in said Month and the Townes  
Election day for Chasing Officers  
Nicholas Power Chosen Moderator

Jupico Richard Waterman Chosen Town Clerk  
John [unclear] Chosen [unclear]

James [unclear]  
John Thornton &  
Stephen Dexter } Chosen Town Councilmen  
Edward [unclear]  
Nathaniel [unclear]

William [unclear] of Nathaniel  
[unclear] [unclear]  
[unclear] [unclear]  
[unclear] [unclear]

John Stuart

Abel Pater

William West Junr

Dickson

Nathan Field

Chosen by ballot

William Turpin

Thomas Harding

Roger Burlingame

Chosen our assessors for the Poor

Daniel Smith

George Brown

Zurriel Waterman

Chosen Patrons

Joseph Brown

Joseph Mason

Daniel Smith

George Brown

and one of Boards

and shingles and

William Ashwood

Hisher Powers

Joseph Brown

Benjamin

Capt John Whipple

Zurriel Waterman

Burlingame

and chosen assessors and

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Stephen Doctor, Stephen Doctor Junr, Gideon Crawford

Thomas Burlingame Junr, Samuel Deft, William Westcot

Jonathan Pondoll, Capt Joseph Waterman, Capt Joseph Fanner

Leitt, Thomas Harris, Nathur, Benjamin Carpenter

Solomon Paine, Henry Junr, Thomas

Robert Fierie, Chosen Pains Keeper

John Manton, Peter Roberts, Jacob Harts

and Chosen Hog, John Whipple and Joseph Brown

and Chosen wood, Capt Peter Waterman

Justice Richard Brown, Charles Stillinghast

and Chosen an audit to audit both towns

and Chosen accounts

This meeting being called by a warrant granted by the town clerk

It was voted that there shall be thirty pounds allowed and paid out of the towns treasury

to purchase a lot of land to build a jail and put upon

It is also voted that Mr William Turpin shall deliver what things is now remaining in his hands

that was the estate of John years deceased unto Mary Dow

daughter of the said John years

It is voted that this meeting be adjourned to the next Monday in this month

of June notified then to meet if not then this meeting is dissolved

At a Towns Quarter meeting held at Providence the 29<sup>th</sup> of July anno domi 1733

Guy Waterman chosen Moderator

Mr Benjamin Pearl is chosen Grand Jurymen - and Mr Jonathan Darnall is chosen Petter Jurymen to serve at the next Superior Court; Court of Asses and Genl Courts delivery to be hold at Newport the first Tuesday in September next;

Mr Joseph Carpenter is chosen as a Committe to Jayne which Capt James Sturges was chosen by the Towne of Warwick to repair the Bridge at Pawtuxett falls with all convenient speed - This meeting is dissolved

At a Townes Quarter Meeting held at Providence the 29<sup>th</sup> of October anno domi 1733

Ezekiel Warner is chosen Moderator

Justice Ezekiel Warner Daniel Abbott Justice Robert Gibbs Justice Richard Johnson are chosen Deputies to serve at the Genl Court of Asses to be hold at South Kingstown on the last Wednesday in October Current;

Capt John Whipple Richard Knight Jonathan Darnall and Joseph Arny are chosen Grand Jurymen - and John Hastings Peter Oist and James Williams Junr are chosen Petter Jurymen to serve at the next Genl Sessions of the Peace and Inferiour Court of Common Pleas to be hold at Providence the County of Providence on the second Tuesday

40. for next -

upon a Bill presented to this meeting by Mr Robert Gibbs - Mr Silas Carpenter and several Others was the Inhabitant of the Towne thought it better that the Towne should have the Bankmoney shall be lett out: by reason that each person who is to the eyes of reason such a small piece will be of little advantage to those who intend to take out the money without being in or falling of pieces, where upon it was voted that that they might sell and by pieces such as they wish - the which the Committe that is appointed to lett out said money are refused -

Whore upon It was further voted that Mr John Walton should in behalfe of the freeholders of this Towne Petition the General Assembly of this Colony at the next sitting that the freeholders that have free lands may have the liberty to accomodate one another with their rights in said money and to sell their rights or shares if they please - so that no one person take above three hundred Pounds - The meeting is dissolved

At a Towns Quarter meeting held at Providence on the 24<sup>th</sup> day of January anno domi 1734

Richard Waterman chosen Moderator

Capt Thomas Harris chosen Grand Jurymen - and Mr Jonathan Jenckes son of William Jenckes Esq<sup>r</sup> is chosen Petter Jurymen to serve at the next Superior Court of Asses and General Court delivery to be hold at Newport on the last Tuesday in March next;

It is voted and ordered that the Towne Clarke shall have the Townes Land out the first of the year 1734 for three shillings per year - the meeting is dissolved

TIGHT BINDING

At a Towns meeting held at Providence this day of April 1734.

Justice Ezekiel Waterman is chosen Moderator  
Mr Thomas Olney  
Mr Daniel Smith  
Mr Richard Foxe  
Chosen Deputies to serve at the Court of Election to be held at Newport on the first Wednesday in May next on the day before the Election.

Mr William Hopkins of Boston and appointed as an Attorney for the Town of Providence to appear at the General Assembly to be held at Newport on the first Wednesday in May next and there on the Towns behalf to answer Reply to and defend the Complaint made by Petition of the Town of Smithfield and Gloucester.

Mr Jonathan Randall Mr Gideon Prudden Mr Eliza Arndt and Mr Joseph Williams Junr are chosen Grand Jurymen.  
Mr John Knight  
Mr Simon Smith and Mr William Ellison are chosen Peace Jurymen to serve at the next General Court of the Peace on the first Monday in June next.

Mr George Brown of Boston and appointed to take care and dispose the Business at Bayley in the Town. In the Towns and Ward of Richard Waterman who is now the Receiver Dismissed of the same the meeting is deferred.

Towns meeting held at Providence this day of June 1734. It being on the first day of June the Towns Election day for the year 1734.

Justice Richard Waterman Chosen Moderator  
Capt Richard Waterman Chosen Town Clerk Engaged  
Mr John Whipple Chosen Town Justice Engaged

Justice Richard Waterman  
Capt Stephen Dexter  
Mr James Gordon  
Mr Hope Angel  
Mr John Stanton  
Mr Benjamin Carpenter  
Chosen Town Jurymen Engaged

Mr William Turpin Chosen Town Treasurer  
Mr Fear Packer  
Mr William Westcott Junr Engaged  
Mr John Williams Engaged  
Chosen Constables Engaged

Mr William Turpin Mr Thomas Harding and Capt Quellinggame are chosen Overseers for the Poor  
Daniel Smith Mr George Brown and Mr Daniel Waterman are chosen Patrollers

John Johnson is chosen Peeler and Packer and Gauger of Cash and also peeler of Rights and measures

Mr Daniel Smith and Mr George Brown are chosen Jurymen and modifers of the Plank timber and staves on the Bay and wharves

TIGHT BINDING

48. Mr. Daniel Cooke and Capt. Daniel Cooke are chosen  
for the year 1734 and 1735  
Joseph Brown and Joseph Brown are chosen  
for the year 1734 and 1735  
John Whipple and Joseph Brown are chosen  
for the year 1734 and 1735

Robert Curie William Hopkins John Hoyle Hope for  
Daniel Fish Thomas Harris Junr Eliza Green Samuel  
Melph Peter Roberts Thomas Romano Joseph Randall  
John Sheldon Junr John Olney Stephen Thornton  
William Buzlingame Ezekiel Westcott are chosen  
for way out of the Highways

John Whipple Stephen Dexter Junr Benjamin Carpenter  
Zurriel Waterman Cornelius Eslin Richards Junr Peter  
Buzlingame Jonathan Jencher John Marlon & Christopher  
Harris are chosen for viewors

Mr. John Whipple and Mr. Joseph Brown are chosen  
for viewors of wood

Mr. Richard Brown Richard Waterman and Mr. Charles Still  
are chosen an Audit to Audit the Towns debts and  
up accounts with the Town Treasurer

James Browne Esq. is chosen Deputy to serve all the  
Court Assembly to be hold at Newport by adjournment  
this instant June pursuant in the name of Ezekiel  
Warner: who is advanced

Richard Waterman Junr living in Town is chosen  
to serve with George Brown and David Buzlingame  
in repairing way buyot Bridge: In the name of  
Joseph Brown who hath signed himself

Mr. Robert Curie is chosen for viewors  
the meeting is deferred

49. Towns Quarter meeting held at Providence  
The 21<sup>th</sup> day of July anno Dom. 1734.

Richard Waterman chosen Moderator

Mr. Robert Curie chosen Grand Jurymen: And Mr. John  
Clarke is chosen Petter Jurymen to serve all the  
next superior Court of apire and Genl Court delivery  
to be hold at Newport on the first Tuesday in September  
next

Upon a Bill Proposed by a considerable number of  
freemen concerning sum method to be provided for the  
preserving the the officers from being destroyed: and also  
that the jells may be so preserved that the Inhabitants  
may have a sufficiency for there buildings - the which  
bill was granted: And Capt. William Hopkins is the  
Person chosen to draw the matter up in form and  
lay it before the Town Council at there next sitting  
In order for Propagation  
The meeting is Deferr'd

At a Towns Quarter meeting held at Providence the 28<sup>th</sup> day of  
October anno Dom. 1734: by reason of 21<sup>th</sup> day was the first day of  
Richard Waterman chosen Moderator

John Thornton Robert Gibbs Esq. Capt. William Hopkins  
Mr. Jonathan Randall are chosen Deputies to serve all the  
Assembly to be hold at Providence on the last Wednesday of  
the present year

Mr. Daniel Smith Mr. George Brown Mr. Zurriel Waterman  
and Mr. Heath Thomas Harris are chosen Grand Jurymen  
and Mr. William Brown Mr. Benjamin Westcott Junr  
and Mr. Timothy Sheldon Junr are chosen Petter Jurymen

TIGHT BINDING

30. To serve at the next Inferiour Court and Court of the Peace to be holden at Providence on the first Tuesday in December; next ensuing -

Capt. William Hopkins and Mr. John Walton are chosen to appear in the Towns behalf. to procure an act at ye Court Assembly to be hold at Providence on the last Wednesday of this Instant October. In order to procure an act of assembly: to preserve the oysters and oyster shells from being destroyed. In this Town of Providence the meeting is dissolved -

At a Towns Quarter day meeting held at Providence the 2<sup>nd</sup> day of January: Anno Domini 1734

Jurist. Richard Waterman chosen Moderator  
Mr. Eliza Baker - Is chosen Grand Jurymen and Mr. Ebenezer Estlin - Is chosen Pettes Jurymen to serve at the superior Court Court of assize and General Goal delivery to be hold at Newport on the last Tuesday in March next ensuing

It is voted and ordered that there shall be five shillings for hood allowed and payed out of the Towns Treasury for every fox that shall be lawfully slain within the bounds of this Town: by any freeholder there of or his or her family: and the same to be proved before the Town Treasurer by one or more evidences to the satisfaction of the Town Treasurer: The meeting is dissolved

At a Towns Quarter meeting held at Providence on the 28<sup>th</sup> day of April anno Domini 1735 - It being the 24<sup>th</sup> day of the Quarter day: by Reason the 24<sup>th</sup> day was the first day of the week

Richard Waterman chosen Moderator

Jabon Bowen, Capt. Richard Fenner, Capt. William Rodges and Keitt Jonathan Randall are chosen deputies to serve at the Court of election to be held at Newport on the first Wednesday in May next, and the day before the election

Gerian Francis Thomas Harris Jun<sup>r</sup> son of Capt. Harris -  
Abraham Sheldon and Christopher Harris -  
And Mr. William Harkings John Briggs and Parson Sheldon are chosen Pettes Jurymen to serve at the Court of the Peace and Inferiour Court of Common Pleas to be hold at Providence in the County of Providence on the first Tuesday in June next: Ensuving

The meeting is dissolved

At a Towne Meeting held at Providence this 2<sup>nd</sup> day of June Anno Domini 1735. It being the Towns election day for choosing Town officers

Jurist. Richard Waterman chosen Moderator  
Jurist. Richard Waterman chosen Moderator  
John Whipple chosen Town Sargent \*  
Capt. Joseph Waterman chosen the first Town Councilman in the stead of Richard Waterman  
Mr. Ebenezer Estlin chosen the second Town Councilman in the stead of Mr. James Fenner who refused  
Benjamin Carpenter chosen the other four Town Councilmen

Mr. William Estlin chosen Town Treasurer

TIGHT BINDING

Mr Stephen Dexter Junr  
Mr William Randal Junr  
Mr Samuel Westcot  
Mr Jeromiah field

are chosen for stablos

Mr William Npton and Mr Jeromiah field are chosen  
for stablos: In order especially to serve in the execution  
of the Town Councils act for the propagation  
the oysters:

Daniel Smith George Browne and Zuriel Waterman  
Chosen Watermarkers

Joseph Skoldson is chosen scales and Packer and Gauge of  
Cask and also scales of Weights and measures

Daniel Smith and George Browne are chosen surveyors  
and measurers of Boards Plank Timber and Shingles  
of Cabots and Shingles

Mr William Npton and Capt Daniel Jones are  
chosen Viewers of Beefish Cattle and Wharfedons

Capt John Whipple Capt Stephen Dexter Benjamin  
Zuriel Waterman Charles Esler Richard Gale Peter  
Burdlinggamo Jonathan Jencks John Manton and Christopher  
Harris are chosen for Viewers

Robert Farris is chosen Pound Keeper  
Mr John Whipple and Joseph Brown are chosen

Richard Brown Richard Waterman and Charles  
Hart are chosen an audit to audit the Towns  
and make up accounts with the Towne Treasurer

The same men as was chosen for repairing Waybes  
Bridg are voted to be paid continued

Capt William Hopkins being chosen an attorney for the  
Towne to appear at the Assembly and there defend on  
the Towns behalf the Complaint that was made  
against them by the Towns of Smith field and  
George Gale concerning the Road: And also to draw  
an order for the Road for the same  
for which he demanded three pounds: the  
which was granted him: And after it was granted  
he freely gave it to the Town in the face of  
the meeting;

Abbott Capt William Hopkins Colation Harris John Knight  
Robert Farris William Burdlinggamo Thomas field Junr  
John R. Hoades Nicholas Sheldon Junr William Olney  
James Olney Junr John Westcot Junr Joshua Thomas  
Joseph Williams Abraham Sheldon Thomas Harris son  
of Capt Harris Joseph Thornton Benjamin Proague  
Jonathan Jencks Junr Jeromiah Smith and William  
Hawking are chosen surveyors of Highways

William Surpin Thomas Harding and John Knight  
are chosen Overseers for the Poor

Joseph Brown Joseph Sheldon William Beaton Jonathan  
Randal Farris Esler Peter Nelsoniah Sheldon Thomas  
Lemans and Benjamin Whipple are chosen  
Hampden fies Viewers  
the meeting is adjourned

TIGHT BINDING

At a Town Quarter meeting held at Providence  
this 27th day of July anno Dom: 1735  
Richard Waterman chosen Moderator

~~Resolved that the next meeting shall be held at Providence  
on the 1st day of August next~~  
Resolved that the next meeting shall be held at Providence  
on the 1st day of August next

and Genl Court Delivery to be held at Newport on the  
1st day of August next

It is ordered and agreed that John Whipple Town forjant shall  
notify the freemen of this town to meet together at the  
Calmly house on the second Monday next August  
to consider what orders of the town may be proper to  
for their regulating and amending the highways in  
said town: the same and also to accomplish such orders  
as may be concluded lawful and expedient

and this meeting is adjourned to the second Monday next  
August the 11th 1735

in said month the meetings is againe in being  
Richard Waterman chosen Moderator

whom as there is few people that have any regard to doing the  
duty in mending His Majestys highways in this town:  
hermooy whom of for the future it is her by order that  
such persons in this town that are required by law to  
a single hand to work upon said highway shall pay the  
sum of five shillings furant money for one days defect  
and those that are liable by law to find a team shall  
the sum of fourteen shillings for one days defect: and  
in case the work for repairing said ways at any time  
shall not require a team then two able hands shall

the meeting is dissolved

and in case there of and in default thereof  
of appearances being legally warned shall pay a fine of  
five shillings for each mans defect and the fines to be  
recovered in the same manner as is prescribed by the  
law of England: and it shall be in the discretion of any  
one of the surveyors of the highways that hath the charge  
of the work there in hand to judge of the sufficiency of  
such hands as shall appear: and if he judges any of them  
not sufficient to performe a days work he may refuse  
to accept of them and it shall be judged as no appearance  
the meeting is dissolved

At a Towns quarter meeting held at Providence this  
27th day of October anno Dom: 1735  
Justice Richard Waterman chosen moderator

Col Daniel Abbott: Mr Charles Ovinghaft Mr Richard  
Thornton and Mr William Burton are chosen Deputies  
to serve at the next Genl Court of Assembly to be held  
at South Kingstown on the last Wednesday in this  
Instant October

Mr Gideon Crawford Mr Abiel Potter Mr Simon Smith  
and Mr John Williams are chosen Grand Jurymen  
and Mr Eliza Groons Mr William Ashton and Mr  
Benjamin Carpenter are chosen Petes Jurymen  
to serve at the next Genl Sessions of the Peace and Inferiour  
Court of Common Pleas to be held at Providence on the second  
Tuesday of December next  
the meeting is dissolved

TIGHT BINDING

56  
At a Towns Quarter meeting held at  
the 29<sup>th</sup> day of January, anno Domini; 1735/6

Richard Warner Esq. chosen Moderator  
Mr James Williams Junr chosen Grand Jurymen  
and Mr Joseph Snow is chosen Peter Jurymen  
at the next Superior Court of the said General Court  
belonging to be held at Newport on the 1<sup>st</sup> of May in  
March next ensuing

This meeting being called by warrant to see if the Town would  
allow any thing out of the Towns Treasury toward the  
bridge that is built over Wonaquoduckett River by  
Leirdt Stephen Thornton

The Vote Carried it that there shall be nothing  
allowed - The meeting is adjourned to the first munday  
in March next.

March 1<sup>st</sup> first day anno domini; 1735/6 It being munday  
the meeting is againe in being

It is Voted and ordered that the owner of every Raige out of  
whose fellor the water Breaks forth: that is on the East side  
of the Town streets should as soone as he conveniently may  
some substantiall Passage for Water by which it may be  
convenient into the River of this Town

Others being a Vote called for by way of Petition: by virtue  
a warrant granted forth to call the Town together in  
to see what they will be willing to allow out of the Towns  
Treasury toward the Bridge that is built for the benefit of the  
said County: the Vote Carried it seems that nothing  
be granted; the meeting is dissolved

At a Towns Quarter meeting held at Providence the 29<sup>th</sup> day of  
April anno Domini; 1736  
Richard Waterman chosen Moderator

Capt Jacob Brown Capt Richard Fenner Capt William Stephens  
and Capt Robert Knight are chosen Deputies to serve at the  
Court of Election to be held at Newport on the first  
Wednesday in May next: and the day before the Election

Capt Thomas Harris Junr Capt Jonathan Bond and Jonathan  
Knight and Mr Colleration Harris are chosen Grand Jurymen  
And Mr Israel Arnold Mr Phileas Westcott Junr and  
Mr Joseph Olney are chosen Peter Jurymen to serve at  
the next Inferiour Court of Common Pleas and Genl  
Sessions of the peace to be held at Providence on the  
first day of June next ensuing

The meeting is dissolved

At a Town meeting held at Providence the 1<sup>st</sup> day of June anno domini  
1736: It being munday and the first munday in said month and the  
Town election of Town Officers  
Justice Richard Waterman chosen Moderator

Justice Richard Waterman chosen Moderator  
John Whipple Jurymen; chosen Town Surveyor

Capt Stephen Dextor  
Mr Hope Angell  
Mr John Sherman  
Mr Benjamin Carpenter  
Mr Richard Waterman  
Mr Charles Dillingham  
and chosen Town Council men

Mr William Turpin chosen Town Treasurer

— Over —

TIGHT BINDING

58. John Field son of William \*  
John Potter son of John Potter \*  
Jeremiah Field - - \* } are chosen Constables  
vs: Richard Mathuson - - -

Mr Jeremiah Field and Mr Sebastian Harris are chosen Constables  
to take the care of the oyster beds and apprehend the  
Persons that shall oblige themselves contrary to the Act  
of the Towne Council made for the Preservation of ye oysters  
and to observe to execute the warrants that shall be granted  
there by the Justices of the Towne or either or any  
of them - and engaged

Mr William Sharpin Mr Robert Gibbs and Capt Roger Bunting  
are chosen over seers for the Ponds and engaged

Mr Daniel Smith Mr Zaiel Waterman and Mr Charles  
Stirling are chosen Automakers and engaged

Mr Joseph Sheldon is chosen Sealer and Packer and Gauger of  
Salt and also sealer of weights and measures

Mr Daniel Smith and Capt Daniel Cooke and Mr Joseph Sheldon  
are chosen Surveyors and Treasurers of Bonds Blank Timber and  
Siltwork and Viewers of Habbits and Angles, and engaged  
Joseph Sheldon was was not then present

Mr William Apton and Capt Daniel Cooke are chosen Viewers  
of Fish oyle and Whalebone and engaged

Capt John Whipple, Capt Stephen Dexter, Benjamin Carpenter, Daniel Waterman  
Cornelius Vester, Richard Sorle, Peter Burlingame, Jonathan Souther, and  
Edward James, Henry Harris, and chosen fens Viewers

Mr Robert Lewis is chosen Pound Keeper and engaged

Mr John Whipple and Mr Joseph Brown are chosen Overseers

Mr Joseph Sheldon and Mr Joseph Brown and Mr Joseph Cooper  
are chosen Overseers of Paper stuff

Mr Richard Brown, Richard Waterman and Mr Charles Stirling  
are chosen to audit the Treasurers accounts and  
particular mans accounts and to allow as they in Justice see cause

Jonathan Pampall, Joseph Brown, Joseph Sheldon, William Dutton \*  
John Sheldon Junr \* Peter Carpenter \* Nemial Sheldon, Thomas  
Comano and Benjamin Whipple are chosen Overseers for Viewers

Capt Daniel Cooke and Mr Simon Smith are chosen to take  
Care and keep the Bridge at Newport in Repair  
and to have their satisfaction for their Charge there in  
and Labour expended there on out of the Towns Treasury

Serjant John Whipple is chosen Wardens master

Daniel Abbot \* William Apton, Thomas Field Junr, Gideon Cranford \*  
Purvey Westcot Junr, Henry Harris, Henry Harris Junr, William Olney Junr  
William Brown, Ebenezer Jaeger, Edward Potter, Samuel Westcot \*  
John Williams, Joseph Hawking, Peter Jay, Joshua Turner, William  
Hawking, Stephen Williams, Daniel Mathuson \* William Sharpin  
and Hope Lipe are chosen Surveyors of the Highways  
the meeting is dissolved

At a Towns Court meeting held at Providence this 24th  
day of July anno Dom: 1726 -

Justice Richard Waterman chosen Moderator

Capt Thomas Harris is chosen Grandjurymen and Mr Edward  
Sturges is chosen Petter Jurymen to serve at ye next Superior  
Court to be held at Newport on y<sup>e</sup> first Tuesday in September  
next ensuing

Col Daniel Abbot, Capt William Hopkins, Mr Richard Sturges  
and Zaiel Waterman are chosen Deputies to serve at the

TIGHT BINDING

60 The General Court of Assembly to be held at Providence on the 1st Wednesday in October next ensuing

It is Voted and ordered yt John Darts, Abbott and Capt William Stephens draw up a petition for the Town to vote at their next meeting that they be empowered to raise out towns streets and to keep it open

It is Granted unto William Hopkins Joseph Angel and Stephen Dexter that they may dig a Well and place it in the east side of the Town street near John Angells Naile shop. Provided they keep it covered and sett a good Pump in it that may be serviceable and to be as well for the Towns use as their own

At a Towns quater meeting held at Providence the 24th day of October Anno Dom: 1736

Richard Waterman Town Moderator

James Williams Junr, Capt Jonathan Denial, John Sheldon Junr and James Smith Junr proper Guardians

and Benjamin Peaslee, Benjamin Peaslee and Thomas Hueston are chosen Petitioners to serve at the next In Court Court and General Sessions of the Peace to be held at Providence on the second Tuesday in December next ensuing

It is Voted that Richard Waterman Town Clerk shall Petition the Genl Assembly in the Towns behalf for Sum relief out of the Genl Treasury for the Late Depairing the Bridge at Weybossett: so far as it is don and what more may be at present needfull

It is Voted that a Gaifur shall immediately be employe to mend the Glass Windows belonging to the Countyhaile Chamber and have satisfaction out of the Towns Treasury - the Genl Assembly being now sitting - the meeting is dissolved

61 It is Voted and Enacted by this present meeting that from and after the first day of November next that no wood Timber Sash or Boards or any other Lumber or Boas planks shingles or hoops and Fumbytables as parts peice Whoolbarrows or the like be laid or sett in the mans streets of said Providence for more than fiftene hours after first laid down: and further if any person or persons shall offend in laying fumbytables and the like in the streets as aforesaid by letting the same lie longer than is here in prescribed then the scavengers of said Town or either of them shall require the owner or owners thereof to remove the same out of said streets for which the scavenger shall demand one shilling of the owner and if he refuse to pay the same then he shall be distrained and seise so much of said stuff to his own use as will pay the same and six pence for his fees and immediately remove said stuff or other fumbytables out of the streets either into the possession of the owners thereof if they will admit thereof and if the owners thereof refuse to see them; then onto the Town wharfe or on to their own possession and shall detain the same until he or they are paid after the rate of ten shillings per Diam each by the owner or owners of such fumbytables so removed all ways provided the owner or owners after such removal pay or tender the same within ten days next after such removal: and if the owner or owners neglect to tender the money due as aforesaid within said time then the scavengers or scavengers shall and may if they think proper seise so much of said Goods or stuff to sale as will yeild and pay the same: or other ways wise use and improve such Goods or stuff until the hire thereof is sufficient to defray such Charges: unless the owner offer to pay the same

and be it further enacted and Voted by this present Town meeting that there be two good sufficient freeholders chosen in said Town into the office of scavengers and they be chosen at this present meeting to continue until the first Monday in June next; and that there be others chosen in their stead: and it is further Voted that they shall be sworn and take the same Engagement for the well and faithfull Discharge of their Duties in said office as other Town officers doe - Mr John Hoyle and Mr Andion Bradford are chosen scavengers to serve until the first Monday in June next and engaged - the meeting is dissolved

2. <sup>62</sup> At a Towns Quarter meeting held <sup>at Providence</sup> on the 27<sup>th</sup> day of January anno Domini: 1736/7

Richard Waterman chosen Moderator  
Mr Joseph Carpenter is chosen Grand Juror man  
and Mr William Smith is chosen Petter Juror man

to serve at the next superior Court to be holden at Newport on the 1<sup>st</sup> Tuesday in March next ensuing  
Upon the reading of a <sup>from</sup> writs ~~from~~ the Town of Warwick concerning the Petitioning the Gen<sup>l</sup> Assembly at the next sitting for what money is behind toward the repairing the Bridge at Pawtuxett falls

Col Daniel Abbott is chosen in this Towns behalf to joyn with a man that shall be appointed by the Town of Warwick to Petition the Gen<sup>l</sup> Assembly in that affair  
the meeting is dissolved

At a Towns Quarter meeting held at Providence on the 27<sup>th</sup> day of April anno Dom: 1737  
Richard Waterman chosen Moderator

John Potter Esq<sup>r</sup> Capt James Browne Esq<sup>r</sup> William P. Hoar and Mr Wm. Hopkins are chosen Deputies to serve at Newport at the next Court of Assembly being the Court of Election of Gen<sup>l</sup> Officers to be hold at Newport on the first working day in May next and the day before the Election  
the meeting is adjourned to the third Monday in May next

resol<sup>d</sup>

63  
May 4<sup>th</sup> 1737: It being Monday and the third Monday in 5<sup>th</sup> month the meeting is again in being  
Richard Waterman continuing Moderator

Mr Daniel Mathison Mr Charles Dyer Capt Richard Waterman and Mr Joseph Packard are chosen Grand Juror men  
Cornelius Epton John Comstock and Mr John Hawkins are chosen Petter Juror men to serve at the next inferior Court to be held at Providence on the first Tuesday in June next ensuing  
The meeting is dissolved

64  
 At a Town Meeting held at Prudence on the 6<sup>th</sup> day of June anno Domini 1737 - It being munday and the first munday in said month and the Towns Election day for the choosing a Town officers: -

Justice Richard Waterman Chosen Moderator -  
 \* Justice Richard Waterman Chosen Town Clerk -  
 \* John Whipple Cordwainer Chosen Town Sargent -

Capt William Stephens  
 Mr Hops Angot -  
 Mr John Thornton -  
 Mr Benjamin Carpenter  
 Mr Zuriel Waterman  
 & Mr Charles Tillinghast } Chosen Town Council men  
 and engaged -

Mr Charles Tillinghast Chosen Town Treasurer \*  
 Mr Jacob Hartshorn } ~~Refused the place of a constable~~  
 and Mr Gideon Bradford is Chosen in his  
 and engaged -  
 Mr Edward Potter Junr }  
 Mr Jeromiah Field } are Chosen Constables

Edward Strip \*  
 & Mr Grial Hernden }  
 Mr Jeromiah Field and Mr Toleration Harris are  
 Chosen Constables to take care of the oyster beds and  
 to proceed according to the orders Proscribed at the Town  
 Election the last years past -

Robert Gibbs Esq<sup>r</sup> Capt Jobson Brown and Capt Roger  
 Burdington are Chosen Overseers for the Poor  
 Mr Daniel Smith George Brown and Zuriel Waterman  
 are Chosen Hatemakers -

Mr Joseph Sheldon and Mr Daniel Fish are Chosen  
 Seallors and Packers and Gaugers of Coffin and  
 also scales of weight and measures -

65  
 Mr William Ashton and Capt Daniel Cook are Chosen  
 Mr Daniel Smith Capt Daniel Cook and Mr Joseph Sheldon  
 are Chosen Surveyors and measurers of the  
 Splitwork and timber and viewers of the  
 Mr William Ashton and Capt Daniel Cook are Chosen  
 viewers of the fish file and white bone -

John Whipple Cordwainer Chosen Wardens master  
 John Whipple and Joseph Brown are Chosen Overseers of  
 wood -

Mr Richard Brown Mr Samuel Winfor and Richard Water  
 man are Chosen an audit to audit accounts on the  
 Towns behalfs as well to audit the Town Treasurers  
 accounts: as the accounts of Particular Persons that  
 hath or shall have any demands upon the Town -

Henry Sweeting Joseph Brown Nathaniel Jones \* William Olroy Junr  
 Jeremiah Williams John Power Thomas Burdington Edward Potter  
 Joshua Turner Henry Harris Thomas Westcot Roger Sheldon  
 Christopher Harris James Olroy Junr Thomas Field Junr \* Major Baudich  
 Benjamin Westcot John Stray Thomas Loman Joseph Thornton  
 Gideon Crawford Abraham Sheldon \* Chosen Surveyors of highway  
 William Ashton: William Brown -

Capt John Whipple Capt Stephen Dexter Benjamin Carpen  
 Zuriel Waterman & Cornelius Eaton Richard Jarrs  
 Peter Burdington Jonathan Jones Junr Edward Jones  
 and Henry Harris are Chosen Soms viewers  
 John Whipple Cordwainer is Chosen pound keeper

Mr William Ashton and Mr John Hoyle are Chosen  
 Joseph Brown Cordwainer Joseph Sheldon William Ruffin  
 Jonathan Fandal John Sheldon Junr Elias Carpenter Matthew  
 Thomas Adams and Benjamin Whipple are Chosen Soms viewers  
 Stephen Dexter Junr Toleration Harris Benjamin Sprague  
 and John Thornton are Chosen Overseers of washing at  
 the meeting is adjourned to Saturday next  
 Joseph Burdington

June ye: 11<sup>th</sup> 1737: It being yesterday the meeting is againe in being  
Other meeting is dissolved -

At a Towns Quarter meeting held at Providence on the  
2<sup>th</sup> day of July anno Domini: 1737:

Richard Waterman Chosen Moderator  
By reason of a contest the  
meeting whether the deputies or laymen should be  
chosen for the year: it was put to vote by paper in 10  
votes for the deputies and 10 for the laymen  
Capt Daniel Abbott Capt John Brown Richard Jenner  
and Mr Peter Buzzell are Chosen Deputies: to serve at  
the next Generall Court of the County to be held at South Kingstown  
in King County on the last Wednesday of October next ensuing

Mr Samuel Hilton is Chosen Grand Jurymen: and Mr  
Elihu Baber is Chosen Petty Jurymen to serve at the next  
superior Court: to be held at Newport on the first Tuesday  
in September next ensuing

Capt Richard Jenner and Capt William Hopkins are Chosen  
a Committee: to inspect into the accounts of Joseph Fairport  
concerning his repairing Paquetts Bridge in the year  
one thousand seven hundred and thirty three and make Return  
to the next meeting: for that that said Joseph Fairport hath  
paid his charge before this meeting for the sum of ten Pounds  
that is yet due to him for that work  
The meeting is dissolved

At a Towns quarter meeting held at Providence on the  
27<sup>th</sup> day of October anno Domini: 1737:

Justice Richard Waterman Chosen Moderator  
Mr William Ashton James Williams Junr Capt Richard  
Waterman Junr and Mr Abraham Sheldon are  
Chosen Grand Jurymen:

And Mr Jonathon Knight Mr Henry Starzis  
and Mr Thomas Olney Junr are Chosen

Pette Jury men. to serve at the next superior Court  
and Generall Sessions of the Peace to be held at  
Providence in the County of Providence on the second  
Tuesday in December next

This meeting ordered by vote that Joseph Fairport should have  
the sum of ten Pounds four shillings and three pence  
out of the Towns Treasury for the repairing Paquetts  
Bridge: In the year: 1733 - and gave him an order to the  
Treasurer for the same  
The meeting is dissolved

At a Towns Quarter meeting held at Providence  
the 29<sup>th</sup> day of ~~March~~ anno Domini: 1737 & 8

Capt Daniel Abbott Chosen Moderator  
Mr John Hoyle is Chosen Grand Jurymen: and Mr  
Jonathan Whipple is Chosen Petty Jurymen; to serve  
at the next superior Court to be held at Newport on  
the last Tuesday in March next ensuing

Capt William Hopkins is Chosen to appear as an  
agent for this Town to debate with the other Towns  
in this County concerning the Building of a Generall  
work House or Mills House for this County  
Where by the Pools may be preserved

John Whipples Town Sargent at his Request: was by Vote  
discharged: from his office of Town Sargent  
And Richard Waterman son of Justice Richard Waterman  
Chosen in his Room and engaged in the open face  
of the meeting  
The meeting is dissolved

68.  
At a Towns Quarter meeting held at Providence  
the 27<sup>th</sup> day of April Anno Dom: 1738

Mr Thomas Olney chosen Moderator  
Mr Charles Stillinghaff John Potter; esq - Capt Jacob Brown -  
and Mr Richard Thornton are chosen Deputies for  
at the General Court of elections to be held at Newport on  
the first Wednesday in May next: and the day before the election

Benjamin Whipple Edward Fenner Nathaniel Matteson and  
William Hawkins are chosen Grand Jurymen  
for Thomas Harris the third Benjamin Waterman Juror  
and Gadraek Manton are chosen Petter Jurymen  
to serve at the next Inferiour Court and General sessions  
of the Peace to be held at Providence: on the first  
Wednesday in June next ensuing  
+ the meeting is dissolved

At a Towne Meeting held at Providence on the 5<sup>th</sup>  
day of June Anno Dom: 1738: It being Monday and the  
first Monday in June: the Towns election day for  
the ensuing Town officers

Zekeiah Wadsworth Esq chosen Moderator  
Capt Richard Waterman chosen Town Clerk

Richard Waterman the former Town sergeant is now chosen  
Town sergeant againe for the ensuing year

Capt William Hopkins +  
Mr Hope - Angel +  
Mr John Thornton +  
Mr Benjamin Carpenter +  
Mr Daniel Waterman +  
Mr Charles Stillinghaff +  
Chosen Town Constables  
and Engaged

Mr Charles Stillinghaff chosen Town Treasurer + 69.

Mr Joseph Snow Juror  
Mr Jeremiah Field  
Mr Edward Potter  
Mr Giles Williams  
Mr Jonathan Stone  
Chosen Constables

Mr Edward Arnold chosen Hoggon stable as Engaged

Mr Jeremiah Field and Mr William Afton chosen  
Constables to take care of the oysters according to the  
orders of an act of this Towne

Robert Gibbs Esq - Jacob Brown Esq - and Capt Roger  
Buellinggame are chosen Overseers for the Poore

Mr Daniel Smith Mr George Browne and Mr Zaniel  
Waterman are chosen Pott-makers

Mr Joseph Pholoon and Mr William Carpenter are  
chosen Sealers and Packers and Gaugers of  
Coffin; and also sealers of Weights and Measures so Engaged

Mr Daniel Smith and Mr Joseph Sheldon  
are chosen Surveyors and Viewers of Measuring of  
Boards Plank splitwork and timber and Viewers of  
Elabors and shingles

Mr Alexander Jaggard chosen Surveyor of  
Coopers stuff

Mr William Afton and Mr Jacob Hartshorn  
are chosen Viewers of Paper and Immissions  
Oyle and Wharfe bones

70.  
Mr. John Whipple and Mr. Joseph Brown  
are chosen forcers of Wood -

Mr. John Whipple for wainor is chosen Town  
Keeper and Stewardmaster -

Mr. Richard Browne Samuel Winsor and Richard Waterman  
are chosen to audit the Towns Debts and Treasurers Accounts -

Ezekiel Warner William Brewster Esq. Capt. Jonathan Randall  
John Sheldon Junr Benjamin Whipple Silas Carpenter Esq.  
John Tracy Joseph Brown and Joseph Sheldon  
are chosen Hemp and flax Viewers -

Capt. John Whipple Capt. Stephen Dexter Benjamin Whipple  
Carpenter Uriel Waterman Cornelius Egan Richard Parker  
Peter Brillinggame Jonathan Jenches Junr Edward Fenner  
and Henry Harris are chosen for Viewers -

for 40 years 1739  
Mr. John Stoye Gideon Cranford and William Aughton  
are chosen scavengers - continued for

Daniel Abbot Capt. Jonathan Randall Mr. Thomas Field Junr  
Jeromiah Smith Daniel Matheson Uriel Horndent James Olney Junr  
William Alvorson John Tracy Henry Swosteing Zachariah  
Matheson John Stoye John Cornpoth Charles Harris Esq. Mr. Peter  
Leitt Gideon Cranford Roger Brillinggame Junr William Stone  
James Henry Henry Harris Junr John Edum Abraham Sheldon  
Joseph Olney and Joseph Harbings - are chosen Surveyors  
of Highways -

The meeting is dissolved -

71.  
At a Towns Quarter meeting held at Providence on the 21<sup>st</sup> day  
of July anno domini 1738

William Jenches Esq. chosen Moderator -  
William Jenches Esq. Mr. John Thornton Esq. William Hopkins -  
and Mr. Charles Bidinghaft are chosen Deputies to serve at the

General Assembly to be held at Providence on the 1<sup>st</sup> Wednesday  
in October next ensuing -

Mr. Ezekiel Horndon is chosen Grand Jurymen and Mr.  
Israel Andes is chosen Petter Jurymen to serve at the next  
superiour Court to be held at Newport on the first Tuesday in  
September next ensuing -

for as much as it was omitted, the last Towns election of Town  
Officers: to appoint Overseers to take care for the repairing Repairo  
ing Waybauset Bridge: where upon it is voted and ordered  
that Mr. Stephen Dexter Junr Mr. Celebration Harris Mr. Benja  
min Sprague and Mr. John Thornton be still continued in  
that Trust that was formerly committed to them on that affairs -

William Hopkins and Uriel Waterman Esq. are chosen and  
appointed to inspect into that affair concerning Meriba Babo the  
daughter of Hugh Stone; her being an Inhabitant most proper of  
this Town or the Town of Warwick: and make Report to the  
next Town meeting - the meeting is dissolved -

At a Towns Quarter meeting held at Providence this 21<sup>st</sup>  
day of October anno Domini - 1738

Mr. Thomas Olney - chosen Moderator -  
Capt. Jonathan Randall Mr. Peter Osgood Mr. Abraham Sheldon and  
Mr. Joseph Williams son of James: are chosen Grand Jurymen

and Mr. Timothy Sheldon Junr Mr. William Stone and Leitt  
William Westcot Junr are chosen Petter Jurymen to serve at  
the next ensuing Court to be held at Providence on the  
second Tuesday in December next ensuing: and General  
Sessions of the Peace -

Upon the Report made to this meeting concerning -

the inspection that was ordered to be made concerning  
 Meraba Baley her legal Pleas of Jtlemont  
 which being considered by the Town; who is of opinion that the  
 said Meraba Baley Properly belongs to the Town of Warwick  
 And there upon have chosen and appointed <sup>John</sup> William Hopkins  
 and Quiel Waterman <sup>Esqs</sup> To bring forward an action in  
 the Towns behalfs to the next Superior Court to be held  
 at Providence on the second Tuesday in December next  
 ensuing <sup>for the recovery of</sup> against the Towne  
 of Warwick; for the settling that affairs  
 the meeting is dissolved =

At the Towns quarter meeting held at Providence  
 this 24<sup>th</sup> day of January = A.D. 1738/9

Justice Richard Waterman Chosen Moderator  
 Mr John Olney Is Chosen Grandjurymen: and Mr  
 John Potter is Chosen Pettes Jurymen to serve at the  
 next Superior Court Court of Assize and General Goal  
 Delivery next = = = March: on the last Tuesday's month

It being proposed to this meeting Whether the Bond that was  
 Given to the Town Treasurer by Stephen ~~Drum~~ Drumonds  
 to defray the charge that hath or shall accrue by Reason  
 of one Bristol a Negroman who appeared to be the  
 proper charge of the said Stephen Drumonds charge;  
 It past a cleare vote that the se Bond should be good  
 at the next Inferiour Court to be held at Providence on  
 the first Tuesday in June next at the Towns charge =

It is Voted and ordered that <sup>John</sup> William Hopkins and Quiel  
 Waterman: Esqs shall stie continue thore suits against  
 the Town of Warwick concerning the charge and settle  
 ment of Meraba Baley =

It is Voted that Richard Waterman the Project Moderator shall  
 draw up something for the Towns consideration ~~the~~  
 for the alteration of the Towns Quarter meeting days  
 and lay it before the Towns at their next meeting  
 The meeting is adjourned to the second munday in  
 february next ensuing =

February 12<sup>th</sup> 1738/9 It being munday on  
 the second munday in february the  
 the meeting is againe in being

Upon Consideration that by Reason that our Quarter meeting on  
 the 29<sup>th</sup> day of April did so interfere upon the General Assembly  
 that is annually held on the last Wednesday in October that it  
 was very inconvenient for the shipping deputies to serve  
 at said Court: and for the remedy whereof and for the keep  
 ing our 3<sup>d</sup> Quarter meetings in an orderly way: It is  
 Voted and enacted by this Present meeting that the  
 second munday in April next shall be our Quarter  
 meeting in stead of the 29<sup>th</sup> day as it usually hath  
 bin held: and also the second munday in July next  
 following shall be our Quarterly meeting in stead of  
 that which usually held on the 29<sup>th</sup> of that month  
 and that the second munday in October next following  
 shall be our Quarterly meeting in stead of that  
 which usually hath heretofore bin held on the 29<sup>th</sup> day of  
 that month: And that the second munday in January  
 next shall be our Quarterly meeting in stead of  
 that which hath bin heretofore held on the 29<sup>th</sup> day of  
 that month: And so to be continued annually Every  
 year in that manner =  
 the meeting is dissolved =

74. At a Town meeting held at Providence on the 9th day of August 1739.

William Fenner Esq. Chosen Moderator

Mr. Richard Fenner Mr. Peter Pur Linggame Mr. James Williams Junr. And Mr. Robert Gibbs are Chosen Deputies to serve at the next General Court of Election to be held at Newport on the first Wednesday in May next ensuing; and the day before the Election.

Mr. Thomas Knight Mr. Thomas Harris Junr. Mr. William Olney Junr. and Mr. William [unclear] are Chosen Grand Jurymen

Mr. Thomas Harding: Mr. Jeremiah Smith and Mr. Thomas Kelton: are Chosen Teller Jurymen to serve at the next Inferiour Court to be held at Providence on the first Tuesday in June next ensuing

Mr. Richard Fenner is Chosen to carry the Process to Newport

Of the meeting is deferred

At a Town meeting held at Providence on the first Monday in June - anno domini 1739: It being the 4th day of said Month: And the Towns Election day for choosing Town officers - Daniel Abbott Esq. is Chosen Moderator

Capt. Richard Waterman Chosen Town Clerk - Richard Waterman Junr. the Present Town sergeant; is againe Chosen and continued Town - sergeant

75. William Hopkins: Hope Angel; John Thornton Benjamin Carpenter; Zaniel Waterman; Charles Sutherland are Chosen Town Council men; John Thornton Refused and Richard Fenner is Chosen in his room

Jeremiah Field & Christopher Arnold; & Edward Stripp & Daniel Matha [unclear] are Chosen Constables and Gideon Crawford are Chosen Constables

Jeremiah Field and Christopher Arnold are Chosen Constables to take care of the Oysterbeds and to Proceede in that affairs according to the Towns order

Edward Arnold is Chosen Hogg Constable

John Whipple Townwain is Chosen Pound Keeper: And Standmaster

Poley Dexter and Alexander Mc. Frey are Chosen Carvers of Wood

Richard Brown Samuel Winsor and Richard Waterman Junr. are Chosen Auditors to audit the Towns Debts and Treasurers Accounts

Daniel Smith George Browne and Zaniel Waterman are Chosen Hat makers

Joseph Sheldon and William Carpenter are Chosen Sealers and Packers and Gaugers of Cask and sealers of weights and measures

The Town Hatmakers already Chosen, Richard Matha or others to be chosen as shall come into this Town to gather in such Dates

Joseph Sheldon and William Carpenter are Chosen Sealers and Packers and Gaugers of Cask and sealers of weights and measures William Matha and Jacob Hartshorn are Chosen Officers of Justice Cycles and Wheelbarrow

Joseph Browne, Ezekiel Warner, Jonathan Randall, William -  
Burlington, Thomas Harris, Joseph Sheldon, John Tracy, Benjamin  
Whipple, and Giles Carpenter, and Joseph Stemp and Flex & View

Capt John Whipple, Capt Stephen Doctor, Benjamin Carpenter  
Reuel Waterman, Cornelius Eston, Jonathan Jencks, Edward Fenner  
Henry Harris, and Joseph Harris, and  
Richard Jarboe and Joseph Harris, Brevors

Christophor Arnold, Joseph Browne, Edward Arnold, James Olney Junr  
William Alvor Junr, John Williams, Thomas Harris, son of Thomas  
Amariah Waterman, Thomas Westcot, John Hoyle, Joseph  
Hight, John Colvin, Henry Randall, John Tracy, Job Potter  
William Browne, William Olney Junr, and William Stone  
are chosen surveyors of y<sup>e</sup> highways

John Hoyle, Gideon Crawford and William Aphton are  
chosen scavengers

The meeting is adjourned to the second Monday in July next

At a Town Meeting held at Providence on the 12<sup>th</sup>  
day of June anno Domini 1739. being called by warrant  
Justice Richard Waterman chosen Moderator

It is ~~ordered~~ and ~~ordered~~ that there shall be a house built  
wherein people may be received that are perceived dangerous  
of spread the small Pox or any other contagious  
disease

Mrs George Browne Mrs Charles Stillinghast and Mrs  
Joseph Sheldon are chosen to approve the Place where  
it shall be set: and have the care and management  
of erecting on said Building  
and to proceed upon the work forthwith

The dimensions of the house is proposed to be thirty  
feet long twenty four feet wide and eight feet high  
and a cellar under one part of it that may be conve-  
nient; and a chimney of stone or Brick  
with as many smokes as may be convenient - thought  
proper; and the charge of Building and all other  
charges that shall accrue there by shall be paid out  
of the Towns Treasury

All which is voted and Past a few words of this meeting  
It is further created and ordered that George Browne  
Esq<sup>r</sup> and Mrs John Bicket shall take care  
and inspect into the condition of such Persons as shall  
be brought or come into this Town from any Place  
infected with the small Pox; and that the authority  
of the Town or any of them shall take care to have  
such Persons removed to the Place from whence they  
they came as may be suspected to have  
small Pox: and this create is intended to extend no  
further than such Persons as come from Newport or  
from other neighbouring Place

The meeting is adjourned to the 12<sup>th</sup> of  
Providence June the: 12<sup>th</sup> 1739 =

To the moderator of the meeting  
Whom as there hath been a create Past today in our  
meeting that there should be a Past house built in said  
Town: And the subscribers are of opinion that all  
Present there is no absolute necessity to have such  
a house built: and besides it is a very thin meeting:  
and having but the voice of few of the freemen in said  
affairs: we judge it necessary to write against it  
James Williams Junr  
Jonathan Jencks  
John Colvin  
Richard Waterman  
Samuel Dyer  
John Tibbets

At a Town meeting held at Providence on the 23<sup>rd</sup> day of June Anno Dom: 1739. Being called by Warrant  
Ezekiel Warner Esq<sup>r</sup> - Chas<sup>r</sup> Moderator

The freemen being warned and met together to consider whether the  
Orders and orders past at the last Town meeting concerning the  
Building of a House for the Poor in that night of the said day  
of passing the said Order or any other contagious or disorderly  
which Order was rendered to be manifestly obtained by reason of  
so short warning: and People many People being by reason of  
ignorance and that done by reason of the defect of going to Providence  
in this Government: And after sundry debates of the Premises the  
Moderator asked for a vote of the freemen of this present meeting  
And desired them to bring their votes by Paper: either for the con-  
firming or repealing the Order that was past at the above mentioned  
Town meeting for the Building of the said House and orders there to  
annexed: Where upon the freemen brought in their votes to the  
number of upwards of one hundred for repealing the above  
mentioned Order and orders for Building said House: being  
of course voted without any opposition

But this Vote is not intended to any ways disannul the Order that  
was past for the relief granted to George Brown Esq<sup>r</sup> and Mr  
John Birch for taking care of inspecting into the condition  
of Peoples coming into this Town that may be suspected of hav-  
ing the small Pox: And for further encouragement the former Order  
and every part thereof is still continued by a vote of the meeting  
The meeting is adjourned

At a Town meeting held at Providence on the 6<sup>th</sup> day  
of July Anno Dom: 1739. Being called by order of the Governours  
Warrant  
Chas<sup>r</sup> Moderator  
Mr. John Cotton jun<sup>r</sup> - Mr. Peter Burdette - Mr. James Williams jun<sup>r</sup>  
- Mr. John Birch - Mr. John Deputies to serve at  
the Governor's Court at Providence on Tuesday the fourth  
of this present July - the meeting is adjourned

At a Towns quarter meeting held at Providence this 9<sup>th</sup>  
day of July anno Dom: 1739 - It being munday and the  
second munday in 3<sup>rd</sup> month  
Joh<sup>n</sup> Daniel Abbott being Chas<sup>r</sup> Moderator

Mr John Othinton being Chas<sup>r</sup> Grand Jury man: and  
Mr John Nelson jun<sup>r</sup> is Chas<sup>r</sup> Petter Jury man to serve at  
the next Superior Court to be held at Newport on the first  
Tuesday in August next ensuing  
And appointed on the Towns behalf to Petition the Gov<sup>r</sup>  
in behalf of the said Town for a sum of money to be  
the Repairs thereof is of repairing the way from the  
Muddy Bridge here called Salt Pond to the  
along: And therefore on the Towns behalf to Pray that  
they may have sum a sufficient sum of money for the  
the meeting is adjourned

July 9<sup>th</sup> Anno Dom: 1739: It being munday and the second  
munday in 3<sup>rd</sup> month - the Towns election is againe in being  
Robert Gibbs Esq<sup>r</sup> - Jabez Bowen Esq<sup>r</sup> and Capt Roger Burlingame  
are Chas<sup>r</sup> Overseers for the Town  
Mr John Cotton jun<sup>r</sup> - Mr. Stephen Dexter jun<sup>r</sup> - and Mr Benjamin  
Sprague are Chas<sup>r</sup> Overseers of the Bridge at  
take care and keep it in good order and  
the meeting is adjourned

At a Town meeting held at Providence on the 13<sup>th</sup> day  
of July Anno Dom: 1739. Being called by order of the Governours  
Warrant  
Chas<sup>r</sup> Moderator  
Mr. John Cotton jun<sup>r</sup> - Mr. Peter Burdette - Mr. James Williams jun<sup>r</sup>  
- Mr. John Birch - Mr. John Deputies to serve at  
the Governor's Court at Providence on Tuesday the fourth  
of this present July - the meeting is adjourned

At a Towns quarter meeting held at Providence on ye 8<sup>th</sup> day of October Anno Domini 1739 It being Monday and the second Monday in said Month =

Mr Daniel Abbott chosen Moderator

Mr Ezekiel Warner Esq<sup>r</sup> appointed Clerk Protempore of this meeting

John Diller Esquier is Chosen y<sup>e</sup> first Deputy

John Bowen Esq<sup>r</sup> is Chosen y<sup>e</sup> second Deputy

Richard Thornton Esq<sup>r</sup> is Chosen y<sup>e</sup> third Deputy

Mr Jonathan Randall Esq<sup>r</sup> is Chosen y<sup>e</sup> fourth Deputy

The above persons are Chosen Deputies to sit in y<sup>e</sup> General

Court of Common Pleas to be holden at Providence

at the Town of South Weststone

Capt: Thomas Harris Mr Benjamin Sarte: Mr John Whippel Cornish and Mr Eleazar Med Calfe are Chosen Grand Jurymen to sit and give

in the Inferiour Court of Common Pleas and General Sessions of the Peace within and for y<sup>e</sup> County of Providence: to be holden at Providence of December next

Thomas Olney Juner Mr Benjamin Cuslin Mr Timothy S. Kelton Juner: are Chosen Petty Jurymen to serve as

Jurymen at the next Inferiour Court of Common Pleas and General Sessions of the Peace to be holden at Providence

within and for y<sup>e</sup> County of Providence of y<sup>e</sup> second Tuesday of December next

Joseph [unclear] John Colvin [unclear] and John Knight are chosen Surveyors of the Highway for the Remaining part of this year

Ezekiel Warner Corl William Hopkings and Henry Harris are Chosen as a Committee to draw up the form of an Act for raising up a Highway Common or Highway at any time within the year for [unclear] and to make Report to the next quarter meeting for their Execution

The meeting is Dissolved  
At a Towns quarter meeting held at Providence on ye 14<sup>th</sup> day of January Anno Domini 1739

Mr Daniel Abbott chosen Moderator

Capt Joseph Power chosen Grand Jurymen and Mr James Henry is chosen Petty Jurymen

to serve at the next superior Court of Common Pleas to be holden at Newport on the 2<sup>d</sup> of Tuesday in March next ensuing

The meeting is adjourned to the second Monday in February next ensuing

Capt Thomas Harris Jun<sup>r</sup> and Capt Ezekiel Warner are chosen Town Council men to give notice of the next meeting

to be holden at Providence on the second Monday in February next ensuing

The meeting is adjourned to the second Monday in February next ensuing

February ye 11<sup>th</sup> 1739 It being Monday and the second Monday in s<sup>th</sup> month the meeting is againe in being

Mr Daniel Abbott continues Moderator

The meeting is adjourned to the second Monday in February next ensuing

It is voted and ordered that no swine shall go at Liberty on the East side of Moshapuk River; nor on the west side of Wayland Bridge so far as the East division of Kelpo

lots are laid in this town after the first day of March next: and it is further ordered that all Persons on the

Eastern side of said Moshapuk River and on the West side of said Bridge so far as said Kelpo lots extend

in said town shall after the first day of March next: keep their swine shut up: report there

own Land: and if any swine or Hogs be found going at Liberty either upon the Highway Commons or other

places after the said first day of March next: it shall be lawful for any Person or Persons

in this town to take and shut up the said swine or Hogs either in the Town or

or their own Town or yard: or any other place

where they shall be found

Persons with leave or consent of the owner thereof  
 upon the goods or things of the owner of said wine or  
 wood at any time before the said owner or owners  
 within sixteen hours after such notice given: pay the sum of  
 five shillings for each hundred weight upon the receiving thereof  
 with the damage that was done by said wine which they  
 shall be forfit and sold at a publick vendue: and after all  
 charges paid, the one halfe of the produce thereof shall be  
 put into the Towns Treasury to defray Town Charges and  
 the other halfe to the Prosecutor thereof: -  
 But in case the owner or owners thereof be not known  
 by them that take up such wine: then they shall make their  
 application to one or more Justices of the Peace  
 for said Town: and the said Justice or Justices shall order and  
 appoint them for such Place of Peace to give  
 notification in writing concerning said wine: and if  
 the owner or owners thereof be not appears and doesome  
 said wine: within forty eight hours after the setting up said  
 notifications: then the said wine shall be forfit and be  
 proceeded with as aforesaid: But in case any part of the  
 time before aforesaid: on the Sabbath: that time shall  
 not be included: and the wine shall be forfit all the charge  
 of the owner: And this order to continue for two years  
 And it is further ordered and ordered that all wine and  
 Hogs on the west side of said Moshe such River in said Provi-  
 dence and without the last deviation of hays sets on the  
 west side of waybauset Bridge shall be kept sufficiently  
 yoked and bridged during the said time aforesaid  
 on the Penely aforesaid: And to be proceeded with  
 in the same manner as is herein before prescribed -

It is ordered and ordered that there shall not be any cisterns or  
 shells taken up or pitched under the Bridge at waybauset  
 nor within the tops of either side of said bridge: and if  
 any Person shall presume to do so he shall pay a fine of  
 twenty shillings to be recovered by way of execution  
 of the same by any Person that shall sue for the same  
 before a Court of Justice in the same manner as aforesaid

actions are tried and no appeals to be allowed  
 the meeting is dissolved

At a Town meeting held at Providence on the 24<sup>th</sup> day  
 of March anno dom: 1739/40: being called by warrant  
 of Daniel Abbot chosen Moderator  
 the meeting is dissolved

At a Towns Quarter meeting held at Providence on the 17<sup>th</sup>  
 day of April anno dom: 1740: It being Monday and the  
 second Monday in said month -  
 Ezechiel Warner chosen Moderator  
 Mr Peter Burlingame: Capt Richard Thornton; Capt  
 Jonathan Apocall: and Capt William Hopkins  
 are chosen: deputies to serve at the next Generall  
 Court of election to be held at Newport on the  
 first Wednesday in May next and the day before the  
 election -

Mr Thomas Harding Mr Elier Metcalfe Capt Roger  
 Burlingame and Mr Christopher Habur are chosen  
 Grand Jurymen -  
 And Mr William Alvorson and Mr Elipha  
 Arnold are chosen Peter Gurnon to serve at the  
 next Inferiour Court and General sessions of the Peace  
 to be held at Providence on the first Thursday next  
 ensuing after the date here of  
 the meeting is dissolved

All a Town meeting held at Providence on the first Monday in June Anno Domini 1740: It being the Town Election day for choosing Town officers

Mr Daniel Abbott chosen Moderator

Richard Waterman chosen Town Clerk & engaged

Richard Waterman Junr the Present Town Sargent  
Is chosen a gain Town Sargent

Mr Daniel Smith Mr Hope Angel Mr William Buxton

Mr Charles Tillinghast Capt Thomas Harris Junr and Capt  
Zwivel Waterman are chosen Town Sarmell men

Mr Charles Tillinghast is chosen Town Steward

Mr Benjamin Hunt Mr John Birbitt Mr Edward Arnold  
Mr Edward Peller Junr Mr Ezeiel Sheldon and Mr  
Jonathan Stone are chosen Constables

Mr John Whipple Soverainer Is chosen Poole Keeper and  
Wardmaster

Capt Richard Waterman Mr Samuel Winsor and Mr Richard Brown  
are chosen an Audit to Audit the Towns debts and also  
the Grocers Accounts: and any two of the three  
may act when met

Mr Daniel Smith Capt George Brown and Capt Zwivel Waterman  
and chosen Sarmell men - and also continued Sarmell men to  
these strangers: and Elisha Tillinghast is Sarmell to  
Yeather in such Dates - the same men are continued still  
in the same Post

Joseph Sheldon and Joseph Carpenter are chosen sealers and  
Sarmell men of Capt and sealers of Weights and measures

William Deane and Alexander McFay are chosen  
Sarmell men of Wood

Mr William Apton and Jacob Hougham are chosen Sarmell men  
of Fish Oyle and Wharfbone

Mr John Choraton Mr Stephen Deator and Mr  
Benjamin Prager are chosen a Committee to Make Laws  
of wayfayot Bridges and Repair in Repairs

Capt John Whipple Capt Stephen Deator Benjamin Carpenter Joseph Harris  
Cornelius Satten Jonathan Jenches Edward Fenner Henry Harris and  
Sarle are chosen Sarmell men - Continued for 1742  
Mr Alexander Frayzer is chosen Sarmell man of Cooperage

Christopher Arnold Joseph Brown Edward Arnold James Gray Junr

William Alvorson Fisher Deator Thomas Harris Junr Thomas  
Amesiah Waterman Thomas Wapcott Joseph Snow Junr Joseph

Fisher John Calvin Edward Stripp John Tracy Jo Deator  
William Brown William Olney Junr William Stone

Nathan Knight Junr Jonathan Jenches Parson Sheldon  
Thomas Owen Jonathan King Herchiah Smith and Peter  
Joy are chosen Sarmell men of Highway

Mr Joseph Sheldon Mr Samuel Deator and Mr Simon Smith  
are chosen Sarmell men and Measurers of Boards Plank Shingles  
and Timber: and Viewers of Stables and Shingels

Continued for 40 years - 1741: still continued for the years

Capt Jacob Brown Capt Roger Burlingame and  
Mr Joseph Snow are chosen over seers of  
the Poole

the meeting is adjourned to 4<sup>th</sup> Monday in July

36. July 14<sup>th</sup> 1740: It being Monday and the second Monday in  
said month: the Town Election is againe in being  
S<sup>r</sup> Daniel Abbott continues Moderator

William Field is chosen Ensigne in the Name of  
Benjamin Hunt who is sent out of this Government  
And S<sup>r</sup> William Dillingham is chosen Constable to take  
care of the election: according to the Report made of the  
July the 14<sup>th</sup> day anno domini 1740: It being Monday and  
the second Monday in said month: and the Towns Quarter day  
S<sup>r</sup> Daniel Abbott chosen Moderator

Mr Richard Knight the son of Mr Jonathan Knight is chosen  
Grand Jurymen: and Mr Jonathan Jenches is chosen Peter Jurymen  
to serve at the next Superior Court, Court of Assize and  
General Goals delivery to be held at Newport on the first  
Thursday in September next

For as much as the General Assembly hath allowed the sum of 25  
out of the General Treasury: for the Repairing of the muddy  
Bridges: It being a Bridge whereby it may be better passing  
where upon Mr John Thornton and Mr Benjamin Sprague  
and Mr Stephen Dexter Jun<sup>r</sup> are chosen and appointed  
for or any two of them to have the care and management  
for the carrying on that affair: with what may be raised  
by subscription: The meeting is dissolved

At a Towns Quarter Meeting held at Providence  
on the 13<sup>th</sup> day of October anno domini 1740  
S<sup>r</sup> Daniel Abbott chosen Moderator

S<sup>r</sup> Daniel Abbott; Mr Charles Dillingham; Mr John  
Thornton and George Brown Jun<sup>r</sup> are chosen Deputies  
to serve at the General Court of Assembly to be held  
at Providence on the last Wednesday of this  
Instant October

Mr John Whipple Foreman; Mr Christopher Harris  
Mr Elizer Metcalf and Mr Henry Swelling are  
chosen Grand Jurymen

Mr Joseph Hartshorn; Mr Benjamin Whipple and  
Mr John Williams are chosen Peter Jurymen  
to serve at the next Superior Court to be held at  
Providence on the second Thursday in  
December next

It is ordered that the men appointed for the Repairing  
the muddy Bridges: shall forthwith set to work and  
proceed in Repairing said Bridges for as much as will  
discharge: before the last Wednesday of this Instant October  
at five the forty five pence that was granted by Gov<sup>r</sup> of said  
the meeting is dissolved

At a Towns Quarter Meeting held at Providence the  
12<sup>th</sup> day of January anno domini 1740  
Richard Waterman Jun<sup>r</sup> is chosen Moderator

Mr Ebenezer Knight is chosen Grand Jurymen  
and Capt Roger Swellinggame is chosen Peter  
Jurymen: to serve at the next Superior Court  
to be held at Newport on the last Thursday in March  
next ensuing

Upon the Petition of Edward Brooks Esq<sup>r</sup> and  
Thomas Field with several others freemen of this  
Towne: to the number of ten

It is Ordered ordered and enacted that all the Hogs  
and swine shall be shut up on the east side  
of the Country Road that leads from Pawtuxet  
falls to Providence Town: and also all the Hogs  
and swine that belongs to such Persons whose lands  
or houses that are adjoining on the west side  
of said Road: on the Penalty as is prescribed  
in an order bearing date the eleventh day of  
February anno domini 1739/40

for the shutting up of shops and houses in said Providence  
Towne: And in default thereof that the Proprietors  
according to that before said Order, the which is to be  
the Rules and method of the Proceeding for the  
Executing of this Present Order, and act  
the Meeting is deferred

At a Towns quarter meeting held at Providence on  
the 13<sup>th</sup> day of April anno dom: 1741 It being munday  
and the 1<sup>st</sup> of the month in Providence  
Col Daniel Abbott chosen Moderator  
John Potter Esq<sup>r</sup> - Capt. Gabor Brown & Robert Gibbs Esq<sup>r</sup>  
and Capt Jonathan ... are chosen deputies to serve at  
the next Generall Court of election to be held at the  
Newport on the first Wednesday in May next ensuing  
and the day before the election

Mr. ... Young ...  
Mr. Edward ... Mr. John ... Mr. John ...  
are chosen Grand Jury men  
And Mr. Peter ... Mr. Abraham ...  
and Mr. Christopher ... are chosen Deputie Jury  
men to serve all of next Superior Court ...  
Friday of June next ensuing of Date hereof  
Col. John ... is chosen to carry the Prizes  
to ... the meeting is deferred

At a Town Meeting held at Providence on the first day of  
June anno dom: 1741: It being the first day of the  
month and the Towns Election day for ...  
Ezekiel Wainor Esq<sup>r</sup> is chosen Moderator  
Capt. Richard Waterman chosen Town Clerk and engaged  
Richard Waterman Jun<sup>r</sup> the Present Town Serjeant is chosen  
and continued Town Serjeant

Mr. William ... Mr. Hops ... Mr. Daniel ...  
Mr. Charles ... Capt. Thomas ... and Capt.  
Richard Waterman are chosen Town Council men  
Hops ... having the suffrage John Whipple's forwainor is  
chosen in his Room

Mr. Charles ... is chosen Town Treasurer  
Mr. Elisha ... Mr. Edward ... Mr. ...  
Henderson ... Mr. Samuel ... Mr. Gabor ...  
Pelag Williams Jun<sup>r</sup> and chosen Constables

Mr. John Whipple's forwainor is chosen Towns Keeper and  
Vandermast  
Capt. Richard Waterman Mr. Samuel ... and Mr. ...  
Richard Brown are chosen an Audit to audit the Towns  
debts and also the Treasurers Accounts: and any two  
of them three shall have Authority to act whom we  
The same Depts makers and Appraisers as was chosen  
last years: and to gather in such Depts as are  
aped upon Strangers and ... continued in the same  
Capt. ...  
Joseph ... and ... are chosen sealers  
and Packers and Gaugers of ... and sealers of ...  
Weights and Measures

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William Pearce and Alexander M<sup>c</sup>zey are chosen

viewers of wood  
William Ashton and Jacob Hartsorn are chosen viewers  
of fish oyle and whale bone

Mr John Thornton Mr Benjamin Sprague and Mr  
Samuel Waterman are chosen a committee to take care of  
Weymouth Bridge and keep it in repairs

The same four viewers are chosen and continued  
John yeats and Abraham Sheldon are chosen  
viewers of Cooperage

Surveyors of and measurers of Boards Plank &c. chosen

Mr Joseph Sheldon Joseph Brown Benjamin Whipple  
Ezekiel Warner Esq<sup>r</sup> William Burton Esq<sup>r</sup> Jonathan  
Randall Esq<sup>r</sup> Silas Carpenter Esq<sup>r</sup> John Sheldon John  
Tracy Esq<sup>r</sup> Richard Knight and Thomas Harris Jun<sup>r</sup>  
are chosen keep an flock viewers

Mr Jabor Brown Mr Joseph Snow and Mr Thomas  
Field Jun<sup>r</sup> are chosen Overseers of the Poor

John Hopkins Joseph Brown James Olney Jun<sup>r</sup> Richard Matheson  
Jeremiah Field John Folger John Randall Thomas Phelps Thomas Field Jun<sup>r</sup>  
Job Parker Peter Smith Ezekiel Smith William Stone Thomas Wickett  
John Tracy John Matheson Parson Sheldon Surveyors of y<sup>e</sup> Highways

The meeting is adjourned to the second munday  
in July next

Whereas there was an act passed by the Town of Providence at their  
last meeting that no sheep should be suffered to go  
at large for on the Common in <sup>the</sup> Town between  
the first Day of May and the last Day of  
October annually for three years now next  
coming that if the said act was made necessary only  
for some few years it might  
be more agreeable

Be it therefore Enacted by the Freemen of this  
Town of Providence in their Town Meeting assembled  
that the above recited act of their Town be and  
it is hereby Repealed and Declared null and void  
And be it further Enacted by the Authority  
aforesaid that no sheep shall be suffered to run  
at large or on the Common or Highways within  
this Town of Providence at any Time between  
the first Day of May and the last Day of  
October annually for Three years now next  
coming

And be it further Enacted by the Authority  
aforesaid that if any sheep shall be found out  
the Common at large or on the Highways in  
any part of this Town it shall and may be  
Lawfull for any Freeman of this Town finding  
any sheep at large or on the Common as aforesaid  
said between the first Day of May and the last  
Day of October within Three years now next  
coming to take all such sheep so found and  
Impound them in y<sup>e</sup> Town Pound and they  
shall not be there discharged until the owner  
thereof pay one shilling for each sheep so found  
one half to the person who takes up the sheep  
and the other half into the Town Treasury

of S. Town and if no person shall appear  
 to discharge a sheep within Ten Days Time  
 after they are Impounded then they shall be  
 sold by the ~~Publick Vendue~~ <sup>Master</sup> of S. Town at publick  
 Vendue and one Shilling per sheep paid in money  
 as aforesaid and the Remainder of the price of  
 such Sale Returned to the Owner of such sheep

Voated and Passd at a Townes Quarter meeting held  
 at Providence on the 13<sup>th</sup> day of July Anno Domini 1741  
 Tho aforesaid Act was Voated and Confirmed

Oct<sup>r</sup> 12<sup>th</sup> - 1741: Benjamin Bellhop is voted a freeman

July 13<sup>th</sup> - 1741. It being munday and the second munday 25<sup>th</sup> in said month the Towns Election is againe in being

Richard Waterman chosen Moderator: of this meeting; by Reason Ezehiel Warner Esq<sup>r</sup> did not appear

Mr John Whipple Forwainer is chosen Town Council - man in the name of Mr Hopps Agent who refused the meeting is dissolved

At a Towns Quarter meeting held at Providence on the thirteenth day of July anno dom 1741. It being munday and the second munday in s<sup>d</sup> month

Richard Waterman chosen Moderator

Capt William Stealinghast is chosen Grand juryman and Mr Edward Kimball is chosen Petter Guyman to serve at the next superior Court Court of Assize and General Court Gods Delivery to be held at Newport on the first Tuesday in September next

This Meeting is dissolved

At a Towns Quarter meeting held at Providence on the 12<sup>th</sup> day of October: 1741. It being Munday and the second munday in said month

Ezehiel Warner Esq<sup>r</sup> chosen Moderator

Mr John Hopkins George Browne Esq<sup>r</sup> Capt Nathaniel Genches and Richard Thornton Esq<sup>r</sup> are chosen Deputies to serve at the next General Court of Assembly to be held at South Kingston on y<sup>e</sup> 2<sup>d</sup> Wednesday in this Instant October

Mr Solomon Brown Mr William Ashton Mr Jeromiah Fields and Mr Elixer Metcalf are chosen Grandjurymen

and Mr Peter Tipt Mr Bellhop and Mr Henry Smy are chosen Petter Guyman to serve at the Inferior Court to be held at Providence on the 1<sup>st</sup> Tuesday of December next coming

96.  
Emerial Waterman Je. Jhon in the name of Mr. Stephen  
Dexter who is, deceased to Joine with Benjamin Spzeagus  
In carrying on the Building the Bridge over the Place  
Called the Muddy Bridge

the meeting is dissolved =

At a Towns Quarter meeting held at Providence  
on the second munday in January Anno domi 1741  
Richard Brown Esq. Je. Jhon Moderator

~~Mr. Nicholas J. Jhon is Je. Jhon Grand Juror  
and Josiah Brown Junr. is Je. Jhon  
Petty Juror man to serve at the next  
Superiour Court to be held at Newport  
on the 1st Tuesday in March next  
ensuing.~~

Mr. Nicholas J. Jhon is Je. Jhon Grand Juror  
man; and Josiah Brown Junr. is Je. Jhon  
Petty Juror man to serve at the next  
Superiour Court to be held at Newport  
on the 1st Tuesday in March next  
ensuing;  
the meeting is dissolved + + + + +

At a Towns quarter meeting held at Providence on the  
twelfth day of April being the second munday in  
1742 Zeheiel Warner Esq. Je. Jhon Moderator + + +

Mr. Daniel Abbott William Burton Esq. Je. Jhon  
Boven; And Capt. Jonathan Mansall Esq. Je. Jhon  
Deputies to serve at the next General Court  
of Election to be held at Newport on the first  
Wednesday in May next ensuing; and the day of  
the Election

Mr. Daniel Abbott is Je. Jhon to carry the Praxes  
to Newport and deliver them to the Governor

97.  
An act made and Passed by the free men of the  
town of Providence at their quarter meeting held  
In Providence the second munday of April A. D. 1742

Be it enacted By the free men of the town of Providence  
and it is By them Enacted y<sup>t</sup> at any time when the Great  
Bridge in the town of Providence Commonly known By the name  
of Way. Boyset Bridge shall Bee oute of Repair so y<sup>t</sup> the same  
Bee not Payable Either for horses or foot men, y<sup>t</sup> then the  
overseers appointed By sd Town to Repair said Bridge shall  
appoint som. one or more able ~~hand~~ person or persons  
to ferry over men and horses and other goods what ever sd  
over sd ferry att or clear the place where the Bridge y<sup>t</sup> is  
do stand and shall allow and pay the person so appointed  
all their Discreptions for sd service and for the hire of ye Boate  
oute of the money Produced By sd ferry and the over plus of any  
there Bee to Bee left in the hands of sd over sears or either of  
them, to Bee applied towards Repairing sd Bridge and shall  
account ~~and~~ annually with the audit for the same

And it is here By further in acted y<sup>t</sup> If any Person, or  
Persons what so ever shall presume to ferry or carry over  
any person or any horse or other Beaste of any kind what so ever  
with oute License of one or mor of sd over sears he or they so  
ferrying taking any money or other Reward for the same y<sup>t</sup> there  
he or they so offending being convicted there of Before som. one or  
more Justice or Justices of the Peace of sd town shall pay as  
a fine Twenty Shillings to Bee divided one half to and for  
the use of the sd former and the other half towards Repairing  
Repairing sd Bridge and the same shall Bee Levied By  
Distress and Sale of the Goods of the offender with the Charge  
of Prosecution By a Warrant from under the hand and Seal  
of one or more Justice of the Peace to Whome such Com-  
plaint shall Bee made

Any Law usage or Custom to the Contrary Not with  
standing

Resolved and Past At a Towns Quarter meeting held  
at Providence on the twelfth day of April  
Anno domini 1742.

Attest Richard Waterman Town Clerke

98  
Vocal and pass

April 12<sup>th</sup>  
1742

~~By the meeting of the~~  
John Shelton Edward Kinnicut Nathaniel ~~Man~~  
and John Hoyle and Joseph Grand Jurymen  
And Thomas Field Junr John Burton Junr and  
Richard Smith and Joseph Peter Jurymen to be  
at the next Inferiour Court and General sessions of  
the Peace to be held at Providence in the County of  
Providence on the third tuesday in June next ensuing  
The meeting is dissolved

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A Town meeting held at Providence on the seventh day of June Anno domini: 1742.  
 It being Wednesday and the first munday in said month -  
 And the Towns Election day for the choosing Town officers.  
 Col<sup>d</sup> Daniel Abbott chosen Moderator  
 Capt Richard Waterman chosen Town Clerk: & engaged  
 Richard Waterman of third chosen Town sergeant  
 Mr<sup>r</sup> William Burton ; Mr Daniel Smith ;  
 Mr Charles Stillinghast ; Thomas Harris: &  
 Capt<sup>d</sup> Zuriel Waterman and Mr<sup>r</sup> John Whipple  
 Forewainers: and Mr<sup>r</sup> Thomas Field Jun<sup>r</sup> is  
 chosen in the Rooms of Charles Stillinghast who  
 kept both Offices: and engaged  
 Mr<sup>r</sup> Charles Stillinghast is chosen Town Treasurer  
 : er and engaged  
 Mr<sup>r</sup> Eliza Stillinghast is chosen Constable and engaged  
 Mr<sup>r</sup> Robert Briggs is chosen Constable and engaged  
 Mr<sup>r</sup> Jabor Westcott is chosen Constable and engaged  
 Mr<sup>r</sup> Jeromiah Merihue is chosen Constable and engaged  
 Mr<sup>r</sup> Azial Hernden is chosen Constable and engaged  
 Mr<sup>r</sup> Jonathan Jenches son of William Jenches  
 is chosen Constable  
 Mr<sup>r</sup> Benjamin Bellman is chosen Constable and engaged  
 Mr<sup>r</sup> John Whipple Jun<sup>r</sup> is chosen Constable and engaged  
 Master for this ensuing years  
 Richard Waterman Mr Samuel Winsor and  
 Mr<sup>r</sup> Brown are chosen an audit to audit  
 the Overseers accounts and Towns debts and  
 they or any two of them shall have power  
 to act when met

Mr<sup>r</sup> Daniel Smith ; George Browne Jun<sup>r</sup> and  
 Capt Zuriel Waterman are chosen Rate makers  
 and also to Rate strangers; and Eliza Stillinghast is chosen  
 the gatherer in such Rates as are assessed upon  
 strangers  
 William Peirce and Alexander M<sup>r</sup> Gray are chosen  
 foreers of Wood  
 Mr<sup>r</sup> William Ashton and Mr<sup>r</sup> Jacob Hartshorn are  
 chosen Viewers of Peasfish oyle and Wharfbone  
 Mr<sup>r</sup> William Lambford and Joseph Gape are chosen  
 Viewers of Cooper stuff and Viewers and fullers of sheeps  
 Col<sup>d</sup> Jabor Brown Mr<sup>r</sup> Joseph Snow and heath  
 Thomas Hudson are chosen  
 over seers of the Poore  
 Mr<sup>r</sup> Benjamin Pragua are chosen Overseers  
 of the wharfbot Bridge  
 Capt<sup>d</sup> Obadiah Browne Thomas Westcott Richard Matheson  
 Edward Stripp Oliver Angell Richard Stanton Pardon  
 Sheldon Samuel Dyer James Olney Jun<sup>r</sup> John Tracy  
 William Stone Job Potter Capt<sup>d</sup> Richard Knight Henry  
 Harris John Felton Jeremiah Field Capt<sup>d</sup> Nathaniel Jenches  
 Mr<sup>r</sup> Joseph Brown and Mr<sup>r</sup> John Densal are chosen  
 surveyors of Highways  
 Ezeiel Warner Jun<sup>r</sup> Jonathan Densal Jun<sup>r</sup> William Burton  
 Jun<sup>r</sup> Capt<sup>d</sup> Richard Knight Mr<sup>r</sup> Joseph Browne Thomas  
 Harris Jun<sup>r</sup> Silas Carpenter Jun<sup>r</sup> Mr Benjamin Whipple  
 and Mr<sup>r</sup> John Gray are chosen Constables  
 Joseph Stoddard Samuel Boyles & Simon Smith are  
 chosen surveyors & measurers of Board Plank Pit wood and  
 timber and viewers of flabours and plingles  
 The meeting adjourned to 7<sup>th</sup> munday

July 12 1742 It being Monday the Townes & Locall is dissolved

At a Townes Quarter meeting held at Providence on the 12<sup>th</sup> day of July 1742 It being Monday and the second Monday in said month

Mr Benjamin Whipple is chosen Grandjurymen and Mr Eliza Brown is chosen Petterjurymen; To serve at the next superior Court Court of Assize and Genl Court delivery to be held at Newport on the first Tuesday in September next ensuing

It is voted and allowed that Mr John Whipple fordwainer shall have the use of the Towns Common at the Place called the Great Point for the space of seven years next ensuing for the sum of fifteen shillings p<sup>er</sup> year yearly to be paid into the Towns Storehouse the said Whipple being present: Accepted of the vote and promised to sign also on the behalfs of himself his executors and administrators to Richard Waterman a Towns Clerk for the Performance of his Part and the s<sup>er</sup> Clarke shall on the Towns behalfs sign also to him the s<sup>er</sup> Whipple according to the vote

The meeting is dissolved

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At three

At a Townes Quarter meeting held at Providence on the eleventh day of October Anno Domini 1742 It being Monday and the second Monday in said month

Richard Janner is chosen Moderator Mr Charles Stillingcraft Mr Thomas Field for Mr Stephen Hopkins and Mr Henry Harris are chosen deputies to serve at the next Genl Court of Assize to be held at Providence on the first Wednesday of this Instant October

Capt Stephen Dexter Mr Jeremiah Field Mr William Ashton and Mr Elizabeth are chosen Grandjurymen

Mr Joseph Waterman Mr Ebenezer Bates and Lieutt William Westcott are chosen Petterjurymen to serve at the next inferior Court and General sessions of the Peace to be held at Providence in the County of Providence on Wednesday the 11<sup>th</sup> day of December next ensuing Mr William Ashton is chosen surveyor of the highways in the Town of Obadiah Brown who is now Gov of the sea

George Brown Esq<sup>r</sup> Mr Jeremiah Field and Mr Joseph Brown are chosen to repair the muddy Bridge and to improve the fifty Pounds granted by the Colony toward the repairing of the said Bridge; and what is wanting shall be supplied by the inhabitants of said Town who shall be Implyed and Required by the surveyors of the highways of said Town according to the Law of England

The meeting is dissolved

At a Towns Quarter meeting held at Providence on the 6<sup>th</sup> day of January Anno Domini - 1742  
It being munday and the second munday in 3<sup>rd</sup> month: the meeting is in being -  
Col<sup>l</sup> Daniel Abbott chosen Moderator

Daniel Jencks esq<sup>r</sup> is accepted a freeman of this Town  
The meeting is dissolved

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At a Town meeting held at Providence on the 19<sup>th</sup> day of February Anno Domini - 1742/3  
It being called by warrant

William Brewster esq<sup>r</sup> - chosen Moderator

The list presented by the Town Council to this meeting of such Persons as they think proper to serve as Jurymen: according to the Act of Assembly was by the moderator put to vote: and accepted

It is further voted that the votes for Jurymen shall be drawn out of that end of the Box marked Number one  
The meeting is adjourned to the first Tuesday in March next

At a Town meeting held at Providence the first day of March: Anno Domini: 1742/3  
It being the first day of said month

Robert Gibbs esq<sup>r</sup> - chosen Moderator

John Potter esq<sup>r</sup> - Col<sup>l</sup> Gabor Power - Capt Jonathan Randall: and Capt Christopher Harris are appointed to serve at the next Genl Court of Election to be held at Newport on the first wensday in May next and the day before the Election

Col<sup>l</sup> Gabor Power chosen to Barrie the Proves - to Newport

Joseph Snow Jun<sup>r</sup> chosen Grand Jurymen: And Daniel Olney chosen Petter Jurymen to serve at the next Superior Court Court of Assize and Court Goal delivery to be held at Newport, on the first Tuesday in this Instant month -  
The meeting is dissolved

At a Towns Quarter meeting held at Providence on the second Munday of April: Anno Domini: 1743

Robert Gibbs esq<sup>r</sup> - chosen Moderator

The meeting is adjourned to the first Tuesday in June next  
Mr<sup>s</sup> Thomas Whipple Mr<sup>s</sup> John Birkit: Capt Stephen Dexter and Mr<sup>s</sup> Simon Smith are chosen Grand Jurymen and Mr<sup>s</sup> John Sheldon Mr<sup>s</sup> James Mitchel and Mr<sup>s</sup> John yeats are chosen Petter Jurymen to serve at the next Inferiour Court and General sessions: of the Peace to be held at Providence on the third Tuesday in June Next ensuing

x x x x x x x x x x x x x x x x  
At a Town meeting held at Providence this 6<sup>th</sup> day of June Anno Domini: 1743: It being munday and the first munday in said month: And the Towns Election day for the choos<sup>ing</sup> Town officers

Col<sup>l</sup> Daniel Abbott chosen Moderator

Capt Richard Waterman chosen Town Clerke  
Richard Waterman the third chosen Town Conjant

George Brown esq<sup>r</sup> - Mr<sup>s</sup> Daniel Smith Capt Thomas Harris: Capt Zuriel Waterman: Mr<sup>s</sup> John Whipple Town wainor: and Mr<sup>s</sup> Christopher Kippit are chosen Town Councillmen

Mr William Turpin Chosen Town Treasurer -  
 and engaged - }  
 Constables - } Mr Elisha Billinghast is Chosen -  
 Constables engaged } Mr Jeromiah Meritt is Chosen  
 Constables engaged } Mr Benjamin Bellknop Chosen  
 Constables - } Mr Elias Carpenter Junr Chosen  
 Chosen Constable engaged } Mr Thomas Fenner Junr of Thomes  
 Mr John Whipple Forewainer; is Chosen Pound Keeper  
 and Wandor master -

Richard Waterman Robert Gibbs and George Brown -  
 Esq's are Chosen an audit to audit the Towns -  
 debts and also the Treasurers Accounts: and any two  
 of them being met may Proceed upon the Affairs  
 Capt Zephiah Warner and Henry Harris  
 to Reviser to Town Rates -

Mr Daniel Smith George Brown Esq and Capt Zephiah  
 Waterman are Chosen Districers and Assessors  
 to Rates strangers: and Mr Elisha Billinghast  
 is Chosen to Goather in such Rates as are Levied  
 upon strangers -

Mr William Peirus and Alexander Mcroy  
 are Chosen Foreers of Wood -

Mr William Apton and Mr Jacob Hawks Horn are  
 Chosen Viewers of Hoppe Eye and Wheies fone

Mr William Langford and Mr Abraham Sheldon  
 are Chosen Fullers of both Cooper Stuffs and  
 and Fullers of Stuffs -

Robert Gibbs Esq Mr Joseph Sheldon and Mr  
 Elisha Baker are Chosen Overseers of the Poor

Benjamin Grosquis and Amariah Waterman are  
 Chosen Overseers to take care of the Repairing  
 way house Bridge: and also Mr Joseph Crawford  
 is added to be assisting to them in that office

Mr Joseph Sheldon Samuel Boyles and Simon Smith  
 are Chosen Surveyors and measurers of Planes  
 Boards plinths and timber, Viewers of shingles and  
 Clabors

Mr Joseph Sheldon is Chosen Scollar and Packer and  
 Galger of Paper

Hemp and flax viewers the same that was the  
 last year are still continued -

Capt Stephen Dexter John Whipple Capt Stephen Dexter  
 Mr Benjamin Carpenter Joseph Harris Jonathan Jencks  
 Charles Jencks Edward Fenner Henry Harris and Richard  
 Charles are Chosen fence Viewers  
 continued

John Andrew Christopher Arnold Jeromiah Field Joseph Brown  
 Nicholas Sheldon Junr Henry Harris Junr Jonathan Olney  
 Joseph Fish Edward Sheldon Samuel Smith Joseph Potter; son of John  
 John Peter Junr Benjamin Bellknop Edward Strip Jubley  
 Viewers Jeromiah Williams William Stone James Olney Junr  
 Christopher Leppitt Henckiah Smith and Samuel Dybl  
 are Chosen Surveyors of the highways

The meeting is desisted

July 11<sup>th</sup> 1743 It being understood the second  
munday in 3<sup>rd</sup> month the Towns quarter day -  
for want of careful appearance to the meeting  
fell: that is a sufficient number for holding a meeting

At a Town meeting held at Providence on y<sup>e</sup> 30<sup>th</sup>  
day of August anno Dom 1743 it being y<sup>e</sup> last  
Tuesday of 3<sup>rd</sup> month and the day of election for  
choosing deputies

John Potter Esq<sup>r</sup> Chosen Moderator  
Robert Gibbs Esq<sup>r</sup> Capt Edward Arnold George Bronne Esq<sup>r</sup>  
and Capt Benjamin Potter are Chosen deputies to serve  
at the General Court of Assembly to be held at South  
Kings Town in Kings County on the last Wednesday  
of October next ensuing

Mr Benjamin Carpenter Chosen Grand Jurymen  
and Peter Breague Chosen Petitory men  
Mr Thomas Field Jun<sup>r</sup> Chosen Juror of the high  
ways in stead of Mr Joseph Potter who is gon to sea  
The meeting is dissolved

At a Towns quarter meeting held at Providence  
on the second munday in October being the tenth day of said month  
Ezekiel Warner Chosen Moderator

Mr Samuel Comstock Mr Joseph Snow Mr  
Robert Story and Mr Ephraim Bowen Chosen  
Grand Jurymen; and Mr Benjamin Hunt  
Mr John Standings and Mr Richard Borden  
are Chosen Petitory men. To serve at  
next quarter to be held at Providence

the third Tuesday in December next ensuing  
the meeting is dissolved

At Town meeting held at Providence on the third day of  
January: 1743: being called by warrant; under the  
Hand & Seal of George Bronne Esq<sup>r</sup> bearing date  
of 27<sup>th</sup> day of December AD 1743. which warrant was  
granted upon the Request of Mr William Turpin  
Town Treasurer. Issuing helpe in the Case  
where he was sued to the Superior Court  
Setting on y<sup>e</sup> third Tuesday of Dec<sup>r</sup> last past at  
which Court there was a Judgment recovered ag<sup>t</sup>  
to Turpin as Treasurer

Col<sup>l</sup> Daniel Abbot being Chosen Moderator  
at the Request of Richard Waterman Town Clarke  
he being indisposed: Richard Waterman Jun<sup>r</sup> is appointed  
Clarke of this meeting

It is voted and ordered that there be forthwith a Writ  
Levied on the Inhabitants of this Town of Providence  
pursuant to the warrant to satisfy a Judgment of Court  
that Phillip Billinghurst Recovered against William Turpin  
as Town Treasurer

voted that the audit for auditing of the Towns debts fourth  
with get up notifications for those persons that have any  
demands on the Town bring in their accounts to be audited  
in order that the same may be layed before the  
meeting on Monday next  
The meeting is adjourned to Munday next being the second  
munday in this present January

At a Towns quarter meeting held at Providence  
on the second munday of January AD 1743  
Col<sup>l</sup> Daniel Abbot Chosen Moderator  
Mr Robert Story Chosen Grand Jurymen

Mr<sup>s</sup> Richards Mathison chosen Grand jury man and Mr Robert Knight chosen Petty jury man To serve at the next Superior Court Court of Assize and General Court deliverable to be held at Newport on y<sup>e</sup> 1<sup>st</sup> Tuesday of March next ensuing

The quarter meetings dissolved

The Town meeting that was called by warrant is againe in being according to agreement Mr<sup>s</sup> Jeroniah Field Mr John Randall and Mr Edward Phelps

Are chosen a Committee to make Inquizey and inspect into the Towns Credits and make report to y<sup>e</sup> Town meeting

Resolved that in consideration that Mr Philip Stillinghast Deceased ing a judgment lately by him obtained against the Town Treasurer for 181-3<sup>00</sup> Cost then the Town shall pay him the said sum of 181:3: his said Cost of fees with the additional sum of £3: the same to be Paid to him on the second Munday of April next the meeting is dissolved

At a Town meeting held at Providence the ninth day of April: 17th. Coll Daniel Abbot chosen moderator Richard Waterman gun<sup>r</sup> Appointed Clerk protempory

Mr Daniel Spenor Mr Jonathan Jones Capt Nathaniel Field & Mr Daniel Williams are chosen Grand Jurymen to serve at the next Court Sessions to be hold at Providence on y<sup>e</sup> third Tuesday of June next

Mr Joseph Hawthings Mr Samuel Currier Mr Jeroniah Mathison are chosen petty Jurymen to serve at y<sup>e</sup> same: third Tuesday of June next

Joseph Sheldon is chosen Town Treasurer in the name of Mr William Surpin who is deceased Robert Gibs George Brown Esq<sup>r</sup> and Capt John Smith young Esq<sup>r</sup> chosen and appointed an audit to account and settle the account of Mr William Surpin the late Town Treasurer and pay receipts in the Towns behalf and make return to the Town of their proceedings

Voted and ordered that the Towns Quarter meetings that were hold on the second Munday in April and the second Munday in October: shall for the future be hold on the third Wednesday in April and the third Wednesday in October annually as stated by act of assembly and that the other Town meetings: on the second Munday in July and the second Munday in January continue as they are the meeting is dissolved

At a Town meeting held at Providence on the eighteenth day of April: 17th. Agreeable to a late act of the Gen<sup>l</sup> Assembly, Coll Dan<sup>l</sup> Abbot Chosen moderator Richard Waterman gun<sup>r</sup> chosen Clerk protempory in the absence of the Clerk

Cont<sup>r</sup> Gabor Bowen Mr John Burton gun<sup>r</sup> Mr Stephen Hopkins and Capt Joseph Borden are chosen Deputies to serve at the Gen<sup>l</sup> Assembly to be hold at Newport on the first Wednesday in May next it being the Gen<sup>l</sup> election; and the day before the election

Resolved that William Burton Esq<sup>r</sup> receive the proceeds that are put in this kind deliver them to the Gen<sup>l</sup> open Court The meeting is dissolved

At a Town Meeting held at Providence on  
the 1<sup>th</sup> day of June anno Dom: 1744 It being  
Monday and the first Monday in said month  
and the Towns Election day for choosing Town  
Officers  
Ezekiel Waterman Warner Esq. Chosen  
Moderator of the said meeting

Capt Richard Waterman Chosen Town  
Clerk and engaged  
Richard Waterman the former Town  
Sergeant is Chosen Town Sergeant againe  
for this ensuing year

George Brown Esq Daniel Esq Thomas Harris  
Capt Ezekiel Waterman; John Whipple Esq  
and Capt Christopher Lippett Chosen  
Town Council men -

Mr Joseph Sheldon Chosen Treasurer and  
Engaged

Mr Eliza Sidinghast Sturdy Westcot  
son of Benjamin Westcot & Mr Benjamin  
Bellhop Thomas Fenner Junr Mr Silas  
Carpenter Junr Chosen Constables

Mr John Whipple Cordwainer Chosen Pound  
and Vendue Master

Mr Robert Gibbs Mr George Brown and Mr  
Archibald Young Chosen an audit to  
be made to audit the Towns accounts  
and Particular Mens accounts

Mr Daniel Smith George Brown  
Capt Ezekiel Waterman & Ezekiel Warner  
and Henry Harris Esq are Chosen Rates  
makers to Levy the Towns Rates  
and three of the said five to be a quorum  
the other being notified

And Mr Daniel Smith George Brown  
and Ezekiel Waterman Esq are Chosen  
Assessors; to Rate Strangers and Mr  
Eliza Sidinghast Constable to Leather in  
such Rates as are assessed upon Strangers  
confirmed

Alexander Mcvery Chosen Forester of wood

Mr William Ashton Chosen viewor of oyle whittle  
bone and Fish

Refused to Mr Timothy Carpenter is in his room  
Robert Gibbs Esq Nicholas Sheldon Junr and  
Edward Sheldon Chosen over seers of the Towns

Benjamin Sprague and Amariah Waterman  
Chosen to take the care for the repairing  
wayhouse Bridge

Joseph Sheldon Samuel Boyles and Simon Smith  
are Chosen Surveyors of Plain Boards plow  
and timber and viewors of shingles and  
boards

Eliza Brown Amariah Waterman Benjamin Bellhop  
Edward Junr Joseph Stanton Joseph Waterman Benjamin  
Amariah Fields Christopher Lippett John Potter Junr Samuel  
Dyer William Stone Joshua Turner Thomas Field Junr  
Jonathan Genches Zachariah Matheson Richard  
Junr Samuel Smith Jonathan Olney James Olney  
and William Sidinghast are Chosen Surveyors  
of highways

Turn over

At a Town meeting at Providence the 9th day of July anno dom 1744  
 It being Monday and the second Monday in said month  
 Daniel Abbot Chosen Moderator  
 Peter Stone Chosen Grand Jurymen  
 and Joseph Angell Chosen Deputy Jurymen  
 Also served at the next Superior Court of Assize and General Goal delivery to be held at Newport on the first Tuesday in September next  
 The meeting is dissolved

At a Town meeting hold at Providence the fourteenth day of August A.D. 1744 being called by warrant  
 Concl. Danl. Abbot Chosen Moderator  
 Richard Waterman Junr Chosen Town Clarke in the Room of Richard Waterman Esq<sup>r</sup> Late Town Clarke deceased and engaged  
 Concl. Daniel Abbot William Jencks and Richard Brown Esq<sup>r</sup> are Chosen a Committee to inspect into the Towns Records and to deliver them to the present Town Clarke and take his Receipt for the same in the Towns behalf and make Report to the Town at their next Meeting

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Voted that the Freemen of this Town buy and sell their Rights in the present Bank that is those freemen who have Lands free to Mortgage and it is further Voted and ordered that in Case the Towns Committee Refuse to let the free men buy and sell as aforesaid that Thomas Olney Esq<sup>r</sup> is hereby empowered to Represent the same to the next Genl. Assembly for Relief in the premises  
 The meeting is dissolved

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 The meeting is dissolved

M<sup>r</sup> John Crawford Chosen Town Serjant in the home of Richard Waterman Jun<sup>r</sup> whose Advices and engaged

the meeting is is desolved

At a Town meeting held at Providence on the 28<sup>th</sup> of August A.D. 1744 it being ~~the 28<sup>th</sup> day~~ <sup>the 28<sup>th</sup> day</sup> and the third ~~meeting~~ <sup>meeting</sup> in said month  
Robert Gibbs Chosen moderator of this meeting

Capt William Rhoads; Capt George Brown M<sup>r</sup> Henry Harris and M<sup>r</sup> John Patter Jun<sup>r</sup> are Chosen Deputies to serve at the next Genl assembly to be held at the next Genl assembly to be held at Providence on the last ~~Wednesday~~ <sup>Wednesday</sup> of October next within and for the colony of Rhode Island &c.

It is voted and ordered that the Aud<sup>r</sup> for auditing the Towns account Give an order to Mrs Catharine Sturpin for the the Comission<sup>r</sup> of M<sup>r</sup> William Mottepi late Town Treasurer <sup>deceased</sup> for his receiving and paying out of sd office; the same being omitted when the Com<sup>tee</sup> got hold of the sd Sturpins account and that ~~the~~ <sup>the</sup> ~~order~~ <sup>order</sup> be paid out of the Towns to give the meeting is desolved

At a Town Meeting held at Providence the fourteenth day of October; A.D. 1744  
Capt Christophor Lippert Chosen moderator

Paul Holder Phillip Holder John Smith Robert and Chosen Grand Juror

Stephon Kementon John Angel Esq<sup>r</sup> John Olroy are Chosen petty Jurors: to serve at the next Inferiour Court of Common Pleas and Genl sessions of the Peace: to be holden at Providence in and for the County of Providence on the third Tuesday of December next; the meeting is desolved

At a Town meeting held at Providence on the 14<sup>th</sup> day of January 1744 it being the second Monday in said month

Capt William Rhoads Chosen moderator

Edward Ship Chosen Grand Juror and Roderick Brown Chosen petty Juror to serve at the next Superior Court Court of Assize and Genl sittings to be hold at Newport within and for the Colony of Rhode Island and on the last Tuesday of March next M<sup>r</sup> John Crawford ~~deputy~~ <sup>deputy</sup> to Town Serjant desired that that he might lay down said office: the which was voted and howard discharged of the same

Left Alexander Fraizer Chosen Town Serjant in the room of John Crawford who is discharged for the same and engaged

The Meeting is desolved

At a Town meeting held at Providence on the Thire Wednesday in a pril 1744 it being the fourteenth day of said month

M<sup>r</sup> Thomas Olney Chosen moderator  
Left William Smith M<sup>r</sup> George Brown Capt Joseph Borden and M<sup>r</sup> Ezekel Warner

are Chosen Deputies to serve at the next General assembly to be hold at Newport <sup>within and for the Colony of Rhode Island</sup> on the first Wednesday in May next being the day of the General Election and the day before the Election  
Hope Corp Richard Roman Edward Thurber and Rufus Hawkins are Chosen Grand Jurors and Jonathan Bucklin Thomas Hilton Joseph Roman are Chosen petty Jurors to serve at the next Inferiour Court of Common Pleas and Genl sessions to be hold at Providence within and for the County of Providence on the third Tuesday of June next

At a Town meeting held at Providence on the first Monday in June A.D. 1745 being the third day of the month and the Town's Election day for choosing Town officers

Richard Brown Esqr. Chosen Moderator  
Richard Watman, Junr Chosen Town Clerk  
Alexander Fraizer Chosen Town Sayt

George Brown Esqr  
Mr Daniel Smith Esqr  
Capt Thomas Harris Esqr  
Quiel Waterman Esqr  
Council men

Mr John Whipple Esqr  
and Capt Christopher Lippit  
and Mr Thomas Olney  
Chosen Town Council man in the Room of Capt Christopher Lippit who refused

Mr Joseph Sholdon Chosen Town Treasurer  
Mr William Ashton Chosen Constable Engaged  
Mr Stukloy Westcot gunr Chosen Constable Eng  
Mr Benjamin Bellknap Chosen Constable Eng  
Mr Thomas Fenner gunr Chosen Constable Eng  
Mr Elias Carpenter gunr Chosen Constable Eng  
Mr Benjamin Gorham Chosen Constable Eng  
Mr Benjamin Cory Chosen Constable Eng

Mr John Whipple gunr Chosen Pound Keeper  
Mr John Whipple gunr Chosen Vandoo master

Mr Robert Gibbs George Brown and Richard Young are Chosen an audit the Towns accounts

Mr Daniel Smith Quiel Waterman Esqr  
Mr George Brown Esqr  
and Henry Harris Esqr  
Chosen Kato makers

Mr Daniel Smith George Brown and Quiel Waterman Esqr are Chosen assessors to Kato Strangers and Mr Eliza Fillingham Chosen Constables to Gethorin Shuck Kato as are assessed

Continued

Mr John, Yots and Josiah King are Chosen wood Corders of wood

Mr Timothy Carpenter Mr Nicholas Sholdon gunr and Mr Edward Sholdon Chosen our Joers of the poor  
Mr Benjamin Whipple and Benjamin Bolknop Chosen our Joers of the poor in the Room of Timothy Carpenter and Nicholas Sholdon gunr who refused

Mr Benjamin Sprague  
Mr John Manton & Amarak Waterman are Chosen our Joers to take care and Repair the Bridge at way boys ob

Mr Joseph Sholdon Samuel Boyle and Simon Smith are Chosen Jurors of Plank Boards of it wood and Timber and Viewers of Shingles and Slabors

Jonathan Randol William Baiton Esqr  
Capt Richard Knight  
Mr Joseph Brown  
Mr Thomas Harris gunr and Benjamin Whipple are Chosen Viewers of Hemp and Flax

Stephen Dexter miser Benjamin Carpenter  
 Joseph Harris Jonathan goncks Cornelius Eaton  
 Edward Fenner Daniel Mathewson Joel Mathewson  
 and Zopheniah Peck are chosen Town Clerks  
 Mr Fearnot Packard ~~John~~ James Henry  
 are chosen Janingers  
 Misers John yots and Josiah King and Chosen  
 Borders of wood  
 Miser Elisha Brown Eng - Obadiah Brown mariner  
 Benjamin Bol. Knap Eng Edward Trip Joseph Shotton  
 Gabor wastel Bononi Patter Eng Jeromiah Fried  
 Christophor Lippot John Patter junr Samuel Dyer  
 William Stone John King Eng Thomas Fuloquin  
 Jonathan goncks Eng Zachariah Mathewson  
 Richard Mathewson Christophor Harris Moses Smith  
 Pologuilliams junr Nicholas Sheldon Eng  
 Peter Tipt Eng William Whipple Eng Charles  
 Olney Eng Rufus Hawkings Eng John Mantel  
 William Fenner Eng Jeromiah Smith  
 Samuel Smith Eng  
 It is voted and Resolved that an act of this Town  
 of Providence made at a Town meeting hold on the 27  
 day of January A.D. 1734 for the County of  
 five Shillings per Head for Quory fers that should  
 be killed within this Town to be paid out of the  
 Towns Treasore be Repealed Made null and voyed  
 and that from and after the date hereof there be  
 no bounty allowed or paid out of the Towns  
 Treasore for any fox head or fox killed

The meeting is Adjorned to the second Monday  
 in July next  
 At a Town meeting on the eighth day of July  
 A.D. 1745 being the second Monday in the month the  
 meeting is adjourned to adjournment  
 Mr Benjamin Brown chosen moderator in the Room  
 of Mr Richard Brown the former moderator who is  
 Mr Benjamin Brown and Mr Alexander Fraizer  
 are chosen Sullors of staves and hups  
 At a Town meeting hold at Providence on the 8<sup>th</sup>  
 day of July 1745  
 Mr Benjamin Brown chosen moderator  
 Fearnot Packard chosen Grandjuror  
 and Job Waterman chosen Petter Juror to serve  
 at the next Superior Court of Judicure Court of assize  
 and General Sessions to be holden at Newport  
 within and for the Colony of Rhode Island on the  
 first Tuesday of September next  
 At a Town meeting hold at Providence on the  
 eighteenth day of July A.D. 1745 being called  
 by warrant  
 John Angel chosen moderator  
 an act

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An Act for Encouraging and promoting the Lottery for Building wayboyet Bridge  
Whereas the Time Limited by the hon<sup>ble</sup> Assembly of this Colony for Drawing the Lottery for building wayboyet Bridge is near Expired and a considerable number of the Tickets of said Lottery are yet unsold so that it is feared the good Design above mentioned will be Defeated Except the Town of Providence will at their Request take such a Number of said Tickets as may Render the Drawing said Lottery Practicable  
Wherefore be it Enacted by the moderator and freemen in Town meeting assembled and it is by the authority aforesaid hereby Enacted that the Town of Providence as a Body Politick incorporated by the Charter do at their one Request take four Hundred Tickets in said Lottery and that the Treasurer of the Town of Providence manage the game and shall be Liable to give and be given in any Debts contracted by the Town or due to the Town in or about said Lottery in like manner as for Debts due to or for the Town in other matters

An Act to prevent swine from going at Liberty in the Compact part of the Town of Providence  
Whereas the Inhabitants of the Compact Part of the Town of Providence keeping Numbers of swine and Permitting the same to go at Large in and about the Streets of said Town the Streets are thereby Incumbered and Great Damage is there by done to many of the Inhabitants

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Inhabitants who Possess Lands near said Town street and the street itself frequently torn and Rooted up by the swine for the Prouching of which for the future  
Be it Enacted by the moderator and freemen of said Town in Town meeting assembled and by the authority of said Town meeting it is hereby Enacted that from and after the Twenty fifth Day of next November no swine of any kind what soever be permitted to go at Large in in that Part of said Town of Providence here after mentioned Namely on such Part of Providence neck on which the Town stands as shall be to the southward of a straight Line drawn from a Bridge known by the name of the Bridge on the mill River to Pautuket Bridge on Pautuket River the same including all the Compact Part of said Town as it is bounded northwardly by said Line Eastwardly by Pautuket and Pautuket River Southwardly and southwesterly by Providence River and westwardly by that Part of said mill River which is to the southward of said Line  
and be it further Enacted by the authority aforesaid that when and as often as any swine of what kind soever shall be found going at Large in any of the Streets Highways or Lanes of that Part of the Town of Providence above described or in any other mans place within said Part of the Town of Providence saving on the Land of him that shall own said swine and that such swine shall be known to have been out of the Inclosure of the owner thereof for more than Twelve Hours after Note giving the owner of the same; that then it shall be Lawfull for any Person what soever: Let the owner of such swine Live who so will; to Kill Destroy Consume to his own use the same and any such swine Taken as aforesaid shall immediately upon his being so taken be come the Property of the Person taking the same any Law Usage or custom of this Town to the contrary notwithstanding

The meeting is Resolved

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At a Town meeting held at Providence on the 14<sup>th</sup> day of August 1745 being the last Tuesday in said month  
Col<sup>l</sup> Dan<sup>l</sup> Abbott chosen moderator

It is voted that the moderator have power to appoint men to receive of votes and to hold the hats  
Mr John Angel, Capt Christophor Lippit;  
~~Mr~~ Capt Benjamin Patter  
and Capt Joseph Enoy are chosen deputies to go with Kingstown within and for the Colony of Rhode Island and Providence plantations &c. on the last Wednesday of October next

At a Town meeting held at Providence on the 10<sup>th</sup> day of October; 1745 being the third Wednesday in said month

Richard Waterman jun<sup>r</sup> moderator  
Mr Thomas Harris jun<sup>r</sup>, Joseph Fisk, Phinias Brown & Jonath<sup>n</sup> King chosen grand jurymen  
Mr William Borden, John Power, John Burton jun<sup>r</sup> chosen petty jurymen  
to go to the next inferior Court of Common Pleas and Genl<sup>l</sup> Sessions of the Peace to be hold at Providence within and for the County of Providence on the third Tuesday of December Next

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At a Town Meeting held at Providence on the 13<sup>th</sup> Day of January 1745 being the second Monday in said Month

Mr Stephen Hopkins chosen Moderator  
Capt Nathaniel Gough chosen Grand Jurymen and Richard Waterman of third chosen Petty Jurymen to go to the next Superior Court of Assize and Genl<sup>l</sup> Sessions to be hold at Newport on the first Tuesday of March next within and for the Colony of R<sup>h</sup>

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Whereas if Streets of the Town of Providence in County of Providence are frequently much in want with Nuisances of various kinds not only to the Hindrance & great Annoyance of the Inhabitants of the Town but also of the Neighbouring

Be it therefore voted & enacted by this Town Meeting & by the Authority of the same it is enacted that all Nuisances of what kind or Nature soever, which after the Publication of this by Law or Act, shall be laid in any Place or Part of the Town, Street, or Lane be so far as may be necessary for the Use of the Town, and if any Nuisance of the Town for any Time being, shall or may be found at public Auction to the highest Bidder of Money being sent from the Town into the Treasury of the Town of Providence hereafter to be first made

Provided always if any Nuisance of the above or other kind shall be found to be in such a Place as is above expressed viz the Streets of the Town, the first Notice of the Owner or Owners of such Nuisance, if their Office, either in person, or by leaving a written Notice thereof at their respective dwellings if such Name be known but if not, then to set up a Notification thereof at the Town Bridge fourty Eight Hours before they proceed to such Nuisance or Sale as is above expressed And if any Nuisance for any Time being, shall be found for every Notification so given or set up two Shillings for every hour spent in removing the Nuisance, two Shillings and a half for every day of Retention, besides necessary Cartage & Cartage

Provided also if any Person building or erecting any House or building in the Town, Street shall have all reasonable & necessary Indulgences for his Accommodation whilst he is building anything in this Act contained to the contrary Whosoever

126. ~~The~~ ~~written~~ ~~was~~ ~~voted~~ ~~and~~ ~~put~~ ~~into~~  
an act at a Town meeting y<sup>e</sup> 13<sup>th</sup> of Janua<sup>r</sup>  
1745 Toz<sup>t</sup> Richard Wainor Town Clerk

~~It is~~ ~~voted~~ ~~that~~ ~~the~~ ~~account~~ ~~of~~ ~~Joismiah~~  
Field John Randall and Edward Sheldon amounting  
to the sum of Ten pounds and ten shillings being  
for their trouble and service of my part in the what  
money there was in the hands of the Town Council  
and trustees of the poor and other persons, belonging  
to the Town: and that the said sum of Ten pounds  
and ten shillings be allowed and paid out of the Town  
treasury to the said Joismiah Field John Randall  
and Edward Sheldon for their trouble and service  
afore said

At a Town meeting hold at Providence on the  
Tenth day of March: 1745 being Calvary  
Mr. Richard Wainor chosen moderator

voted that a New Bridg Eighteen feet wide to be built over  
Weymouth River that the Eastmost abutment be carried  
out thirty feet the westmost four feet the aforementioned  
road be and one stone pillar in the middle that the  
afore said stone work be built and finished as soon as  
May be next summer and the wooden work next fall  
and that such other pillars as may be thought needfull  
be laid out as the funds will allow still to be used in  
a fund sufficient for repairing said Bridg built as  
afore said ~~the~~ meeting is adjourned

This Act is referred to the next meeting

At a Town Meeting Held at Providence  
on y<sup>e</sup> 16<sup>th</sup> day of April A.D. 1746  
being y<sup>e</sup> third Wednes day in y<sup>e</sup> month  
Ezekiel Warner chosen Moderator  
M<sup>r</sup> Geo: Brown Joseph Sheldon John  
Hopkins and Henry Harris

Shofon deputys to serve at the next Gen<sup>l</sup>  
Assembly to be holden at Newport on the first  
Wednesday of May next: and the day before the  
Election  
M<sup>r</sup> Benjamin Pearl Nathaniel Day Thomas Duke  
and David Kurlenbargo are Shofon Grand jurymen  
and M<sup>r</sup> James E. Chase Daniel Mathewson  
and Edward Winnicutt are Shofon petit jurymen  
Shofon Jurymen To serve at the next  
Inferiour Court of Common Pleas and Gen<sup>l</sup> Sessions  
of the Peace to be holden at Providence within  
and for the County of Providence on the third  
Tuesday of June next

At a Town Meeting Held at Providence on y<sup>e</sup> 21<sup>st</sup> day of June in  
y<sup>e</sup> year 1746 being the 10<sup>th</sup> day of said month and the Towns  
Election day Coll<sup>l</sup> Daniel Sobel chosen Moderator  
by Electors was chosen  
Richard Waterman Jud<sup>l</sup> Shofon Town Clerk Engaged  
M<sup>r</sup> Alexander Fairer chosen Town Justice Exp<sup>d</sup>  
M<sup>r</sup> George Brown Daniel Smith Thomas Harris Juris  
Waterman John Whipple Jud<sup>l</sup> & Thomas Olney Jurors  
Shofon Town Council men  
M<sup>r</sup> William Ashton Jud<sup>l</sup> & Benjamin Balthrop  
Thomas Jenner Jud<sup>l</sup> & Benjamin Gorham & are Shofon Constables  
M<sup>r</sup> John Whipple Jur<sup>l</sup> Shofon Town Keeper  
John Angel Jud<sup>l</sup> = Shofon Varduo master  
M<sup>r</sup> Robert Gibbs George Brown & Richard Young are Shofon  
and it to audit to audit the Towns accounts: both the Towns accounts  
& particular accounts  
M<sup>r</sup> Daniel Smith George Brown Equivol. Waterman & Ezeiel  
Wainor and Henry Harris are Shofon Ratemakers  
Joseph Crawford Josiah King and Peter Nowcom are Shofon Overseers of  
M<sup>r</sup> Edward Sheldon Benjamin Whipple & Samuel Longtick are  
Shofon Overseers of the poor  
John Mantor & Amariah Waterman Shofon Overseers to take  
Lease and repair the Bridg at way by road  
Thomas Kinnicut & Peter Nowcom are Shofon Overseers of plant  
M<sup>r</sup> Stephen Bonney Joseph Harris Jonathan Jones  
Cornelius Easton Edward Jenner Daniel Mathewson Juris  
Mathewson and Zephaniah Richards are Shofon Overseers  
M<sup>r</sup> Ashton's founal Packers Shofon scavengers  
Thomas Hiltton and Eligh Tillinghast are Shofon  
Soalers of Leather  
Joseph Sheldon & Peter Nowcom are Shofon Gagers of  
Cis & Bullers of Rupper hoops and soalers of  
of Babswand porke  
Daniel Smith George Brown and Juris Waterman Shofon  
affairs to Peter Nowcom and Eligh Tillinghast Shofon  
constables to gather in such rates as are also good on

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 Bpt Thomas Fields  
 Wm Ashton John Patter Junr John Warner Christopher Lipp  
 John Waterman Elisha Brown Hozekiah Smith Charles  
 Edward Trip Eng Joseph Thornton Amos Westcott Jonathan  
 Whipple Robert Williams Moses Smith Jan<sup>r</sup> Oyer  
 John Trip Eng Sam<sup>l</sup> Winger Junr Gabez Westcott Dan<sup>l</sup>  
 Banner Joseph Fish John Manton John King Wm Whipp  
 Bonove Patter Pelog Williams Junr James Hoy's Sam<sup>l</sup>  
 Longdon Hope Longe Richard Mathewson and Shofen  
 Jurvaysors of the highways

At a Town Meeting held at Providence on  
 the 25<sup>th</sup> day of August (being the last Tuesday  
 in the month) Anno Domini 1745

Robert Gibbs Esq<sup>r</sup> Chofen Moderator  
 W<sup>m</sup> Phillip Billingsgate Chofen Grand Jurymen and  
 W<sup>m</sup> James Brown Chofen Petite Jurymen

To serve at the next Superior Court of Judicature  
 Court of Assize and General Sessions to be hold  
 to hold at Newport within and for the Colony of Rhode  
 Island &c on the first Tuesday of September next

W<sup>m</sup> George Brown = W<sup>m</sup> Stephen Hopkins; W<sup>m</sup> Bony  
 Patter Junr and W<sup>m</sup> Jonathan Randall and Chofen  
 deputies to serve at the next Gen<sup>l</sup> Assembly to  
 be hold at Providence on the last Wednesday of Octo  
 ber next <sup>within</sup> and for the Colony of Rhode Is<sup>l</sup> &c  
 if meeting is dissolved

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 At a Town meeting held at Providence on the 25<sup>th</sup> day of  
 October A.D. 1745 - being the last Tuesday in the month  
 and refusing - Chofen Moderator

W<sup>m</sup> William Pearce Chofen Moderator in his Roome  
 Bpt Joseph Borden Thomas Harding; Jonathan Whipple  
 and Daniel Abbal Junr Chofen Grand Jurymen  
 and ~~Robert~~ Hozekiah Smith David Harris and  
 Horenden Chofen Petite Jurymen

To serve at the next inferior Court of Common Pleas and  
 General Sessions to be hold at Providence within and for  
 the County of Providence on the Third Thursday of December  
 next

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 Thomas Field  
 John Warner Christopher  
 John Watson Elisha Brown  
 Joseph Thornton Amos Westcott Jonathan  
 Whipple Robert Williams Moses Smith  
 John Trip Eng - Jaml - wingor gud galoz westcott  
 Hanner Joseph Fish John Manton John King  
 Bonone Patter Pelag Williams gud James Hoyler  
 Congdon Hope Compe Richard Matherson  
 and others  
 Jurymen of the highways

A Town Meeting held at Providence  
 the 25<sup>th</sup> day of August (being the last Tuesday  
 in the month) Anno Domini 1745  
 Robert Gibbs Esq. Moderator  
 Mr. Philip Bunting Esq. Grand Jurymen  
 Mr. James Brown Esq. Justice of the Peace  
 To serve at the next Superior Court of Judicature  
 Court of Assize and General Sessions to be held  
 at Newport within and for the Colony of Rhode  
 Island on the first Tuesday of September next

Mr. George Brown - Mr. Stephen Hopkins; Mr. Bony  
 Deputies to serve at the next Gen<sup>l</sup> Assembly to  
 be held at Providence on the last Wednesday of Oct  
 next and for the Colony of Rhode Is<sup>l</sup> &c;  
 if meeting is dissolved

John May

A meeting of a Committee held at the House of  
 William Turpin in Providence the 27<sup>th</sup> day of May 1728  
 to take up accounts with the Towns Treasurer  
 and we find upon the auditing the Treasurers Accounts  
 that there Remains in the Treasury due to the Towns  
 the sum of one hundred and nine pounds  
 sixteen shillings and one penny — £ 109 — 16 — 1

Phillip Bellingham  
 Richard Browne  
 Richard Waterman

we followeth an order for the Treasurer to pay the several persons  
 according to the several sums sett against each persons name

we find there is due to Elizabeth Rhoades for  
 the keeping of Deborah Moros children until  
 the 27<sup>th</sup> day of April last past the sum of  
 three pounds and ten shillings which Remains  
 unpaid — £ 3 — 10 — 00

we think it Justice to stop ten shillings at  
 present to satisfy Mrs Roger Bellinghams Junors  
 wife for the charge and trouble she hath bin at  
 to bring the charge of keeping the youngest child  
 for us a week when before that she paid 10<sup>s</sup>  
 for a week — £ 00 — 10 — 00

and doo hereby order Mr William Turpin to pay the Remains  
 ing part of the above s<sup>d</sup> sum To y<sup>e</sup> s<sup>d</sup> Elizabeth Rhoades  
 and also satisfy the s<sup>d</sup> Mrs Bellinghams out of the s<sup>d</sup>  
 ten shillings — for her charge and trouble there in

andly — there is allowed For services done by the Constables  
 To Walter Photo plain for mor Constables — £ 5 — 00 — 00  
 To William Apton Constable — 1 — 05 — 00

Account with Capt William Potter for services  
 done in the time when he was Town sergeant } 1 — 06 — 08  
 and we find there is due to him —

is paid to Richard Waterman Justice for  
 being house Rent of Capt. Dan<sup>l</sup> Abbott } 1 — 10 — 00  
 for annual Rent and for Attendance —  
 months in 1726

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to Job Harris for the Digging of Hannah  
and the Grave  
due to Richard Waterman Junr for the Repairing  
of Way Bayot Bridge in the years 1724  
2000 fms are yet due to the Repairing  
Way Bayot Bridge in the years 1724  
Besides the forty pounds allowed by the  
Colony the sum of 22-14-6  
to be paid to Capt William Potter

and there is due to our selves for the  
services done upon the Committee the  
sum of five shillings a piece

Phillip Fillingham  
Richard Browne  
Richard Waterman

John Wheaton In my presence and hearing on ye 23<sup>rd</sup> day  
of June 1739<sup>th</sup> sworn by God: and by 2 others

1-10-0  
1-13-0  
3-23-0