

TOWN MEETINGS No. 1

1892-1915

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Town Meeting Proceedings
 At Town meeting the 16th of June 1692 it being the first meeting of the month
 Thomas Oldroyd Moderator
 Mr. Joseph Chosey Towne Clarke & Engaged
 William Hawksby Joseph Woodcock & Richard
 Alderman are chosen Constables & Engaged
 Mr. Daley is chosen for Justice & Engaged
 Mr. Olney, write: Hopkins, Davidson, Fillingham
 Mr. Waterman, Joseph Williams & Benjamin
 member are chosen for Towne Council
 Mr. Fillingham is chosen for Justice
 Mr. Olney & James Aggall are chosen for Justice
 Mr. Partridge & Dr. Brewster of the Towne
 being prohibited from being chosen Cap. de laire
 & Tho. Olney Jurisdiction to lay out land
 & what further the Jurors and the
 meeting is adjourned until the 27th day of July
 the meeting of Election is at an End the moderator
 not appearing
 At a quarter meeting July 27. 1692
 Tho. Olney moderator
 At a quarter meeting January 27. 1693
 Tho. Olney moderator
 At a Town meeting March 6th 1693 Tho. Olney Moderator
 Chosen for Grand Jurymen to sit at Court of Tryalls to be
 holden for this County at Newmarket the first Tuesday of August next
 Joseph Good for Petty Jurymen William Woodcock Joseph Jones
 Edward London hath this day proposed & desired of the Towne to take care
 of him for his disability for that he is lame & decrepid & disabled that
 he is incapable to hold any more

order was there is not Henry Jacob who came from
 Towne of Linnin^g Massach^u set Colon^y hath this day Exhibited
 a Bill unto y^e Towne of Linnin^g their admittance of him to make
 a bed amongst them, he being about 80 years of age, the same which
 belongeth to y^e heirs of Joseph Wilke son (deceased) who Towne
 having taken the matter into consideration & having inquired in
 his capacity, & so far as the Towne can understand the said
 is notways likely to be chargeable, nor burthen some to y^e
 the Towne being no more there fore by a free & full
 man doconting) Grant the^y Henry Jacob admittance
 ing to his bill.

whereas there is a piece of land laid out unto
 manny in y^e right of Rich: Poyt it being y^e wife of the
 which pertaineth by y^e laws & orders to y^e Towne as the
 a supposition that the said land belongeth to James Clarke or his
 Doctor, but the matter being this day proposed to y^e Towne,
 Having heard what hath been said Concerning y^e matter
 by the^y person is declared to be y^e said land that the said
 land was neither belongeth to James Clarke nor to nicolai Poynt
 but was y^e Townes Common & free for Nath: Masony to take up

whereas there is one William Affley who formerly dwelt at
 the Towne of Wells & from thence removed to Boston Col^ony
 being in the Col^ony of Massachusetts & the^y William Affley
 having removed himselfe & his family into this Towne of
 Woburne where he hath been since y^e day of y^e 1st of
 Hardin in his house ever since unto this day, & as he had
 with his family resided at y^e said Abraham H^o in our Towne
 about a quarter of a year, he hath presented his bill & request
 admittance, the Towne have not yett received his bill & request
 the capacity as the said Affley is, have by this present
 & declared that they do not grant the said Affley
 admittance into our Towne neither do they take any
 to be removed him out of the Towne. But in case the
 Affley do fall to want or be chargeable that then he
 shall be relieved by him or his wife or some y^e laws determines
 shall relieve poor people who are under such circumstances
 as the^y Affley is,

John Scipio Protest against y^e above said
 whereas Edward Gooden y^e inhabitant of y^e Towne of
 for y^e said Edward Gooden y^e inhabitant of y^e Towne of
 have committed the matter into y^e hands of y^e Towne
 will order for his maintenance & doe by this present act
 Councill to provide a place for the said Edward Gooden
 inhabitants of y^e Towne of Woburne to provide a place
 Council shall act & doe as they shall see cause
 custome to all into y^e Towne of Woburne
 and been the^y

At a Towne meeting of April y^e 27th 1693.
 Tho: Olney moderat. It being a quarter day,
 Upon y^e request of Robert Westgate the Towne hath
 granted liberty to him for him & his family to reside
 in y^e Towne.

whereas Henry Brown, Daniel Brown, Tho: Poley
 again: Wmsot have Exhibited a Bill to y^e Towne this day
 as concerning a high way Northward through y^e Neck: The
 is to be for y^e next Towne meeting, & that Samuel
 & others Conspired with lands, which have by force
 or lands to them laid out. Bards any high way or
 any convenience to be warned in to y^e meeting by y^e present
 there to appear that day. The meeting is deferred.

At a Towne meeting of Election June y^e 5th 1693.
 It being the first Monday of y^e month.
 Tho: Olney Chosen y^e Towne Clarke.
 Chosen for Constables Daniel Williams
 Nathaniel Marroy, & Elias Carpenter.
 Chosen for the Towne
 Majestates, Dardons & C
 Nath: warbman, Jo: W
 Tho: Olney
 Dardons & Illinghurst cho
 Chosen for Jurors: Th
 Chosen for Jurors to la
 Hopkin & Tho: Olney.
 Chosen for way bar
 Tho: Poley hath posse
 Brigagant. to the office
 Dardons & Illinghurst being
 being this day against
 with up his account to

Had the account which he gives the Town is
that the last year he received nothing as he
is Town Treasurer; & therefore he can give the Town
no other account, but that little which he hath
received is as he was appointed by Council to
receive it, & is ready to give of Council an
account thereof.

Daniel Brown is chosen for Janr.
Ordered that Dan: Williams, Nath: Marrey
& Silas Carpenter who are chosen Constables
by the major part summoned in to come by
the Town meeting by adjournment of
the 16th of June 1693 to their office, & also
to give their Engagemt. to the 16th instant
The meeting is adjourned unto Friday the 16th instant

Friday June 16th 1693 the meeting is againe
in being Tho: Alroy Continues moderator.
Daniel Brown having positively refused to give his Engage-
ment unto y^e office of a forjant, the Town hath chosen
Samuel Williams, Samuel

Engaged to y^e office of a Constable
and being before the Town this
is y^e office of a Constable now
chosen but he positively
refused to officiate in y^e place
of a Constable.

Samuel Williams, Samuel
hath made request by bill
that those who are to go thro
at each maner of shop
should give a more full
account of y^e same
Friday 23rd instant

The meeting is againe in being Friday
the 23rd of June 1693. Tho: Alroy Continues moderator
Sam: ningsford ~~was~~ appeared not.

Nath: Marrey & Engage Constable
comes Engage chosen Constable & refused to give
whereas this Town of Providence upon their
election day the 18th of June last met together
& chose their Town officers but the Constables
& forjants upon who were chosen from all refused
to give Engagemt unto their respective offices
having only Nath: Marrey & Silas Carpenter, & y^e
Towne having not now 3 dayes & more and during the
effect & accomplish the getting of their y^e officers
but those who are chosen will be refusing to serve
the Town are constrained to cease further
choyse & leave y^e matter to settle as it may.

At a Town meeting September 19th 1693
Tho: Alroy Moderator

whereas this Town of Providence did upon the
day of March last at their Town Meeting order the
Towne Council to take care of Edward London to pro-
vide a place for him & to send a shal upon the inhabi-
tants of y^e Towne for y^e London's relief. The wh
the Council have performed, and have this day given
an account thereof to the Towne; and the time which
the said Council agreed for y^e said London his keeping
is almost expired therefore the Council the Council
doe the refuse ^{signifie} the same unto y^e Towne that
the Towne may take care of y^e London for his further
supply the Council being now unconcerned
with y^e London

whereas Andrew Edmunds of this Town hath for
the space of one year at least & more and him-
self from his wife & family's orders by they

have had ^{considerable} no relief from him, neither can
his wife receive any account what is become
of him nor whether he is gone. And it so
falls that his wife finds her selfe unable
to maintaine his family but must be
forced to put forth their children,
Shew therefore do the desire the Towne
Assistance in y^e matter that so what is
thereto done may be effectuell, & in
any wayes to be devokt
The Towne doe now Commit the performance
of y^e said matter unto the Towne Councill

The meeting is do of

At a quarter meeting January y^e 27: 1693⁷
The Olney moderator

Whereas there is a bill Exhibited by Cornelius Walling
Requesting advice how to come by his Right of land
in y^e West side of y^e mile line the matter is referred
unto some time that the purchasers & Proprietors doe
meet together only to consider as concerning y^e Affairs of
y^e lands the first of May in March next the day
which is agreed upon for the said meeting

Whereas George Koch hath this day given in
an account unto y^e Towne Concerning Edward Long
who was by y^e Towne sent to him putt to keep, that y^e said
Londoner upon y^e day of January 1693, the said
Koch demanding of y^e Towne the sum of 6^l 2^s 6^d
which yet they are not yett admitted unto him for keeping
y^e London as the said Koch also having
given in a bill of particulars of what he longer to y^e Towne
as they are by the present appraisers accounts
The Towne doe order that the same made for the
Relief of Ed: London shall be gathered up & delivered
in to y^e Treasurer & the Treasurer made up y^e account
with George Koch & discharged without

Whereas Jonathan Wimple is bound to
the Towne by a bond for y^e sum of
what charge might accrue to y^e Towne
of his entertaining of one Joshua Barham,
But forasmuch as the Towne is certified that
the said Joshua Barham is no wayes at any time
likely to be chargeable to y^e Towne, do the Towne
declare the said bond null & void, & that
the Clarke may at his convenient time deliver
the y^e Bond unto Jonathan Wimple

At a Towne meeting February 28: 1693⁷
The Olney moderator

Whereas for a grand jury Man to serve at a Court of Sessions to be
held on after the Callony at Newch the last day of March
is the said for Deputy Jurors, Daniel Phillipps, John
June, Chapman for Deputies, referred in y^e Month of
the first Wednesday in May next & in y^e Month the day before
at the Harris, John Doctor, George Crofford, James Long

At a meeting of y^e purchasers & Proprietors of y^e land
of Providence in y^e County of Hampshire the 6th day of
division of the lands on the west side of y^e mile line
March y^e 6th, 1693. The Olney Moderator
the Carting on y^e works of this day

Whereas there have been some parcels of land laid out of
by Captaine Arthur Honnor as y^e general persons on y^e west
y^e mile line as y^e inhabitants of y^e Towne are informed
of y^e said land hath this day been concerning y^e same, & have
I cannot see orders in our books concerning y^e lands on
y^e west side of y^e said line, the major part of y^e purchasers & Proprietors
present doe & have by words determined that the said lands so
y^e said Capt Honnor is contrary to our orders & so illegall
It is ordered that after the last day of April next
the said parcels of land be returned unto the Director

may proceede to laying out the land on the
west side of 1/2 mile and 1/2 acres to each
right hand notice of the time that
each person may be payd to take his turn
according to his draught or lott,

A Towne meeting being the second quarter day April 27th 1694
The Honorable Mr. Olney

Whereas, there is a complaint made to
the Towne about a high way up into the Northward part of
our Towne, where people being obstructed in their passage,
It is therefore ordered by the Towne that two men be chosen
to goe forth with or without what speed convenient they may, & view
what way or ways may be made convenient from the Towne up to
the lands belonging to Edward Jaman & his partners & where & how
the said high way or ways may be made convenient to lay & may
be the least damage to persons lands & to make report to the
Towne the next quarter day after they have so done, & it is
desired that out of the major part be along with these two
men to assist in propagating of the matter. The two men whom
the Towne shall choose & appoint for this purpose are Tho. Harris
Joseph Jonkes junr.

Whereas there is a high way lying betwixt the fields which
Edward Olney & his partners have & the fields which
belong to the Eastward, but some persons have barre up the said
high way that use cannot be had there of to the damage
of many persons, The Towne is therefore ordered that the said
high way shall be forth with laid open that so it may be
the more free of passage up and down the course as high way
right to doe.

A Towne meeting of Edward Jaman & his partners
first Monday of June 1694, it being
Olney chosen Towne Clerk.
Joseph Jonkes, Robert West, & Content Clements are chosen
to goe to view the high way & to lay out the same, but the proposition
to goe to view the high way is not accepted.

Chosen for the Councill Darden, Thomas Willings,
Walter Waterman, Joseph Williams, William
Hopkins, Ben. Carpenter, Tho. Olney.

Chosen for Treasurer, Darden Willings.
Arthur Honner & Rich. Arnd chosen Surors to
out lott.
Eph. Olney & James Jones are chosen way wardens.
Robert West gate Engaged Constable
Upon Phillip Willings & Joseph Arthur Honner
June is chosen Jurant.

Whereas there is a complaint this day made unto the
Towne concerning a high way up into the Northward part of a
plantation, people being obstructed in their passage, for
as the Towne did upon the quarter day last make some
about of same but it not being full to effect, & work
to be done there fore more of it that Richard Arnd
& Joseph Jonkes junr. doo with what convenient
they may, to lay a high way or high ways what
be good full through the Country from the place
the more so upon unto the lands belonging to
Edward Jaman & his partners & to make satisfaction in
the judgement may be set unto those persons on
land those high ways or high ways shall intrene
which satisfaction shall be made out of a Common
The more so more is as for next unto Monday the 11th in
about 10 of 12 Clock.

Monday 11th of June 1694. the meeting is againe
Tho. Olney Continues moderator.

Whereas there have been some persons chosen at the
to the office of a Jurant, but have refused to take
the said office, it is therefore ordered by the Towne that the person
that what fines be taken from those who refuseing it shall be
that person who by the Towne is chosen Jurant & acceptable
shall it hinder what the inhabitants of the Towne are to allow

Contentment Clemence is Engaged Constable
Epo. Olney is chosen of Council in y^e Exchequer of Joseph
Williams

Whereas it is of all sort persons chosen to the office
of a Sergeant doe still refuse to for it in the office
it is ordered that in case that no person already chosen will for it
in so office that then the magistrates shall appoint some
man & pay the same so agreed with all out of the fines of
the delinquent or other wise of money can legally be
comod by

At a Towne meeting August 21: 1694 Tho. Olney Moderator
for jury man to serve at the Court of Trials to be holden
at Newport at ~~the~~ for the following the first Tuesday
in September next is Tho. Plater
for petty jury man Henry Bowers & Jam: Swinfor
chosen for Deputies to serve at the generall Assembly
to be holden at Providence the last Wednesday in October
next are Pardon Tillinghast, Gideon Cufford, John Sayles
Samuel Abbott

At a Towne meeting of the purchasers & proprietors of the new Towne
in the County of Rhode Island the 28th of August 1694
it was ordered that the Towne should be divided into
four parts of equal quantity of land & that it should be
granted unto him who should buy the most acres of land
within the bounds of the Towne & that he should have
the right of the other lands which he had bought within
the bounds of the Towne & that he should have the right
of the other lands which he had bought within the bounds
of the Towne & that he should have the right of the other
lands which he had bought within the bounds of the Towne
the 28th of August 1694 meeting is againe in being Tho. Olney Continues
Moderator

Whereas there is an order contained in our Records that there shall
be laid out to each man that hath a right of land on the west side of the
seven mile line one hundred & fifty acres of upland; but for the further
laying out of upland on the west side of the seven mile line it is considered
full & well determined that all lands on the west side of the seven mile
line excepting what is already measured shall be divided & taken for
an equal share in the laying out of each mans right of land of 150 acres
on the west side of the line if it so happen that some small parcels
of land do fall within any mans land which cannot be divided
shall be taken notice of by the Surveyors & god on for so much of the
of the same as shall belong to that man

At a Quarter day meeting January the 28: 1694 because
the 27th day fell upon the first day of the week: Tho. Olney
chosen Moderator

Whereas there is a stranger and Benoni woolly who hath com
into our Towne & although he is no inhabitant hath been so act
within our Towne as though he had by the Towne been admitted
the which act of the Towne hath bene cause to take notice
and to prevent further inconveniences which may through
means ensue upon the Towne; The Towne doe by this act declare
that they doe not admitt nor give any allowance to the said
Benoni woolly to make residence or abode in our Towne

Whereas there is one Tho. Elwell who of Swinfor
hath desired admittance into our Towne to reside amongst us
by hiring some land; but the Jo. Elwell not giving the Towne
satisfaction here hee may obtaine a livelihood in our Towne as
yet having agreed with any person for any place to settle
to procure a livelihood, doe not see cause to grant his request
for admittance

The meeting is adjourned untill monday the 4th of
February next
February the 4th 1694 the meeting is againe in being
Tho. Olney Continues Moderator

At a Towne meeting February the 25: 1694 Tho. Olney Moderator
for jury man to serve at the Court of Trials to be holden
the last of the day in March next Elihu Arnold is chosen
for petty jury man Tho. Olney just Tho. Harris just

Chosen for Deputies to serve at the generall Assembly of
the said Towne the first Wednesday in March next & at the same
the day before Election are Tho. Plater, Will: Hopkins, Tho. Plater
Jonathan Savage

Whereas there is ofentimes great difficulties & trouble fall
upon the Constables & other officers for want of some place
or place of the to secure prisoners until they can be
brought to the County Prison at Newport; The
having this day taken into consideration &
determined & concluded by a full Court of the
to secure prisoners in the which house to be
stone the walls thereof & other & strong to be made
& to be 12 feet long with the walls thereof to be
to be 12 feet high in the walls thereof to be
upon floors the under floor being very thick & strong
sleepers & wide planks with 2 inch planks the upper floor
to be with strong timbers & not of lown with planks the do

20 At a Town meeting September 28th 1696.
The: Olney Moderator.

Whereas there was an act past in the Generall
Assembly of Election in May last, & also by adjournment
in July last for a date of 2nd of Jan^y next on each persons estate
within this Colony should be assessed & gathered by the
last of this instant September, & in order thereto unto
Each Town was ordered to chuse men to levy said
Rate on each of their respective Inhabitants. Whereupon
of magistrats in Providence having issued forth his
warrant, & caused Inhabitants of Providence to meet
this day in order to chuse men for that purpose.
The Town being not have taken matter into Consider-
ation, & finding they are obstructed as with respect to
their jurisdiction where by they cannot but expect
that if they should proceed to levy a Rate upon
their Inhabitants, & proceed to gathering of it, that
that they should still meet with like Objection,
and knowing that the Assembly is not far off, do think
it most Expedient to suspend the Choice, or any proceed-
ing in matter for y^e present.

The above meeting should have been entered before the
quarter day October 27th 1696. but by a mistake was missed.

At a Quarter day meeting January 27th 1697 The: Olney
Moderator.

Whereas the Town of Providence in their first
settlement layd out severall Houset Lots in order to
fence them in generall & after wards layd out
severall other lots in order to fence them in, in some
where by severall fields called generall fields have
been propagated, & fences in according to the Town
Orders & have formed by from year to year & each
year according to Towns Order for the said fence that
Town wardly or dring in some places that each
man on the said fields should make up his
fence sufficient by the day by the Towns Order & not
to break up the said fields until the day by the Towns
Order. But whereas of some late years the former
Orders of the Towne or Customes concerning the said
have been neglected & the said lot have layen much open
to the great damage of severall persons in the said
Colony, Therefore upon the Complaint of severall
in the said fields Concerned, the Towne do hereby

order & enact, And it is hereby Orderd & enacted by
the Town of Providence that all the Generall
fields about the longing to the Town of Providence
shall be sufficiently made up by each person in the
said fields Concerned that is each man shall make his share
of fence into the fields unto him belonging, & to make it good
& sufficient by the last day of March next following
the said Order, & in case that any person Concerned in the
said fields should refuse or delay to do so, the Towne
do hereby Orderd & enact that the said man chosen
to judge the sufficiency of the fence, & to look to the per-
formance thereof according to the promise aforesaid
by him given to supply persons to make up the said defect-
ive fence, & to do so to any one of the Magistrates
& desired of the same warrant to a Constable to set same
to deliver it to the person who are over seer of the fence,
who shall have with pay the sum of the money about
the work & also to pay him self for the said
the which work shall be 20th day both for the
overseer & also the hired men. The Towne do also desire
& Orderd the Magistrate to issue forth the warrant as a case
may be.

whereas Joseph Whipple hath desired of the
Towne that they would grant him a small pece
of land lying on the north side of his lot where his
New dwelling is in the Providence Towne & so butt on
the highway, reaching from Towne Street to high
way to the brow of y^e first hill Eastward where the
Joseph Whipple his hay yard now standeth, the Towne
hath granted it on this Condition (viz) That for & in
Consideration of y^e pece of land the said Joseph Whipple
his heirs, Executors, Administrators & Assignes
shall continually from this day for ward make
maintaine & Reop the highway (lying before
the land where or his New dwelling is at the
End of the lot) called the Towne Street, in good and
sufficient Repair, that so it may be a sufficient
& passable Cartway all along the Street from the
Northward Corner of the said pece of land, and
and so Southward to the Southward Corner of the
said Joseph Whipples land next to John Whipples land

2^d Paid Joseph Whipple for himselfe his heirs
Exors Administrators & Assignes, for
satisfaction to the Towne for 2000^o of land
have fully agreed unto the premises, the same
accordingly to doo & performe: & that the Olde
the Towne's surveyor shall bound out the said
peece of land what it shall bee.
The meeting is adjourned unto Wednesday
the 3^d of Feb. next.

February 3^d 1697. no meeting in regard to being adjourned
to. Olney's Modest.

Joseph Whipple & Philipp Ringhart are Chosen for this year
to place the honorall fields about & belonging to this Towne &
to judge of the sufficiency of each mans fence & to see to
the executing the same as was made the 24th of January last
Concerning the fence of fields;
It is ordered that all the honorall fields shall be cleared from
all sort of weeds & spruce by the 1st of April next annually.
It is ordered that all the honorall fields belonging to this Towne
shall be kept in mow until the 8th day of October next not to
be open before nor any cattle to be put in or allowed in
that day, and so to continue annually.

Whereas the field owned by Joseph Whipple
fidd his predecessors for some lot (lying
in the honorall field) the said field hath been
for some time since he sold the same to the
of the Towne that he may joyne in with the rest of the
neighbors bound the same & with them to make the
part of side fence to Joseph Whipple fidd according to his
request of plots & equal with a lot of his neighbors
It is by the Towne granted unto the said field.

February 9th 1697. Laid out unto Joseph
Whipple a peece of land about a quarter
of an acre lying in the north
side of Joseph Whipples land
where on he dwelleth; the same
bounding with a hedge of fowles & from it to
range eastward to a small hill from which
to a small bog; of East the bounding with the
mantom land, of West with the highway north

2^d
did with the Common, & on a fourth with Joseph
Whipples land, It being according to the
order of the Towne of 27th 1696.
Laid out by me Tho. Olney Surveyor.

At a Towne meeting March 20th 1696. Tho. Olney Moderator.
To attend the honorall Court of Sessions to be hold at Newport for the
Colonies of East & West in the infant March for Grand Jury man
Daniel Williams, for Petty Jury man Richard Clements Nathaniel
Waterman Junr.
The meeting is adjourned to 12th day of April next.

At a Towne meeting April 8th 1697. Tho. Olney Moderator.

Whereas Jonathan Whipple hath desired of the Towne to have
way of urne which was laid through his land he bought of Sam.
Cotton & had to be at all charge about it & also to make a way
over a brook & other waters papable, the matter is left with the
accepting as he approves it so it shall be allowed.
The persons who are by the Towne Chosen to proportion of Rates upon the
inhabitants of this Towne of 2^d year are Tho. Smith & Nathaniel
John Smith.

Chosen for Deputies by the Towne of Providence to serve at the
Assembly of the Colonies at Newport, the first meeting may be held
at the 1st of May 1697. Election and Nathaniel Waterman
John Smith, Nathaniel Waterman, Samuel Cuffey, Ben. Carpenter,
John Smith hath refused to serve in proportioning of Rates
the election of the Towne, Samuel Cuffey is chosen in his stead.

Whereas there is a stranger one Richard Blanford & his wife
being approved by the Indian warr at East March last put out of
a way for a little wood and come into our Towne of Providence
Providence that with their own hands they may have liberty
to abide & to labour for their livelihood; The Towne providing
taken their condition into consideration & do grant of persons
assurances to have liberty without any more to be made
their time & labour for a livelihood they shall have them
for a little & orderly in the Towne.

Whereas the meeting of 20th of March last was adjourned
unto the infant Court of Sessions intended for the 27th of March
this day being the 20th of March the said Court is made null
the meeting is adjourned to the 27th of March next.

24 At a quarter meeting day April 27th 1697. Tho: Olney Moderator.
Being met. Tho: Olney Moderator.
Whereas there was a bill this day presented to
Towne by one Cornelius Darling of Woburn desiring ad-
mittance into our Towne for to abide & make a residence therein
This we have inquired into & made a Consideration of Circum-
stances, & find it meet to admit; the same is accordingly carried
it in Affirmative.
Whereas Mr. Burdett junr. hath desired a grant of a
30 foot lot on the west side of the bridge the same
have considered the request & doe conclude that each proprietor
ought to be equal in the part of lots according to proportion
& therefore doe desire the further Consideration of the
owners so as to consider what & order of each proprietor may
be so accommodated; the same being over all bills to be forth depending
for an assent for a like grant.

The meeting is dissolved.
At a Towne meeting of Election June 7th 1697. it being
the first Monday of the month. Tho: Olney Moderator.
Tho: Olney Chosen Towne Clarke.
Chosen for Constables Tho: Whipple, Dege & Burlingham
Edward Smith. Tho: Constables are all Engaged.
Tho: Harris junr. Chosen sergeant.

Richard Burdett sergeant hath this day delivered to
the Towne 2d which he looks of Joseph Smith for
the said Joseph Smiths fine for not serving as sergeant.
Plus 50 sh; the Towne doe & by votes have decreed
that the said Richard Burdett shall against the said
of 20 sh in part of his years wages as sergeant; the
said 20 sh. Tho: Richard Burdett hath in this Towne
meeting received of the Towne.

Richard Burdett Chosen sergeant.
Chosen for members of Towne Council with Majorals
Major on Hopkin Burdett Tillinghast, Nathaniel
Wardman, Spe: Olney, Ben: Carpenter, Tho: Olney.
The Purchasers & Proprietors of Providence
being met have chosen William Hoppers & Tho:
Olney for Surveyors to lay out their lands throughout
the plantation.

Whereas Tho: Harris junr. was chosen sergeant; he hath
refused to serve in office.
James Smithson is Chosen sergeant in y^e Room of Tho:
Harris junr. & is Engaged.
Phillipp Tillinghast is Chosen Clarke of y^e faire for
the next faire.
The meeting is adjourned unto Monday 19th instant;
The officers all Engaged & so the day is not full.

At a Towne meeting August 23rd 1697. Tho: Olney Moderator.
Chosen for Grand Jurymen to serve at y^e Court of Sessions
to be holden for y^e Colony at Newport the first Tuesday in
September next is Joseph Whipple; for Deputie Jurymen
John Ingersoll Ben: Whipple; & Edward Smith.
Chosen for Deputies to serve at y^e Court at a
General Assembly to sit at Watertown the 1st
last of October next are Major W:
Hoppers, Joseph Williams, Jideon Cuffier Tho:
Harris; The meeting is dissolved.

At a Towne meeting January 6th 1698
Tho: Moderator.
Chosen for Deputies to sit in Genl. Assemb: at
Newport y^e 11th of this instant are Dick: Arnold, Jo: Baxter
Jideon Cuffier, Jonathan Sprague.

At a quarter meeting January 27th 1697. Tho: Olney Moderator.
The Proclamation of Order concluded in betwixt his Majesty
& y^e Honk King was this day published in Providence by beat
of Drumm;
Grants unto Samuel Nisbet that he may charge
his 60 acres of land in y^e 2nd division;
Grants unto Benjamin Tillinghast that he may have
a piece of land by y^e 30th side of y^e lot on the north side
of Tho: Olneyward house lot, of about 30 foot more
with privilage of water passage
Grants to Nicholas Power 200 foot of y^e 30th side
what side; the meeting is adjourned unto Monday 7th Feb: 1698.

26 February 7th 1697. Tho. Olney Continues moderat.

Whereas there are severall bills depending for a grant of 40 foot lots (underward house lots) & for some having formerly considered the matter & concluded ^{equally} & equally to be proposed to each one according to their propriety & share therefore ordered that a committee of 5 men be chosen to consider of matter & to ripen things concerning it & to bring in their report by full at y^e next quarter day.

The men who are chosen for this aforesaid committee are Major Wm. Hopkins Capt. Richard Arnold, Capt. John Dexter & Lieutenant Wickenson.

Ordered that y^e which is in the Olney Towne Clarke his hands which belongs to y^e Towne shall in his hands remaine until an opportunity be there will to buy a booke for y^e Towne use.

Whereas there is a Bill Exhibited by Joseph Williams concerning y^e division of lands in y^e side of y^e mile line & another Exhibited by Daniel Abbott for y^e same purpose, these two have considered y^e matter & by whose presents ordered that all the purchasers & proprietors of lands in y^e side of y^e mile line next to consider & take order for y^e division of the same & to meete about 10 o' clock at y^e house of Col. W. Skipp & the matter of West Langdon to be y^e business of y^e day.

At a Towne meeting march 3rd 1697 Tho. Olney moderat.

Chosen for jury men to serve at a Court of Justice to be holden at Warwick on y^e 11th of March for Providence & Warwick are George Potter, Tho. Durbinham, Peter Redden, Robert Sear, Tho. Mathison & Benjamin Tillingham; the next Court is to be holden 2nd of June in this infant march.

The meeting is dissolved.

Upon y^e 27th day of January 1697 the quarter meeting day it was ordered that y^e ph. Spence juror that he may change y^e acres of land lying in y^e neck near Indian Sam. his land & take it up againe near y^e high water mark by the which land Richard Arnold formerly lay down.

At a meeting of the Purchasers & Proprietors of Providence march 10th 1697. Tho. Olney Moderat. 27

It is ordered & resolved that no kind of over plantation be run with y^e line of Providence ^{which} may be.

Ordered that each person who shall upon each right unto him belonging on y^e west side of y^e mile line pay in one shilling to pay for the running of y^e line of our plantation & to pay it in to y^e person who shall be appointed, & to have y^e shall have any land layd out on y^e west side of y^e mile line.

Joseph Williams is the person chosen to receive the aforesaid shilling on each right & each person to pay in the y^e money unto him;

That also further that the matter of running the line ~~shall be left to y^e discretion of y^e men appointed to run y^e line; & y^e men to make the same to y^e Towne of their proceedings in y^e work.~~

The men who are chosen to run y^e line are Major Wm. Hopkins Sam. Wickenson, & Tho. Olney. Ordered that these persons chosen to run y^e line shall be paid 3rd by each man for each day that they are out upon y^e service.

The meeting is dissolved.

At a Towne meeting march 21st 1697 Tho. Olney moderat.

Chosen for grand jury men to serve at y^e Generall Court of Justice to sit at Newport for y^e last Tuesday of this infant march is Jonathan Knight for petty jury men William Hawkings James Dick.

At a Towne meeting April 18th 1698 Tho. Olney Moderat.

Chosen for Deputy to serve in Generall Assembly the day before the Election next & in y^e next at y^e Election at Newport are Richard Arnold Joseph Williams, James Ingham & Joseph Wadsworth.

The meeting is dissolved.

28
At a Quarter Meeting ^{April} ~~February~~ 27th: 1698.
Tho: Olney Moderator.

Whereas there is Complaynt this day made against Richard
waterman the son of the late waterman for that he
hath monopolized & appropriated the Common Road the
way which he addeth from Wayboston towards Duxbury, the
Rich: waterman not being ready to make answer for his
-folke, the matter is referred to y^e next quarter day for a
-they adjourning, & y^e Rich: waterman in y^e mean
-while to have notice that he appear before y^e Towne
the next quarter day to shew to y^e premises.

Whereas at a meeting by adjournment y^e 4th of February y^e
the Towne of Duxbury 5 persons to consider off y^e Disput matters
concerning y^e affairs of wareshoups to be brought in their
-result to y^e Towne this day, But y^e 10 persons having not
-perfectly y^e same; the Towne doe fallow y^e persons time in
the quarter day in October next, & then to bring in their
-result.

Whereas Archibald Walker hath desired of the Towne
that they would accommodate him with a pece of swampy
land adjoining to his owne land for which he desires of the
land he professeth y^e Towne 10^l it being about one acre & a
-half or 2 acres or thereabouts, it being a pece of land
of no great value, nor as is conceived no great detrim^t
to y^e Towne in granting it. The Towne doe therefore
upon consideration that it may doe the man a pleasure
Grant the said pece of swampy land to y^e Archibald Walker
he paying 10^l for y^e same & also pay a suretie
to be bound out to him.

The meeting is dissolved

At a Towne meeting of Election June the 6th: 1698
it being the 1st first Monday in y^e Month.
Tho: Olney Moderator.
Tho: Chosen for Towne Clerke.
Chosen for Constables Hon: Edward
Nath: waterman Junr: & Richard Harris.

29
Chosen for joint Resolved waterman
For the Towne Council Tho: Olney, Dardson, Jillinghast
with: Hopkyns, Ben: Carpenter, Roger Burlinghame &
Tho: Jenner,

For Treasurer, Dardson, Jillinghast.
For Surveyors to lay out land Arthur Jenner Junr
with Hopkyns.

Daniel Williams & Samuel Whipple are Chosen for
way wardens to look to the high ways.
Phillipp Jillinghast is chosen Clarke of y^e faire;

where as the Colony in the last Election saw cause &
did elect Capt: Arnold & Mr Joseph Williams to the
place & office of Assistants, who were before by our Towne
Chosen Deputyes & sent to the said Assembly & the said Ass^{emb}:
being adjourned untill August next, where by our Towne
both resolved Deputyes wanting. The Towne having
there fore taken the matter into consideration & have
Chosen Joseph Jenner Junr: & Samuel Willkison
Deputyes to serve at y^e said Ass^{emb}: which is adjourned
to the first Tuesday in August next there to supply y^e
the Roomes of the said Capt: Arnold & Mr Williams so
to proceed.

Ordered that the 2^d fine paid by Tho: Harris for not
providing for joint shall be solider unto James Matheson
Lawyer for part of satisfaction of his wages. ^{June} which
the said Matheson hath received.

where as there was money collected for the distressed
people at y^e Eastward & a part thereof being by Mr Phillips
sent & by y^e people received, but a part thereof of y^e said
Remains not yet sent, being in the hands of Mr Jillinghast his
hand, It is therefore ordered that Mr Jillinghast do send
what convenient speed he may for the said money to those
to those persons who are appointed for the reception
of monies collected for such uses.

The meeting is adjourned unto Friday y^e 17th instant

30 Friday June 1698 the meeting is againe
 in being. Tho: Olney continues Moderator. By
 adjournment from 16th instant.

John Dextor hath this day in the open meeting
 given Engagem^t to the office of a Justice of Peace
 & received his Commission;

Henry Eames being chosen Constable ~~and~~ not
 free to officiate in the office; hee having
 agreed with Witt. Hawkins to serve in the office
 in his Room for this year, the Towne hath
 accepted of Witt. Hawkins to officiate in his
 Room & Witt. Hawkins's Engagem^t.

Resolved waterman having ~~refused~~ Refused
 to Engage to the office of a Towne for Justice &
 Tho: Williams; being chosen for joint
 upon resolved waterman's Refusal; But
 Tho: Williams his father, offering that
 Tho: Williams hath no Estate of his
 Towne, neither is he a landed man nor
 any freeman either in Towne or Colledge
 the magistrates hath therefore determined
 that the Towne shall goe to a new choice
 & that Tho: Williams to be omitted.

William Tipton is chosen Towne ~~Constable~~ & Engaged
 where as at a Towne meeting of January 1698
 there was an order made by the Towne for the
 building of a Prison in our Towne but matters
 so fell that the same hath not been dropt
 yet, the Towne having now further taken
 the matter into consideration; & by a free and
 full vote have ordered & by those presents
 doe order that a Prison be built & shall by our
 Towne be in our charge built with what Con-
 venient spend may be; And for the Erecting
 thereof the Towne by their Deputies have ordered
 & by those presents doe order that a rate of
 30th of a penny upon the inhabitants of this Towne
 with what Convent may be.

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 Ordered that 3 men be chosen to proportion the
 aforesaid Rate upon the inhabitants of the Towne
 Major Hopkins, Leift. Col. Williston & Daniel Abbot
 are chosen to proportion the Rate; And for the proportioning of the Rate Each man to be allotted
 5 s 8 d

The Towne have appointed Capt: Rich: Arnold
 Capt: John Dextor, & John Williston & made choice
 of them & into their hands Comitt the Trust of the
 building of the Prison & care for the Erecting thereof
 & to determine what sign of the Prison shall be
 & in what manner it shall be built, & to take
 care of all matters concerning the proportioning
 thereof. No meeting is dissolved.

At a quarter meeting July 27. 1698. Tho: Olney Moderator.
 Whereas there was an order sometime since made upon
 a complaint of some persons, that the bridge which is called
 Highway should be the upper side should be, licker up & the
 side highway be lay open. But upon consideration that if it
 should be a present to throw open it would be great to the
 most all unto some persons. It is therefore ordered that the
 Highway shall not be lay open, but kept in fence as it is
 until the 27th of October next.

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 that the bridge which is called Highway should be
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 shall not be lay open, but kept in fence as it is
 until the 27th of October next.

into further Consideration, do agree & order that
the Purchasers & Proprietors of Providence do
meet together about the middle of September
next on what day if major part shall appear
to Consider of any way for the putting of said
Business that so it may be effected & that
if the one or other of the major part may
be desired to grant forth his warrant to give
timely warning to all the Purchasers
& Proprietors; and William is desired to grant
forth the warrant

The meeting is desired

At a general meeting August the 26th 1698: Tho: Olney Moderator
Chosen Grand Juror to attend the Court of Sessions last at
Providence the first Tuesday in September next, is George Clinton
juror for the same Jurymen Tho: Burlington, Edward Gunn
juror

Chosen for Deputies to serve at a Genl. Assembly to be holden
at Providence the last Wednesday in October next are
Joseph Jencks Juror Sam: Wilkeson James Ingell Joseph
Whipple

Chosen for Jurymen to serve at a Court of Sessions to be
holden at Providence for the 1st actions of Genl. Pardon
& order are with Hopkins, John Taylor, John Braden
James Ingell Ben: Carpenter Joseph Whipple

At a ~~general~~ meeting September 15th 1698:
Tho: Olney Moderator

Whereas for orderly there was severall persons chosen
to run the severall lines southward to the second
of our plantation & to run the dividing line between
providence & Quakerett lands & the matter not yet
being perfected, & one of the persons being pined
(to wit) Edward Smith; Tho: Olney is chosen &
put into his room to officiate in the work & to
be perfected with expedition may be; And if it be
so that Tho: Olney's occasions will not permit him
to go, then Mr. Waterman is appointed to
be in his room & supply his place in the work

At a Town meeting October the 27th 1698 Quarter day
Tho: Olney Moderator
Resolved that the sd. Gorman junr may change 2¹/₂ acres of
land.
The meeting is adjourned unto saturday next 4th of November

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Sunday
November 2nd 1698 the meeting is againe adjourned
Tho: Olney continues Moderator

Whereas there is want of a Juror upon the Jury which
the Town doth therefore order that one person shall be chosen
for a Juror for highways &c. in the Town
besides the two who are already chosen in the Town
John Wilkeson is the person chosen for Juror
Whereas there is a Petition by the Honorable Assembly of 800th
upon the Colony; and also have order that each Town should
proporly choose men to proportion the rate upon each inhabitant
of their respective Towns; The Town of Providence in order
thereunto have chosen for the proportioners of the rate for their
Towne Darnon Willing that may: Will: Hopkins, Ebenezer Jencks,

It is ordered by the Town that the digl way lying between the
High which James Browns dwelleth in the next Easter from it
shall be kept in fence with the miltary bars until 1st of March
next & then to be quite lay open

Whereas the Town doth employ Rich: Drrod & Joseph Jencks
to take high way of the North side from the North side of the
maine & part thereof & whereas they in stationing & setting the
wayes run two cross the way of the River & it hath beene
in competition in the Towne touching the conclusion thereof
with Rich: Drrod & Joseph Jencks that the sd. Rich: Drrod
& Joseph Jencks shall make a sufficient
way to the River next to his house & the
Towne to make the other bridge to low over the River

Whereas Cap: Rich: Drrod & John others were ordered by the
Towne to Consider as concerning what might be allowed of land
proportionable to Equall land by the sd. & make a returne
of the same to the Towne but the sd. persons not being in a capacity to make
a returne at present the matter is referred unto some further time
or opportunity. The Town shall be the next quarter meeting
The meeting is desired

At a Town meeting Quarter day January 27th 1698.
Tho: Olney chosen Moderator

It is granted unto Shadrach Manton that he may alter the forme of a
parcel of his land lying about the facet;
Whereas the sd. Manton who are under Cap: Drrod are wanting of a
Travelling place convenient, & there being a place which may be
suitable but part thereof is land belonging to Manton's Indian man
about one acre more of the which parcel of land the sd. Manton
is unwilling to part with unless he be paid the value
him 3 acres for the same; Therefore in consideration of a

At a Towne meeting June 5th 1699 it being the first
Tuesday in the month Tho. Olney moderator
Chosen for Towne Clerk Tho. Olney & Engaged
Tho. Matheson Tho. Olney Jun^r & Valentine Whitman Jun^r
& Tho. Matheson and Chosen Constables
Chosen for Towne Sergeant Nicholas Sheldon but hee refusing
to sit at the Towne hee chose mercy Burdett for
Chosen for the Towne Council Major William Hopkins, Parsons Tillingle
Cap: John Dextor, Benjamin Carpenter, Tho. Olney Jun^r, & William
The Purchasers & Proprietors have now being met chose William
Hopkins & Tho. Olney Jun^r for overseers to lay out lands throughout the
Plantation of Providence
Parsons Tillingle chose for Justice & Engaged
Chosen for a Dealer to look after the Justice is Parsons Tillingle
Chosen for Overseers John Walker James Brown & Richard Matheson
The meeting is adjourned untill Monday the 12th Instant
Monday Jun the 12th 1699 the meeting is againe in being
Tho. Olney continues moderator
Tho. Matheson is Engaged Constable
Mercy Burdett is Engaged Sergeant
Valentine Whitman Jun^r Engaged Constable
Tho. Olney Jun^r Engaged Constable
The meeting is adjourned
At a Quarter meeting July 27th 1699 with Randall
Moderator
Whose was John Olney had this day desired of the Towne to accom-
pany him with a lot of forty foot square to set a mill & to purchase
what other opportunity hee made of the same; Tho. Olney desired
to see the matter Bill, & in consideration that Tho. Olney
had not land in the Towne to build upon & the Towne being fur-
ous that hee should loose his trade of a mill in this Towne hee
unto the Sr John Olney that hee should have a forty foot lot in
the middle of the end of the land called Dextors land near about
each side of the highway now of a day & so to be lay out as it may best
convenient the highway
At a Towne meeting August 19th 1699 Tho. Olney Moderator
Chosen for the Towne Sergeant to sit at the Court of Justice to
be holden at the Court for the County of the Towne of
next is Benjamin Carpenter
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The meeting is adjourned

36 At a Town meeting November 9th 1699.
The Olney moderator.
The Governour's assembly act made at Warwick the 25th day
of October 1699. for the proportioning of a 600th part
on the Colony was this day read in the open town meeting
The three men who are chosen to lay out the Town part
of the aforesaid 600th part are Joseph of Enfield, Joseph
Gardner, & John Wilkerson; & in the Town
the meeting is adjourned unto Monday the 27th instant

Monday November 27th 1699. The meeting is againe
in being. The Olney continues moderator.
Whereas Shadrach Manton hath desired to have a return
of land made & laid out to him for a 600th part being laid out by
Captaine Honner, but objections being made by Tho: Harris
sond. he being that the balance of the 600th part looks
in favor of Tho: Harris his land, where upon the 12th clause
of the 600th part was suspended until matters were
cleared about it; And whereas Shadrach Manton hath this
day againe desired of the Town to order some way for the
clearing the matter that so things may appear in
truth as the act. The Towne is of the opinion to
appoint Capt. Honner & the three men which
laid out both the land in controversy & the Olney
their present services to appoynt the matter in
difference to the 12th clause of the 600th part & to
& make their report to the Towne hereafter
the matter shall be concerning the difference, at
the next quarter day

Whereas Ephraim Gray hath this day brought in a
return of land laid out to him by the Honorable
of sixty acres of land & 12 acres & half of land laid out
in the right of John Clavson; the 12 acres & half being
a quarter part of a 50 acre division; so ordered by the
Towne that Ephraim Gray's firmly the return to be
accepted. The 12th clause of the 600th part of the 600th part

At a Quarter day meeting January 27th 1699. Tho: Olney
Moderator.
Whereas there is a difference between Shadrach Manton & Tho: Harris
sond. as concerning their land as to the laying out & returning on each
of their lands about 600th part. Application hath been made
to the Towne by Shadrach Manton for the 600th part to be laid out
to the 12th clause of the 600th part. The Towne is of the opinion
to appoint Capt. Honner & the three men which laid out the
land to the 12th clause of the 600th part & to make their report
to the Towne hereafter the matter shall be concerning the
difference, at the next quarter day

37 Rectified the 60 lands which are amiss.
The matter is left to the discretion of the survivors to
inspect it & make a resolution out of the Towne's Comon
according to the survivors judgment.

Upon the request of Benjamin Waterman it is granted
unto him that he may change about 8 or 10 acres of
land lying adjoining to a diack Brown's land
which is called Brown's wood pieces.
Upon the request of Abiah Brown, it is granted
unto him that he may change about 10 acres of
that tract of land which is on his Dwell house
now standeth, & to take up what he lays down
elsewhere on the Comon

Granted unto Peter Proctor to change 2 acres of
land which lieth near the creek fall river near
West quodome fit

Granted upon the request of Samuel Winsor, that
he might lay down one acre of that land which
formerly belonged to George Shepard, lying on
Wannaguateuckot plaine, betweene the great
point of Thomas Olney's land adjoining to the
said Olney's four stake meadow; & to take up
one acre in lieu of it in the valley betweene
two hills at Smallbrooke a little northward of
the west end of said Winsor meadow which
lieth on the north side of Wannaguateuckot River
The grant is with proviso that one acre in that
valley may so be taken & improved as not at any
time to Damage a sufficient high way for
foot horse cart or drift along the road, & also
a high way out of the said Comon lead up the said
valley northward through the same & out at
the northward end thereof, for foot, horse,
Carts & Drift

Granted unto Ephraim Gray that he may
exchange 1/2 acre of land lying near
Peter Proctor's now meadow for so much else
where on the Comon.

This day Capt. J. Arndt, Capt. J. Dexter
& Jo: Wilkerson as Commissioners what they
have done in building of the prison & also what

it came to which they had done, the which they
Expected to have. The which all amounted
to about 21st 17th. Only there wanted some
locks & keys which were not yet procured which
would be some more charge. The Towne
seemed all to be well satisfied with their
account, that it might be allowed;

The meeting is dissolved

At a Towne meeting on the 16th of 169th Tho: Olney moderator
where as there hath been some Difference between Tho: Harris
& Shadrach Manton concerning lands laid out one upon another
lands where by the recording of the return was objected; but
the said matter by the former order hath been inspected & no
return made of the objects of what land was laid
out upon Tho: Harris land taken of & laid out. It is
to said Shadrach Manton the return of this day made
is by the Towne accepted & ordered to be put upon record,
Chosen for a grand jury man to serve at a Court of
Justice for the County of New Hampshire the 1st of May in this
year 169th Benjamin Olney

The meeting is dissolved

At a Towne meeting on the 13th of 1700 Tho: Olney moderator
Chosen for Deputies to sit at the General Assembly the day
of the Election & also chosen to be read at Newport the first
Monday in May next are Jonathan Sprague John Willoughby
John & Deane

The meeting is dissolved

At a quarter day meeting of the Towne April 27th 1700
Parsons Willinghaugh moderator
where as William Arnold hath this day exhibited a bill
to the Towne for a way from his house to the
Cemeterie to the said house but if he had with him all the
land & by other means; The Towne hath taken the matter into
consideration & doe there by but doe give that each man shall
have a way to his house. It is ordered that the said
that a way shall be laid out & laid out. It is ordered that
most convenient to be laid out for the said way to the
Cemeterie of which lander it was must goe through; It is
ordered that the said way shall be laid out & laid out
for the said way of the said way it is left to the
discretion of the Towne

It is granted unto Moses Bartlett that he may sever lots by town
in down at the upper end of his land at Jacobs brook; the lots upon the
said brook, for the improvement of some the woods

where as Parsons Willinghaugh hath desired of the Towne that
they would accommodate him with a piece of land of 30 foot square
where unto build a meeting house; or what to the improvement of
the said lands. It is by the Towne granted unto him granted & to him
bounded out; it lying on the west side of the Towne of 1700
in said Providence betwixt the River & the house lot
formerly belonging to John Blackmorton

It is granted unto Joseph Phillips that he change about 25
acres of land lying upon the Squamacke River near
Yetham Valley

where as John Phillips jun^r hath desired of the Towne
that they would accommodate him with a parcel of land
lying under the said Squamacke part of the hill called the
windmill hill to the quantity of about 1000 acres, for the
improvement of the said land. It is by the Towne granted that
he is desired of land in front of land to improve
for a lively. The said Towne doe grant unto the said
John Phillips 1000 acres of land in the said place above
mentioned to be unto him his heirs & assigns for ever

At a Towne meeting of Election June the 2nd 1700 it being
the first Monday of the month Tho: Olney moderator

Tho: Olney Chosen Clerk

Chosen for Constables Stephen Arnold, Phillip Willinghaugh
& Richard Phillips

Noah Whipple is Chosen sergeant but he refuses to Engage Benjamin
Joseph Phillips is Chosen sergeant but he refuses to Engage

Parsons Willinghaugh, Richard Arnold, John Doctor, Nathaniel
Tho: Bonner & Tho: Olney are chosen to add to the officers to make
up the Towne Council

Parsons Willinghaugh chosen Treasurer
Chosen for way wardens Sam: Vinton, Joseph Satham

James Beck, Engage, Joseph Smith, Joseph
Major Hopkins Tho: Olney chosen Surveyor to lay out land
Phillip Willinghaugh, Richard Arnold, Engage, Tho: Willinghaugh
is Chosen Constable to receive

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The meeting is adjourned until Monday 10th instant
Monday the 4th of June 1700 the meeting is again in being
Thos. Olney Continues mediator;

Whereas it hath been proposed that some Commission
for the use of military affairs for training of soldiers
be taken to a place to be for the use of exercising of the said
many of the purchasers & proprietors of land of this
Town of Providence being more together & having the
the matter do appear to be a suitable motion & convenient
the same to be proposed; and for as much as it hath been
omitted when it might (it appears) be with more convenience
Effect, yet now with the motion & finding a
there is a necessity of the performing of the same; and if
longer omitted the more inconvenience will appear; It is
therefore by these presents ordered that all the
land by these presents do hereby order that
all the land lying between the lands belonging to the
walkers road on the west side of the street, & southward to the
which is both out of town & within the town lands on
the west side of the street & eastward with the High way & roadward
& northward with the High way & roadward shall be perpetually
be in common for the use of a fore side & for other publick uses
as the Town shall see cause not dammifying what is
proposed; and that a building place be cleared out of the
said tract of land in the place & what greater or less
which the Town shall make choice of shall appoint
and if any better appropriate land lying within the bounds
afore specified be at any time laid down to common it shall
continually in common remain & not be appropriated to
any person any former act, order or Clause therein to
the contrary hereof notwithstanding

Major Wm. Hopkins Cap. J. Dexter & Tho. Olney Junr. are the three
men chosen to be in the said building place, & to do it
with what convenience may be & make their returns to the Town
Richard Clement is chosen serjeant in the room of Ben. Tillingham
with strength to Engage; Timothy Sheldon is chosen serjeant in the
room of Dick. Clement;

The meeting is adjourned until the day the 20th instant.
Thursday June 20. 1700 the meeting is again in being Thos. Olney
Continues mediator;

It is ordered that the three men chosen for serjeants the last year
shall have that 20 shillings find which Nicholas Sheldon for fitted
to the Town for supplying the officers in the office of a
serjeant; the last year was
The meeting is adjourned until the day the 20th instant.
The meeting is adjourned until the day the 20th instant.

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Timothy Sheldon hath this day appeared before the
governor & officers in the office of a serjeant
James Blackmar is chosen serjeant, on the
behalf of Timothy Sheldon.
The meeting is adjourned unto Tuesday the 25th instant

June the 25th being Tuesday: 1700. the meeting is again in being
Thos. Olney Continues mediator;

James Blackmar hath refused to give engagement to the office of a
serjeant; William Cresser is chosen serjeant in the room
of James Blackmar; William Cresser hath refused to Engage to the office of a serjeant
William Harris is chosen serjeant & Engaged

Whereas there is an order in our Town which was formerly
made that each free man in our Town who had liberty
to vote should yearly pay unto the serjeant who served
in that office each man one shilling; But no provision
in the said order was made (in case of nonpayment) how it
should be recovered; whereupon the serjeants who served
went without their pay; saving only of some few persons
who freely contributed; The Town having now taken
the matter into consideration do by a free & full vote declare
& pronounce that said order to be void & null; and
that for the serjeant who is this year chosen & Engaged
& for all serjeants who shall in our Town be yearly
chosen & Engaged some other methods may be taken and
ordered that so each serjeant may have his wages duly
paid; It is therefore ordered by a free vote of the Town
that William Harris who is chosen & Engaged serjeant for
this present year shall have four pounds paid unto him
out of the fines of those persons who were chosen for serjeants
& refused to Engage.

It is ordered by the free & full vote of the Town, that a
the sum of four pounds shall be allowed & duly paid
unto each serjeant of our Town who shall by the Town
be hereafter yearly chosen & Engaged into the said office
the which said four pounds shall be levied & paid equal
& alike upon each free man in our Town;

The meeting is dissolved;

The manner
of collecting &
further finishing
it is referred to
some other meeting
At a Town meeting being quarter day July the 24th 1700. Thos. Olney mediator.
Ordered that the 2 serjeants shall have out of the publick treasury
paid out of the out of the publick treasury or it was ordered not to make the
- be for coming out of the River on our side in the winter
& to make their report to the next quarter day.

At a Town meeting held the thirteenth 1700 Tho: Olney Moderator
Chosen for Deputies to sit in General Court of the Colony at Newport
the first day of September next for Grand Jury Man Roger
Burlingham, for Petty Jurymen John Arnold James Dexter,
The meeting is adjourned

At a Town meeting October 12th 1700 Tho: Olney Moderator
Chosen for Deputies to sit in General Assembly to sit in
Providence the last Wednesday next and October and
Captain Arthur Hether, Captain Richard Arnold, Major John
Dexter & Lieftenant Joseph Jonker.
The meeting is adjourned

At a Town meeting October 28th 1700, it being a quarter day meeting
the 27th day of the month falling on the first day of the week
Tho: Olney Moderator
The meeting is adjourned

At a Town meeting being quarter day January 27th 1700
Tho: Olney Moderator
Whereas there hath this day been a proposition
made unto the Town by Mr Joseph Willcocks, calling
upon the Town to consider of a way whereby the
Deputies who served in Assembly, & the Constables
who gathered up the last Colony Rate & those who
have killed Wolves may be paid according as the
Law requires, But the Town not knowing what
those several sums of these persons so employed
will amount to; that so they may know what sum
of money they may charge upon the inhabitants, do
conclude to adjourn this meeting unto Monday the
third day of February next that so then all the
Creditors may bring in their accounts, that so the
Town may proceed in levying a rate.
The meeting is adjourned unto Monday the third day of
February next.

Monday February the third 1700 the meeting is againe in being adjourned
from 4 January last. Tho: Olney Moderator
Whereas there was a motion made to the Town for providing money
for the Constables for gathering up the last Colony Rate, & to provide
money for killing of wolves in order to the discharging of all
which the Town do order, & it is hereby ordered that a rate of fifty pounds
shall be levied upon the inhabitants of this Town & so the said
said money shall be chosen to proportion the said rate
upon the inhabitants of this Town
The Towns Deputies who served in the Town to proportion the said rate
are Joseph Jonker June 2nd Tho: Olney June 2nd

And that the Towns Deputies who are chosen to proportion
the said rate shall be allowed 20th day each night
they are about 150th Rate & to be paid out of the Rate
And that those persons mentioned to proportion the Rate shall effect
the work by the first of March next
the amount of the Rate is to be paid in money
The meeting is adjourned

At a Town meeting March 8th 1700 Tho: Olney Moderator
Chosen for Deputies to serve in General the last Wednesday next
and in March instant are Major John Dexter, Captain Richard
Arnold, Lieftenant James Willcocks, Lieftenant Joseph Jonker
Chosen for a Grand Jury man to serve at the General Court of the Colony
to sit at Newport for the Colony the last Tuesday in March next
is Samuel Wright for Petty Jurymen William Randall Joseph
Whipple.
Grand unto Nathaniel manors that hee may charge Town
acres of land now lying at Mansfield com, & take it elsewhere on
the Colony.
The meeting is adjourned

At a Town meeting April 28th 1701 being quarter day before
the 27th day of the month being on the first day of the week
Tho: Olney Chosen Moderator

Chosen for Deputies to serve in General Assembly at the Court of Elects
to be holden at Newport the first day of September next & at the
in May next, & at the Court of Elects the day before
the election are Elizer Whipple, Elizer Arnold, Elizer Gifford,
William Randall
Whereas Tho: Olney Junr Exhibited a Bill to the Town
this day concerning a high way, but not now part the part
of his farm at Mansfield the land of Ben Smith who
is a freeholder unto the next Town meeting & so the Town
to have notice to be at the meeting to answer to the matter
said Bill put in by William Hancock concerning the high
way at the next Court of Elects by William Hancock's
the River by throwing in of Brush that matter is referred
to the next meeting to be cleared up by the
said Bill put in by William Hancock his Compromising
with him to help him with a hand laid down to
be cleared out of the River, provided the said matter
be referred to the next meeting & the 10th day of June next
The part of the Bills Exhibited this day are referred
to the next meeting, the meeting is adjourned

At a Town meeting of Election June 2nd 1701
it being the first Monday of the month The: Olney Moderator
The: Olney Chosen Towne Clerk & Engager

Ben: Smith John Storo-jun: John Burtor Chosen Overseers
Samuel Williams Chosen Overseer for Jan:
Chosen for the men to add to the Assistant to make a
Towne Council for this year and parson's illnes last Richard
Arnold, John Dexter, Nathaniel Walfriman, Tho: Honner
Tho: Olney, Tho: Honner not yet engaged, Tho: Honner, only Richard
Chosen for purveyors to lay out lands in our Towne ship
and William Hopkins & Tho: Olney

Parson's illnes last Chosen Overseer of Engager
Those who are chosen for way wardens for this ensuing year
are Tho: Field, Samuel Whipple, John Ingo, Solomon Thornlon
Tho: Field Jun: is Chosen for a Towne Council
man in y^e room of Richard Arnold the said Richard Arnold
refused to engage into this office
Tho: Field Jun: having been chosen before away warden
the Towne have as to that place suspended him by reason he
is chosen upon the Council
Samuel Williams having deposed to serve in the place and office
of a way warder, James Dexter is chosen Towne for Jan:
in his room & is Engaged
William Arnold is chosen way warder in y^e room of Tho: Field Jun:
It is granted unto master Bartlet that he may lay downe
in Common a small quantity of the South end of his piece of
land at small brook & take so many poles as he shall lay
downe up against on the west side of small brook adjoining
to the North end of his land
The meeting is adjourned to Monday y^e 9th instant.

Just y^e 9th 1701 the meeting againe in being Tho: Olney
Moderator
whereas there hath been bills put Exhibited to the Towne
that a high way might be made from the Towne to the
the Towne having taken the matter into consideration doe
order of order & by a full voice have ordered that major
Hopkins & Tho: Olney the Towne's surveyors shall by virtue
of this order, with what consent & speed they may
make a high way from the Towne to the
make notice what quantities of land they take out of each
man's lands & to make each man's contribution out of the
Towne's Common according as the surveyors in their judgment
shall think meet. And that for the said Tho: Hopkins & Tho: Olney
surveyors shall be by the Towne allowed to each of them
3^d day for each day they are in the said employ & to
be paid out of Towne's Treasury

And further it is ordered that the way wardens shall also state
a high way from the Towne to Captains Honners & go towards
my Budding farms & from the road to the to may best & to

finish the way from wⁱⁿ: Landalls house to the bridge &
for to be allowed for their services as is before expressed & also
to make a path leading for lands taken out as is aforesaid
The meeting is adjourned
At a Towne meeting on quarter day the 28th July 1701
the 28th day falling on y^e first day of the month Tho: Olney Moderator

At a Towne meeting October 20th 1701 Tho: Olney Moderator
Chosen for deputies to serve in Gen: Assembly
to sit at Newrick y^e 29th instant are Major John
Dexter, Capt: Rich: Ingo m^r & Hudson Cruffer
Sufficient Joseph Jenkes

At a Towne meeting being quarter day October 27th 1701
Tho: Olney Moderator
whereas there were John Kelly, & also one John Mitchell
who have both of them proposed to the Towne to have admittance
into the Towne house to inhabit; But the Towne at present
doe not see cause to give any of them admittance, But doe
defer the matter to the next quarter day in January
next
whereas George Notch hath desired that what land is want
ing of measure in y^e land where he dwells may be made up
it is by a full voice allowed to him
whereas there is a woman one Anne Knight by name
who is fallen into the Towne's care & charge to maintain
she was brought unto John Kelly & by y^e authority
of y^e Towne's account committed to his care & keeping on
the 22nd of October 1701
The meeting is adjourned

At a Towne meeting December 9th 1701 Tho: Olney Moderator
no words passed, but y^e meeting ended

At a quarter meeting January 27th 1701 Tho: Olney Moderator
whereas there is one John Mitchell who some time since
who hath desired to be admittance into the Towne as an inhabitant
latter, Tho: shall have been referred from last
quarter day in October last to this day last
The Towne therefore having this day made inquiry
as to matters concerning him & the said John Mitchell
circumstances of y^e case & what the said John Mitchell
may admittance may be, doe by this declaration
it is by vote of y^e Towne signified that they doe not
give any admittance to the said John Mitchell
inhabit in our Towne of ship
whereas William Ingo hath desired of the Towne to
grant him a piece of land about 1000 feet of land in breadth
to set out his land for a long time ago, & y^e said
his land where he dwells, & it is by this declaration
granted by y^e Towne is granted

It is granted unto Joseph Smith junr that he may cut down a beech and a crooked oak tree & take up the small pond & take about it to make a way to the cut & over a better bridge called a way pond. The meeting is desolved.

At a Town meeting called by the warrant of the 22th of May 1702. The: Olney Moderator. Nothing was acted at this meeting by reason that it appeared that the most part of the Town were absent, & so the meeting fell.

At a Town meeting March 16th 1702. The: Olney Moderator. Chosen for Deputies to sit at the Hon^{ble} Court of Sessions at New York. John Bullock, Joseph Sprague, & Samuel Wilkeson. Chosen for Grand Jurors. John Bullock, Joseph Sprague, & Samuel Wilkeson. Chosen for Jurors. John Bullock, Joseph Sprague, & Samuel Wilkeson. The meeting is adjourned unto Monday 16th Instant.

Monday March 16th 1702. The meeting is againe in being by adjournment from the 16th Instant. The: Olney Moderator. The meeting is ended.

At a Town meeting April 2nd 1702. The: Olney Moderator. Nathaniel Waterman, John Bullock, Joseph Sprague, & Samuel Wilkeson are chosen Deputies to sit at the Hon^{ble} Court of Sessions at New York. The meeting is adjourned unto the day before the Election.

At a Town meeting being quarter day April the 2nd 1702. The: Olney Moderator. It is granted unto John Bullock that he may change 10 acres of land which he bought of Mr. J. Ellinghast, the other is one half of 20 acres of land. This is the western part of a 20 acre plot. The meeting is desolved.

At a Town meeting of Election June 4th 1702. It being the first meeting of the month, the Olney Chosen Moderator of the meeting. The: Olney Chosen Moderator.

Chosen for Constables James Bick, John Bullock, & Doctor Bolles. John Bullock is Chosen for Justice. John Bullock alleges his Continuall residence in the Town, & that he is an official in the office, whereupon the magistrats have suspended him, & have ordered the Town to make choice of another person for a Justice.

The persons who are chosen to add unto the Shiffants to make up the Town Council are The: Olney, Dardour Ellinghast, The: J. Bick, Nathaniel Waterman, Samuel Wilkeson, & The: J. Bick. Jonathan Sprague Jun^r is Chosen for Justice in the room of John Bullock. The: Olney & Major William Hookers are chosen Supervisors to lay out lands.

Richard Clement, Valentine Whitman, William Harris & more are chosen May Wardens for this year. John Bullock is engaged in office of a Constable. Samuel Wilkeson The: J. Bick, James Bick, Doctor Bolles & Jonathan Sprague, not yet engaged, they rest being present. Dardour Ellinghast Chosen for Justice & engaged. The meeting is adjourned unto Monday 8th Instant.

The meeting is againe in being the 8th day of June 1702 by adjournment from the first day of June 1702. The: Olney Moderator. Nathaniel Waterman, John Bullock, Joseph Sprague, & Samuel Wilkeson are chosen Deputies to sit at the Hon^{ble} Court of Sessions at New York. The meeting is adjourned unto the day before the Election.

At a Town meeting quarter day July the 2nd 1702. The: Olney Moderator. It is granted unto John Bullock that he may change 10 acres of land which he bought of Mr. J. Ellinghast, the other is one half of 20 acres of land. This is the western part of a 20 acre plot. The meeting is desolved.

At a Town meeting August 2nd 1702. The: Olney Moderator. Chosen for a Grand Juror man to sit at the Hon^{ble} Court of Sessions at New York. John Bullock, Joseph Sprague, & Samuel Wilkeson. Chosen for Jurors. John Bullock, Joseph Sprague, & Samuel Wilkeson. The meeting is desolved.

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have preferred a bill this day to the Court, Signifying of the same,
& without proposing to the Court to take the same, which the
Court & Capt. to take the Court of him to proceed for him, &
wholly leave the magistrals from it, or else to stand by the
Magistrals in what they do concerning the same, which for
his Relief, The magistrals, all desiring their Support,
The Court a little deliberated but no difference would be made
to it.

Whereas there hath been a bill Exhibited by James
Walterson desiring a Consideration of adding a Third
Cedar, that bill is referred unto the next meeting to be
considered, the next meeting is to be on Monday the
1st day of March next, and for no other business that day
to be done, but on Wednesday the 3rd day of March only
choosing jury men for next Court of Trials.
The meeting is adjourned unto Monday the 1st of March next.
The meeting is againe in being, which was the 11th
1705.

Chosen for Jurors to serve at Newport in general
Court the 12th of August are Capt. James Wilkison, William Shuckles
& Stephen Smith, & Elisha Smith.
Chosen for Grand Jurors to serve at the Court of Trials to be holden
at Newport for the Colony the last of August is Elisha Smith
for Deputy Jury men, Capt. Wilkison Stephen Smith.
Whereas there hath been a bill Exhibited to the Court that the Court
would take into Consideration as to the dividing of the land which
within our former grant belonging to the purchasers & Proprietors
of the same that each Purchaser or Proprietor may have his
part of the said land divided out unto him; In order whereunto the
Captains & Proprietors being present have agreed that the
said Captains & Proprietors shall be six men chosen to take a Survey of all the said land
& to divide the same into parts that each of them & compute it as to
what eachmans part may be, so that all may be done
& so to report matters concerning it that they may divide
the same accordingly both to quantity & quality as near
as they are Capable to do it.
The six men chosen for this purpose are Capt. James Wilkison
Capt. Major Dexter, Capt. James Wilkison, Capt. James
Dexter, James Olney, & John Smith. And for this purpose they are to
report of their doings on the next quarterly meeting next.
The meeting is adjourned.

At a Town meeting & Court the 24th day of April 1706
The Olney side is preferred.
Chosen for Deputies to serve in general Assembly of Election
at Newport the first of May next & the day before
the Election are Tho. Shuckles, Tho. Wilkison, Stephen Smith
John Smith. The bill put in by James Wilkison concerning
the granting of landing boats at Rye Baye Valley is

referred to the next meeting & in the meantime
while for those who are concerned for transporting of Boards saws
the Order & the Governor's Court to endeavor an Agreement to settle
the matter, which may be for both their benefits, if it may be

made as the said Complaint made by some persons that the Proprietors
on the West side of the River have cut much wood by too early
morning of them, for the preventing whereof, the Court hath ordered
that until the said wood is cut out to such an extent as shall be
sufficient to remain in (Common) that if any Person shall presume
to cut any of the wood of any of the said Proprietors at any time before
the first day of August in each year, that he or they shall be liable
for five shillings to the Company for the part of the said Proprietors in
violation of each load of wood so cut & proportionally the more into if
less than a load be cut; And also to forfeit all their Grapes & here so
cut; The one half to the Company or Informer & the other half to
be the choice of the said Proprietors, & upon Complaint or
information to the said Proprietors, any of them to be granted but that
& cause the Execution to be performed.

Resolved, that James Wilkison may change about three or four acres of his
land on which he had builded up his house & pinckney, & taking it off from
one part of his land & laying it to the other part of his land.
The meeting is adjourned.

At a Town meeting of Election the first of May in June 1706 being
the 5th day of the month the Olney side is preferred.
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Chosen for Constables Richard Clements, James Wilkison, Richard
= James Wilkison, James Wilkison, James Wilkison.
Chosen for Captains James Wilkison, Engaged,
Chosen for Deputies to serve at the Court of Trials are Capt. Wilkison, Richard
Wilkison, James Wilkison, James Wilkison.
Capt. James Wilkison is chosen in Major Dexter's Room to be one of
the Company about the Land of our Plantation,
Patrons of the Olney side chosen for Jurors.
For waywardens James Wilkison, John Smith, Henry Harris
Daniel Smith.
Chosen for the Town Council are Patrons Wilkison Capt. Tho.
Dexter, William Wilkison, James Wilkison, James
Dexter, & Tho. Olney.
Chosen for Jurors to lay out the land on the East side of the seven
mile line are Capt. Tho. Shuckles & Tho. Olney. And the Jurors
were chosen by the Town at their Town Election in June last, 1705, &
who were chosen by the purchasers & Proprietors of the said land, &
the said Jurors & Proprietors for Jurors with the said Jurors to lay out
the said land to lay out the land on the West side of the seven mile
line are all to continue & remain in the same place, as to the laying out
of the said land until the whole work be finished, so that the
said Jurors may without further choice, lay out the said land
The meeting is adjourned to Monday the 10th of June next.

At a Town meeting & Court the 24th day of April 1706
The Olney side is preferred.
Chosen for Deputies to serve in general Assembly of Election
at Newport the first of May next & the day before
the Election are Tho. Shuckles, Tho. Wilkison, Stephen Smith
John Smith. The bill put in by James Wilkison concerning
the granting of landing boats at Rye Baye Valley is

Joseph Jencks, Nathl. Jencks, Ebenezer Jencks, & Will^m Jencks
The bell, about land & purchase meeting.
A Bill put in by Jonathan Sprague & others until Captⁿ Jencks
appears to speak for it.
The bell subscribed by the Com^{rs} for settlement, the said Bill sent
by the Clerk, Jun^r, James Viner, & others, at Brown's, and referred to the
purchase meeting. The meeting is deferred.

At a town meeting held on the 11th of 1707.
Chosen for Deputies to see to the execution of the laws
of this town at New York, are Mr. Jonathan
Sprague Captⁿ Joseph Jencks, Captⁿ Samuel Will^m Jencks
& Mr. Joseph Will^m Jencks.

At a quarter day meeting April 28, 1707. The 27th
of the month of April. The 27th of the month of April.
Chosen for Deputies to see to the execution of the laws
of this town at New York, are Mr. Jonathan
Sprague Captⁿ Joseph Jencks, Captⁿ Samuel Will^m Jencks
& Mr. Joseph Will^m Jencks.

The meeting is again in being May 3rd 1707 by adjournment from
April 23rd 1707. The Clerk continues Moderator.
By reason of some matter unexpectedly falling in the which causes
for the Moderator & several other persons absent this day from the
meeting upon some matters relating to our former affairs; it is
doubtful that the meeting is adjourned unto Monday 7th instant.

The meeting is again in being by adjournment from 3rd instant
unto this instant day being the 17th of May 1707. The Clerk continues
Moderator.

Chosen for Deputies to serve in General Assembly at Newport
the 28th of the instant May, are Mr. David Jencks, Captⁿ Tho^s
Clerk, Captⁿ Tho^s Harris, & Mr. Will^m Jencks.

Resolved & ordered that a Highway be laid out by the purchase
from the High way which lieth bet^w Joseph Smith (Miller) his
land near Freshkill, & the land of Ebenezer Jencks, beginning at
the Post or end of the Highway & to still extend Westward
along the side of the lot of Peter at a ford there, & so to be
continued on in a straight line to the Highway which leadeth from
the road through D. Minton & Rich^d Clements their lands to
Wyandottake.

It is granted unto the Clerk, Jun^r, Joseph Smith, Will^m Jencks &
Jonathan Schipple that they shall have the use of a parcel
of land by the salt water side in the town that is lying from
the town's side most near to the sea Charnell for their use
of laying of timber, boards or other matter for transportation, &
also to make a settlement for the maintenance of loading of
boards.

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The which parcel of land shall begin a little way southward
from the house belonging to the son of Peter Jencks standing
by the salt water side in the town, & from the beginning thereof to
the High way which lieth bet^w Joseph Smith (Miller) his
land near Freshkill, & the land of Ebenezer Jencks, beginning at
the Post or end of the Highway & to still extend Westward
along the side of the lot of Peter at a ford there, & so to be
continued on in a straight line to the Highway which leadeth from
the road through D. Minton & Rich^d Clements their lands to
Wyandottake.

At a town meeting June 2nd 1707. The 2nd of the month of June.
Being the first Monday of the month. The Clerk continues Moderator.

Tho^s Olden & Chosen for Deputies to see to the execution of the laws
of this town at New York, are Mr. Jonathan Sprague, Captⁿ Joseph
Jencks, Captⁿ Samuel Will^m Jencks, & Mr. Joseph Will^m Jencks.

Chosen for Constables Tho^s Angell, John King, Tho^s Woodcock,
Chosen for James Decker, & Engaged.

Chosen for 1000 Towns Council Patrons, James Decker, James
William Harris, Nathl. Harris, James Decker, James Decker,
Brown, Tho^s Olden, & Engaged.

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 it being the 3rd day of the month. Tho: Olney for Moderator.
 Tho: Olney for Clerk. Chozen for the Clerk.

At a quarterly meeting June the 27th 1708 Tho: Olney
 Moderator.
 Chozen for the Clerk to serve in the General Assembly
 at Newport the first Wednesday in July next, are

James, & the other north & south River owners have ordered the right of
 of the north & south River land & have taken notice & have taken away the
 out also to do all through the river other people's land & have
 of the River to serve it. Boardwalk to the north & south River
 and have having this day given a Proposition made to the Town
 who have or no that they did & do allow of a High Way to
 laid out by the Town Surveyors to be a High Way, the Town by
 their Town Surveyors do declare that they do own the High Way
 laid out by the Town Surveyors to be a High Way & that they
 shall be bound to pay for the same.

And when as that part of the land where the High Way was
 laid out, or taken, so far extending northward from the
 into the place where the High Way is laid out, which is with a
 midwinter, or a field of rocks, is now one part of the land
 Deposition of Capt. Thomas Harris, & other great names of the
 Harris, and the Town Surveyors, and the High Way is laid out
 go Capt. Thomas Harris, & Nicolas Harris, shall be satisfied in
 damage which they sustain by the High Way being taken out
 of that land which they possess of the Town. That the Town
 Chozen, Appraisers, & Surveyors in the High Way, & Capt. Thomas
 Scott, do repair to that land where the High Way is laid out, & to take
 account how much land of the High Way is taken out of each
 two persons (land) Capt. Thomas Harris, & Nicolas Harris, & to give
 judgment what damage of the High Way is taken out of each
 of the High Way being taken out of the land, & to determine how
 land each of the two persons shall be allowed to take in
 the Town Surveyors also to go with them to visit the High Way
 the Town Surveyors to lay out the land so determined to be
 and the Town to pay for the same for his pains & so doing.

It is also ordered, that all High Ways which hereafter shall or may
 be taken out of any man's land, that what proportion is made
 land of the High Way shall pay for the same for laying it out.

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for sale... Capt. Olney, John Bickton, Joseph Brown, all engaged
for survey of land Capt. Thos. Fenner, Capt. Thos. Olney, engaged
for survey of land Henry Harris, Hepp. Angell, Daniel Clark, junr.
Thos. Olney (weaver) once engaged.
The meeting is adjourned to 27th instant in morning before the
purchase meeting begins.
The 27th of June 1703 the meeting is again in being, Thos. Olney junr.
continues Moderator. The meeting is adjourned.
At a quarterly meeting held July 27th 1703 Thos. Olney junr.
Moderator.
Chosen for jury men to stand in Court of Pleas to
be holden at Newport of first Tuesday in September next
for Grand jury men Daniel Williams, for Petty jury men,
William Crawford, Zachary Matherosen.
The meeting is adjourned.
At a quarterly meeting September 20th 1703 Thos. Olney
Moderator.
Chosen Deputies to serve at a honorable Assembly to be holden
at Newport in the Court of Pleas at Kings Court
in Narragansett Country in this Colony of Rhode Island
to wit: Henry Harris Sprague, Phileas Tillinghast, Cap. Nathl.
Gonckes, Richd. Brown, to serve at Court the 30th day of
the month of September, & if Deputies also to serve at
the Hon^{ble} Assembly to sit at Warwick the 10th day of
in October next.
At a quarterly meeting quarter Oct. 27th 1703
Thos. Olney Moderator.
That a return of 20 acres of land laid out to the purchase
of 1/2 duty side of 1/2 mile long was made by Thos. Olney junr.
Surveyor.
The acts of a Genl. Assemb. at Election May 1709, & also the
acts of a Genl. Assemb. in August held by adjournment 1709 were this
day presented to a Genl. Assemb. The meeting is adjourned.
At a quarterly meeting January 27th 1709 Thos. Olney Moderator.
Whereas John Bickton hath by his Bill desired to exchange with Thos. Fenner
five acres of land which lieth southward of a garden land in Block & to
it up adjoining to land on which his wife dwelling house stands; & to
granted, & he to take it up as a not. & to put it in or damm it
any High Way nor passage for recourse; & leave what he lieth
whereas John Olney hath desired that he may lay down to common
of land of his same whereon he lieth in Block at Cauconyat chuch
take it up again on a Comon in an other place adjoining to his farm
It is to him granted, always minding a Records of a High Court
whereas Complaint is made that a Highway betwixt a Cartway & land
said Cartway in Block, shuld be mended, & that same person
that he had removed the fence that was at his own meeting
The meeting is adjourned to 27th of February next.

Monday February 27th 1703 the meeting is again in being by adjournment
from January 27th 1703 Thos. Olney continues Moderator.
Whereas by a former Comtee of Purchasers & of Towns of
Providence it was their minds that a Highway shuld be laid
from Capt. Fenner's plantation up into a County towards Plains
field through our plantation, & to be laid along through Benjamin
Rights land by his dwelling house, & it being omitted, & not done;
Whereupon at a purchase meeting January 31st 1703 the
matter it was again taken into consideration, & ordered that
the said Highway shuld be laid out from Capt. Fenner's along
to Benjamin Rights, & so to pass along the river through
land; but it not yet being accordingly performed, the Towns of
Providence at this their quarterly meeting held by adjournment the
six day of February 1703 do order & appoint Major William Hopkins
& Thomas Olney junr. (the former surveyors) & Lieutenant Thomas Harris
& Nicholas Sheldon to go with them & spirit them, to go as soon as
conveniently they may & state out the said Highway from Captains
Fenner's dwelling to Benjamin Rights, & thence through the land of said
Benjamin Rights & at a point there over a River, & so to go up
up into a Country towards Plains field; & to make the said Highway
over of to the persons or to the Purchasers at their meeting.
It is ordered that Captains William Harris & Thomas Olney junr. (the former surveyors)
shall render the seven mile line of running of it north upon a magnetic point from
the River, & carry it on north to the extent of our plantation.
It is ordered that Captains Thomas Fenner (surveyor) & Lieutenant Thomas
Harris & spirit them to spirit them, shall state out a Highway westward through the
west part of our plantation towards road block, that highway may be for people
to pass from our town to road block & from road block to our shore, & to set out
soon as convenient they may, & to make the said Highway to the
Purchasers at their meeting.
It is ordered that no stranger nor any other person who is not interested in
of our plantation of his own right shall cut down any trees, or make any
of any kind or kind of wood, or any other part of timber, or any
not body of a Purchaser or Proprietor, & if any shall presume to cut
contrary to this Order they shall be liable to be held without a doubt
of land by legal Prosecution; neither shall any person who is interested in the
Commons of our Town grant leave to any stranger or give them liberty to cut
timber on any Common as of old, unless it be with the consent of the
the Purchaser & Proprietor.
It is granted unto Benjamin Tillinghast that he may lay down one acre or more
of his land in a northern part of a Block & take it up again adjoining to his
land; the surveyor measuring it off from his land which he takes it from & marking
his return to the Purchaser thereof.
The returns of a malden shodden & Nicholas Sheldon's land the recording of both
of them is to be presented until the difference about them with the Hopkins
is made up. The meeting is adjourned.
At a quarterly meeting March 27th 1709 Thos. Olney Moderator.
Chosen for jury men to serve at Court of Pleas to be holden at Newport of
Tuesday the next March at Court of Pleas for Grand jury men, for Petty jury men,
Nicholas Sheldon & Joseph Brown.
James Angell & Daniel Clark, junr. to be Deputies for a High Way to be laid out
(to say) next meeting. The meeting is adjourned.
In the above meeting before it was adjourned, it was granted by a Genl. Assemb. to Joseph
that he might have 60 acres of land which he had bought of Benckert to be
changed, the which said sixty acres would suit in a part of a Highway
point & towards being laid out towards road block, & to set out
the said Highway to the persons or to the Purchasers at their meeting.

At a Towns meeting, Thursday, Tho. Olney sen^r Moderator
Chosen for Deputies to serve in the Town of Election at
next the first Wednesday in May next, & also the day before the
election was the gentleman Sprague and Joseph Henry, Sr. Leif. Andrew
Harris & William Hopkins, the son of Tho. Hopkins.

whereas there was by the Towns Order a highway formerly laid
out Cross the land which formerly belonged to Joseph Henry of
of Roxbury (now deceased) the which said highway is lying upon the
& on the side of the Hill called Neolaconk with the
being laid out by the said Joseph Henry from East to West, yet not being
the way hath been so long laid out & improved for a highway, as
controversy is arise betwene the parties whereof the highway
dealt by Capt. Tho. Hanner & Nicholas Harris on the one party, and
goth Harrison & John Hill, Amos & John Harris, the matter being
brought before the Town, the Towne have appointed Capt. William
& Capt. Olney & Stephen Wood to go to the place of the
highway & settle the Highway just in the place where it should be
all along from the foot of the hill on the one side thereof to the
Neolaconk River, & to bring the highway there of to the
Towne at their meeting on the 4th Monday in May next.

It is granted unto Henry Francis that he may exchange about nine acres
of land lying betwene his house & the great road on the one side & take it up
in some other place of Common adjoining to his other land, he shal
not dammify any highway.

It is granted unto Daniel Engage that he may exchange about eight
or nine acres of the land which he hath lying by his house, Eastward from
his house & take it up adjoining to his land in another place about a
highway there.

It is granted unto William Harris that he may lay down to Common
Twenty acres of land which formerly belonged to his grandfather
Tho. Harris the which lie between the Plume on the south side of the
Lucket River called by the name of Plume, & to take it up againe in
some other place of Common, he not dammify any highway.

whereas there formerly was fifty acres of land all in one parcel laid
out unto Mr. William Carpenter of Nantuxet in Providence, & he in now
deceased) the which said fifty acres of land was laid out to him in that
acres division, & sometimes called fifty acres, & also called fifty
the which said fifty acres of land was laid out unto the said Carpenter
my Right of one Henry Neale, & was laid out adjoining to the East
side of the line of Providence Towne called seven mile line.
And standeth recorded in the Towne records unto the said
with a plot of 4th land annexed in a booke called of William Carpenter
Clapnet in Page 371, the which said land, & booke called of
with a plot annexed of the said William Carpenter by his last
said fifty acres of land, without any exchange from the Towne the which
Benjamin Carpenter hath by the Surveyor given to be laid but in some other
place, & also two acres & a quarter more which he had but in some other
recorded in the Towne booke for Entry of seeds or land Deacons, in number
two & m page 125. the which the Towne order standing have in some
his mother & fishing it to be do. Do hereby determining the aforesaid
acres of land formerly laid out to the said Benjamin Carpenter to be
Common land againe, And that the said Benjamin Carpenter to be
it shall only hold that fifty acres of land which is recorded in a booke
for Entry of seeds or land Deacons, number two, in Page 125.

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whereas at the quarterly meeting held by the Towne on the 6th of
the Towne order & appointed Mr. William Hopkins & Thomas Olney sen^r the
Towne surveyors) & Leif. Thomas Harris & Nicholas Harris to go with them
& assist them, to goe up into the Country to see the right, & settle out the
Highway from Capt. Hanners dwelling to Benjamin rights, & there through
the land of a good Benjamin right, & also to goe over the River & so to
goe up into the Country towards Plaine field, & to make in some
places of the Towne or by purchasers at their meeting; The said William
& Thomas Olney (surveyors) have according to the Towne Order made a return
to the Towne this day that they have settled & marked out a good Highway from
from Capt. Hanners dwelling to Benjamin rights & there through the land of
Benjamin right, & at the said place over the River, & so to goe up into
into the Country towards Plaine field; And also with the returne have presented
the Towne with a plat or draught of the said highway, the Towne having
perused the said returne & plat or draught of said Highway do approve & allow
of them both to stand good, & that which is by them presented, settled, & drawn forth
to be the Highway & Country road; And it is ordered that both the said returne
& plat or draught shall both be kept in the Towne office among the records
ordered that the bill which was this day exhibited to the Towne, & not spoken to
and referred unto a next meeting by the Towne.

The meeting is adjourned unto Monday of 22nd of May next.

Monday May 22nd 1710 the meeting is againe in being Tho. Olney Continues Moderator.
Ordered that the Goals shall be left to goe at liberty on y^e Common, but shall be
confined within their owners land.

Ordered that all the Doggs, or about our Towne shall constantly be kept up
& not let to goe at liberty at any time betwene sun set & sun rise, but left the
owner of the Dogg or y^e other Considerable person of the family, or with the
Dogg, otherwise it shall be at the liberty of any person to kill the Dogg
that is not found in that Order.

It is granted unto Joseph Skipple that he may have the liberty of the benefit
of that Highway or parcel of land called the coroner Doynt, for the space of five
years time from this day forward; said Doynt Highway or parcel of land
being & being on y^e west side of the said River or Harbour lying against the
southwest end of Providence Towne; He the said Joseph Skipple making & continuing
a maintenance of a good Cart Bridge over the brook which runneth by the
piece of land he is being the space of time; & also in the fence which Joseph
Carpenter Highway to maintain an mlot of carts both for foots Cart or horse
to pass, & all other Peoples to have the liberty of said Highway as well as
selfe, for passage or transportation of things, or other laying or lawning
of what they see Cause at they may have occasion & at the end of 5 years
of time to lay the said land open againe.

It is ordered that no Stone Horses shall goe on y^e Common which are two years Old, but
must be thirteen hands & three inches high.
The meeting is dissolved.

At a Towns meeting of Election June 5th 1710, the first Monday in y^e Month.
Tho. Olney sen^r Moderator.
Tho. Olney Chosen Clerk & Engage; Daniel Abbot Chosen Constable but Deputie
Harrison & John Inman Jun^r Chosen Constables, Joseph
James Dexter Chosen Jurant & Engage, James Dexter also Chosen Jurant & Engage.
Tho. Olney Jun^r, Nathl. Waterman Jun^r, Amos Sprague Jun^r, Major William Hopkins,
James Brown & Rich^d Brown Chosen Jur^{ts} of y^e Towne Council & Engage.
Capt. Tho. Hanner & Capt. Tho. Olney Chosen surveyors lay out a highway Eastward
laid 7 mile line, & Engage.
Eachary Eddy, Nicholas Harris & Tho. man Chosen surveyors & Engage.
The three then who are chosen for this year to proportion y^e rates are Capt. Wilkinson
Ebenezer Gonches & Leif. Andrew Harris, & all Engage.
The meeting is adjourned unto Monday of 19th of June next.

Monday 19th of June 1710 the meeting is againe in being Tho. Olney Continues
Moderator. Ordered that the Goals shall be left to goe at liberty on y^e Common, but shall be
confined within their owners land.

February 1710 it being a first Tuesday in the month the meeting
 is adjourned to the 27th of January 1710 the Olney
 son & Moderator.
 Ordered that all points within the liberties of this our Towne shall be
 proceeded that shall or may be found upon a Common Law any
 where within said Towne before the first day of ~~the~~ ~~month~~ ~~of~~ ~~the~~ ~~year~~ ~~1710~~
 of the said Order being the 27th of January 1710 untill the last day of
 November annually, with out a sufficient yoke & a ring and
 ground (the owner of y^e said ground having been informed that y^e
 ground are without y^e yoke or ring or both & after one day that notice given
 the owner do not call y^e same to be yoked & ringed as aforesaid, then the
 said points so found without a yoke & ring shall be for sett one half
 to y^e informant & y^e other half to y^e owner thereof for y^e Towne's use.
 Ordered that y^e Committee who are ordered to examine & to levy the Towne
 rate shall have power to set y^e same when y^e Rate shall be paid
 in, & to set y^e price of y^e same & c.
 The meeting is adjourned unto the 27th of January 1710.
 At a Towne meeting called by warrant April 16th 1711. Tho. Olney son Moderator.
 Chosen for Deputies to serve in Gen^l Assemb. of Election to be holden at
 Newport the first Monday in May next, & also to sit in Gen^l Assemb.
 the day before y^e Election at William Bradford, Delog^r Leader, James
 Decker & Jonathan Sprague Jun^r. The meeting is dissolved.
 At a quarter day meeting on Friday 27th 1711. Tho. Olney son Moderator.
 Granted to Joseph Onon Jun^r that he may change four acres
 of land that William Beck neer the land which formerly belonged
 to George Newby, & lay it out againe joynning to his other land
 whereon he dwelleth.
 It is Granted unto Peter Debbos that he may take some so much
 High way Cuckthoff & take up some such as it is & some such as
 he thinketh is which will through his land & take it up againe
 & joynning to some other part of his land where he dwelleth.
 It is Granted unto y^e people about Niunkake howe much a Captain
 who fifth cannot come into the pond, the Towne have ordered
 Peter Place & Zachary Eddy to treat him concerning it & to
 advise him to let there be a passage for y^e fifth capⁿ
 into the pond, & that the Towne shall be obliged to take
 further consideration concerning it. The meeting is dissolved.
 At a Towne Meeting of Election June 27th 1711: it being y^e first Monday
 day in the month Tho. Olney son Moderator.
 Tho. Olney son Chosen Towne Clerk & Engaged.
 Benjamin Wheelwright, Elizor Arndt Jun^r & Ebenezer Sprague Constables, Engaged.
 For the Towne Council, Tho. Olney son, Nathl. Waterman Jun^r, Mij^r
 Niles Hopkins, Jonathan Sprague Jun^r, James Brown, Rich^d Browne, Engaged.
 Captⁿ Fenner & Captⁿ Olney Chosen Jurors to lay out land on y^e East side of y^e
 seven mile line. Captⁿ Olney Engaged.
 William Harris Chosen Towne Serjant & Engaged.
 James Brown Chosen Towne Constable.
 Captⁿ Wilkinson, Leif Brown Harris & Ebenezer Sprague Rate leviers all Engaged.
 James Mathison, Sam^l King & Sam^l Wilkinson Chosen Haystackers, Engaged.
 The meeting is dissolved.

At a Towne Meeting June 25th 1711. Called by Warrant
 Major Joseph Goncker Moderator.
 Ordered by vote that a Rate of Nilly & Nine Pounds shall be levied
 upon all the inhabitants of this Towne of Providence for the encouragement
 of that Number of soldiers which are to goe out of this Towne to y^e Queen's
 service in the Expedition now propagating to Canada: that so they may
 be willing to list themselves voluntarily without being pressed: And that
 every person (who is longed to our Towne) that will come in & voluntarily
 list himselfe a soldier in y^e aforesaid Expedition, for his encouragement shall
 have the sum of threescore out of the aforesaid levied alowed to him besides
 what her Majesty & also the Colony hath alowed for the encouragement
 of volunteers in this Expedition: But if those persons who are bringing
 into our Towne will not be free to accept as aforesaid, then they shall
 be improved for the propagating of others, if they may in like order be
 obtained, and as for what monyes of y^e said sum may remaine, after the
 Towne their Number of soldiers be made up by voluntary listing or impressing
 or both, it shall be Comitted to the Towne Treasury for y^e Towne's use.
 Ordered also that every person who shall have a son or servant to goe in this
 Expedition shall be Exempted from being rated to this Rate.
 The meeting is dissolved.
 At a Towne meeting quarter day July 27th 1711. Tho. Olney son Moderator.
 Chosen for Deputies to serve in Gen^l Assemb. at Barnick the first Monday
 day in October next are y^e Mess^r Joseph Whipple, M^r James Brown, M^r Joseph
 Smith & Captⁿ Tho. Olney.
 The meeting is dissolved.
 At a Towne meeting August 27th 1711. Tho. Olney son Moderator.
 Chosen for y^e Court of Sessions Court of Trials to sit at
 Newport on the 27th of August next, and for Grand Jurymen James Decker, for Petty Jurymen, Edward
 Seale, and John Whipple.
 Ordered that those persons who were chosen by the Towne to proportion the
 Towne's part of the Colony's Rate, shall proportion the Towne's
 for County money for y^e soldiers (as it is called).
 The meeting is dissolved.
 At a Towne meeting October 27th 1711. Tho. Olney son Moderator.
 The Generall Assemblys act of y^e Election in May 1711, & also y^e act of
 y^e Assembly in August following hold by adjournment to this day my meeting
 openly read. The meeting is dissolved.
 At a Towne meeting November 27th 1711. Tho. Olney son Moderator.
 Chosen for Deputies to serve for this Towne of Providence at y^e Generall
 Assembly to sit at Newport the 27th of November next, and Captⁿ Sam^l Comstock,
 M^r Elizor Arndt, Tho. Arndt Jun^r, M^r Wilkinson. The meeting is dissolved.
 At a Towne meeting January 28th 1711, by reason y^e 27th day fell to be on
 the first day of the week, Quarter day. Tho. Olney son Moderator.
 Those who are Chosen Jurymen to serve at y^e Gen^l Court of Trials to
 sit at Newport the first Tuesday in March next, and for Grand Jurymen Joseph
 Marney, for Petty Jurymen, Leif Brown, Roger Burdington and

Whereas Mr Nathaniel Brown of Rehoboth (Shipwright) hath
this day desired of the Towne of Providence that they would grant
unto him the liberty to make improvement of halfe an acre of
land lying on Noy's Neck betwene Mr Waterman his marke
& the salt water, the which he might have the use of for building
of vessels thereon, & to have the improvement thereof for so long
time as he shall see cause to improve it himselfe for that effect
& for no longer time, the which said halfe-acre of land he desires
it is by the Towne unto him granted; and that Capt. Tho. Fennor
& Justice Richd. Waldman & Mr Nicholas Power shall stand
out the said parcel of land how & where it should be & do, & so
to lay it that sufficient way may be left, & not to obstruct any
passage for horse foot carts or drifft; And henceforth Nathaniel
shall not see cause to improve it any longer for himselfe, the
said parcel of land shall then againe returned to the Towne, to
the use of Mr Durshon & Proprietors, & not to the use of said
Nathaniel Brown.

Whereas there was an acre of land laid out unto Daniel Brown (now deceased)
it being an acre in that tract of land called Noy's Neck, & in that
part of the same sometimes called Noy's Neck, & in that
part thereof which is now laid out upon a piece of land formerly
laid out to Mr Throckmorton & Mr Judson of the Towne
have made claim & taken of a piece of land from the successors of
Daniel Brown; who stand upon said Brown & his
successors of Daniel Brown have this day by a bill of division of the Towne
that in lieu of a piece of land that they might take up
an acre of land lying upon the Common; their bills are granted.

Whereas by severall persons in our Towne a bill was this day exhibited
desiring the Towne to order about the way up the hill on the East side of
Small brooke by Sam^r Wilsons meadow, alleging that a better
way might be made to pass up the hill by digging of it & making of it
out of the side of the hill before it comes to the top thereof.
It is ordered that the Surveyor & James Brown & Sam^r
go to the place & take a view of it, & if in their judgement the
way may be best to goe as is demanded as is promised then for them
to stand out the way where it shall be made & do, & to consider
in their judgement what labour it may take to make it passable
& to make report to the Towne or Durshon next meeting.

The meeting is dissolved
At a Towne meeting, Quarter day 1712, Reason the 2nd day, fell to be on the
first day of the month of April this day, the meeting is holden at
Major Joseph Goncher is chosen Moderator.
Chosen for deputies to goe in honor of the election to be holden at
Newport the first Monday day of May in this year 1712, & that of the
election are Mr Jonathan Sprague, Mr Joseph Whipple, Major
William Smith & Capt. Wm Crawford.
Whereas Edward Sparrow hath this day desired of the Towne that he might have
a piece of land in the land out into him, which he hath in his right
to be to him laid out, but the Surveyor of the Towne, East side of the
mile line, being at present

cannot find it, the Towne do therefore Order & appoint Capt. James
Wilkinson to inspect the matter & see how much land there is which he hath
to have to him laid out on the East side of said gentleman's line; & on what rights
that it comes to him, and if it be to him, that so he may have his
right to any Cottage or other to be laid out unto him, then so Capt. Wilkinson shall
right unto him, that he make a view of the land or to the Surveyor at their meetings
to the quantity & the right, and to be sure to have the laying out upon any of the
Towne's grounds Common.

Whereas there was a bill presented this day to the Towne of Providence, Namely
Samuel Wilkinson jun^r & the Smith, Daniel Smith & His said Comptroller Requesting of
the Towne that the High way through the northern part of the Towne should
might be run out northward so far as the inhabitants do any of the roads which
it may be knowne that it is that so it may be extended from bridge to bridge & kept
in a condition for people to pass; the Towne having considered thereof, & that
the Towne's two Surveyors for the laying out of land on the East side of the Common
mile line, shall some time in the month of May in this present year 1712, shall
out a high way for a Common road, beginning at the Northern end of that
part of said Roads in that tract of land belonging to Edward Jemson & his partners, &
the hill called Noy's Neck, the said road having already been run
so far northward as a little way northward from Nathaniel Brown's now
standing house, the which said high way is to be four poles wide, & at the
northern end of that part of said high way so far to run to take it & state it
along that south Northward through that tract of land belonging to Edward Jemson
& his partners so far as the Cedar swamp lying on the Northern part of
said tract of land; and then still to continue the said high way along Northward
as far as our Towne's inhabitants do dwell, & so over that branch of Pawtucket River
which runneth to the North End of Noy's Neck, & so far as the Surveyors shall judge
it may be convenient at present time, and it is also ordered that the said two Surveyors
forthwith, making out of the said high way, shall be paid out of the Towne's
treasury; and as for the laying out of the land which may be taken out of any persons
property to make the high way, on the East side of the said road, the Towne
having determined that the proprietors of those lands shall be paid in money, &
being a gift from the Towne, which is the satisfaction in it, & sufficient for High way
thence for Edward Jemson & his partners tract, by agreement the Towne reserved a high way
through it.

Whereas Joseph Hurdin hath this day desired of the Towne that he might have
a piece of land in the land out into him, which he hath in his right
to be to him laid out, but the Surveyor of the Towne, East side of the
mile line, being at present

John Whipple his bill for leave to exchange halfe an acre of land for
the returne of his bill for leave to exchange halfe an acre of land for
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the meeting is dissolved.

At a Towne meeting of Election June the 2nd being the first Monday in the
month 1712, Tho: Olney senior, Moderator.
Chosen Clerk for this year Tho: Olney senior, for Serjeant William
Harris; for Constables Joseph Brown Peter Burlinggame and
Job Whipple, for men to be to the Assistants to make the Towne Comie
are Tho: Olney jun^r, Jonathan Sprague, senior, Major Wm Hopkins, James
Brown, Richard Brown, John Smith; for Towne Treasurer James Brown,
for Surveyor for land on the East side of the mile line and Capt. Wilkinson and
Capt. Olney; for my Wardens are John Dexter William Field and
Ebenzer Sprague; The Clerk & the are this day Engaged, & so is Peter
Burlinggame & Ebenzer Sprague; The Meeting is adjourned unto Monday
the 7th instant for to Engage the rest of the officers.
Monday June the 9th 1712, the meeting is againe in being, Tho: Olney moderator
this day all the rest of the officers are Engaged, saveing only Mr Sprague
and he being absent, is referred to give his Engagement before a Magistrate
the meeting is dissolved.

At a Towne Meeting quarter day July 28th 1712; by reason that
the 2nd day fell to be on the first day of the week. Tho: Olney Moderator
Chosen for Deputies to serve in Genl. Assembly to sit at Providence
the last Wednesday in October next viz Major Will^m Smith & Capt. Will^m Hopkins, Mr. Jonathan
Springer, Major Will^m Smith & Capt. Will^m Hopkins.
Chosen for Grand Jurymen to serve at the Court of Records to sit
at Newport viz first Tuesday in September next viz James Belloo,
for Deputy Jurymen Rich^d Phillips & John Bulluck.
Granted to John Olney & Tho: Olney (neaver) 10 acres of land
which lyeth a little Northward from Mansfield Meadows & take it
up againe ife where on of Common Not damifying any passage of
high way. The Controversy about land betwene
John Hunkings & Zachary Field: & also a Controversy about
land betwene J^r Phillips & J^r Hopkins, was referred to a
Purchase Meeting. The meeting is dissolved.

At a Towne Meeting quarter day October the 27th 1712
Tho: Olney Senior Moderator.
It is Granted unto Thomas Whipple that he shall have four
acres of land in lieu of so much of the southern end of the pond
called the woods and pond which lieth within his land: and the
said four acres of land shall also be to make the said Thomas Whipple
a Reservation for the High way taken out of the northern part
and also on the Eastern side of the tract of land where on the said
Thomas Whipple now dwelleth.

As Stephen Hardin of this Towne of Providence hath
desired of the Towne to exchange with them nine acres of land
which is a remaining part of 15 acres which he had, six
acres of land 15 acres having exchanged for more by
said Stephen Hardin that he may exchange the said nine
acres of land by laying it downe to Common & taking it up
again in some other place, and the place which he had
to lay it up in, is on the North side of the brooke called the
which is on the North side of the brooke called the
It is Granted unto him said Stephen Hardin that he may take
up the said nine acres of land adjoining to his other land before
out laying it out betwene the aforesaid land of J^r Josiah Owen and
the land belonging to J^r Heirs of J^r Deceased Dumell Williams, but
to intrench upon J^r Williams his land.

It is ordered that the High way to lead to Dautucket shall
goe out of the County Road way towards Logansfield, on the
north side of the valley called Mansfield Meadows Hollow, &
so to lead away Eastward betwene J^r Williams his land & J^r land
of James Young. The meeting is dissolved.

At a quarter Meeting January 27th 1713. Tho: Olney Sen^r Moderator.
Chosen Jurymen for the Court of Trades to sit at Newport
the last Tuesday in March next; for Grand Jurymen viz
Christopher for Deputy Jurymen, viz Roger Beerlingg and
the said Clarke.

Ordered, That Tho: Olney Senior, & Justice Rich^d Waterman
and Tho: Field June: Applying him shall goe out at High Road
from Providence Bridge at Newbury to lead all along
southward towards Dautucket, viz the meeting place
way which Dautucket meete out through their land
towards Providence; And to do it with the convenient speed
may be.

Ordered that those Returns of the refusal of bounds of
severall lands this day Returned by Tho: Olney Senior
viz 20 acres from Gamuon Wright; and 60 acres formerly the
another 20 acres in Ed: Copes Right, all on way Copes plume; and
45 acres of land now belonging to J^r Heirs of Nathony Derriden
lying neare Bennetts Meadows; And of Returne of 100 acres of land
on the southward side of Managhuatucket River to Major Smith
and of Returne of 10 acres land about seekes out to J^r Deceased
Williams which was exchanged with the Towne by his father & the
bounds being lost was Retained; all shall be entered upon Record.
It is Granted unto Rich^d Lewis that whereas J^r mile line hath
cut off about 4 or 5 acres of his land, hee may take it up againe
in what hee will of his land.

Ordered that a Committee be chosen to examine the Towne Treasurers
& find what of the Townes money is in the hands of the more
& the last former Treasurer & take an account thereof, & those
persons unto whom the Towne is indebted, to Repay unto the
Committee & make their demands that so a rate may be made to
depay those debts which do appear to be due. The Committee are
Justice Rich^d Waterman, Andrew Harris & J^r Brown.
And the Committee to make report there of to the Towne the next
quarter day of 27th of April. The Meeting is dissolved.

At a Towne Meeting quarter day April 27th 1713. Tho: Olney Sen^r Moderator.
Chosen for Deputies to serve at the Genl. Assembly of Election the last Wednesday
in the month of May next, & J^r day before the Election are Capt^m Nath^l Jenkes
and Phillip Glemphast Capt^m J^r Carford & Dan^l Althot.
Ordered that the bills referred to the Towne at this meeting by the Committee which was
appointed for ordering concerning Towne Rates & Cops working; said bills are
againe returned to the Committee, and that they are hereby empowered to act in
matter as their judgments shall seeme direct & what they shall think
Authentic. The meeting is dissolved.

At a Towne Meeting of Election June 21st 1713. the first Monday in
Month. Tho: Olney Sen^r Chosen Moderator.
Tho: Olney Sen^r Chosen Towne Clarke & Engaged.
John Stagee Deaver Chosen Towne Serjant & Engaged.
Chosen for Constables Zachary Mathersen, Henry Marvory and
Jonathan Knight June: Zach. Mathersen & John Knight Engaged
but Henry Marvory not yet Engaged, he not being present.
Chosen for rate Raters viz Capt^m J^r Carford
Ebenezer Springue & Andrew Harris & Engaged.
James Brown Chosen Treasurer & Engaged.
Chosen for magistrates Benjamin Knight Joseph Stagee
Thomas Glemphast all Engaged.

Chosen for the men to aduise the assistants, to make up the Towne
Councell are Tho: Olney Senr, Capt. Scott, Lieut. Wm. Olney
William Harris & Daniel Abbott, & Enticed, But Major
Thomas Fenner Assistant Objected against that Choyce, alleging
that they were uncapable to officiate in that office by reason
that if most of them were persons who kept publicke houses of
Entertainment, & Retail strong drinke, and then bid the people
to make another Choyce, the people then made a Choyce against
the same persons as they had before, whereupon a great
controversie fell betwixt Major Fenner & some of those
which were chosen, who offered to take their Engagements into the
office; but Major Fenner declined giving it to them. Then the
people went on to choyse two suruivors for laying out of lands on the
East side of the river mililane; but Major Fenner & others who
choyced, that nothing was effected about it, where by the suruivors
now left in their places & office until there was a new Choyce,
The magistrats then went out a little while & consulted among them
what to do, & came in againe & bid the moderator adorne the meeting
on Friday the 13th instant; the which the moderator accordingly
did.

Friday June 13th 1713. Tho: Olney Senr Moderator.
The meeting being set, Major Fenner then declared to the people the
reason of his aduisement, that it was because the Election was not
proposed to the people to goe on a Choyce; the people then brought
in their votes & chose Tho: Olney Senr, m^r Joseph Williams
Nicholas Purser, who all were engaged into the office of a Towne Councell
of this Colony who are now in being are inclinable to carry money
therefore order that a writt shall be drawn up & sent to the Assembly
to manifest their dislike against the making of any such act; &
and that Tho: Olney, Towne Clerk shall on the 20th inst. their behalfe sign
& send away the writt to the Hon^{ble} Assembly, The said writt
may followeth: To the Hon^{ble} the Govern^r, Dep^t Govern^r Assistants
& Representatives of this her Majesty's Colony of Rhode Island & Providence
plantations, assembled at Newport upon the 20th of June 1713.
Whereas Thomas Fenner is informed that several persons
of this Colony did propose to the Assembly at their last sitting to take
considerable sums of money upon interest of the Colony, and that the
proposal seemed something of a nature, the which
thing were sensible cannot be done by the Assembly, the which
shall be inuolued in it; therefore on the part of the Colony as a Colony but not
selves positively to be against any such proceedings.
Done June 13th 1713.
By order of the Towne of Providence
& on their behalfe
Tho: Olney Clarke

The meeting is adjourned.

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Whereas upon the first of June 1713 the Towne day of Election
of officers, William Smith, James Olney, William Harris and
Silvanus Scott were by voice chosen to be on the Towne Councell
but there being objections made because they kept publicke houses
& Retail strong drinke, whereupon the meeting was aduised
unto Friday June 13th 1713, & then being againe set, the
adjuicate as concerning the Choyce of the Towne Councell, whereupon
the above named four persons presented the Towne with a writt
paper with their names subscribed, desiring it might be recorded
in the Towne Records; The which is as followeth.

Whereas upon the day of the Towne Election of officers, given the
first 1713, the above named persons were chosen to be on the
Towne Councell to be of the Towne Councell but by reason
of the objections made that it is intended to make that they
& come to another Election of Councell men, and it seems to
be intended because that the above named persons kept publicke
houses of Entertainment & Retail strong drinke &c. therefore
are not allowed to serve in that office; But under such papers
we humbly Crave that the Towne Councell may not have the same
publicke houses of Entertainment & Retail strong drinke as a
matter; there is Major Fenner he is one of the Towne Councell & hath
been several years & he hath kept such a house & Retail strong
drinke above this ten years, & no question hath been made
concerning him; But we are chosen into that office, & if we
were engaged then we should be Councell men as well as he
and then the law would be as well as he, as well as he
but if there be a resolution to make another Choyce we
must & do declare & protest against it; for we are not
of the Towne & Colony, & the Towne day of Election, and ought not
to be debarred of our Priviledges.

Recorded of Tho: Olney
Clarke
William Smith
James Olney
Wm. Harris
Silvanus Scott

At a Towne meeting July 2nd 1713 being quarter day.
Tho: Olney Senr. Moderator
Chosen for jury men to serve at the Generall Court of Trials to be
held at Newport the first Tuesday in September next, are for
a Grand jury men Nicholas Purser, for Petty jury men
& William Edmuntts.

Chosen for Deputies to serve in Generall Assembly to be held at
Providence the last Wednesday in October next, are Major
m^r Joseph Williams, m^r Joseph Apple & James Dexter.
The meeting is adjourned.

At a Town meeting, quarter day October 27th 1713:
 Tho: Olney Senior Moderator,
 Whereas Richard Harris Kulk this day desired of the
 Towne that he might have liberty granted to him from
 the Towne to have a free passage from the high way
 which leads through La Caspueck woods to go to &
 from his now dwelling through the land of Elizer Whipple
 junr. lying at Loganspueck, & not to be an open high
 way, but to be kept with a Gate or Barre, & to be only
 for a passage for a Cartt or horse or foot; and that he
 might pass through, at all times, to shut the said Gate or
 Barre, after them, that the said Elizer Whipple comend
 by Damage; And the Towne doth hereby order & appoint
 Capt. Samuell Wilkinson & Joseph Smith the son of
 Edward Smith, to view the place, & sett to the way
 where it shall lye & how it shall be.

Jacob Clarke his bill about the high way over Neelconkonet
 River by Sathams land is suspended untill some other time
 The meeting is dissolved.

At a Town meeting, quarter day January 27th 1713: 14
 Thomas Olney Senior Moderator,
 The jury men chosen for the Court of Trials to be holden
 at Newport at Rhode Island the last Tuesday in March next
 are, for Grand jury messrs Jacob Clarke, for Petty jury
 messrs Richard Phillips & Ebenezer Sprague
 Ordered that a rate of sixty pounds be levied on the inhabi-
 tants of this Towne to defray the Towns debts.
 Whereas there was this day a bill presented to the Towne
 by Richard Browne William Field, James Wainor & Phillips
 Fillingham & Joseph Browne wherein they signify to the
 Towne that there is a tract of land in the neck at & near the
 South End of Providence Neck which might be profitable if
 it were fenced & improved; And they request of the Towne
 that they would grant to them liberty to fence across all the
 high ways for the terme of five years, that is to say, all
 the high ways that lead through said land & they would
 should fence them across as follows, that is from the South
 End of the Neck where on Ballicks Millon now dwelleth across the
 street to the salt water, and from the East End of the Neck
 which is the way to the corner of the land
 of Richard Waterman which land is near to the house of
 James Wainor dwelling house, & go to continue Eastwardly on the South
 side of the high way that shall be laid out to the Ferry, until
 they come to the salt water, or near it; The bill being read the
 Moderator asked the parties whether they intended the high
 way should be laid out from the high way that goeth by James
 Wainors house & at the End of that & go to go to the Ferry or
 Gate at the Ferry (said)

but no objection was made: ~~whereupon~~ only Phillipps
 said it should be run until it came neere the salt water; The
 Moderator then put it to a vote, bidding all those who were to
 favor the high way to be laid out from the East End of the high
 way which leadeth by James Wainors house & go to continue
 Eastwardly to the Ferry & Gate which goeth into the land at
 the Ferry should manifest it by holding up their hands; The
 people in generall did cap their hands: The contrary may also
 pite to vote, & not one hand lift up against it; where upon
 it was declared that it was so granted. The meeting is dissolved.

A Town meeting quarter day April the 27th 1714 The Olney Senior Moderator
 Chosen for Deputy to serve in Generall Assembly the first Wednesday
 in May next at Newport for the Election, And to sit the day before the
 Election, are Major William Hopkins m^r Joseph Whipple, Jonathan
 Sprague junr. and Andrew Harris.

Whereas the last quarter day January the 27th 1714, the Towne ordered
 that a Rate of Sixty pounds should be levied on the Towne the proportion
 doth; It is now ordered that the Rate levies shall proper to the
 Rate as soon as convenient to the May
 This day the acts of Gen^l Assembly held at Warwick the last Wednes-
 day in October 1713 & of Adjournment to resport the following
 were this day read in the open Town meeting:
 The meeting is dissolved.

A Town meeting of Election June the 7th 1714, Tho: Olney
 Senior Moderator
 Thomas Olney Senior Chosen Clarke & Engaged.
 Joseph Angell Chosen for Junr and Engaged.
 Daniel Abbot, Gathus Wainor & Samuell Wilkinson Junr.
 Chosen Constables, and Engaged.
 Thomas Olney Senior: Joseph Williams, Major Will^m Hap Kern
 Capt. Gilbertus Scott Will^m Sturtis & Edward Smith are Chosen
 to add to the Assisants to make up the Towns Council, & are Engaged.
 Justice Richard Waterman & Major Will^m Smith are Chosen
 to lay out land on the East side of the seven mile line, and
 are both Engaged.
 Justice Richard Waterman, Jonathan Sprague Junr & Joseph
 Westcott, are Chosen Rate makers to proportion the Towns their
 Rates for this year, & Engaged.
 Mr. Harris is Chosen Towns Surveyor, & Engaged
 John Harves, Nicholas Sheldon & John Marvey of Nipsackuk
 are Chosen way wardens for this year, & are Engaged.
 James Dexter Edward Smith & Thomas Smith Junr are Chosen for
 over seers of the Poor, for this year.
 William Smith is Chosen a Deputy to serve in the room of Joseph
 Whipple, in the Generall Assembly at Newport, the 15th of
 August June, 1714.

Whereas at a Towne meeting January the 27th 1715; the Towne
ordered that a rate of thirty pounds should be levied upon the inhabi-
tants of this Towne of Providence to defray the Townes debts; And at
a Towne meeting April the 27th 1715, a rate bill was presented
both as to debt & Credit, the which is, that the Towne then ordered
that the rate levied should proportion on the inhabitants of the
Towne as soon as conveniently the might, but the rate not yet
having yet been proportioned, the Towne so then order that the
rate shall be proportioned so soon that it may be paid in by the last
of October next; And the said rate shall be paid in by the last
Credit; And it is also ordered that Andrew Harris & Joseph
Brown shall make search & find out what persons the
are as the Towne is indebted unto & how much it is as the Towne is indebted
unto each person & that it may be ready for the Constables to
gather the rate by, & the Treasurer may know who he should pay
unto, & how much to each person; And also to find out who are
indebted to the Towne. And the Towne do desire the magistrates
to order the rate makers to proportion the rate in season.
There was a bill presented to desire the Towne to call on the Council
to give an account of what may become of the licence money, some
advertisements was about it, but it was left & no vote was passed
on it; of paper also was put in about a High way through the
scrubbes, laid by the ~~main~~ road, and paid, much objection
was about it but no vote passed; but left it to the magistrates
for them to do as they may cause in it.
The meeting is dissolved.

At a Towne meeting quarter day July 27th 1715 Major Genckes
Chosen for deputies to serve in Generall Assembly the last Wednesday
in October next to sit at Providence and Major Genckes
Major Wm Smith Major Genckes Junr & Joseph Medway
for Jurymen to serve at the Court of Records to sit at
Newport the first Tuesday in September next, care for Grand Jurymen
Major Edward Manton Edward Manton for Deputy Jurymen Ben. Smith
dwelling at Newport & Major De la Rader; The meeting is dissolved.

At a Towne meeting January 27th 1715; Tho. Olney Junr Moderator
Chosen for Jurymen to serve at the Generall Court of Records to be
held at Newport on Wednesday the last Tuesday in
May next for Grand Jurymen Major Andrew Harris; for Deputy Jurymen
Major Ensigne James Whipple & William Wilkinson.
The meeting is dissolved.

At a Towne meeting quarter day April the 27th 1715
Joseph Genckes Moderator
Chosen for Deputies to serve in the Generall Assembly of
Providence to be held at Newport the first Wednesday in May
next ensuing, & also the day before the Election, are Left.
Andrew Harris Resolved, Waterman, William Wilkinson.
Left Andrew Harris & Joseph Brown, who are the Committee that
were chosen to proportion the Towne Rate of 60th that they do
according to the order about it made June the 7th 1715.
The meeting is dissolved unto quarter day the 30th instant.

Saturday April 30th 1715 95
The meeting is againe in being, by virtue of adjournment; Major Genckes
Continues Moderator. Nothing this day but Acted, but only wanted for
Generall officers, by the magistrates received. The meeting is dissolved.

At a Townes Quarter day meeting the 27th of July 1715
Major Genckes Chosen Moderator
Major William Stephens and Phillip Tillinghast Junr Elizee
Junr and Lieut Andrew Harris Chosen deputies to serve
in y^e Gen^l Assembly to be hold at Warwick the last
Wednesday in October next
Major Wm Smith Chosen Grand Jurymen to serve at
the next Gen^l Court of Records to be hold
at Newport y^e first Tuesday in Sept^r next coming
and John Angel Woodor and Joseph Brown Chosen for the
Jurymen to serve at the Court of Records.

There being information & complaint made to y^e Towne that
Mr De la Rader has taken up a parcel of or grip of
Common which was left for y^e in habitations of Masapoque
and that given a deede of 30 land to the said De la Rader
Resolved that 30 deede shall not be Entered upon y^e Towne
Records without further order
The meeting is dissolved - Richard Waterman Clerk

At a Townes Quarter meeting hold at Providence y^e 27th
of October 1715
Richard Waterman Junr Chosen Moderator
Mr Edward Manton Mr Resolved Waterman Mr Edward Smith
and Chosen a Committee to meet with the Purchasers
Committees to treat and debate the differences that hath bin
concerning the Records of the purchasers Records.
And the Gentlemen here Chosen are hereby fully Impowred
to settle that affair with y^e purchasers Committees and to be
ready to meet y^e purchasers Committees when called at any
time when that each party shall agree upon
The meeting is dissolved

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