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At a Town Council held at Providence January 4th 1725
It being the second Monday in said month

Voted that John Pettoe son of Mary Pettoe shall be bound
to Mr William Broake to provide him his Executors or
Administrators untill he the said John Pettoe shall attain
to the age of twenty one years: and that his s^d master
shall ~~teach~~ ^{teach} learn him to write and Reade: and ~~put~~ ^{put} him
also with one Good new suit of apparel for halow
days ^{fit} for his body ^{compleate} throughout: besides his
Ordinary ^{weaving} Coathes -

Jeromiah Wilkinton son of Mr John Wilkinton deceased came
before this Council and declared that he had chosen his Uncle
Capt Samuell Wilkinton to be his Guardian to take care of
him the said Orphan: and to have full Power to take
into his possession and manage his Estate for him ~~justly~~
during the time of his minority -
Voted and accepted that Capt Sam^l Wilkinton shall be
Guardian to his Cousin Jeromiah Wilkinton: both to take care of
him and his Estate -

Whereas as the man that was formerly chosen to set off to the
Mrs Mary Waterman Deceased widow of John Deceased
Waterman deceased: her thirds of the Deceased Estate of her
deceased Husband: to her: and also to proportion the Deceased
Estate amongst the s^d Deceased Watermans Children
lawfully born: by Deceased to join in that affair and wholly
disposit the matter:

and because the widow did propeth upon the Council to
have her thirds of s^d Deceased husbands Deceased Estate part
of to her that s^d chose may enjoy it peaceably to her own pro
p^o use for the support of her self and nurture of her family
and in order thereto: the Council hath chosen and
appointed Capt Silvanus Scott Capt Moses Burdington
James and Mr Ezekiel Warner ~~and others~~ to sett off
said widows thirds of her said deceased husbands Deceased
Estate to her: and also to sett off to each of the s^d
Deceased Watermans Children: that shall desire it: their p^o
portion of said Deceased Estate to them: provided they are
capable to receive it -

At a Town Council held at Providence February 4th 1725
It being the feasts munday in said month

Voated that John Peteston son of Mary Peteston shall be bound
to Mr William Broake to serve him his Executors or
Administrators untill he the said John Peteston shall attain
to the age of twenty one years: and that his s^r master
shall ~~teach~~ ^{teach} him to write and Reade: and ~~with~~ ^{with}
proo^{ve} with one Good now suite of apparrell for halow
days ^{fit} for his body ^{complate} throughout: besides his
Ordinary ^{weapen} Cloathes -

Jeremiah Wilkinton son of Mr John Wilkinton deceased came
before this Council and declared that he had chosen his Uncle
Capt^e Samuell Wilkinton to be his Guardian to take care of
him the said orphan: and to have full power to take
into his possession and manage his Estate for him ~~for~~
during the time of his minority -
Voated and accepted that Capt^e Sam^l Wilkinton shall be
Guardian to his sayon Jeremiah Wilkinton: both to take care of
him and his Estate -

Whereas as the man that was formerly chosen to set off to the
M^{rs} Mary Waterman Delict widow of John Delect
Waterman deceased: her thirds of the Deale Estate of her
s^r deceased husband: to her: and also to proportion the Deale
s^r Estate amongst the s^r Delect Watermans children
lawfully begotten by Delect to serve in that affair and who
disposed the matter:

and because the widow said propeth upon the Council to -
have her thirds of s^r deceased husbands Deale Estate part
of to her that s^r phos may enjoy it peaceably to her own pro
p^{er} use for the support of her self and nurture of her family
and in order thereto: the Council hath chosen and
Appoynted Capt^e Silvanus Scott Capt^e Moses Burdington
James and Mr Ezekiel Warner ~~and~~ to set off
said widows thirds of her said deceased husbands Deale
Estate to her: and also to set off to each of the s^r
Delect Watermans children: that shall be born: their p^{ro}
portion of said Deale Estate to them: provided they are
capable to receive it -

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It is voted and ordered that Leitt Joseph Wilkinson and Mrs. Johannah Brown shall have the Dwelling House and Lands adjoining proper to be fifty acres which belonged to Joseph Aldrich Junr deceased, to be to the only proper wife benefit and behoofe of the said Joseph Wilkinson and Johannah Brown their heirs Executors Administrators or assigns provided they take care and provide for and maintain the widow of the said Joseph Aldrich deceased during the term of her natural life: upon which term they are to have the use and profit of said Lands during the 2^d term.

Ordered that Mr. Thomas Burlingame shall be added to the other three men to appraise the Real Estate of Mr. Richard Boden deceased, in the Name of Thomas Giles who Refused.

Ordered that Mr. Richard Brown Esqr. shall give forth a warrant under his hand and seals to Mr. Robert Currie Esqr. to summon in a jury of twelve or more men chosen not interested nor concerned: and impanel them as a jury to lay out a convenient Highway that may ease the most direct and be most convenient for his majestys subjects to pass and Repass in from the Town to Mr. James Angells and so a Long by his Rays up into the Country so far as there may be occasion for to accomodate the Inhabitants of this Town: and that it shall be paid according to the Law of this Colony.

Ordered that Mr. John Burton Esqr. shall give forth a warrant under his hand and seals to Mr. Robert Currie Esqr. to summon a jury of twelve or more men not interested nor concerned and impanel them to lay out a convenient Highway from way beset Bridge along the Road that Leads into the Narragansett Country so far as Warwick Line.

Ordered out —

the Council is adjourned to the second munday in March next ensuing.

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March 28th 1724

It being munday and the second munday in 2^d month

Aliso Potter came before this Council and declared that she had made choice and chosen her Executor Mr. Thomas Olney to be her Guardian to take care of her: and the 3^d Thomas Olney being present accepted of the Trust that she Reposed in him for that account — and the Council allowed thereof.

Aliso Potter came before this Council and Declared that she had chosen her two brothers John Potter and William Potter to be her Guardians: to have the management and to take care of both her Real and personal Estate: and her said brothers being both present declared that they accepted of the Trust that she the 3^d Aliso Potter had Reposed in them on that account — and the Council allowed of by the Council.

Ordered and ordered that the above named Aliso Potter be by her Guardians consent and advice: and her own free will bound an apprentice to her brother John Potter her Executors or Administrators.

The Council is adjourned to munday next for 15th of this Instant April.

March the 15th 1724 It being munday the Council is againe in being.

It is voted and ordered that the overseers of the poor shall Expose to sale all such goods as Mr. Robert Currie Towns agent hath taken into his custody which belonged to Mary Owen: and improve the proceeds thereof to ward the Relief of the said Mary Owen.

there is allowed twenty pounds to Mr. William Brook out of the Towns Treasury to defray the Town from any further charge with John Beltesto a Poor fatherless Child.

Mrs. Sarah Clemens widow is imprisoned and ordered to take care of her Grandson James Appley until further order.

the Council is adjourned to 15th day of April next.

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April 15th 1725 - The Council is again in being -
Voted that Richard Waterman Clarke shall ~~summons~~ summons
John Balcum before the Council all three next sitting
in order to ~~summons~~ ~~the~~ indentures for Jabez Robinsons
servicing him as an apprentice: or other ways to Reign him
up -

as ordered
Voted that Richard Waterman Clarke shall sign a warrant
to Samuel Constock Constable to be assisting to James
Walling in taking an Inventory of the Estate of
that was left by Isaac Bull, deceased, with his widow
or his Daughter Hannah; In behalf of the Council
Pursuant to an order of the Council held January
18th anno Dom 1724

Voted and ordered that Richard Waterman Clarke
shall Grant a Letter of Administration unto William
Hammon and his wife upon the Estate of the
widow Anna Whipple: deceased: and take bond
in behalf of the Council

the Council is Adjourned to the third munday in may
next ensuing

may 1st 1725 It being munday and the third munday in 3^d month
the Council is againe in being

The movable Estate of Ensign Resolved Waterman
deceased, after accounts made up with the Administratrix:
Proportioned as followeth:

the widows parte is - - - - - 86 - 12 - 8 -
Resolveds parte is - - - - - 49 - 10 - 1 -

And the other five Childrens parts being - 24 - 15 - 1/2
a poise: as namoly Mary ~~Clarke~~
Joseph Weight John and Hannah - - -

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Voted and ordered that Richard Waterman Clarke shall
Grant a Letter of Administration unto Mrs Ann Browne
Relict widow of Mr Jabez Browne deceased, upon
her & Deceased husbands movable Estate and take bond
in behalf of the Council.
Mrs Jeroniah Browne and Mrs Edward Mitchol are accept
to be her bonds men: and ~~they~~ also have promised
before the Council to give bond for ~~the~~ ^{the} widows administra-
tion upon ~~the~~ Estate -

Voted and ordered that Richard Waterman Clarke shall
Grant a Letter of Administration unto Gideon Paine
upon the movable Estate of his Brother Nathan
Paine, deceased, and take bond in behalf of the Council
his Brother Josiah Paine hath promised to be one of
the bonds men who is accepted by the Council with an
other bonds man
memorandum the two Elder brothers of the ^s Nathan
Paine Refused to take Administration upon ~~the~~ ^{the} Estate
~~the Council is deplued~~

Major ~~Clarke~~ Bullingame Mrs Ezekiel Warner and
Ensign Josiah Thornton: are Appointed and Elected
to set off to Resolved Waterman his Legacy which is due to
him out of the movable Estate of his father Ensign
Resolved Waterman, deceased
the Council is deplued

At a Town Council held at Providence 3^d day of July anno Dom: 1725

Voted and ordered that Richard Waterman Clarke shall Grant a Letter
of Administration unto John Fennor and Edward Fennor upon the
Estate of their Honor ~~father~~ Mr Arthur Fennor, deceased, and take
bond in behalf of the Council

Voted and ordered that Richard Waterman Clarke shall Grant a Letter
of Administration unto Gwiell Waterman Junr upon the Estate
of his Honor ~~father~~ Mr Nathaniel Waterman deceased and take bond
in behalf of the Council

Capt John Gerson of warwick is chosen and Appointed to be Guardian to
the Children of Mr Samuel Gorton, of Providence, deceased, and
to bind them out by Indentures -

6.
Soll Nicholas Power and Capt Richard Waterman are
Appoynted to sign the indentures of John Wilsons to Josiah
Thornton

Ordered and Ordered that Richard Waterman Clarke shall Grant a Letter
of Administration unto Mrs. Bethyah Sprague widow upon the
movable Estate of her deceased husband John Sprague deceased
and take Bond in behalf of the Council

the Council is Adjourned to the second munday in August next ensuing
August 10th 1725

It being the second munday in 8th month the Council is againe
in being

Jedion Crawford son of Major William Crawford deceased
Came before this Council and Declared that he had taken
his Grandfather Soll Joseph Whipple to be his Guardian: and desired
that he might be accepted of the Town Council and that
he might be Impowered to sign indentures with him self
that might be attested for the binding him an Apprentice
All which was Voted and Allowed by the 3rd Council
and the 3rd Soll Whipple Accepted the place

Capt Eleazar Scott of Dorset to Joyn with
Mr. Ezekiel Warner and Sign Josiah Thornton
to set of to Resolved Waterman his part of his father's
Personal Estate
In the Room of Capt Josiah Burlingame who Desired

The Council is Adjourned to the third munday in
September next

September 20th 1725 - It being munday the Council is
againe in being

It is Voted and Ordered that Richard Waterman Clarke
shall Grant a Letter of Administration unto
William Hopkins Junr upon the movable Estate
of his Grandmother Mrs. Abigail Hopkins deceased
and take Bond in behalf of the Council

the Council adjourns to the third munday in October next

October the 14th 1725 It being munday and the third munday in 8th month
The Council is againe in being

It is Voted and Ordered that Richard Waterman Clarke shall Grant
a Letter of Administration unto Mary Hyde upon the movable Estate of her
deceased husband Joseph Hyde and take Bond in behalf of the Council

And Mrs. John Aldrich and Mr. Samuel Aldrich Accepted of the
Trust that was Deposited in hand of the 3rd Joseph Hyde for the
selling his Land according to his will

Capt John Whipple Mr. Thomas Burlingame and Sign Josiah
Thornton are Chosen to be the three Men to Joyn with a Justice
of Peace and Constable or Townsman of the Town to set out
a High way from this Town to Hildingsby

And John Braton Esq. and Mr. Nicholas Horton Constable shall be signing
with them in that office
It is Voted that Soll Nicholas Power and Capt Richard Waterman Esq.
shall in behalf of the Council sign a Note or Certificate to
the select men and authority of the Town of Barrington
that they have sent Hannah Kendrick as Nurses Child to be
taken care of by her mother Baker: and that was shall be
obliged to Deliver her into our Towne as one of our own
Inhabitants: and to be Delivered at our Towns Charge at all times
so that there shall be no Advantage taken against the Towne
of Barrington by Reason of the 3rd Hannah Kendrick being
thow

It is Voted that Capt Richard Waterman and Mrs. Richard
Remond Esq. shall Grant forth a warrant to the
Stables to Remove Nicholas Hutchins his wife and family
out of our Towne

The Council is Adjourned to the first munday in Decem
ber next

Decem^{ber} 10th 1725 day anno domini 1725 - It being munday
the Council is againe in being

This day the men that was Appoynted to set of to
Deliver Waterman his Part of his father's personal Estate
to him; have made Return of those proceedings under their
hands in writing: the which Return was Voted and
Accepted: and Ordered to be Recorded

Voted and Ordered that Richard Waterman Clarke shall Grant
Administration unto Major William Smith upon the
movable Estate of his sister Mrs. Sarah Stomans deceased
and take Bond in behalf of the Council
the Council is Adjourned to the first munday in february next

At a Town Council held at Providence the 3^d day of January -
anno Dom: 1725/6 - being called by warrant -

Resolved and ordered that Richard Waterman Clarke shall ~~take~~
Grant a Letter of Administration unto Leuit John Jones
upon the Estate of his sister Anne Lewis: widow, deceased -
and take bond with sureties in behalf of the Council -

Resolved and ordered that Richard Waterman Clarke shall Grant
a Letter of Administration: unto Arny Fenner
upon the personal Estate of her husband Mr John Fenner
deceased: and take bond with sureties in behalf of the
Council -

Resolved and ordered that Richard Waterman Clarke shall Grant
a Letter of Administration unto Joseph Gile: upon the Personal
Estate of his father Mr John Gile: deceased and take
bond with sureties in behalf of the Council: -
by reason the widow of the said John Gile hath Refused to -
take Administration -

Upon the Petition and Request of Arny Fenner widow of
Mr John Fenner: deceased: It is Resolved and ordered that
Richard Waterman Clarke shall Draw a petition to the
Gov^t Assembly: to Impower Edward Fenner to sell so much
Land which belonged to the said John's father Mr Arthur Fenner
deceased as shall be needfull to discharge his debts and pay
the Legacies Given in his will -

The Council is adjourned to the first munday in february next

At a Town Council held at Providence this 4th day of february -
anno Dom: 1725/6 -

Resolved and ordered that John yeats shall have the sum of -
forty pounds out of the Towns Treasury to supply his
present necessity -

Resolved and ordered that Richard Waterman Clarke shall
Grant a Letter of Administration unto Mr: Alice Edmonds
upon the moveable Estate of her husband Leuit
William Edmonds, deceased, and take bond in behalf
of the Council -

The following account is found imperfect and disordered as here after appears
Hannah Burdington that was the Relict widow and Administratrix
to the Estate of Capt Josiah Westcott deceased -
hath this day Rendered an account of her Administration -
upon the Estate of her former husband; deceased -
and after all accounts were duly balanced
there Remained to be divided the said woman and
her Children the sum of - 166-13-4

of which the woman's third is - 55-11-1

and Nicholas is part is - 27-15-6

and each of the other Children's part is - 13-17-9

the Council is adjourned to munday the 21st of this present
february -

february the 21st day: 1725/6 It being munday the Council is againe
in being -

for as much as this Council by further Inquire hath found many
errors in the above account Doe therefore declare the said
same to be imperfect: -

and there upon have proceeded as followeth: first new find after
a due Examination that the Relict Estate of Capt Josiah
Westcott: deceased: is Indebted after the whole of the moveable
Estate was Expended in paying debts and bringing up his
Children the sum of - 58-01-02

where upon the Administratrix Prayed
this Council to petition the Gov^t Assembly of this
Colony that shoud might be Impowered to sell so much
of the Relict Estate of her deceased husband as there
shall be occasion for to satisfy the said debt -
and It is further Resolved that the Clarke of the
Council shall Draw a petition on that after and
sign it in behalf of the Council -

Mr Thomas Jones is Chosen Guardian to his Nephews -
the orphans and fatherless Children of Richard Jones -
deceased: there mother being dead also: and for him to take
the Care: of the Lands and Relict Estate of the said
Richard Jones belonging to the above said fatherless Children
being in the Colony of Connecticut -
the said Thomas Jones being present accepted of the Trust
Reposed in him -

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It is voted and ordered that Richard Waterman Clarke shall Grant a Letter of Administration unto Peter Stone upon the movable Estate of his father of Peter Stone; deceased and Take Bond with privities in behalf of the Council

It is voted and ordered that Coll Joseph Jenckes Esqr and Coll Nicholas Potter Esqr shall sign and execute the Deeds Given by the Council to Eliza Baker of that which was the Real Estate of Samuell Porton, deceased lying in Massachusetts; in behalf of the Council
Capt Major Burlington and Mr Ezekiel Warner and Ensign Josiah Thornton are chosen to take an inventory of the movable Estate of Mr Andrew Harris, deceased
The Council is Adjourned to the first Monday in March next ensuing

March 7th 1725 6 It being Monday the Council is againe in being

It is voted and ordered that William Randall shall have the pair of mill stones that formerly was the Estate of Samuell Moser, deceased, and to have them all the while they were inventoryed at the said mill stones are lying by the State side, near that which was the ~~house of~~ Dwelling house of Thomas Comans, deceased

and it is further voted and ordered that Richard Waterman Clarke shall att the Request of the s^d William Randall Give him an order to take the s^d mill stones into his possession upon the s^d Randall's Giving security for the payment of the money he is to give for them

Capt Silvanus Coll Mr Edward Smith and Mr Thomas Arnold are chosen to apprise the Real Estate of Mr John Lyon deceased: that is lying within this Town of Providence; and make Return to the Town Council

For as much as there is a demur at present for the settlement of the Estate of Mr William Harris, deceased

It is voted and ordered that ^{Mr} Mr Job Harris shall take the Care of the management ~~and~~ pursuing and prosecuting the movable Estate of his deceased

father until further order: the s^d Mr Job Harris being present declared that he ~~was~~ did accept of the trust and would do his duty therein

It is voted and ordered that Mr John Burton shall have the sum of seven pounds out of ~~the Estate of~~ the money that was produced out of the Real Estate of Joseph Balcom for the fees he did in Dealing him

The Council is Adjourned to Monday the 21st of this Instant March

March 21st 1725 6 It being Monday the Council is againe in being

Voted and ordered that Richard Waterman Clarke shall Grant a Letter of Administration unto Ruth Woodward upon the movable Estate of her husband Joseph Woodward deceased and take Bond in behalf of the Council: the Capt Job Whipple and Lieut Richard Fairbanks to receive those Bonds: with a Counter Bond to keep them good

Thomas Olney son of William Olney being approved of nineteen years of age: appeared before this Council and declared that he had chosen his Grand father the s^d Mr William Olney and his Grand father in law Mr William Jenckes to be his Guardians:

To take the Care of the Estate that was Given him by his Grand father Mr Thomas Olney, deceased the which choice was by the said Council granted and allowed: and the said William Olney and William Jenckes were then by Impowerment to proceed in the Obsequy Repose in them;

For as much as the s^d Guardians being present declared their willingness to accept of the peace of Guardians and promise their faithful ways therein

Voted and ordered that Richard Waterman Clarke shall Grant a Letter of Administration unto Collaboration Harris upon the personal Estate of his Brother Mr Andrew Harris deceased and take Bond in behalf of the Council

The Council is Adjourned to ~~at~~ ye second Monday in April next

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At a Town Council held at Prudence the 11th day of
April anno Dom: 1726

Edward Arnold son of Mr. Joseph Arnold, deceased: appeared
before this Council and declared that he made choice and
had chosen his Brother Phillip Arnold of Warwick and his
brother in law John Potter Jun^r of Prudence: to be his
Guardians to be assisting and advising with him in the manage-
ment of his Estate

The which choice was Voted and Accepted:
and the said Guardians: declared themselves willing to be assisting
in the trust that is reposed in them: Concerning that affair

Voted and ordered that Elizabeth Starbuck shall have the remaining
part of the money that is due to her for the Keeping of Richard
Gorton for the last half year past: and that she shall or
may have her money quarterly that is 3rd a quarter for the
remaining part of the year that is to come

This day Elizabeth Stades had order for her money out of the
Towns Treasury for the Keeping John Kendrick's Child the
time that is past

Capt Daniell Abbott & Joseph to go on with Capt John Whipple
and Mr Thomas Worthington to go with John Burton Esq^r
and Nicholas Stedon Constable: In the Town of Grafton
Thorton who is de-apt: to lay out a highway from this
Town to Wickinsey: and to begin said way at the west end
of a highway that is already layed through that tract
of Land that was called the prairie common
and to have satisfaction for their Labour there in out of the
Towns Treasury

It is Voted and ordered that: Amasa Richard waterman Clerk
shall Grant a Letter of Administration unto Amos Roberts
Relict: widdow of William Roberts deceased: Appear for &
deceased: husband's movable Estate and take bond in behalf
of the Council: whose upon Mr. Hubly Westcott and
Peter Roberts tendered them selves bondsmen in that case:
who were accepted by the Council

It is Voted and ordered that the widdow Baker shall
have after the Rate of ten shillings p^r week for the

the time that she hath kept for a Daughter Hannah Kendrick
and to be paid out of the Towns Treasury
and that her Receipt shall be the Treasurers discharge

Voted and Allowed that to Margret Fuller that she
shall have the sum of six pounds and eight pence
for the pence don in the pence for keeping off Hannah
Kendrick

And it is further Voted and ordered that the said Margret
Fuller shall have after the Rate of twelve shillings p^r week
payed out of our Towns Treasury to be paid
at the end of every six months for the time keeping
of the s^d Hannah Kendrick: how after
the Council is adjourned to saterday ye 16th of this
Instant April

April ye 16th 1726 It being saterday the Council is again
in being

For as much as Hannah Kendrick wife of John Kendrick and also
one of John Kendrick's Children: who and have bin for sometime
past neglected and maintained at the Towns Charge
and the said John Kendrick neglecting his duty and not
providing for part of a Christian in providing for his
family: but spend his time in drunkenness and idleness
where upon it is Voted and ordered that John Nicholas
Pomer Esq^r Richard waterman Justice: shall have power
and that they are hereby fully empowered and authorized to
cause the s^d John Kendrick to be apprehended and brought
before them in Court: and there receive and comply with
such orders as shall be enjoined him towards the Relief
of his wife and Child as the s^d Court in their wisdom shall
think fit: and upon his neglect or refusal to perform
such order: then the said Court all those things shall have
full power to call before them the said John Kendrick: and place
him out at their discretion for the Relief of his
wife and about s^d Child

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It is voted and ordered that Richard Walman Clarke shall continue
a Letter of Administration into Job Harris upon the estate of
his father, ^{the} ~~the~~ William Harris, deceased and take bond in
behalf of the Council; the bondsmen proposed are East Job
Whipple and Mr. Henry Harris —

It is voted and ordered that Richard Watson Black shall
be a Letter of Administration unto the May Thornton widow
upon the movable estate of her husband and assign Joseph
Thornton dec'd: and take bond in behalf of the Council
the Council is dissolved —

At a Town Council held at Providence this 29th day of April
A.D. 1726 -

It is voted and ordered that Richard Waterman, Clerk shall grant a letter of Administration unto Daniel Whipple upon the Personal Estate of his Brother Enoch Whipple, deceased: and take Bond in Behalf of the Council: the Bonds men that have taken them oaths are Robert Currie and Jos Harris -

The Council is Dissolved

At a Towne. Council held att Prudence the fourteenth day of
July anno dom - 1726 -

It is ordered that Richard Waterman, Clerk, shall
Grant a letter of Emigration unto Edmund Davis upon
the reasonable request of his father in law Edmund Hastings
deceased, and take bond in behalf of the Council -

[illegible]

Capt Silvanus Scott Capt Stephen Dexter and Mr Joseph Brown are chosen and appointed to apprise and take an inventory of the lands and Real Estate of Mr Andrew Harris, deceased, and make Returns to the Council of their proceedings there in

Mary Waterson (Daughter of Deceased Waterson; Decades)
appears before the Council and declares that she is
claiming as a Legatee to parts of both the Real and
personal Estate of her Uncle Andrew Harris deceased,
the Council is Adjourned to Monday for further

July 10th 1726: It being munday the Council is againe in being -
this Day m^r^s Mary Browne and m^r^s Patience Smith: Sisters of
Anthon Harris Esq^r deceased, appeared before this Councill
and Declared that they layed claim as Legacies to part of
both the Real and Personall estate of thos^e s^d deceased Brother
Anthon Harris

Capt James Olney junr William Thorpin Mr Grian Davis Mr
John Hayne Mr Josiah Paine Mr William Carpenter of
Pauketts and Mrs Hannah Browne: are permitted and
allowed to keep a Public ~~House~~ ^{House} of Entertain-
ment in the House where they now dwell for the space
of one whole year: Provided they Give in Bond for
their Keeping ^{the} ~~the~~ Orders according to Law: and pay
therein some money which is for 4 shillings Each
to Richard Watson and Clarke of the Court with in
one weekes time after due notice given

ordered and ordered that Mr. William Potter, dep^t Sheriff -
shall warn the Girl that lives at Capt Daniel Abbott's which
he brought from Bogan to depart out of this Town &
Gave notice to Abbott to remove her forth with on the
penalty of having the Gov of the Colony prosecuted upon him

and it is further voted that ye s^d officer shall warn James Hays to depart out of this Town with his wife and family both with —

It is ordered and ordered that John Nicholas Power and Richard Waterman Clerk shall have power to license such persons that they think fit to Negro Tavern upon the northern and two Western Roads -

The Council is adjourned to the 1st Monday in August next -

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August the 29th 1726 It being Monday the Council
is again in being + + + + +

At the Request of Mr Thomas Buellingsham It is Voted
and Ordered that: If to the sd Thomas Buellingsham shall give
in sufficient Bond with Good Sureties for his new wife for who
was the Delet Widow and Administratrix to the Estate of
Capt John Westcott deceased: her true and faithful performance
of her Administration upon her s^d former husband's Estate: then
the former Bonds shall be Resigned up: and It is Left to the
discretion of the Clerk for coming the Sureties of the said woman
It is Voted that Capt Nicholas Pomeroy and Richard Waterman
Justices shall grant full warrant to remove all such persons as the
said s^d Edwards Smith Thomas Bnolds and s^d Cornelius
Eaton: are: Refuse to apprise the Goods and Real Estate
of Leitt William Harris: deceased

The Council is Adjourned to the third Monday in September
next ensuing

September ye 19th 1726: It being Sunday the Council is
again in being

Resolved and ordered that Richard Waterman and James Bird
Justices of the Peace: shall sign and seal a warrant to
the Town Janant to remove the mill stones which
belonged to Samuel Moades deceased, and to convey them to
some convenient place for a market: to be appraised of: for the
Towns use.

It is voted and ordered that Richard Waterman the Clerk
shall pay the sum of thirty five shillings unto Margaret
Fuller for the services she hath done in nursing Moses
Bondiph's Child: and the Charge of burying of it when it
died: and also five shillings to Leitt William Potter
for making a Coffin for s^d Child: the which sums are to
be paid out of the Councils Treasury: and also pay
for the digging the Grave: which is now done.

It is Voted and ordered that Richard Waterman Clarke shall
grant a Letter of Administration unto Timothy Carpenter upon
the movable Estate of his father Timothy Carpenter: and take
Bonds in behalf of the Council
The Council is Adjourned to the third Monday in October next

October the 19th 1726

It being Monday and the third Monday in said month the Council is again
in being

Resolved Waterman one of the Legates to the Estate of Mr
Andrew Harris deceased: hath this day appeared before the
Council: and put in his Claim to his right that he hath
as a legal Representative of his deceased mother: to both
the Real and personal Estate of his s^d Uncle the s^d Andrew
Harris: deceased

Resolved and ordered that Richard Waterman Clarke shall grant
Administration unto Mrs Mary Jones and her son Ebenezer
Jones upon the movable Estate of her husband Mr
Ebenezer Jones: deceased, and take Bonds with priorities in
behalf of the Council

Resolved and ordered that Richard Waterman Clarke shall grant
Administration unto Mrs Sarah Stillingham upon the
movable Estate of her husband Mr Benjamin Stilling-
ham: deceased, and take Bonds in behalf of the Council

The Council is Adjourned to the third Monday in November
next ensuing

November ye 21st: It being Monday the Council is again in being

It is Voted that Obadiah Owen that is now an Apprentice to Mr
Solomon Paine may have his Liberty with the Consent of his now master
and the over seers of the Poor to be determined and placed by Justices
to Mr Epiphanius Olney

It is Voted that Capt John Whipple Capt Job Whipple and Capt n
Frephoni Dexter: shall be and are Appointed Appraisers to take an
Inventory of both the Real and personal Estate of Mr Edward
Smith deceased

Whereas Susannah Hernden Widow of Benjamin Hernden
deceased, hath declared to this Council that four of her s^d small
Children are so bare of Cloathing that they are likely to
suffer if not relieved: and by reason for want of bonds men-
she hath not yet Administration granted her upon her said Husband's
Estate: so not capable to Relieve her s^d Children:

Whereupon it is ordered of this present Council that the s^d
Widow Hernden shall or may dispose of the sum of eight
Pounds of her s^d deceased husband's Estate if there be occasion
for so much to Cloath her said Children

It is voted that Richard Waterman Clarke shall Grant
a Licence to Richard Phillips for the Liberty to Reopen
Hauon and take his Bond in behalf of ye Council
the Licence money being paid

It is voted and ordered that Elizabeth Tenbox shall have
the sum of six shillings for woode for Reopening Richard Gordon
for ye Samuel Gordon deceased, until this yeare that is now
Entred & Expires

It is voted that Sgt Nicholas Power shall pay ye sum
of Eighteen shillings to Elizabeth Rhodes for the
Reopening of Richards Cried three wookes and to
have yats faction out of the Townes Treasury
being all that is due for the time past

It is voted that Mr Benjamin Smith be Aded to Mr
Thomas Sands and Cornelius Epton to apprise the Lands
and Real Estate of Leith William Harris deceased
In the Name of Edward Smith that is now deceased
the Council is adjourned to the second munday in Decem
ber next:

December 12th 1726

It being munday the Council is againe in being

The Council is adjourned to the first munday in January next

January 2^d day anno Dom: 1726 It being munday
the Council is againe in being

Gidian Paine Administrator to the Estate of his Brother
Nathan Paine deceased appeared before this Council
with his Brothers and a groomont with Hannah
Paine widow: he payed down fifty pounds and Stephen
Paine paid down fifteen pounds and two shillings to the
said Hannah Paine towards the full filling and perform
ing the Bargaine of Land the said Nathan Paine has bought
of the said Hannah Paine which he had a Deed for
and the said Gidian Paine is also for ther to give
the said Hannah Paine a Bond for the sum of

ten pounds and thirtene shillings forrent money to be
upon Interest until the principall be paid - which being
done: the full contents of the sd Bargaine will be performed
and the sd Land fully paid for

the Council is adjourned to the first munday in february next

february the 6th 1726 It being munday the Council is againe in being
William Arnolds Ottomars Arnold and Samuel Staples are engaged
to apprise and take an Inventory of the Real Estate of Nathan
Gifford deceased

Mr Samuel Gifford Mr Ezekiel Warren and Mr John Barnes are
chosen and Engaged to apprise and take an Inventory of the Real
Estate of Ezra Barnes deceased

Voted that Richard Waterman Clarke shall Grant Administration
unto Mary Dyer upon the Estate of her husband Charles Dyer
deceased and take Bond in behalf of the Council

Voted that Richard Waterman Clarke shall Grant Administration unto
Benjamin Boyce of Mordon: Upon the personally Estate of his son
Nathan Gifford deceased: and take Bond in behalf of the Council
Provided he procure sufficient Bonds men

Voted that Richard Waterman Clarke shall Grant a Letter of
Administration unto Thomas Barnes: son of John Barnes: upon the
movable Estate of his Brother Ezra Barnes: deceased and take
Bond in behalf of the Council: the Bonds men proposed are Capt
James Brown and Mr John Barnes

The Council is adjourned to the first munday in March next

March 6th 1726 It being munday the Council is againe in being
voted and ordered that Richard Waterman Clarke shall pay
and discharge all the Interest Bonds that was given to the Com:
Treasurer By Samuel Gordon of Providence deceased: and
pay and discharge the sd Bonds out of the money that was
produced out of the Real Estate of the sd Samuel Gordon

David Wilkinson son of Samuel Wilkinson Junr deceased: Appeared
before this Council that he had chosen his Honor Grandfather
Capt Samuel Wilkinson to be his Guardian: to a gift him in the
mannage ment of his administration of his deceased fathers

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estate; and prays that he may be so accepted by the Council
the which request is granted and accepted by the Council

where as Mrs. Huldah Wilkison Relict widow of Mr. Samuel Wilkison Junr deceased, appeared before this Council and declared that sheo. desired to prove or accept of the will and testament of her deceased husband

where upon it is granted and ordered that Richard Waterman Clarke shall grant a Letter of Administration unto David Wilkison: son of the sd deceased Samuel Wilkison upon the movable estate of his deceased father: and take bond in behalf of the Council: he and the said David Wilkison being named an executor in his sd fathers will: and both appeared before this Council and desired that the said will might be approved: The above named Capt Samuel Wilkison declared that he would be for his man for his sd fathers administration upon his fathers estate

granted and ordered that Richard Waterman Clarke shall grant a Letter of Administration unto Elizabeth Arnold Relict widow of Mr. Thomas Arnold deceased: and to his son Job Arnold: upon the movable estate of him the sd Thomas Arnold: and take bond in behalf of the Council

granted and ordered that Richard Waterman Clarke shall grant Administration unto Martha Potter Relict widow: upon the movable estate of her husband Abel Potter, deceased: and take bond in behalf of the Council: Mr. Nehemiah Phelps and William Hopkins Junr: promised to give bond with the sd widow for her administration

It is granted and ordered that Richard Waterman Clarke shall grant a Letter of Administration unto Sarah Evans widow upon the movable estate of her husband Richard Evans Junr: deceased: and take bond in behalf of the Council

It is granted and ordered that Richard Waterman Clarke shall grant a Letter of Administration unto Esther Steers widow upon the movable estate of her husband Reuben Steers deceased: and take bond in behalf of the Council

Mr. Joseph Brown Capt Joseph Dexter and Reuben Nathaniel Jencks were chosen to apprise and take in inventory of the lands and Real estate of Mr. Ebenezer Jencks deceased

The Council is adjourned to Monday for next being the twentyeth day of this instant march

March 20th 1727 It being Monday the Council is again in being

It is granted and ordered that Richard Waterman Clarke shall grant a Letter of Administration unto Mrs. Mary Smith: widow: and her son Edward Smith upon the movable estate of their husband and father Mr. Edward Smith: deceased: and take bond in behalf of the Council

Capt Joseph Whipple and Capt Joseph Dexter proposed to be bonds men and were accepted

It is granted and ordered that Richard Waterman Clarke shall grant Administration unto Mehitable Plummer widow: upon the personal estate of her husband Mr. Samuel Plummer: deceased: and take bond in behalf of the Council the Bonds men proposed are Reuben Joseph Wilkison and Mr. David Evans

The Council is adjourned to the third Monday in May next

At a Town Council called by warrant: and held this 13th day of April anno Dom 1727

where as Mr. James Dexter and Mr. John Angel two of the members of the Council were chosen to inspect into the proceedings of the administration of Mrs. Mary Bartlett: they have made Report to this Council that the sd administration being paid and fully discharged all the Legacies

where as Mr. James Dexter and Mr. John Angel two of the members of the Council were chosen a Committee to inspect into the proceedings of the administration of Mrs. Mary Bartlett

and his wife Deborah Bartlett ²² that was granted them upon
the estate of Mr. Abraham - ^{affording senior deceased}
and the said Committee having made report to this Council
that the said Administrators have paid and discharged all the
legacies: and approved all the Creditors that have brought
any accounts against ^{the} estate -
the which Report was accepted by the Council -

David Comstock son of Samuel Comstock, Junr deceased appears
and declares before this Council that he hath ^{for} his uncle
Hazardiah Comstock: his Guardian: which was accepted by the Coun-
cil: and the ^{sd} Hazardiah Comstock being present accepted of
the ^{sd} Trust -

It is voted and ordered that Richard Waterman Clerk shall
grant a Letter of Administration unto David Comstock upon the
movable estate of his father Samuel Comstock Junr deceased
and take bond in behalf of the Council: the above named
Hazardiah Comstock being present: Promises to be for his bonds man
which was by the ^{sd} Council accepted -

It is voted and ordered that Richard Waterman Clerk shall grant
a Letter of Administration unto Martha Arnold widow: upon
the estate of her husband John Arnold deceased and take bond
in behalf of the Council: the bonds men proposed are John Arnold
and his son William Arnold -

It is voted and ordered that Richard Waterman Clerk shall grant
a Letter of Administration unto Capt Thomas Harris and sons
Thomas & Cnry: upon the estate of Mr Henry Harris deceased
and take bond in behalf of the Council -

Jeremiah Crawford son of Major William Crawford deceased
personally appears and declares before the Council that he
has chosen his grandfather Capt Joseph Whipple to be his
Guardian: which choice was by the Council accepted: and
approved: and the said Capt Whipple being present accepted
of the said choice -

The Council is dissolved -

May 15th 1727 It being Monday and the 3rd Monday in 2^d month
the Council is going from the adjournment: from the 20th day
of March Left past

It is voted that Richard Waterman Clerk shall grant a Letter
of Administration unto Mrs Mary Evers Bartlett widow of Richard
Evers deceased: upon the movable estate of her deceased
husband: and take bond in behalf of the Council -

It is voted that Richard Waterman Clerk shall grant a Letter of
Administration unto Mrs Elizabeth Smith widow upon the move-
able estate of her deceased husband Mr Jacob Smith and take
bond in behalf of the Council -

It is voted and ordered that Richard Waterman Clerk shall grant
Letters of Administration unto the estate of his brother Joseph
Phillips: deceased: and also upon the movable estate of his
mother ~~mother~~ Elizabeth Phillips: widow, deceased: and take
bond in behalf of the Council -

It is voted that Richard Waterman Clerk shall grant a
Letter of Administration unto Capt Job Whipple upon the
estate of Mr Ephraim Pray: deceased and take bond
in behalf of the Council -

It is voted that John Nicholas Dorrer and Richard Waterman
shall make up accounts with Hannah Baker concerning
her Keeping Hannah Kendrick: and then shew is to have
her due out of the Town Treasury -

It is voted that Francis Atwood shall have eight shilling
for woole cut of the Town Treasury for every
woole that he ^{shall} ~~shall~~ and doth keep for years
the Council is dissolved

At a Town Council held at Providence this 21st day
of August anno dom: 1727 -

It is voted and ordered that Richard Waterman Clerk
shall draw and sign a petition in behalf of the Council
unto the Gentl Assembly that is to be held at War-
wick the next Wednesday in October next: to procure
liberty for Benjamin Boyer who is Administrator to the
estate of Nathan Gaskell: deceased: to sell his lands
and Real estate that lies within this Town: that
the Creditors that have any thing due from ^{his} Gaskell
estate may have there just dues and the family of
supported

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It is voted and ordered that Richard Waterman Clarke shall Grant a Letter of Administration unto Benjamin Fairle upon the moveable Estate of his father Mr Edward Fairle: deceased, and take Bonds in behalf of the Council: with Bonds men.

Voted and ordered that Richard Waterman Clarke shall Grant a Letter of Administration unto Ruth Smith widow upon the moveable Estate of her husband Mr Joseph Smith deceased: and take Bonds in behalf of the Council: the Bonds men proposed are Joseph Smith and Ensign James Angell.

Voted and ordered that Richard Waterman Clarke shall Grant a Letter of Administration unto John Fayles upon the moveable Estate of his father John Fayles: deceased and take Bonds in behalf of the Council.

The Council is adjourned to Monday the 18th of September next - Ensigning.

~~At a Council held at the first Monday in October 1727~~

September ye 18th 1727 It being Monday the Council is againe in being.

Thomas Harris son of Mr Henry Harris deceased: appeared before this Council and declared that he had Reason Capt Thomas Harris and Mr Thomas Olney ^{his Executors} to be his Guardians: as well to take the Care of his Land and Estate: as of him self: and was accepted by the Town Council.

and the said Thomas Harris and Thomas Olney being persons accepted of the s^d trust Repose in them.

And the said Town Council Have also Chosen the said Thomas Harris and Thomas Olney to be

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Guardians to Henry Harris son of the s^d deceased Henry Harris to take Care of him and his Estate accordingly: and the s^d Guardians have likewise accepted ~~of the same~~.

It is voted that Richard Waterman Clarke shall Grant Administration unto Sarah Young widow: upon the personal Estate of her husband Robert Young: deceased and take Bonds in behalf of the Council: the Bonds men proposed are Ensign James Angell and Mrs John Hawkings: who being present promised the same.

It is voted and ordered that Richard Waterman Clarke shall Grant a Letter of Administration unto Elizabeth Comestock widow upon the Estate of her husband Capt Samuel Comestock deceased: and take Bonds in behalf of the Council.

It is voted and ordered that Richard Waterman Clarke shall Grant a Letter of Administration upon the moveable Estate of his father Jacob Brown deceased: his mother who was Administratrix deceased being dead the s^d men that appears to be his Bonds men are Jeremiah Brown and William Gully.

~~The Council is adjourned to the first Monday in October next Ensigning~~
It is voted and ordered that all the Charges concerning the Keeping of Hannah Kendrick that remained unpaid after shee dyed shall be paid out of the Town Treasury the Council is adjourned to the first Monday in October next Ensigning.

October ye 2^d 1727 It being Monday the Council is againe in being.

It is voted and ordered that Richard Waterman Clarke shall Grant a Letter of Administration unto Levi Joseph Wilkinson upon the moveable Estate of his father Capt Samuel Wilkinson deceased and take Bonds in behalf of the Council: the Bonds men proposed are Mr Thomas Moore and Ensign James Angell.

The Council is adjourned to Monday ye 16th of this Instant October.

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October 16th 1721 - It being munday the Council is againe -
In being.

This day the Town Council hath made up accounts with Elizabeth Tarbox concerning the keeping of Richard Gorton for the 20 years past: and also paid her thirty shillings toward his keeping him an other years: which began the twelfth day of this instant October.

It is voted and ordered that Capt Nicholas Power and Richard Waterman ^{shall} Appoynt sum meate person as they shall think proper: to dispose of so much of the moveable Estate of Benjamin ~~Waterman~~ ^{Waterman} deceased: as there may be occasion for: that may be advantageous for the Estate - and Return an account to the Council:

It is voted and ordered that Richard Waterman Clarke shall Grant a Letter of Administration unto Mrs Mary Waterman widow: upon the moveable Estate of William Price deceased: and take bond in behalf of the Council.

The Council is Adjourned to the third munday in November for next.

November the 20th 1721 - It being munday and the third munday in 2^d month: the Council is againe in being.

It is voted that Mrs John Smith Capt James Olney and Mrs William Olney shall apprise and set of to Joseph Williams and Reuben Williams sons of Mrs Thomas Williams deceased: their proportionable parts of the Land and Real Estate of thos: 2^d deceased father - and make Returns of thos: doings unto the Council.

Capt Benjamin Waterman Mrs Daniel Proote and Mrs Charles Walker are chosen and engaged to take an Inventory of the Estate of Mrs William Brooke deceased: and make the Returns of thos: doings to the Council at thos: next sitting -
~~The Council is adjourned to the 2^d munday in December for next~~
~~November the 20th 1721 - It being munday and the third munday in 2^d month: the Council is againe in being.~~

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This day Mrs Olloracion Harris brought in the account of his Administration upon his Brother Andrew Harris: to Mrs Able ~~Estate~~ and after the accounts were adjusted: - there appeared to be the sum of - two hundred and eight pounds twelve shillings - and one penny farthing due to his sister Patience out of said Estate for her Legacy of the moveable - a mistake - It is but 184 - 80 - 1/2: Errors excepted

~~It is voted and ordered that Capt Benjamin Waterman and Mrs Joseph Brown shall apprise and set of to Patience Smith sister to Mrs Andrew Harris - one Quarter part of the Land and Real Estate of the 2^d Andrew Harris: for her Legacy of 2^d Real Estate - and make Returns of thos: doings to the Town Council for thos: acceptance -~~

It is voted and ordered that Capt Silvanus Scott Capt Stephen Dexter and Mrs Joseph Brown: shall set of to Patience Smith sister to Mrs Andrew Harris - one Quarter part of the Land and Real Estate of the 2^d Andrew Harris: for her Legacy of 2^d Real Estate - and make Returns of thos: doings to the Town Council for thos: acceptance -

Mrs Olloracion Harris Administrator to 2^d Estate ~~has~~ prayed an Appeals to the Gov^r now and Council which is granted provided he take it out within ten days and Give in Bond for his prosecution according to the Law of the Colony - and pay the Cost that hath accrued which is - 4 - 0 - 0: Charge paid -

The Council is adjourned to the 2^d munday in December next ensuing -

December 11th anno Dom: 1721 - It being munday and the second munday in 2^d month

November 24th day 1721 then Patience Junior of Capt Greenwich was warned to depart with her thos: Widow out of the Town of Providence to the County for 20th and her 2^d Children forth with to the place of her last settlement -
pro meo - Richard Brown Justice

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where as it is made appera to this Council that mrs Bethiah
Yon widow of m^r Benjamin Yon ~~deceased~~ late of Rehoboth
deceased, hath had administration granted her ~~up~~ by the Judge of
the Probate for the County of Bristol in New England upon the estate
of her ~~deceased~~ husband: In Rehoboth
where upon it is voted and ordered that the said Bethiah Yon
Administrate: shall take in to her possession care and manage-
ment all and every part of the Lands and Real Estate of
her ~~deceased~~ husband, which is situated within this township
of Pawtuxet and provide for her in sufficient bonds with
sureties unto our ~~deceased~~ Council for her rendering an
account of her proceedings when legally called thereunto
voted and passed

and that Richard Waterman Clarke shall grant ~~an~~ Admini-
stration and take bonds in behalf of the Council the bonds
men proposed are Jonathan Peoples and Daniel Jencks

It is voted and ordered that Richard Waterman Clarke
shall grant ~~an~~ Administ^{ration} unto mrs Peris Brooke upon
the movable estate of her husband m^r William Brooke deceased
and take bonds in behalf of the Council

It is voted and ordered that Richard Waterman Clarke
shall grant a Letter of Administration unto mrs ~~Elizabeth~~
Hannah Whitman upon the estate of her sister Elizabeth Whit-
man deceased: and take bonds in behalf of the Council

It is voted and ordered that Richard Waterman Clarke
shall grant a Letter of Administration unto mrs Sarah
Heild upon the estate of her husband m^r Joseph
Heild deceased and take bonds in behalf of the Council

David Wilkison appeared before this Council and Declared
that he had made choice and chosen Joseph Arnold Jun^r
to be his Guardian: to be assisting to him in his admini-
stration upon his fathers Estate
who is accepted by the Council

the said Joseph Arnold being present: declared that he would
accept of the Trust that was Deposited in him: and would
be assisting according to his power

It is voted and ordered that Richard Waterman Clarke shall
Grant Administration unto mrs Dorothy Brown upon the
movable Estate of her husband Henry Brown deceased:
and take bonds in behalf of the Council

It is voted and ordered that Richard Waterman Clarke shall
Grant a Letter of Administration unto Thomas Heild upon
the estate of Joseph Heild deceased and take bonds in
behalf of the Council

The Council is adjourned to the first munday in January next
ensuing

January the first day anno Dom 1727/8 it being the
first munday of 3^d month:

The Council is again in being

Where as Information and Complaint is made unto this
Council that William Bull who hath bin sum times
residing in this Town presumptuously since he hath bin
warned to depart: hath now his wife and one of his
children brought lately into ~~the~~ Town: and are all
likely to be chargeable to the Town if not timely removed
for remedy where of: It is voted and ordered that the
Justices and Justices of ~~the~~ Town or any three of them
shall grant forth a warrant to the Constables: under
their hands and seals to Remove the ~~the~~ Bull his wife
and family forth with: out of ~~the~~ Town with all furniture
and goods: and for the Constables to take such aid and help
as neede shall require: ~~the~~ And further that the ~~the~~ Justices
and Justices: shall call John Hayles before them in order
to deal with him: according to Law for his bringing the ~~the~~ Bulls
wife and child into this town.

It is voted and ordered that Richard Waterman Clarke shall
Grant a Letter of Administration unto m^r Pelag Williams
upon the estate of his mother mrs Deborah Williams
deceased and take bonds in behalf of the Council

Whereas one Jonathan Borworth a Lame Lad who came from Attleborough is likely to be chargeable to this Town if not timely removed: Whereupon it is voted and ordered that the sd Borworth shall be removed out of this Town forthwith except there be Bonds of the sum of one hundred and fifty pounds Current money tendered and given: by sufficient Bondsmen —

Voted
Mr Joshua Winsor Capt John Whipple and Mr Robert Currie are chosen a Committee to go with Lieut Elisha Knowlton Esq and Mr Daniel Swoto Constable and lay out a Highway from the Highway that was layed through the State Common over John Fields Place over the wading place all the place called the Pine acre Lett and through out our Township until it meets with the Road that comes from Killingly and also to take the Road after it comes over Womas quonickat River: and lay it downe toward Towne south eastward until it meets with the Road that comes from Plainfield: —

and the former Committee and the other officers that were appointed for said work are dismissed from any other or further proceeding therein —

Voted that Capt Joseph Dexter Mr Joseph Browne and Mr Robert Currie shall Compelate and finish the appraisal and Inventory of the Lands and Real Estate of Lieut William Harris: deceased —

the Council is adjourned to the second Monday in February next ensuing —

February 12th annodone 1729 8 — It being Monday and the second Monday in the month: the Council is againe in being —

It is voted and ordered that Richard Waterman Clarke shall Grant a Letter of Administration unto Propous Hord upon the maseable estate of his father William Hord: deceased and take bond with parties in behalf of the Council: — Mr John Inman and Lieut John Smith have promised to be his Bondsmen —

an addition to the vote forward on
It is voted and ordered that John Smith Esq and Richard Waterman Clarke: shall Lease and Lett out to all the Lands and Real Estate that belonged unto one Thomas Peaty who was late an Inhabitant of this Town of Prudence: but now deceased: unto Mr Samuel Winsor for the space of one whole year after William Otupins protestor term of his bargain with Jonathan Propous is expired and ended: for the sum of season Pounds in bills of publick credits — and the money to be improved for the Relief of a poor Hollops: and being one of the offspring of a foriner that was brought in to the Town by the sd Thomas Peaty: and the sd Smith and Waterman shall put the sd Winsor into possession of sd Lands and premises with a Land Lease under their hands and seals in behalf of the whole Council —

the Council is adjourned to the second Monday in March next

March 11th 1729 8 — It being Monday and the second Monday in said month — the Council is againe in being

Whereas Nicholas Westcott son of Capt Josiah Westcott appeared before this Council and requested that the remaining part of the Lands and Real Estate that belonged to his said father at the time of his death: after the debts and widows thirds were sett of: might be confirmed to him: and the Council being sensible that the Lands and Real Estate is so small piece there is a part thereof paid by order of the Court: Assembly to pay debts: that it will not make but one small settle ment —

All which considered it is voted and ordered that Richard Waterman Clarke shall in behalf of the Council by an Instrument from under his hand and seals: Convey unto the said Nicholas Westcott according to the Law of this Colony: ~~Provided~~ Excepting the widows thirds: Provided he give in sufficient bond to pay to the other Children of the said Josiah Westcott their proportionable part of said Estate: Mr Thomas Whallingame and Mr Benjamin Westcott have tendered their bonds and are accepted —

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It is voted and ordered that Richard Waterman Clarke shall grant a letter of Administration unto ^{Leitt} Joseph Wilkinson upon the ~~land~~ and Real Estate of his father Capt Samuel Wilkinson deceased and take bond in behalf of the Council
The Council is Adjourned to the third munday in ~~of~~
April next ensuing

April the 15th 1728. It being munday the Council is againe in being
This day the Council agreed with Sarah Buzlingame wife of ~~John~~ Roger Buzlingame Junr for the keeping of Deben-
mores kids that is all nows with Elizabeth Rhodes wife of John Rhodes; for the time of three years ~~for~~ months: to pay a quarter of a year for the same for the sum or after the rate of seven shillings for week

It is voted and ordered that ^{Mr} John Peters me Benjamin Carpenter and Daniel Waterman shall apprise the lands and Real Estate of Abel Potter deceased and make returns of those proceedings to the Town Council ~~and also set of the widows third~~ to her of ^{the} lands and Real Estate and make returns as aforesaid

This day the Committee Justice and Constable that was chosen to lay out the Highway to Hidingly made returns of those doings: there in which was accepted and the sum of twelve pounds and ten shillings allowed them for those services there in
to be paid out of the Towns Treasury } 12-10-00
and have given order for the payment of the same

William Brown son of me Jacob Brown deceased appeared before this Council and declared that he had chosen his Uncle Jeromiah Brown and William Gilloy to be his Guardians to joyn with him to lease his lands and are so accepted by the Council

It is ordered upon Complaint made by several Persons inhabitants in the north western part of this Town ship that the authority shall take care that the fish may have free passage in the River that leads up to Massachusetts Pond

an addition to a former vote
Whereas as Mr William Turpin being present at this Council and was Inquired of by the Council: whether his proposed term that he had in the lands that is Improves for the Relief of Benjamin Beers: is expired: and he refused to give the Council any account: or Information concerning the premises
Where upon It is voted and ordered that the s^c John Smith and Richard Waterman: shall possess Samuel Corns of the said lands by a lease forth with or with all Commissioned goods

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the Council is dissolved
At a Town Council held at Providence this 6th day of July - Anno Dom: 1728

William Crawford son of major William Crawford deceased personally appeared before this Council and declared that he had chosen his Honorable Grandfather Capt Joseph Whipple to be his Guardian unto whose care he committed him self for his placing out to him trade (the which choice was accepted by the Council and the s^c Capt Whipple being present: accepted of the s^c Trust Deposited in him

Capt Joseph Whipple is chosen Guardian to take care of his Grand son William Crawford: son of major William Crawford deceased, and to place and bind him out to him trade: and also take care for the performing the s^c last estate of the s^c Joseph Whipple being present accepted of the s^c Trust Deposited in him

It is voted and ordered
That Richard Waterman Clarke shall grant a letter of Administration unto Mrs Elizabeth Carpenter upon the movable estate of her husband Mr William Carpenter deceased: and take bond in behalf of the Council
It is voted and ordered that the Justices and assistants of this Town or any two of them upon Complaint made shall

It is voted and ordered that Richard Waterman Clarke shall grant a letter of Administration unto ^{Leut} Joseph Wilkinson upon the lands and Real Estate of his father Capt Samuel Wilkinson deceased and take bond in behalf of the Council The Council is adjourned to the third munday in April next ensuing

April the 15th 1728. It being munday the Council is againe in being This day the Council agreed with Sarah Burlingame wife of ~~John~~ Peter Burlingame Junr for the keeping of Deborah more of his that is att now with Elizabeth Rhodes wife of John Rhodes; for the time of three years ~~for~~ months or to pay a quarter of a years ~~for~~ for the sum or after the date of season shillings - for wooke

It is voted and ordered that ^{Mr} John Stone ^{Mr} Benjamin Carpenter and Daniel Waterman shall apprise the lands and Real Estate of Abel Potter deceased and make returns of those proceedings to the Town Council ~~the~~ and also set of the widows things to her of ^{the} lands and Real Estate and make returns as afore said

This day the Committee Justice and Constables that was chosen to lay out the highway to Hidingy made Returns of those doings: there in which was accepted and the sum of twelve pounds and ten shillings allowed them for those fees there in - 12-10-00 to be paid out of the Towns Treasury and have given order for the payment of the same

William Brown son of Mr Gabor Brown; deceased, appeared before this Council and declared that he had chosen his uncle Geroniah Brown and William Gully to be his Guardians to joyns with him to ~~keep~~ his lands and are so accepted by the Council

It is ordered upon Complaint made by several Persons - inhabitants in the north western part of this Town ship - that the authority shall take care that the fish may have free passage in the River that leads up to Moshanficut Pond

an addition to a former vote
Whereas as Mr William Turpin being present att this Council and was inquired of by the Council: whether his proposed term that he had in the lands that is imposed for the benefit of Benjamin Beers: is expired: and he hath not to give the Council any account: or information concerning the premises Whereupon It is voted and ordered that the s^d John Smith and Richard Waterman: shall possess Samuel Corning of the said lands by a lease both with or without all Commission of the Council is dissolved

~~At a Town Council held at Providence this 6th day of July - Anno Dom: 1728~~

William Granford son of major William Granford deceased, personally appeared before this Council and declared that he had chosen his Honorable Grandfather ^{John} Joseph Whipple to be his Guardian unto whose care he committed him self for his passing out to him trade - the which choice was accepted by the Council And the s^d John Whipple being present: accepted of the s^d Trust Deposited in him

John Joseph Whipple is chosen Guardian to take care of his Grand son William Granford: son of major William Granford deceased, and to place and bind him out to him trade: and also take care for the preserving the s^d lands estate And the s^d Joseph Whipple being present accepted of the s^d Trust Deposited in him

It is voted and ordered

that Richard Waterman Clarke shall grant a letter of Administration unto ^{Mr} Elizabeth Carpenter upon the movable Estate of her husband ^{Mr} William Carpenter deceased; and take bond in behalf of the Council It is voted and ordered that the Justices and assistants of this Town or any two of them upon Complaint made: shall

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Grant forth a warrant to remove any such
person or persons out of this Town as may be
thought
In those opinions to be troublesome to the Town.
The Council is adjourned to the Last munday in
August next.

At a Town Council held at Providence the 26th
day of August anno Dom: 1728
Capt John Foster at the Request of Jephthah Bourden Jr
admitted her Attorney -

the Council is adjourned to the 3^d munday in September next
September 16th anno Dom: 1728: It being munday and
the third munday in 8th month
Upon the petition of Mr William Andram: It is Voted and
ordered that Richard Waterman Clarke shall Notifie Leuit
Richard Jenner and Leuit Joseph Jenner: Executors to the
last will and testament of the Hon^{ble} Father Major
Thomas Jenner deceased, to make their appearances before
the Towne Council at the next sitting and Render
an account of their proceedings in their administration
upon the estate of the said deceased father and Give
those Reasons if any they have wherefore they have not
Complied with the said father's will In dividing his
Land and Real Estate - according to the trust that
was Reposed in them as executors.

It is Voted and ordered that Richard Waterman Clarke shall
Grant a Letter of Administration unto Malicki Rhodes
upon the movable estate of his sister Mary Rhodes: deceased
and take Bond in behalf of the Council.

³⁵
Voted and ordered that Richard Waterman Clarke
shall take Mr John Hawkings Bond for his keeping
this town and admitted from any charge that shall
or may accrue by Reason of one Penelope Cooper a
single woman: being and remaining in this Town and
to Remove her out with in the one whole years
next ensuing ~~with~~ with her child with out any charge
to the Town: and the Bond to be of the value of
one hundred pounds and to keep the Town free
of all further charges that may arise there by
the which the sd John Hawkings hath promised
to performe.

It is Voted and ordered that William Bull Hatter shall
Remove himself and family out of this Town within
by the first of the next month.

The Council is adjourned to the third munday in November
next. Ensuuing

November the 18th 1728: It being munday and the third munday
in said month the Council is againe in being.

This day Elizabeth Starbox Come before the Council
and agreed and undertook to keep Richard Gorton one
years more: at six shillings p^r week: which begun
on the twelfth day of October last past
and hath Received three pounds at the time of the bargain
making. witness my hand
Elizabeth Starbox
for marriage

Voted and ordered that Justis Elisha Knowlton Walter
Phette place Constables: Go with Capt Joseph Monroy and
Thomas Peters and Mr David Ewins who are appointed
to a Committee: to lay out a Road ^{or highway} from the place
called the narrow passage by John Otissey's house
westward or northwesterly so far as they shall
think convenient. And the charge to be paid out
of the Townes Treasury.

Voted that Eliza Knowlton Justice: and Juror or
Take the assistance and information of Justice -
John Smith ~~Justice~~ Mr Daniel Angel and Mr -
Benjamin Smith or any two of them and by their
directions Run the forges and bound out the high
way that was formerly layed out from the town
up through wonsheut country so far as Mr Eliza
Smiths mill at wonasquotucket River: -

and from thence the said Justice Knowlton shall
have power to take a constable: with the other
three men or sum others in their stead and Run
the said highway from the sd Eliza Smiths mill
miles Northward until it meets with Ox for-
Road near John Mowrys: homestead and the
Charge to be paid out of the Towns Treasury -

and it is further Voted that Justice Knowlton shall
take Mr Samuel Aldrich and Mr Thomas Steers and
by their assistance advice and information Run out
and bound the highway that was formerly layed out
from the bridge that is over wonasquotucket River
near the sd Eliza Smiths mill westward so
far as the hill falls phonscotuck River and the
Charge payed out of the Towns Treasury -

The Council is adjourned to the last munday in
December next

December 30th 1728 It being munday the Council is againe
in being according to adjournment
where as ~~John Steers~~ John Steers who was Administrator to
the estate of his sister Ann Lewis: deceased: is now dead -
and whose remaining sum of the sd Ann Lewis is
estate not yet administered: and where as Ezra Bartlett
author

who married one of the said Ann Lewis daughters desires to have
Administration granted him upon sd estate: for sd off son being
absent and in another Government:
where upon it is Voted and ordered that Richard Waterman
Clerke. shall grant a Letter of Administration unto the said
Ezra Bartlett upon sd estate and take bond with sureties
in behalf of the Council

Mr John Thornton and Mr John Manton and John
Gardians to take the care of the said man to deuide -
Land with Edward Jenner: in the behalf of ~~John~~
Merry Jenner being a fatherless child and orphan of
Mr John ~~Thornton~~ deceased: according to the act of the
General Assembly: and also are further Impowered
to take such further care for the providing and
managing mont ~~and~~ of the said Land and Heale estate
as occasion shall be and the said Impowereth
Gardians: to doe.

and the said Gardians being present accepted the
Trust Reposed on them

where as Ruth Woodward who was the Defunct widow
of Joseph Wood was the said widow deceased is lately dead
and whose being in considerable money after estate
which was formerly the estate of the sd Joseph
Woodward that ought to be taken care of
where upon it is Voted and ordered that Thomas
Joseph Steers and Thomas Steers grand son of the sd
Joseph Woodward shall in behalf of the Council
take the sd goods into their care and possession and
manage the same for the best advantage for ~~the~~
the satisfaction of sd estate and make return
to the Council at their next sitting: and also further
to use their utmost endeavor to procure as much more
of the estate into their possession as the said Land may
be

the Council is adjourned to the second munday
in January next ensuing -

January 7th anno Dom 1728/9
It being Tuesday: the Council is againe in being —

Voated and ordered that Richard Watorman Clarke
shall Grant a Letter of Administration unto Joseph
Arnolds Junr upon the estate of Ruth Woodward
deceased and take Bond in behalf of the Council —
the Council is adjourned to the first munday in
february next ensuing x x x x x

February 3rd anno Dom 1728/9

It being munday the Council is againe in being —

James yats son of John yats deceased appeared before
this Council and declared that by the leave of
the Council he chose his Uncle Thomas Feild to be
his Guardian to take care of both ~~estate~~ of
him self and his estate; the which is voated
and accepted by the Council —

the s^d Thomas Feild being present; accepted
of the trust hereby Deposited in him —

Mr Antham and his Brothers in Law Richard and Joseph
Gennors appeared before this Council and the s^d Gennors
Refused to take Administration upon the Brother Johns
Estate: where upon Mr Antham desired to have time
to procure Jurors for his Administering upon s^d Estate.

Voated that William Olney Junr shall have Liberty to sell
strong drink by Retail and keep a publick house of
entertainment for the space of one whole year
paying down 4^{ls} for the same: or to have it the
Remainig part of ye year for 20^s
and Leitt Knowlton to grant the Licence and take Bond

voated that —

Mrs Israel Arnolds shall have Liberty to sell strong
drink by Retail and keep a publick house of enter-
tainment for the Remainig part of the year
paying down 20^s and Capt Arnolds to grant the Licence
and take Bond

the Council is adjourned to the second munday in
march next

munday 10th 1728/9 It being munday and the second munday
of said month the Council is againe in being

this day David Wilkison brought his account before
the Town Council Concerning his Administra-
tion upon his fathers Estate: And after the
accounts were adjudged there Remained of the
movable Estate the sum of — 164-16-03
the widdows thirds being — 055-18-09
being deducted there Remains — 111-11-06

It is voated and ordered that Richard Watorman Clarke
shall Grant a Letter of Administration unto Mehitable
Plumier upon the movable Estate of her husband
Samuel Plumier, deceased and take Bond in behalf
of the Council: and Leitt Joseph Wilkison and Mr
David Guins have tendered their Bonds for her Admini-
stration

It is voated and allowed to Mr Hannah Brown to Retail
strong drink and keep a house of publick entertainment
in the house he lately Purchased of John Rureh it
being before a Licensed house: for this present year which
will be out in July next

the Council is dissolved —

38
At a Town Council held at Providence this 4th day of
July anno Dom. 1729: —

It is voted and ordered that Richard Waterman Clarke and
Mr. James Dexter Justice: shall sign a Legat unto Mr.
Thomas Olney of all the Lands and Appurtenances there
unto belonging that Thomas Patey deceased: died possessed of
in his own Right; for the space of five years from the
twenty third day of April last past: In behalf of the
Council: for the sum of five hundred pounds a year yearly
rent to be paid annually: and the said Legat to be made
to the said Thomas Olney his Executors and Administrators

This day It was Granted to James Mathers for Junr to
Rebuild his Barn that was lately pulled down: and he hath
given sufficient Bond with sureties to leave a good passage
for the fish to go up —

It is voted and ordered that Richard Waterman Clarke
shall Grant a Letter of Administration unto Richard H.
Harris upon the movable or Personal Estate of his
son Richard Harris deceased: and take Bond in behalf
of the Council —

It is Voted and ordered that Justice William Jenckes shall
Grant forth a warrant unto a constable to open the way that
was formerly layed out by Capt. Saml. Wilkison and Mr. Dan.
Edwards Smith through Inmans Purchase —
and so far as to meet with the Right way that Leads to make the
meadows

Concerning the young woman named Betty that came in paper —
It is Voted and ordered that Mr. James Dexter Justice
of the peace shall Grant forth an Order In the next place
to warn the young woman to depart out of this town forth
with on the penalty of forfeiting the penalty of the Law —
The Council is adjourned to Monday next

July 14th day 1729 —

39
The Council is again in being —

It is voted and ordered that Richard Waterman Clarke
shall Grant Licenses to such as shall keep Entertainment
and Retail strong drink and take Bond in behalf of
the Council —

Richard Waterman Clarke and Justice Jenckes are ordered to
write to Mr. Hunniman In answer to Mr. Thomas Petition
the Council is dissolved

At a Town Council held at Providence this 18th day of
October 1729 —

At the Request of John Williams son of Mr. Thomas
Williams deceased —
Mr. John Smith Mr. William Olney and Capt. James Olney
are chosen and appointed to sett of his part and proportion
on of the Lands and Real Estate which belonged to his
said deceased father: unto him; and the said John
Williams: and make Return to the Town Council —

Thomas Lewis son of Richard Lewis deceased, appeared before
this Council: and declared that he had chosen his Uncle
Thomas Lewis to be his Guardian to look after and take
care of as well of his Estate as his person: and the
Council hath voted and accepted of his choice

The said Thomas Lewis being present Promised to use
his power according to his power to be assisting to him
the said Thomas Lewis as his Guardian In all cases that
shall be proper in so affair —

Voted that Mr. Ezekiel Warner Grant a warrant to remove
James Oylor and his family out of Town: —

and that Capt. Richard Waterman and Mr. James Dexter shall Grant
a warrant to warn other strangers and vagrant persons
out of Town —

The Council is adjourned to the
Saturday next —

October 25th 1729

It being Saturday the Council is again in Being

Resolved and ordered that Richard Waterman Clarke shall Grant Administration unto Mrs John Potter and Mrs ~~Elizabeth~~ Sarah Carpenter upon the estate of Captⁿ Abiah Carpenter deceased, and take bond in behalf of the Council: they being named Executors in his will.

Resolved and ordered that Richard Waterman Clarke shall take a bond of five hundred Pounds of Mrs Richard Greens of Warwick; to keep this Town Endowed from James Osycor and his family.

The Council is adjourned to Monday next -
Monday the 29th 1729 - 1

The Council is again in Being

Resolved and ordered that Richard Waterman Clarke shall Grant Administration unto Capt John Feild upon the estate of his son James Feild, deceased, and take bond in behalf of the Council.
The Council is adjourned to the first Monday in December next.

December the first day anno Dom 1729. It being Monday and the first Monday in said month.

The Council is again in Being

This day Elizabeth Tarbox came before the Council and agreed for the keeping Richard Gordon one year or more from the 12th day of October last past for the sum of six shillings per week - and hath received at the same time five pounds for part of pay.

Elizabeth Tarbox

her - + more

It is Resolved and ordered that Richard Waterman Clarke shall Grant a Letter of Administration unto Mary Feild widow upon the estate of her husband Mrs William Feild, deceased, and take bond in behalf of the Council.

It is Resolved and ordered that Richard Waterman Clarke shall Grant a Letter of Administration unto Martha Potter upon the Movable estate of her husband Capt William Potter deceased, and take bond in behalf of the Council.

The Council is adjourned to the first Monday in January Next

January 5th 1729/30. It being Monday the Council is again in Being

Mrs William Turpin and Mrs Robert Barre Attorneys to the pretended Heirs of the estate of Ruth Woodward deceased, appeared before this Council and put in their claims to the said estate of all both Real and personal.

It is Resolved and ordered that Richard Waterman Clarke shall Grant Administration unto Mrs Mary Harris upon the movable estate of her husband Mrs Job Harris deceased and take bond in behalf of the Council.

It is further Resolved and ordered that Doct^r Jabez Bowen shall goe up into the woods and inspect into what conditions Dick and Cartwrights pens lay in: and make report to the authority and care of the poor and be payed out of the Towns Treasury for his services therein.

for⁴² as much as it is suspected that the small Pox is
broake out in the house of John Hays. Whereupon
It is Voted and ordered that the said house shall be
shut up and no person shall have liberty to pass in or
out of said house besides the tenders: until further
order: and that John Burket is appointed to
attend upon the family of the said John Hays and
help them with such things as they occasion for and
be paid out of the Towns Treasury for his labour
therein: and Lett them have a convenient supply
of Rum - not exceeding three half pints a day -
the Council is adjourned to the first munday in
february next - - - - -

february the 2^d. 1729/30 It being munday: the Council
is againe in being -

Capt James Olney Leitt - Eliza Knowlton and Mr
William Turpin are chosen and appointed to appraise
and take an Inventory of the Lands and Real Estate
of Major William Crawford deceased and make Returns
to the Town Council at their next sitting -

It is Voted that the overseers of the Poor or any two
of them with two Justices shall and are empowered to
send John Strip a poor fatherless Child who was ten years
old y^e 25th day of December: anno: 1729 -

unto John Brown who is to learn him y^e se Strip
to be a wright and Cypher and the Trade of a Cooper
and Give him to futes of apparel -

Mr Richard Brown - Capt Prothon Dextor and Capt
James Brown are chosen to inspect into and bound out
both sides of the highway that leads through the town fields
from the town brook into the Noche therea Newes againe
the highway that leads by Samuel Winfords house
In order that the said way may be opened
and make Returns to the Council at their next sitting
- - - - -

The Council is adjourned to the first munday⁴³ next ensuing
in april next ensuing -

At a Town Council Called by warrant: and held at Providence
this 19th day of february 1729/30 -

In order to inquire into and receive an account of Joseph
Arnold Administrator to the estate of Ruth Woodward deceased
he being summoned thereunto before this Council
the said Joseph Arnold appeared before the Council: and made his
allegations that he was not bound to render an account
whereupon the Council gave him longer time until the
third munday in march next -

It is Voted that Mr John Angel Junr Capt James Brown
and Mr Arthur Fennor shall take an Inventory of the
estate of Ruth Woodward deceased and make Returns to the
Council at their next sitting -

this Council is adjourned to the third munday in march next -

march y^e 16th 1729/30 It being munday and the
3^d munday in said month the Council is againe in being -

whereas as Justice Ezekiel Warner and Mr John Potter
were appointed by the Council on their behalfs to
inspect into the most agreeable of the proceedings of
Benjamin Pearle who was appointed Administrator
to the estate of his Honor Father Edward Pearle
deceased: have made Returns that they have scanned
and made careful inspection in to his proceedings
both of money paid and received: on the account of
his performing his administration: -

It was found there was due to the said
Administrator the sum of -
The total of the Inventory being Remains

223-10-4	8 8 0
264-09-4	
43-19-0	

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 The which sum being proportioned is as followeth —
 To the Eldest son — 14-13-0
 and to each of the other children or to } 07-06-6
 their legal Representatives — — — }

Upon the petition of several of the Inhabitants desiring
 Poore's Purchase Minor ~~and~~ setting forth the
 necessity there is of laying a highway from the way
 that was formerly layed through the farms of John
 Paine, deceased, until it meets with the highway
 that Mathantatach non-hauo layed from ~~Patterson~~
~~Warwick~~ North Line so far as John Potters
 In pursuant whereof Justice Ezekiel Warner Esq^r
 and Mr Elisha Bonds Constables were ordered to —
 Joyn with and be assisting to Mr John Thornton
 Leitt Richard Fennor and Mr Edward Fennor who
 are chosen to lay out said way two-poles wide —
 and make returns to the Town Council: but
 in case of any difficult peace they may enlarge
 at their discretion

Mr Joseph Arnold Appeared before this Council
 and brought his Account of his Administration
 upon the estate of Nath Woodward deceased which
 was accepted by the Council —

Whereupon Mr Robert Currie ^{one of the} Attorneys to the
 Heirs of the said Nath Woodward: Prayed an
 appeal to the Court and General
 Council — the which is: allowed provided
 he Give in Bonds with sureties for his practice
 according to Law —

this Council is dissolved —

At a Town Council held at Providence this 6th day of April
 Anno Dom 1730: from the adjournment 4th day of February
 last past: —

for as much as it appears to this Council that the Movable
 Estate of Thomas Taylor deceased: that he has stock of roots
 and are like to be lost: for want of fodder: and the widow
 not being capable to administer for want of bonds men at present:
 whereupon it is ordered and ordered that Mr
 Ezekiel Warner Esq^r shall take care in the Councils behalf
 to of the said Estate or to procure them: and to have
 allowance for his charge and trouble out of said Estate

This day the Committee made a Return of masipaugo
 highway which was accepted —

the Council is adjourned to the third munday in May next —

May the 13th 1730 It being munday and the third munday in
 said month: the Council is againe in being
 this day Joseph Williams made complaint of the highway that was layed
 through his land
 Capt Collintine Whitman Leitt Richard Paylor and Mr
 John Ballou are chosen and appointed to appraise and take
 an Inventory of the lands and Real Estate of Benjamin
 Howden deceased: and make returns to the Council at their
 next sitting: and that they shall be engaged to the same before
 they proceede upon sd affair —

The Council is dissolved —

At a Town Council held at Providence this 13th day of
 August Anno Dom 1730 —
 Mr Nicholas Pomeroy Esq^r Proprietor of this Council to put
 matters to rest: and see that things are legally Carried on

46.
At a Town Council called by warrant and held at
Providence this 29th day of April anno dom - 1730 -

for as much as the widow of Thomas Taylor, deceased -
prouer incapable of Administ'ing upon her husbands -
movable Estate: & upon whom cannot procure Bondsmen
whereupon it is Voted that Richard Watorman Clarke
shall Grant Administration of said Estate unto Isaac
Taylor eldest son of the said deceased Thomas Taylor and
take Bond in behalf of the Council with sureties
which have here presented before the Council: as -
namely Josiah Brillingham and William Gifford of
Worcester -

This day the Council made up Accounts with Margret
Fuller concerning her Keeping Hannah Morrey and -
Gave her an order to the Treasurer for her full pay
for the time past

the Council is dissolved -

At a Town Council held at Providence this 3^d day of August
anno dom - 1730: - Col^d Nicholas Power chosen President
of this Council to put matters to vote and see that things are
legally carried on;

For as much as there was a Copy of a County Court Record
held in Fairfield February 8th 1744/15

of five Judgments of Court that was given against one
John Hyles: for four thefts that he was convicted of and
ordered to be whipped twenty stripes for each theft -

And this Council having just cause to suspect that this
John Hyles of Providence is the very Incendial man -
that these Judgments was given against -

Whereupon it is Voted and ordered by this Council that the
said John Hyles shall not sit as a member of the said
Council until he procure from under the hand of the

Clarke of the County Court of Fairfield to the contrary
this being a unanimous vote -

It is Voted and ordered that Richard Watorman Clarke shall
Grant Administration unto William Randall upon the Estate
of his Mother Mrs Deborah Randall deceased and take
Bond in behalf of the Council Bonds men James Edmonds
Jonathan Randall

It is Voted and ordered that Richard Watorman Clarke
shall Grant a Letter of Administration unto Mrs Gemimah
Eaton widow: upon the movable Estate of her
Husband Mr Henry Eaton deceased and take Bond in
behalf of the Council the Bonds men proposed are -
Peter Ballou and for solous Eaton

The Council is adjourned to the 1st Monday of this
month -

August 31st 1730: being Monday the Council is again
in being -

Col^d Nicholas Power Justice Richard Brown and Mr William
Twispin are chosen to appraise and take an Inventory
of what remains undisposed of: belonging to the move-
able Estate of Major William Cranford deceased and
make Return to the Town Council -

This day Col^d Joseph Whipple Administrator to the Estate
of Major William Cranford deceased brought an Account
of his Administration upon said Estate: And there appears
to be due to him by his Account layed before the Council
the sum of - 65 - 19 - 09

Whereupon Capt James Arnold and Richard Watorman
Clarke are chosen by the Council to inspect the parti-
culars of his Accounts: and the Bonds and notes from
whom he drew them and make Return to the
Council as soon as may be

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There was paid to Margot Fuller for
the Charge of Hannah Morley - 03-00-00
and gave order to Capt James Arnold
to pay to Major Anthony Low the sum of
seamon pounds which is due out of
Samuel Coxtons estate: and all to be
paid out of the Councils Treasury - 07-00-00

Capt Silvanus Scott Capt Benjamin Waterman and
Capt Joseph Dexter are chosen and appointed to
set off to Joseph Waterman son of Deftus Water-
man deceased his proportion of his fathers Land
and Real Estate and make Returns to the Town
Council -

the Council is adjourned to the seasons munday
in October next -

October 12th 1730:

It being munday and the seasons munday in said Month
this day Benjamin Boyce rendered an account of his Admini-
stration upon the estate of Nathan Gifford deceased
the which is entered in the Town Council third Book -

for as much as Capt
Capt Whipples account concerning his Administration
upon the estate of Major William Bradford deceased
the which account is entered in the third Book belonging
to the Town Council - and in page - 163

the Council is adjourned to yt 2nd munday in November
next -

At a Town Council held att Providence ^{by adjournment} the 9th day of November
A.D. 1730: It being munday and the seasons munday in 3rd month -

for as much as the men that was chosen to sett off to Joseph Waterman
son of Deftus Waterman deceased his part of the Land and Real
Estate that belonged to his S^r deceased father: have not done nor made
no proceeding in that affairs -

Capt Silvanus Scott Capt Benjamin Waterman and Mr Samuel
Dexter are chosen and appointed to sett off to Joseph Waterman
son of Deftus Waterman deceased his proportion of all the
Land and Real Estate that belonged to his S^r deceased father
at the time of his death: and make Returns to the Town
Council -

It is voted and ordered that Richard Waterman Clarke
shall Grant Administration unto Mr Phoebe Whitman
widow: upon the movable Estate of her deceased husband
John Whitman deceased and take Bonds in behalf of the
Council -

the Council is adjourned to the 2nd munday in December next
December the 28th 1730 - It being munday and the 2nd munday in 3rd month
the Council is again in being -

whereas Mr Joseph Smith living at Warrumbloague made his appli-
cation to this Council that Capt Morley and he cannot agree con-
cerning the high way that hath bin in controversy betwixt them: and
with all desires that nothing might be done for the confirming the
said way: without his being legally notified thereof: the which
request is - voted and granted - and that Capt Morley be also
notified -

It is voted and ordered that Richard Waterman Clarke shall
Grant Administration unto Benjamin Hernden upon the
Land and Real Estate of his father Benjamin Hernden
deceased and take Bonds in behalf of the Council
the Bonds men: which have tendered their Bonds are
Mr Henry Morley and Benjamin Paine -

It is voted
That Othello a single woman be removed out of this
Town except she be given of one hundred pounds by a suffici-
ent freeholder within one month to keep the town Indem-
nified from any charge that may accrue -

56
The Council is adjourned to the last munday in
January next ensuing

January the 25th 1730/31 It being munday and
the last munday in said ~~month~~ month
The Council is again in being

Whereas It is made appears to this Council that
Solomon Brown Late of Bristol in New England saddler
Rath lately bin att^d Bristol in a house where there
was a man taken sick of the small pox, and was there
in said house at the same time

Upon consideration whereof It is created and ordered
that the said Solomon Brown shall forthwith remove
him self out of this Town and Government and
not ~~return~~ return nor enter the same againe
within the space of twenty days: nor then with
out Liberty first had and obtained from some assistant
or Justice of the peace in said Colony

It is created and ordered that Richard Waterman Clerk
shall summons Edward Potter to appear before the
Council att their next sitting in order to give in
Bond: for his wife her husband and faithfull perform-
ance upon her former husband William Corporators
deceased: his estate: so as to free the former Bondsmen

It is created and ordered that John Brook John Fisher
Jonathan Gordon Thomas Earl by Eliza Baker David
McCarty Thomas Hunt Eliza Hunter Samuel
Oliver William Hugins Thomas Atter Joseph
Ginnell David Othman - and Mary Gerson Widow
shall be by the Towns sargent warned to depart out
of this Town: and in case they or any of them shall

refuse so to depart upon Legall warning then to appear
before the Town Council at their next sitting
to answer for their Contempt

It is created and ordered that Justice Richard Brown
James Winfor & James Brown Justice shall bar
out the highway that leads from the Town streets
along by the County ways into the neck: and to make
returne to the Town Council with all conveni-
ent speed

For as much as there is a Contrivance betwixt William Hopkins
Town sargent and Doct^r John Hoyle concerning sd Hoyle's
daughter Elizabeth that is bound by Indenture to said Hopkins
and now being willing on both sides to throw up sd Inden-
ture: and in order therunto: doe submit the whole
matter to this Council. what the said William Hopkins
shall allow to the said John Hoyle's daughter Elizabeth
for the price shoo hath don and so to be quit from
any further charge and so freed from the said In-
denture: and what the said Council shall or the
major part of them shall agree upon shall be binding
and decisive concerning that matter

William Hopkins Jun^r

John Hoyle

Each party having made their Plea and Laid their
allegations before the Council: and the Council having
weightily considered the promises: their Judgment award
and final determination is: that the said William Hopkins
shall pay unto the said John Hoyle the sum of six
Pounds in Good and Lawfull Bills of Publick Credit or
Current money within one months time after the
dismissing of this Council -
And the said John Hoyle shall pay and discharge all
charges that hath accrued att Margret Fullers for
his daughters entertainement: since the Contrivance
Rath bin betwixt them

52, 22
The Council is adjourned to the 4th Monday in
February next, upon the 2nd of the month

It is voted and ordered that Richard Waterman Clarke shall
grant a letter of Administration unto the Thomas Parker upon
the movable Estate of his father Thomas Parker deceased
and take bond in behalf of the Council

The Council is adjourned to the 4th Monday in February next

At a Town Council
February the 22nd - 1730/31 It being Monday and the 4th Monday
in said month; the Council is againe in being

It is voted and ordered that Richard Waterman Clarke
shall grant Administration unto Capt. James Arnold
upon the Estate of Mrs. Sarah Wheeler of Providence
widow; deceased; and take bond in behalf of
the Council

Upon the Complaint of Mr. Joseph Williams Concerning
the Great wrong done him by the Highway being layed
through his Land in a place which if continued there will
be very destructive to him in the management of his
Affairs - whereupon It is voted and ordered that
Justice Richard Brownes Esq. shall with all convenient
speed at the Request and Charge of this Complainer
Grant forth a warrant to the Towns Jurant to summon
in a Jury: to meet at the Court of Probates or more Quishe
and well qualified men and engage them to inspect
the Land into the premises; and lay or delay the way
at all that place so complained on; according to the
Law of this Colony

The Council is adjourned to the second Monday
in April next

53
April the 12th - 1731: It being Monday and the second Monday in
month the Council is againe in being

This Day Mary Hutson Widow of Thomas Hutson deceased of her
Husbands will; before the Council

It is voted and ordered that Richard Waterman Clarke shall grant
a letter of Administration unto Mary Hutson Widow of Thomas
Hutson deceased; upon the movable Estate of her said deceased
husband and take bond in behalf of the Council

Benjamin Potter Jun^r son of Abiel Potter deceased Personally
appeared before this Council and Declared that he by the
allowance of the said Council Made, chose
and chose his uncles John Potter andaniel Waterman
both of Providence to be his Guardians to take care as well
of his person as also to take into their possession care and
manage ment: all his whole Estate both Real and perso-
nall: which appertained and belonged unto him: of the
which choice was approved and allowed of by the Council
And the said John Potter andaniel Waterman being pre-
sent: Accepted of the Trust Reposed in them

It is ordered that Richard Waterman Clarke shall take
sufficient Bonds of Edward Potter who married an Administra-
rix widow of William Carpenter deceased; for her faith-
full performance of her Administration upon her deceased
Husbands Estate - and deliver up the former bonds

Mr. Phillip Stillinghast and Richard Waterman Clarke
were chosen a Committee to meet with the Committee
that shall be chosen by the other Towns Government
who are at present concerned with our Town Treas-
ury: In order to settle the Affairs Concerning the
money that is now in our Towns Treasury

There being Complaint made to this Council that there is much
damages done by dogs killing sheep in this Town; where-
upon it is voted and enacted by this Council that if any dogg
be found a quarter of a mile from his masters house and out of
sight of his master or fume of his family it shall be Law
full for any person to kill such dogg; and no advantage
shall be taken: this act is to include either dogg or doggs

56.
August the 11th day Anno Dom. 1731 -
It being Wednesday: the Council is again in being.

Isolou Francis Daughter of Major William Francis deceased
appeared before this Council and declared that she made
known and had known her Noble mother Robert Gibbs to be
her Guardian to take care as well of her person as also
of her estate to preserve it for her life and benefit
and that Robert Gibbs being present accepted the
Trust Deposited in him;

with the allowance and approbation of the Council
It is Granted and Allowed to John Jones that
he shall have the sum of five pounds
paid out of the Town Treasury - £ 5 - 00 - 00
to make satisfaction for the highway that is
lately layed through his Land from mapinsbury

It is Granted and ordered that Jacob
Borron shall have three pounds
added to what was allowed him by the
Committee for his services done in the
Care of Richard Cart Nigh's sons Regg - £ 3 - 00 - 00

The Council is Adjourned to the first Monday in
September Next - ~ ~ ~ ~ ~

September 6th 1731: It being Monday and the first Monday
in said month - the Council is again in being -

It is Granted and ordered that Richard Waterman Clarke shall
Grant a Letter of Administration unto Benjamin Hernden
upon the Land and Real Estate of his father Benjamin
Hernden deceased and take Bonds in behalf of the Council
the Bondsman Paine are John Hernden and Benjamin
Paine both of Smith field who have promised to
give Bond before the Council -

57
It is Granted and ordered that Capt Ezekiel Warner Justice -
Richard Jenger and Mr James Gordon are appointed
Appointed in behalf of the Council to make up accounts
with Mr William Henshall concerning his Administration
on upon the Estate of his Honoured mother Deborah
Henshall deceased, and make Return to the Town Coun-
cil at their next sitting -

For as much as there is no Body legally appears before -
the Town Council to take Administration upon the
Estate of John Jones Late deceased: where upon it is
Granted and ordered by this present Council and by the
Authority of the same that Mr John Whipple Town
Serjant shall demand and take into his Custody all and
Every part of the movable Estate of the said John Jones
in order to secure the same and preserve the same -
and that Justice James Benson Esq - shall be assisting
to the sd John Whipple in affecting the same and that they
shall and are hereby forthwith empowered to make sale
and dispose of any such part of said Estate as they
shall think may be best for the advantage thereof -
and render an Account of these Proceedings unto the
Town Council when legally called there unto
The Council is Adjourned to the second Monday in November next

All a Town Council called by warrant and hold this; 15th day of
September Anno Dom. 1731 -

This day Elizabeth Potter who was Elizabeth Carpenter widow
of William Carpenter deceased: and Administratrix to his
Estate Rendered an account of her Administration: and upon
the adjusting of the accounts: there was found still Remaining
due to said Estate the sum of - £ 192 - 13 - 10
and she acknowledged a Debt still Remaing
due to be paid: there Debted - £ 1 - 00 - 00
out of which the widows thirds being deducted
there Remained due to the Estate - £ 128 - 13 - 11
for which sum now Bonds are required of her present husband
Edward Potter to be given for her completing her sd Administration

58. — this Council is dissolved —
November 8th 1731. It being munday and the second
munday in said month the Council is again in being —

Elizabeth Van Box came before this Council and made up
accounts with the Council for her keeping Richard Gordon
the last years past: which was out the 12th day of October
last past and she agreed to keep him an other years for
the cost of six shillings p^r weeke — and hath also Received
five pounds in Part of satisfaction for the same —

It is Voted and ordered that Richard Waterman
Clerke shall Grant Administration unto David Ewins
of Executor upon the movable Estate of his Honor
mother Mary Ewins deceased and take Bonds in behalf
of the Council: the Bonds men proposed are Thomas
Steele and James ~~Steele~~ Horick:

It is voted and ordered that Richard Waterman Clerk
shall Grant Administration unto the Widow Mary Darling
upon the movable Estate of her daughter Johannah
man: deceased; and take Bonds in behalf of the Council
Mr Peter Ballaw and Mr Cornelius Affin Proposed to be
her Bonds men —

Mr Thomas Harding and Mr John Whipple Jun^r are chosen
to apprise and take an Inventory of the Estate of Mr
Sarah Affin: deceased and make Returns to the Council at
their next sitting —

The Council is adjourned to the next munday in December
next: —

December 27th 1731.

59.
It being munday and the last munday in said month the Council
is again in being —

It is Granted unto John Rhodes that he may and shall have liberty
to keep an ale house in the house where he now liveth until
the Eleventh day of August next providing he give in Bonds for
his keeping good orders: according to Law: at his own charges

It is Voted that Richard Waterman Clerk shall and is hereby impow-
ered to take Bonds in behalf of the Council of Mrs Dorothea
Brown and her Children: as may be thought proper to settle
powers the Council from any charge that shall or may
accrue upon the movable Estate of her Husband and
Henry Brown deceased: by Reason they say that they believe
that the debts are paid and that they have settled the Estate
amongst them selves —

It is Voted and ordered that Capt Richard Fayles Mr
Richard Phillips and Mr Daniel Jones all of Smithfield
shall and are hereby impowered to sell unto the Widow
Susannah Hernden her third part of both the Lands
and Real Estate of her Husband Benjamin Her-
nden: deceased: and make Returns of their doings
therein unto the Town Council of Providence

It is Voted that Richard Waterman Clerk shall Grant
Administration unto Cornelius Affin upon the movable
Estate of his Mother Mrs Sarah Estate: deceased
and take Bonds in behalf of the Council —

The Council is adjourned to the next munday in February
next ensuing —

February 28th 1731/2 It being munday and the last munday
in said month the Council is again in being —

It is Voted and ordered that Richard Waterman Clerk
shall pay unto Mr Daniel Smith the sum of three pounds
and sum thing up^r as is due to him for making the
Council Table and benches in the County House: out of
the Councils money: when the work is completed —

adjourned to 4th last munday in March —

60,
It is Voted and ordered that Richard Waterman Clerk shall
Grant Administration unto Mrs Sarah Dextor widow upon
the moveable estate of her husband Mr James Dextor deceased
and Take Bond in behalf of the Council

Upon the Address made to this Council by the Town Council
of Situate: is that there be a highway layed from the western
part of this Town of Providence: beginning at the place
where the highway ends that is layed lately through Situate
about a quarter of a mile northward of from the house
of Ebenezer Sprague deceased: and from thence lay out a high
way as far as to meet with the highway that leads
from Providence Town by the southward of Mr Timothy
Sheldons: Pursuant whereunto: the Council hath chosen
and appointed Ezechiel Waterman to be the surveyor and
one of the Committee and Mr John Thornton and Mr
William Hopkins the other two of the Committee and they
with the assistance of Justice Robert Gibbs and Mr Joseph
Sheldon Constable: to go forth with and lay said way
from the eastward end of the said way that is layed through Situate
and continue it the same breadth as that is layed until it
meets with the afore said Road that leads by Mr Timothy
Sheldons: and lay it as convenient as they can with all little
charge as may be in going through mens Land and make
Returns of there doings to the Town Council: ~
with the charge that ariseth in cutting mens Land

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At a Town Council held at Providence this 29th day
of March anno Dom: 1732. By adjournment from the
28th day of February last Past ~

It is Voted and ordered that Richard Waterman Clerk
shall Grant a letter of Administration unto Ebenezer
Sprague upon the moveable estate of his deceased
father Mr Ebenezer Sprague and take Bond in behalf
of the Council: ~ by Reason: that the widow of
the said deceased Ebenezer Sprague Refuseth to take

Administration upon said estate: ~
The Bonds men Propose are Ensign Joseph Waterman
and Mr Jonathan Randall: who being present promised
there Compliance with the same

61
It is Voted and ordered that the Land that was formerly
appointed by a former Committee to be bounded out to
Mary Waterman daughter of Ensign Debedood Waterman
deceased: on the west side of the Peavon mico Line
shall be bounded out accordingly; and the men appointed
to complete the work are Capt Ezechiel Warner &
Capt Joseph Fenner and Mr Samuel Fifth: who are here
by Impowered to go on and finish the work with all con-
venient speed: and make Returns to the Town
Council of there Doings there in

It is Voted and ordered that Richard Waterman
Clerk shall Grant a letter of Administration unto them
that are appointed by Mr Philip Oulinghaft deceased
to be Executors to his last will and Testament and take
Bond in behalf of the Council: that is to say upon
his Personal estate: ~

The Executors ~~there appointed~~ named in his Will
are his three eldest sons Charles Phillip and John
The Council is adjourned to the third munday in May
Next ensuing ~ ~ ~ ~ ~

May 15th anno Dom 1732: It being munday and the third
munday in said month: The Council is a Gain in Being ~

Where as the Committee that was appointed by the Town
Council on the 18th of November anno Dom 1728
to lay out a highway from the place called the narrow passage
between the narrow passage and North westwardly: Never made
any Returns of there proceedings until this day: and now Mr
Joseph Smith living at Weyunkhoquo being present when the
Committee made Return: Challenged one or two of the
Committee

60
It is voted and ordered that Richard Waterman Clarke shall
Grant Administration unto Mrs Sarah Dexter widow upon
the movable estate of her husband Mr James Dexter deceased
and Take Bond in behalf of the Council

Upon the Address made to this Council by the Town Council
of Situate: is that there be a highway layed from the western
part of this Town of Providence: beginning at the place
where the highway ends that is layed lately through Situate -
about a quarter of a mile northward from the house
of Ebenezer Sprague deceased: and from thence lay out a high
way as far as to meet with the highway that leads
from Providence Town by the southward of Mr Timothy
Sheldon: Pursuant whereunto: the Council hath chosen
and appointed Daniel Waterman to be the surveyor and
one of the Committee and Mr John Thornton and Mr
William Hopkins the other two of the Committee and they
with the assistance of Justice Robert Gibbs and Mr Joseph
Sheldon Surveyors: to go forthwith and lay said way
from the eastern end of the road that is layed through Situate
and continue it the same breadth as that is layed until it
meets with the afore said road that leads by Mr Timothy
Sheldon: and lay it as convenient as they can with all
charge as may be in going through mens land and make
Returns of these doings to the Town Council: -
with the charge that ariseth in cutting mens land

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At a Town Council hold at Providence this 24th day
of March anno Dom: 1732 - By adjournment from the
28th day of February last Past -

It is voted and ordered that Richard Waterman Clarke
shall Grant a letter of Administration unto Ebenezer
Sprague upon the movable estate of his deceased
father Mr Ebenezer Sprague and take bond in behalf
of the Council: - By Reason - that the widow of
the said deceased Ebenezer Sprague Refuseth to take

Administration upon said estate: -
The bonds men Proposd are Ensign Joseph Waterman
and Mr Jonathan Randall: who being present promised
their compliance with the same

It is voted and ordered that the land that was formerly
appointed - by a former Committee to be bounded out to
Mary Waterman daughter of Ensign Debed Wood Waterman
deceased: on the west side of the seven mile line
shall be bounded out accordingly; and the men appointed
to complete the work are Capt Ezekiel Warner Esq
Capt Joseph Jenner and Mr Samuel Fifth: who are
by Impowred to go on and finish the work with all con-
venient speed and make Returns to the Town
Council of these Doings there in

It is voted and ordered that Richard Waterman
Clarke shall Grant a letter of Administration unto them
that are appointed by Mr Philip Sillinghast deceased
to be executors to his last will and Testament and take
bond in behalf of the Council; that is to say upon
his Personal estate: -
The executors ~~there named~~ named in his Will
are his three eldest sons Charles Phillip and John
The Council is adjourned to the third munday in May
next ensuing

May 15th anno Dom 1732: It being munday and the third
munday in said month: The Council is a gains in Being -

Where as the Committee that was appointed by the Town
Council on the 18th of November anno Dom 1728 -
to lay out a highway from the place called the narrow passage
northward or north westward or North westwardly: Never made
any Returns of these proceedings until this day; and now Mr
Joseph Smith living at Weyunkhoeague being present when the
Committee made Returns: Challenged one or two of the

62.
said Committee to be Intrested: in the said Lane ~~disproving~~ or Lane
disproving where the said way was layed: ~~by the Committee~~ and the
other of sd Committee Concerned; this present Council
concurring the matter not denizable before them by reason the
time is elapsed: that the Committee should have made their Report
and the Constitution of the Lane where the way was layed by
them is much altered since: the whole Concerns them lay
under the management of the Town Council of Providence
But now it may be considered to concern the Town Council
of four Towns: as to the charge of stating a highway there
upon any former proceedings; where upon this Council
departs of any other or further proceedings there in with out the
Advice and Consent of our neighbouring Towns which
formerly was the Town of Providence ~ ~ ~

It is Voted and ordered that Capt Roger Burlingame
over see of the Poor shall take the Best Care he
can for the Relief of money a mallets woman and
her children and place them out where they may be
provided for; in order to be found out with the Advice
of the Justices or any two of them: or other ways to
relieve them as he can and make Returns to the
Town Council so that the sd family may be kept
from perishing and the charges payed out of the
Towns Treasury: the Council is dissolved ~ ~ ~

The Committee that was appointed to found out Resolved waterman's
daughter may have made Returns of those Proceedings: and her husband
Alexander Gould made him objection: where upon the Council
took the matter into consideration and ~~proceeded~~ ^{proceeded} upon Papers and supposing
his allegations not sufficient that he had layed before the Council
where upon ye Sergeant was sent out to call in ye sd Council but he
could not be found where upon Proclamation was made that he
might come in; and notice was given that he was gone where
upon the Committee's Return was voted and Accepted -
and then the Council was dissolved: and some time after
the sd family came in and prayed an appeal: which could
not then be granted ~ ~ ~

63
At a Town Council held at Providence this 15th day of July A.D. 1732
Being called by warrant: Especially for the settling and proportion-
ing the estate of Major William Cranford deceased: that is to set-
tle to his Widow her thirds: and each of his children that are
of age their parts
The Council is adjourned to the Rays of Capt James Olney: to be held
at two a clock in the afternoon
The Council is again in being -

Col Joseph Whipple brought a further account of his Administration
upon the movable estate of Major William Cranford deceased
with an inventory of the remaining part of sd movable
estate that was Reserved from paying debts:
which amounted to the sum of - 361-08-06

And his further charge that he hath bin att in
apprising the Land and sum other debts - } 30-08-04
which fines discharged - 64-19-09
which makes - 96-08-4
the Credit since the last account is - 60-00-0
Balance due to the Administrator - 36-08-4

The which accounts are allowed: and it is
ordered that the Administrator shall have
his due out of that part of the ^{movable} estate
that is Remaining in his hands: and be
accountable for the ^{other} remaining part -

The Council is dissolved -

64.
At a Town Council held at Providence the 14th day of
August anno domini; 1732:-

This Day Capt. Roger Buelingame one of the Overseers of the
Poor Brought an account of Charges he hath bin at -
In Relieving the Poor amounting to the sum of - 02 - 14 - 00
The which sum was allowed and ordered to be
Paid out of the money that the Council hath
in their Hands -

There being Good Information made unto this Council by -
Capt Thomas Harris that the Widow of John Dalie Decayed
Is in Needy of Relief being now grown very antient and
altogether helpless of Relieving her self - And for the preven-
ing of her suffering for want -

It is voted and ordered that Capt. Roger Buelingame one of
the Overseers of the Poor shall go forth with and Inquire
into the premises: and place her of neede. Requires in sum
convenient place as he shall thinke fit to be provided for -
at present and make Returne to the Council of his proceedings
and what further Entertainment there may be had for her
the Council is Adjourned to the next munday in September next

September 25th 1732 It being munday and the last
munday in said month: the Council is againe in being

This Day one Nathaniel Browne of Rehoboth appeared before
the Town Council and made Complaint in behalfe of him-
self and his daughter in Law Elzabeth Browne wife of
Nathaniel Browne of Providence that his son Nathaniel
Browne hath for sum time frequented Drinking and Lying -
in the Taverns. so that his family is liable to suffer there-
by: where upon the said Nathaniel Browne Requests
that the Council doe forthwith Put the Law of the Colony
In execution for Remedy there of -

Ordered that James Browne Justice and Richard Waterman Clerk
shall sign the Propositions to be set up -

65.
It is Voted and ordered by this Council that Richard Waterman
Perche shall Grant Administration unto Capt. John Field -
upon the Estate of Jeroniah Pihman deceased and take
Bond in behalfe of the Council: with Bonds men; he shall
in Given oath for his true and faith full bringing forth -
all other Goods that shall come to his hands belonging to the
said Pihmans Estate: and as it is the Inventory that he hath
this day presented to the Council

the Council is Adjourned to the seasons munday in October next
October 9th anno domi; 1732 -

It being munday and the seasons munday in said month -

The Council is Adjourned to the seasons munday in
November next -

November 13th anno domi; 1732: It being munday
and the seasons munday in said month -
the Council is againe in being -

This Day Elizabeth Torbox came before the Council and
declared that Richard Gorton that was under her care as -
a nurse child was dead and that he dyed on the twentyeth
day of September last Past. where upon the Town
Council made up accounts with her and paid her the
sum of seven pence being the full of what was
Remaining due to her: And the said Elizabeth Tor-
box doe Acknowledge to have Received the same In -
full satisfaction: as witness my hand

Elizabeth Torbox
M^{rs} Hester Gorton of Warrack -
Lying before this Council the defunct
circumstances that Elizabeth Gorton daughter of Samuel Gorton
late of Providence deceased hath Laid in and paid Remains in
at his house so that she hath not bin capable to Relieve
and that she hath bin chargeable to him the Council hath deliv-
ed him toward said faction there for the sum of three pence
the which sum I acknowledge to have Received for said Gorton

It is voted and ordered that Robert Gibbs 2^d and Mr John Whipple Townsagent shall set up Notifications to order both the Debtors and Creditors to the estate of John Jones late of Providence deceased to bring in their accounts to them in order to be laid before the Town Council that so the estate may be settled - - -

It is ordered that John Stone be ordered by the Clerk of the Council to ~~bring in~~ an inventory of the personal estate of his Honor father Mr Hugh Stone deceased and bring it before the Town Council at their next sitting -

The Council is adjourned to the first Monday in December next to the House of Capt James Olney -
December 4th anno dom 1732 It being Monday -
the Council is againe in being - - -

It is Voted and ordered that Richard Waterman Clerk shall Grant a Letter of Administration unto Capt James Brown and Joseph Brown upon the movable estate of their Honoured father Mr James Brown deceased; and take Bonds in behalf of the Council -

At the Request of Capt Job Whipple and Mr Daniel Smith who were appointed overseers to the last will and testament of Mr Job Harris deceased; It is voted that George Taylor shall be notified to appear before the Council at their next sitting in order to give in Bonds with sureties for his wife who was the Relict widow of the s^d Job Harris: her true and faithful performance of her Administration upon her former husbands estate - and the forjant shall notify the s^d George Taylor to make his appearance accordingly -

It is voted and ordered that Justice Robert Gibbs doth in behalf of the Council Grant forth a warrant to gather in the Goods of John Jones deceased; and also discharge such of the s^d Jones's debts as lawfully appears under forty shillings; turne over to p^g 2^d Page -

At a Town Council called by warrant held at Providence this 23^d day of November Anno dom: 1732 -

Mr Thomas Olney laying before this Council a coppie of a writ where by he was directed at the suit of John Beers for the possession of twenty six acres of Land; which is supposed to be intended part of the Land that is leased by the Town Council to him the said Thomas Olney - - -

Where upon It is Voted that there be a Committee appointed in the Councils behalf to treat with any such persons empowered by the said John Beers: in way of Compliance in that affair; and to make Report to the Town Council at their next sitting upon what terms agreement is offered; and in case the Town Council doth not see cause: ~~that the said Committee~~ to comply with the terms offered: then the said Committee are fully empowered to defend the above mentioned suits in the Councils behalf -
The men chosen are Richard Brown Justice Robert Gibbs Justice and Richard Waterman Justice -

The Council is adjourned to Monday next at 12 a Clock in the day at the House of Mr Hugh Batty
Monday 4th 27th day of November anno dom: 1732 -
the Council is againe in being - - -

upon the Return of the above Committee: William Hopkins who appeared on the other side being present: It is unanimously agreed that upon the paying down the sum of One hundred Pounds for want money of New England or giving in sufficient Bonds for on or before the 25th day of March for the payment of the same with usual Interest with in one year after the date of said Bonds: unto the said Town Council - and also pay down upon the signing s^d Bonds the sum of three Pounds for want money to the s^d Council: then to suffer him to enter into the Land and Repair estate of Thomas Pary deceased; that is now in Possession of Thomas Olney by lease the which Entry of Possession may not be made before the twenty

for the day of April

Twenty fourth day of April next ensuing: and also at the same time make but the said and or other free lands to the same value: by mortgage to keep the Town guaranteed from all charges that may arise or accrue by reason of any of the children of Benjamin Beers, deceased, excepting only his son Benjamin Beers: who now lies at the Town of Chazy. And if there shall appear to be any other lands that belonged to the said Thomas Paty. not disposed of: then the said William Hopkins may also enter possession on that accordingly - provided he performs his part as afore written -

It is granted that Henry Sweeting shall pay but fifteen shillings for his license this year: the which is to be signed by the Clerk in behalf of the Council and take bonds at the Sweetings charge -

the Council is dissolved -

A further Addition of the acts of the Council hold the 4th day of December anno dom 1732

It is voted and ordered that Justice Robert Gibbs and Justice James Brown Grant forth a warrant to warrant ~~Timothy~~ Blanker to depart out of this Town with his family - except he procure bonds men that shall be accepted by the Council to keep the Town guaranteed for his remaining there in: the Council being informed that he is likely to be chargeable to the Town

The Council is adjourned to the second munday in February next to the house of Capt James Olney

February 12th anno dom - 1732

It being munday the 12th the second munday in said month the Council is againe in being -

Upon Complaint made unto this Council by Mr Edward Jenner that James Phillips of this Towne of Providence hath for sometime past being in the extremity of the Winter: neglected taking any care of his wife and childen being three small children: who after he had drove them out of the house where they were with him: took no care to provide for them in no sort: But Deather made a diversion off those that gave them any Relief -

Where upon It is Voted and ordered that Robert Gibbs and Richard Waterman Justices: shall call the said Samuel Phillips to account to know the cause of his not performing the duty of a husband and father to his family: and also to further proceede with him in the premises as needs shall require

Richard Brown and Robert Gibbs Esqrs are chosen to make up accounts with Mrs Mary Taylors of her Administration upon her former husband's estate: and lay the accounts before the Town Council at the next sitting - the Council is dissolved -

At a Town Council held at Providence this 11th day of April anno dom - 1733: being called by warrant -

This day the Council made up accounts with Mary Gornot for her keeping the widow daly from the eleventh day of August last past: And gave an order to Mr William Olney: pin Olney's Treasurer for the sum of ten Pounds and ten shillings: which was the full share of her account

It is Voted and ordered that Robert Gibbs Esq shall Let John Wheaton or his wife have to the value of fifty shillings out of his shop for Stocking for the widow daly - if needs be

70.
It is Voted and ordered that Robert Gibbs Esq^r and John Whipple Towns s^rgent shall deliver to John Jones son of John Jones: Taylor: deceased, out of his fathers estate the sum of twelve pounds: that is his fathers wearing apparel at the place they were Invented at: and what is wanting to make up the sum of twelve pounds they shall make up to him in Bills of Publick Credit -

It is Voted and ordered that Mr John Thornton Reitt - Nathaniel Jones and Mr Edward Fennor or any two of them shall go forthwith and inspect into the Obstructions of the fish going up the falls at Pawtuxet and also at the Brook called Little Brook and in all other Brooks and Rivers that the fish usually go up in Providence and where they find any Dam or other Obstruction that may obstruct the fish going up into the ponds then they are fully empowered to remove any such Obstruction And that the Justices of said Towne And any one of them shall be assisting to the said persons in affecting the said work: and Grant forth such warrant or warrants as there may be Occasion for to accomplish the same

The Council is adjourned to the third munday in may next

At a Towne Council held at Providence this 21th day of may anno Domini 1733 by adjournment and it being y^e third munday in said month - It is Voted & ordered that Robert Gibbs of Providence, shall officiate as a Clerk to this Council for this present day according to y^e desire of Richard Waterman Esq^r y^e present Towne Clerk who is absent by sickness -

M^{rs} Hannah Mathewson, late Hannah Pain widow & executrix of her husband M^r John Pain late of Providence deceased appeared before this present Council & exhibited y^e account of her Executrixship upon her said husbands personall Estate, which y^e said Council Voted and allowed of, and there is y^e sum Eight pounds Two Shillings & Two pence due to y^e Estate from y^e said Executrix - to balance said account,

Elizabeth Jones daughter to M^r John Jones late of Providence deceased appeared before this Council & declared that she made choice and had chosen M^r John Whipple Cordwainer to be her Guardian to take care as well of her person as also of her Estate and to preserve it for her use and benefit - and y^e said John Whipple being present accepted of y^e Trust reposed in him -

It is Voted and ordered that Silas Carpenter James Browne & Robert Gibbs Esq^r do in y^e behalp of this Council post Edward Hawkins & Edward Hammond as common Tipplers in several parts of this Towne, where they shall think fit, thereby forbidding all Tavern keepers and others from selling them or either of them any strong drink upon y^e penalty of Laws made and provided in such cases -

It is Voted & ordered that Robert Gibbs Esq^r & M^r John Whipple do in y^e behalp of this Council make up accounts with Mary ^{Wiley} ~~Wiley~~ of her y^e behalp of this Council make up accounts with Mary ^{Wiley} ~~Wiley~~ of her part of her father John Jones deceaseds Estate, so far as they shall think is her part on proportionable share of said Estate & if any thing shall be coming to her, to let her have it in such goods as is now belonging to y^e deceaseds Estate in y^e said Whipples hands & make report thereof to y^e next Council - The Council is dissolved -

At a Towne Council held at Providence this 28th day of June anno Dom: 1733 - being called by warrant -

It is Voted and ordered that Capt Zephiah Wagoner Esq^r shall Grant a warrant to one of the Constables of this Towne; To ~~execute~~ ^{execute} convey Daniel Puffer and his wife or either of them out of the Towne -

It is agreed betwixt this present Council and the Attorney of John Beers that upon sufficient Bonds being given to keep this Towne Indemnified from all loss and charge

that shall or may arise or accrue to said Towns by Reason of the family of ^{Benjamin} Beers deceased: and every of them: and pay the charge that accrued the last years past: being six pounds for the keeping of Benjamin Beers one of the said ~~Benjamin~~ Benjamin Beers sons - the last years past: and what charge hath arose upon his keeping since the last years was up: upon which conditions the said John Beers or his attorney shall have liberty to enter into possession of all the Lands and Real Estate that Thomas Paty deceased, dyed possessed of in Providence and Smith fields in Providence County: And further that there be also Bonds Given to James Brown of said Providence for the payment of forty pounds money within six months after the entry into said Lands - And it is further agreed that if the said John Beers or his attorney at or before the time of their entering into possession of said Lands or Real Estate: shall and do give their own Bonds and also make over said Lands and Real Estate for the security and defraying all the said charges as above mentioned that may accrue to said Towns as above said: It shall suffice until sufficient Bonds are Given -

Witnessed by the family attest Richard Waterson Clerk
the family is defunct -

August 6th - 1733.

When the above Agreement was fully completed under hand and seals of the Attorney of John Beers -

and Bonds Given to James Brown for the payment of the sum of forty pounds within six months in order to discharge a sentence of a Court of Sessions of the Peace held at Providence of first Old day in June anno domini 1732 - Given to make restitution to Obadiah Brown for the wrong he Received by John Beers: is: stealing his horse

Know all men by these presents that I John Beers of Providence in the County of Providence Plantations in New England do hereby constitute ordain and make and in my stead and place put and by these presents do constitute ordain and make and in my stead and place put William Hopkins of Providence in the County and Colony aforesaid attorney for all law to be my true and faithful and sufficient attorney for me and in my name and place and to my use to and for enter upon sue for demand levy require recover and receive of and from all and every Person and Persons whomsoever the same shall and may concern all and singular sum and sums of money Lands Goods chattels Merchandise effects and things what soever or where soever they may or shall and may be found Possessed Due Owning Payable Belonging and coming unto me: the said John Beers by any way or Means what soever Nothing excepted or Reserved: Giving and hereby Granting unto him my said Attorney my full and whole strength Power and authority in and about the premises: And take and use all diverse means ways and Process in the Law for the obtaining and Recovering any such Lands Tenements & Debts Dues and demands as he my said Attorney shall find due belonging or any ways appertaining unto me: the said John Beers: and of any Recovery of any such Lands or Debts Receipts thereof in my name to make seals and Dispose of at his Pleasure and execute due acquittances and discharges: and for the premises to appear and the person of me Constituted to Represent before any Governour Judges Justices officers and ministers of the Law what soever in any Court or Courts of Judicature and there on my behalf to prosecute Answer and Defend and Reply unto all actions Suits matters and things what soever Relating to the premises with full power to make and substitute one or more attorney or attorneys under him my said Attorney and the same again at Pleasure to Revoke: and Generally to say do act Or execute Determine Accomplish and finish all matters and things what soever Relating to the premises as fully amply and effectly to all intents and purposes as if the Constituted my self were present or might personally do: he is was personally present: and all though the matter should require more special authority than herein is comprised yett I the Constituted Ratifying allowing and holding firm and Valid all what soever: him my said Attorney or his substitutes shall lawfully do or say to be Done in and about the premises by virtue of these presents: In witness whereof I have hereunto sett my hand and seals this fourteenth day of August Anno Domini One thousand seven hundred and thirty two: and in the sixth years of his Majesties Reign George the second King of Great Brittain France and Ireland Defender of the faith &c: -

Signed -

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signed, sealed and delivered
in the presence of us

John Bullock
Elizabeth Bullock

Recorded this 4th day
of August 1733

for ones Richard
Waterman Clarke

John Beers

Bristol p

August the third A.D. 1733

Elizabeth Bullock Personally appeared
before me & subscribed the day above
said and made oath that she & John
Beers the above signer to this power
of Attorney gave seals and deliver
this Power of Attorney at his own free
voluntary Act and Deed; and that Mr
John Bullock subscribed thereto with
her at the same time as a witness
thereto - I sworn before
me: John Beers Justice Peace

At a Town Council held this 18th day of August 1733
It is Ordered and ordered that Capt James Brown and Mr Robert
Gibbs Esqrs shall grant forth a warrant to a constable to remove
John Jackson out of this Town forthwith

and it is further Ordered that Capt Ezekiel Warner Esq shall
warn Richard Gallop to depart out of this Town forthwith

And also that Richard Waterman the Clerk shall give order
to the Townsman to warn John Davis and his family
to depart out of this Town forthwith

The Council is adjourned to the first Monday in September next

At a Town Council held at Providence by adjournment this 3rd day of
September Anno Dom: 1733: It being Monday and the first Monday
in said month

It is Ordered and ordered that Richard Waterman Clerk shall
grant Administration unto Jeroniah Brown upon the perso-
nal estate of his father Mr Henry Brown deceased and
take bonds in behalf of the Council

It is Ordered and ordered upon the Petition of Mr Epenetus Olney
Mr John Angel and others that there be a highway layed out
from the highway that is already layed out through that which
commonly called the states Common and from thence to extend
north westward a new the dwelling house of Mr Epenetus
Olney and so along further still north westward to the
north bounds of our town: And that the Committee
appointed for laying out said way is Daniel Waterman
as surveyor and one of the Committee
Joseph Angel and John Haskings

And that Robert Gibbs Esq Grant forth a summons
under his hand and seals to summons the said Committee
to meet at some convenient time and place in order
to go forth with him self and Townsman or
constables of said Town and lay out said way and
make returns to the Town Council of there
doings there on

John Crawford son of Capt John Crawford deceased
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came before this Council and declared that he made
choyse and chose his father in law Robert Gibbs Esq
to be his Guardian to take care to defend and secure
the lands and real estate which falls to him out of
his fathers real estate: as also for the
taking care of his person as needs shall require
said Robert Gibbs being present Accepted of the Trust Deposed
in him: and approved and Accepted by the Council

signed, sealed and delivered
in the presence of us

John Bulloch
Elizabeth Bulloch

Recorded this 4th day
of August 1733

in presence of Richard
Waterman Clarke

John Beers

Bristol

August the third A.D. 1733

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And also that Richard Waterman the Clerk shall give order
to the Townsman to warn John Davis and his family
and his family and Rebecca French
to depart out of this Town forthwith

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north bounds of our town: and that the Committee
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the Lands and Reale Estate which falls to him out of
his deceased fathers Reale Estate: as also for the
taking care of his person as noode shall require
said Robert Gibbs being present Accepted of the Trust Deposited
in him: and approved and Accepted by the Council

Abijah Paine son of mr John Paine sen^r deceased -
appeared before this Council and declared that he had
- Proposed James Williams Junior: to deposite into his custody
- by sale and management all the estate that appor-
taineth and belongeth to him the said Abijah Paine -
the said James Williams being present: accepted of that
Trust that is Deposited in him in said affair -
and is allowed and approved of by avow of the Council

Receive and take into his custody ^{and management} ~~and~~ ^{and} all the Estates that appertaineth and belongeth unto him the said Ezekiel Paine the said Jeromiah Williams being present Accepted of the Trust that is Deposited in him in said affairs — And is allowed and approved of by a vote of the Council

Samuel Paine son of ^{and deceased} ~~Mr~~ John Paine ^{deceased} deceased -
Approves before this Council that he had made choice and
chose William Randall jun^r to be his Guardian to take
into his custody ~~and~~ ^{and management} ~~and~~ those estates that appertaineth
and belongeth unto him the said Samuel Paine -
The said ~~Samuel~~ William Randall being present -
accepted of the Trust that is Reposed in him on that
affairs.
And is allowed and approved of by a vote of y^e Council

This Day Mr William Randall hath Rendered an account
of his Administration upon the estate of his Mother -
Mrs Deborah Randall deceased: and after the accounts
were made up, there was found still Remaining in his -
the said Administrators hands the sum of - \$ 8 - 09
before said of the said estate and property in
which being proportions among the said
Deborah and others his administrators
besides a Debt of 20th due upon a defractor Bond -
whom nothing yet for so had as the administrator faith

From the Religion of Mr. Nicholas Sheldon: for the laying out
of a highway through his own Land near where he dwells
and now is the place. If not in the place where? ~~the place~~
Mr. Thomas Arnold, Mr. Ebenezer Jenckes and Mr. Edward
Smith formerly say: and to begin ~~the~~ the way where
they did - he promising to give the Land the way takes
as far as his Land extends which is as far as the way is desired ~~the way is~~
where upon Capt. Joseph Fennor is chosen a juror and one
of the Committee. ^{the other to go} ~~the other to go~~ Thomas Harris Junr and Mr. Joseph
Thornton ^{of the other to go} ~~of the other to go~~ And Capt. Zebiel Warner Esqr
is appointed to Grant his summons to William Westcott Constable
to warn the Committee and go with them and S^r Constables
and lay out s^e way and make Return to the Council.

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It is voted that Richard Waterman Clerk is impowered to
License Solomon Paine and Israel Arnold to keep a tavern
until the time of License are out which are already granted
to are tavern keepers in this town or either of them they paying
forty shillings down at the time of the granting
and also John Henry for 30^s
The Council is adjourned to the fourth munday of October next
October ye 22^d being munday and the fourth munday in said month
the Council is againe in being

It is voted by this present Council that Richard Waterman Clerk
shall in behalfe of the Council Grant a License to one Ebenezer
Wright to keep a Publick ale house until the License for that kind
already granted are expired and take bond accordingly and
for paying after the date of forty shillings per year
for the same

Upon the request of the Town Council of the Town of
of the Town Council of the Town of Warwick It is voted
that Robert Gibbs Esq^r and Richard Waterman Clerk shall
Post Repeal Roads of Warwick that no Towns keep in this
Towns shall either directly nor indirectly lett the said
Repeal Roads have any strong drink on the Penalty of
being Punished according to the Law of the Colony

Upon the Petition of Mr Joseph Smith and Thomas Oley Jun^r
and others It is voted and ordered that there be a highway layd
from the Towns Streets against Thomas Standings dwelling house
to the Bridge that is lately built over the Mill River
and that the Committee chosen to lay out said way are Coll
Daniel Abbot Mr Joseph Angel and Mr William Turpin and
that they shall Notify the said Persons to goe with them and
Town Surveyor or Constable and lay out said way and make
Returns to the Council of there doings there in

It is voted and ordered that the oversees of the Poor shall
Take care and provide sum places for the widow Elizabeth
Sprague to winter in and how shee may be provided for
and please her children except the poor be helpless
Child that is subject to fits
O This

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this day the Town Council made up accounts with Samuel
Gorton and Stephen son concerning what was remaining with
them of the Estate of there father Samuel Gorton late of
Providence deceased And delivered it to them the said Samuel
Gorton and Stephen son where upon the said Samuel Gorton and
Stephen son gave a Bond to the said Town Council to stand
them from any further charge or demands upon said estate and
also to clear the Town from any charge that might here after
arise by reason of any of the said deceased Samuel Gorton family
The Council is adjourned to the 4th munday in November next
This Council fell for want of members

At a Town Council called by warrant and held this 30th
day of November Anno Dom 1733

It is voted and ordered that Richard Waterman Clerk shall
Grant Administration up unto Mr Hannah Merihus upon
the Estate of her husband Elias Merihus deceased and
Take Bond in behalfe of the Council Mr John Colwin
and Mr William Burton Presented to be her bonds men
and accepted

It is voted that Mrs Hannah Mathuson who was
executrix to the last will and Testament of her former
husband John Paine deceased shall deliver the Portions
of Abijah Paine Ezekiel Paine and Samuel Paine
to each of there Guardians Chosen by them and take
there Receipts for what shee delivers

John Waterman aged seventeene years and Hannah Waterman
aged fowtene years being the two youngest children of Mr
Ephraim Waterman late of said Providence deceased who
departed this life ye 13th day of January Anno Dom 1718
Came before this Council and declared that they had
Chosen

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Chapman Mr Samuel Winsor of Providence and Mr Joshua
Winsor of Smith field in the County of Providence
to be those Caretakers to joyn with their eldest Brothers
and sisters who are of age to act for them selves to propa-
tion and divide the lands and real estate that belonged
to their father the above named deceased Waterman
deceased so that each may have their share thereof
with out any strife or contention
And the said Samuel Winsor and Joshua Winsor being
Present accepted the Trust that is Reposed in them
and was approved by a vote of the Council

The Council is adjourned to the first Monday in January
January next

January 9th 1733: It being Monday and the first Mon-
day in said Month the Council is againe in being

It is Voted that Richard Waterman Clarke shall Grant a
License to Richard ~~Waterman~~ Knight to keep a Tavern
in his own house where he liveth until the other Licen-
ces are out which was granted in August last past
he paying the sum of twenty shillings payed down besides
the charge of writing

It is Voted and ordered that John Hunt ^{with} his family
living at Pauluxet shall be forthwith warned by the
Constable Nathaniel Field to depart out of this
Town forthwith and if they shall refuse or neglect

so to depart: then that they shall be by a warrant
from a Justice directed to a Constable to be forth-
with removed out of the Town - except sufficient bonds
are tendered and given

Upon the request of Mr William Hopkins It is Granted to
him that he may keep a Publick house or ale house in the
house where he now liveth upon his well managment
he paying proportionably for the time he imprisons the
Liberty until the time of the other Licenses the Council

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both last Grants are out and to pay off for the Rate of
fourty shillings per year to the Council Clarke

It is Voted and ordered that Richard Waterman Clarke shall
pay unto Zachariah Matheson the sum of seven pounds and
three shillings out of the Councils Treasury in full for his
keeping John Deal sum time in the years 1733

Upon Information made unto this Council that William Hemington
is departed or to say absented him self from his family and left them
in a perishing condition having nothing to support them selves with
all: where upon it is Voted and ordered that the Overseers of
the poor or either of them go forth with and support the into the
affair: and supply them as far as they can with what they
stand in present neede of: and make returns to the next Council
the Council is adjourned to the Monday 21st of this month

January 21st day of January Anno Dom: 1733 & It being
Monday the Council is againe in being

It is Voted and ordered that Richard Waterman Clarke
shall Grant a License to Mr James Williams Junr to keep
a Publick house of entertainement or Tavern until the
Licenses that have been already granted are out and take
bonds: in to halves of the Council he having already
payed his money for the same

Voted and ordered that Richard Waterman Clarke shall
pay to Justice Ezekiel Warner the sum of three pounds
and nine shillings out of the Councils Treasury for
the charge that accrued in laying out the Highway
that is betwixt Mr Nicholas Phelps one Mr Peloy
Williams is dwelling beyond: being in full to discharge the
the whole Cost

Ordered that
Richard Brown Esqr and Capt Stephen Dexter shall in-
spect into yearly value of the Homestead and Imprison
lands and Tenements of Mr Jos Harris, deceased and make
Returns of the one half of the yearly value thereof
of to the next sitting of the Council

82,
It is voted and ordered that J^r John Jackson who hath bin removed out of this Town shall assume to returne againe as it is reported he hath bin frequently to do: he shall be Publickly whipped ten stripes upon his naked back or pay a fine of forty shillings current money and that if Justice of the Peace or either of them are fully empowered to see cuted the same.
This Councill is adjourned to the Last munday in february next - to be holden at ye house of Ebenezer Knight

February ye 25th - 1733/4
It being munday and the last munday in said Month the Councill is againe in being -
It is voted that the Town Councill of Smithfield shall be invested with the same Power as this Town Councill was concerning Samuel Wilkinsons son Josiah's selling his part of his Real Estate

It is voted and ordered that Richard Waterman Clarke shall take a Bond of Samuel Horick and John Balcom both of Smithfield for the sum of three hundred pounds to keep the Town of Providence from all charges that may arise or accrue by reason of Josiah Balcom and his Heir or any of them

The Councill is adjourned to the second munday in March next; to be hold at the house of Capt James Olney
the Councill before adjournment ordered the Clarke to sign an order to Mr Olney to deliver a Bible that was committed to her care; to Thomas Josling + + + + +

March ye 1st - 1734 It being munday and the second munday in 2^d month. The Councill is againe in being
The Councill is adjourned to the second munday in April next to be held at ye house of Capt James Olney
April ye 6th anno dom: 1734 It being munday and the second munday in said Month the Councill is againe in being

Sarah Arnold daughter of Mr Thomas Arnold deceased personally appeared before this present Councill and declared before the Councill that she made Joys and Disposes her Uncle Benjamin Smith of Smithfield to be her Guardian to take care for the management and preserving and preserving her Estate both Real and Personal and that said Benjamin Smith being present in the Councill declared that he accepted the said Trust Deposited in him and was approved and accepted by a vote of the Councill

Here follows an account of several Receipts that was brought before this Councill by Mr Elna both Arnold - Deceased widow and executrix to the last will and Testament of her husband Mr Thomas Arnold deceased the which Receipt was given by them of her children for there full parts of the Legacies that was given them by their Glorious father the said Thomas Arnold in his last will and Testament out of his Personal Estate

First from her son Jonathan a Receipt bearing date March ye 29th 1734 for the sum of 62-07-00

And a Receipt from her daughter Mary bearing date March ye 29th 1734 for the sum of 2-93-10-2

And a Receipt from her son Thomas bearing date March ye 29th 1734 for the sum of 62-07-00

86.
It is Voted and ordered that Richard Waterman Clerk of
the Council shall Grant Administration unto Mrs Mary
Dexter Widdow of Mr John Dexter, deceased, upon the
marriage Estate of her said deceased husband and Take
Bond in behalf of the Council. John Dexter and Joseph
Dexter sons of the said deceased John Dexter being present
of and to be her Bonds men: and accepted.

Voted and ordered that Richard Waterman Clerk shall
In behalf of the Council Take Mr George Taylor
Bond with John Wiche Esq^r of Warwick his Bond as
surety for the true and full Performance of
Mary Taylor for Administration upon the remain-
ing Part of the Estate of her former husband Mr
Job Harris deceased. viz: for the payment of
the 300^l due to the Colony and nears or about
18^l or 20^l more.

and also It is further Voted that y^e Clerk
shall inspect the accounts and make Record
of the Ballances.

Voted that the Clerk shall Pay what is due to John Whetton
for keeping the Widdow Duly out of the Councils Treasury
the Council is desolved.

At a Town Council held at Providence this 3^d day of June
Anno Dom. 1734.
It is Voted that Robert Gibbs Esq^r as Guardian to
Isolene Crawford sell a small Lot of Land and Ornament
Lying in Providence Neck of about 13 Acres; Provided he
Compey with the Act of Assembly.

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At a Town Council held at Providence the 3^d day of July
Anno Dom. 1734.
It is Voted and ordered that Richard Waterman Clerk shall
Grant Administration unto Mrs Mary Power and Mr
Nicholas Power upon the Estate of their late husband and
father Mr Nicholas Power and Take Bond in behalf of
the Council. The Council is desolved.

Mr George Taylor hath given in Bond according to the record
on the foregoing Page viz: for the Payment of the 300^l
due to the Colony and also for the sum of eight hundred Pounds
fifteen shillings and five pence that is the full of what is
remaining the hands of the executrix not Administered
both of the said and also of the executrix and also
of the Marriages.

At a Town Council held this 22^d day of July Anno Dom. 1734.
It is Voted and ordered that Richard Waterman Clerk shall
Grant a Letter of Administration unto Mrs Sarah Smith Widdow
upon the marriage Estate of her husband Mr Philip
Smith deceased and Take Bond in behalf of the Council.
The Bonds men Proposed are Mr Hope Angel and Mr Thomas
Olney Jun^r: who were both present at the Council; and gave
their words to be her Bonds men.
The Council is desolved.

At a Town Council held at Providence this 26th
day of August Anno Dom. 1734.
It is Voted and ordered that Richard Waterman Clerk
shall In behalf of the Council and upon good
Bonds Procure and Give Grant a License to Mr
James Eller to Keep a Publick Ale House and
Selling house for one whole year
and also to Grant a License to Capt James Olney
Mr Hugh Battey and John Randall and Richard
Knight upon the Giving Bond and paying the sum
of 40^s each for the same.
And

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marriage & estate of her said deceased husband and Take
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ing part of the estate of her former husband Mr
Job Harris deceased: viz: for the payment of
the 300^l due to the Colony and needs or about
18^l or 20^l more -

and also It is further Voted that y^e Clerk
shall inspect the accounts and make Record
of the balance -

Voted that the Clerk shall Pay what is due to John Whetson
for keeping the Widow's doly: out of the Councils Treasury
the Council is dissolved -

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anno Domini 1734

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remaining in the hands of the executrix not administered
both of their Land sold and of it by the executrix and also
of the Marriages -

At a Town Council held this 22^d day of July anno Domini 1734

It is Voted and Ordered that Richard Waterman Clerk shall
Grant a Letter of Administration unto Mrs Sarah Smith Widow
upon the marriage & estate of her husband Mr Phillip
Smith deceased and Take Bond in behalf of the Council -
the Bonds men Proposed are Mr Hope Angel and Mr Thomas
Olney Jun^r: who were both present at the Council; and gave
these words to be her Bonds men -

The Council is dissolved -

At a Town Council held at Providence this 26th
day of August anno Dom 1734

It is Voted and Ordered that Richard Waterman Clerk
shall in behalf of the Council sell and upon good
Bonds Procure and Give Grant a License to Mr
James Elles to keep a Publick Ale House and
Sitting House for one whole year
and also to Grant a License to Capt James Olney
Mr Hugh Batty and John Randall and Richard
Knight upon their Giving Bonds and paying the sum
of 40^s each for the same

And

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And his further Voted that ~~the~~ the Clerk shall
in behalf of the Council Write to the Town Council
of private to Inform them that they shall be ready
to give any reasonable assurance or satisfaction
to secure the Town of private from Charge. Confor-
ing William Williams and his family
and It is further Voted that the Clerk shall Grant
and order to warn such Persons out of Town
as may be thought most dangerous that are complained of
the Council is adjourned to the 2^d Monday of September
next ensuing

September 10th 1734 It being Monday & 1st 2^d Monday in 2^d month
the Council is againe in being

Whereas William Williams late of Providence in the County of
Providence in the Colony of Rhode Island &c. hath lately removed
himself with his family and settled him self in the Town of
Providence in the County aforesaid

There fore the Town Council of Providence aforesaid doth
by these presents acknowledge and declare that the said
William Williams is an Inhabitant of our said Towne of
Providence and that he and his family or either of them
shall be so received and accepted as lawful Residents
of said Towne at any time when they shall come or be sent
into our said Towne of Providence from the Town of
said situate

Providence September
the 9th day anno domini 1734

Recorded &c. Richard Waterman Clerk

for as much as the Council hath twice chosen and appointed
a Committee to lay a highway from Pawtuxett to New-
Bedford have failed to performe the work
and the Inhabitents still urging that It may be done
where upon

where upon the Council hath againe chosen ⁸⁹
other Committee as Namely Thomas Bellingham Junr
to be one of the Committee and Rowley and Mr John
Hawkins and Mr William Sharpen the other two of
the Committee to lay out said way; and do also appoint
said Rowley Carpenter Esq^r to Grant a summons to Mr Stephen
at sum convenient Place in order to go on and performe
said work; and the said Justice and Constable to attend the
Committee in laying out said way; and to begin said way
from where from the way that leads to Plainfield westward
of the house of Leut^t Stephen Thornton and thence the
most convenient way that may be considered untill it comes
to the high way that leads from Providence Town to Pawtuxett
Voted and Past

It is Voted that Richard Waterman Clerk shall in behalf
of the Council take Mr William Pagol's Bond of 300^l
to Indemnify the Town from any Cost or Charge that
shall accrue by reason of Mr Mathew Elor coming to settle
in said Town with his daughter Juliana: and Arthur
Elor his son

The Council is adjourned to the second Monday in October next
October 14th 1734 It being Monday: and the second Monday
in 2^d month: The Council is againe in being

Mr Joseph Smith of Providence is by the Town Council
with the advice of Mrs Sarah Smith widow of Mr Philip
Smith deceased: chosen Guardian to Charles Smith being an
Infant son of the said deceased Philip Smith; In order that
he may be Impowered to divide some Land that was in Par-
ticular ship betwixt the said Philip Smith and his Brother
William Smith - so that each may know their part severally
And the said Joseph Smith being present before the Council
Accepted of the Trust that is here in the posed in him

It is Voted and ordered that there be a warrant given forth
by the Justices of this Town or sum one or more of them to be-
trous one Martin Richardson: Nailo Maher forth without of
this Towne
The Council is adjourned to the second Monday of November next

90.
At a Town Council held y^e 28th day of October anno Domⁱ 1734
Jonathan Dexter appeared before this Council and declared that he
had made Joyce and Joseph his Brother Stephen Dexter Jun^r of Penn
denio to be his Guardian to take care for the preserving and improving
that Part of his father John Dexter deceased his Personal Estate as shall
fall to be his Portion; until he shall come to age to act for himself
And the said Stephen Dexter being present accepted of the Trust that
is Deposited in him on that affair: And is also allowed and approved
of by the Town Council: the Council is dissolved

November y^e 11th 1734 It being munday and the second munday
in said month: the Council is againe in being
It is voted and ordered that Richard Waterman Clarke shall
in behalf of the Council Write to Mrs. Dinah Fenner Widow
of Major Thomas Fenner deceased: and Justice her how
that her son in Law Mr. William Antcom Presents upon
them by their Attorney: that they may have ^{and his wife} ~~their~~ Part of her
Brother John Fenners Estate sett of to them ~~and his wife~~
which cannot: Regularly be done without putting in
an Administration upon ^{the} Estate: Other which Properly belon
gs to her: there fore to Request her Answer to the next
sitting of the Council

Information being made to this Council that Martin Richard
son who was removed by the Constables hath presumed
without leave to be ^{in the Council} ~~in the Council~~ againe into s^r Osborne
and hath now continued for some time: where upon it is voted
and ordered: that the Justices of s^r Osborne or any two of them
Grant forth a warrant to the Constable to apprehend the
s^r Richard son and bring him before them selves and there
be whiped by the Constable or his Procurement ten
stripes upon his Naked back or Pay a fine of forty
shillings

The Council is adjourned to the next munday in December
next ensuing

December y^e 2nd 1734

91.
This day Mr. William Sharpin and Mr. Thomas Harding two
of the over seers of the Poor: Declared how that Henry Jones -
son of John Jones deceased lay in a Poor condition: and appoi
nted for want of Lodging being very sick: and there being a Bed in
the house of Mr. John Whipple Town parson which was part
of the estate of the said John Jones: It is thought most proper
that the said John Whipple Lett the Bed go to the use of the
said Henry Jones for his Present Relief:

This being ~~at~~ a time of extremity by Reason that the
said Henry Jones lay sick at the house where his wife Mary
lived: and she being but poorly provided to entertain him

William Sharpin

Thomas Harding

Richard Waterman Justice

December y^e 30th 1734 It being munday and the last
munday in said month: the Council is againe in being

This Day Mrs. Hannah McCorihoo by her Attorney Mr. John
Colvin: ~~has~~ rendered an account of her Administra
tion upon the Estate of her deceased husband Elias Mc
Corihoo: and there Remained Good to the Estate after
the accounts of debts and Charges Deducted ~~£ 5: 0~~
the sum of seventy nine Pounds ten shillings 19-10-0
and ~~the~~ ^{the} s^r s^r Penio

John Dyer son of Mr. Charles Dyer deceased appeared be
fore this Council and declared that he had made Joyce
and Joseph Capt Richard Fenner Esq^r to be his Guardian
to take care as well of his Person as Estate: and
the said Capt Fenner being present: accepted of the
Trust Deposited in him on that affair: and was also
approved of by a vote of the Council
This day

92
Thomas Parker Brought an Account of his Administration upon the Estate of his Honor Father Thomas Parker deceased and after the accounts of debts and other charges and expences was deducted out of the Inventory there Remained Good to the Estate the sum of two hundred and thirty three pounds five shillings and four pence.

Thomas Parker Brought an Account of his Administration upon the Estate of his Honor Father Thomas Parker deceased; and after the accounts of debts and other charges and expences was deducted out of the Inventory: there Remained Good to the Estate the sum of two hundred and Eighty seven pounds three shillings and four pence. — 287-3-4

It is Voted and ordered that Capt Stephen Dexter and Mr John Whipple Deft Sherriff shall Take an Inventory of the Estate of John Bird deceased and bring it before Council at their next sitting.

It is Voted that Thomas Woodwards be forthwith warned to Depart out of the Town: and upon his neglect to be Detained by a Constable; with his family.

It is ordered that the Councils Clarke shall Grant a license to Israel Arnold provided he pay his money for both the last years as well as for this present years: 40^s each. The Council is adjourned to the next Monday of February next to the house of Capt Olney

at a Towne Council Called by warrant and held at Providence: 13th day of February anno Dom: 1734. Lott Orip: son of Lott Orip: deceased; appeared before this Council and declared that he chose Mr Jonathan Mansall of Providence to be his Guardian to take care as well of his Estate as of his person: and the said Jonathan Mansall being present: accepted of the Trust reposed in him on that affair: and was approved of by the said Council.

John Orip: son of Lott Orip: deceased; appeared before this Council and declared that he chose his Brother Edward Orip of Providence his Guardian: to take care as well of his Estate as of his person: and the said Edward Orip being present: accepted of the Trust reposed in him on that affair: and was approved of by the said Council. The Council is dissolved.

February 24th Anno Dom 1734. It being Monday and the last Monday in said month: The Council is again in being by adjournment from December ye 30th 1734. It is Voted and ordered that the Justices of Providence or any two of them shall take a Constable of said Towne with them and go forth with and upon the Highway that was formerly layed out on the westward side of Newtaconnet River northerly and North westwardly near the dwellings of Mrs. Shadons and Mrs. Peloy Williams is and so North westwardly so far as the said way appears to be formerly laid: and according to the best information they can find by evidence and Copie of the said Record of said way from under the hand of Mr Thomas Olney Senr Towne Clarke; and also to proceed according to the Record of the five Justices that formerly took pains and inspected with evidence in what place the said way was laid: And it is further Voted that the said Justices Record shall be entered upon the Councils Records and that the said Justices that shall upon said way shall make returns to the Town Council of their doings therein.

94
It is Voted and ordered that Capt Moses Brillingham -
Mr John Harkings and Mr Cornelius Estlin shall be a
Committee to lay out a convenient high way from the way
that leads from Town to Nantakonnut: and from thence
southward and southwardward till it meets with the highway
that leads from Providence Town to Pawtuxett: and to
take those departures from where westward from the
dwelling house of Leuit Stephen Thornton and to some
place near by the watermen
and that Silas Carpenter Esq Justice of the Peace Grant
forth his warrant to Stephen Thornton and to some
to warrant the said Committee to meete all from convenient
place in order to proceede and performe said work: and
also attend with the said Constable upon the Committee
in those things touching the same: and make returns to
the Town Council of the doing thereof in
and also that the Proprietors of the Lands that said way goes
a cross that they may attend the laying out of said way

It is Voted that Eliza Peck and his family be removed
out of this Town by a Constable by virtue of a warrant
from under the hands and seals of two of his majes-
ties of Peace for said Town

The Council is adjourned to y^e 2^d Monday in March next to y^e
house of Capt James Cheney

March y^e 10th day anno Dom: 1734 It being Monday and
the Monday in said month: the Council is againe in being

It is Voted and ordered that the same Committee that was
last appointed to lay out the highway from Nantakonnut
toward Pawtuxett: shall likewise inspect into what may be
wanting to compleate and finish the highway that was former-
ly laid through the place called Masipaugus so far as the
Southern end of the Lands that leads by the now dwelling
of Gedian Paine: and to proceede lay the way so that it
may be convenient to come from thence to the Towne
and make returns as above

for as much as Mr John Stone Mr Benjamin Carpenter
and Ariel Waterman who was chosen to appraise
the

the Lands and Real estate of Mr Abol Potter deceased: for
not agree in the appraisal thereof: whereupon Leuit
Thomas Harris is chosen and appointed to goe with the other
three of appraisers: and make a true Appraisal and Inventory
of the same: and make returns of these proceedings to the
next Town Council

And It is voted and ordered that Richard Waterman Clarke
shall give order to Mr Peter Bonno to deliver unto Phoebe
Thornton wife of Thomas Thornton to deliver unto her
the said Phoebe Thornton: All the apparel and clothes
that was left there by her husband and claimed by her
to be her wearing clothes

The Council is adjourned to y^e 2^d Monday in April next
to y^e house of Mr Ebenezer Knight

April y^e 14th day anno Dom: 1735 It being Monday and the
second Monday in said month: the Council is againe in being
and adjourned

It is Voted and ordered that there be a Committee chosen
and appointed to revise the bounds of a high way that
was formerly laid out on y^e west side of Pauchaet River
alias Nantakonnut River: beginning at said River where
the way crosseth it: thence northward till they meete with the way
that was lately laid out by Pelag Williams is: And where
they cannot have sufficient information thereof
where the former way was laid to lay out a convenient
way: and the men chosen are Capt Nathaniel Jencks
and Thomas Angell and Capt William Rhodes a Committee
to performe said work: and that Silas Carpenter Esq
Justice of the Peace Grant forth his summons to one of the
Constables of the Town or Towns sariant to summons the
said Committee to meete at some convenient time and place
in order to go on and compleate the way so that it may
be opened and servicable for his majesties subjects
and give his attendants with the said Constable or sariant
in performing the same
and make returns to the Council of the doing
therein

96.
It is further voted and ordered that the afore said
Committee shall have full Power to lay out the high
way Petitioned for by Capt Thomas Harris for his Porten
use: If there shall be occasion - and make Returns
as afore said; the Council is adjourned to the 2^d munday
In may next ensuing - to be hold at ye County House
may 12th anno Domi 1735. It being munday and the second
munday in said month the Council is againe in being -

It is ordered that Richard Waterman Justice with sum other Justice of
S^d Town shall if they think fit to be whom the highway is Inquest
ed by the Committee: and also there at most power and
authority in opening the said way where it may be found
to be formerly laid: the Clerk is ordered to notice Mr
Gordon to give them any order whether they will administer or upon them
The Council is adjourned to the munday next y^e 19th of this
Instant may in the afternoon -
may 19th anno Domini 1735 -
The Council is againe in being -

Mr William Antnam and his Wife Mrs Sarah Antnam
by their Attorney appeared before this Council and
desired that Administration might be granted unto
their said Sarah Antnam upon the Estate of
their Brother John Fenner deceased; Incaus
nithor of their three Brothers Richard Joseph
nor Arthur Fenner will accept the same they
being notified to appear before the Council to give
there answer which they have not yet positively done
the being duly sworn - ~~in presence of the Council~~
Goate - For as it that there was no just cause
to Gratifie their Request on that account
and therefore that no Administration shall be
by this Council granted: on that affair
Antnam and his wife Prays an appeals to the
Governour and Council -

Persuant to an Act of the General Assembly of this his Majesty's
Colony of Rhode Island &c: hold at East Greenwich in y^e Colony aforesaid
on the eighteenth day of February Anno Domini 1734.
In powering the Town Councils in each respective Towne
in this Colony to make such laws and orders as by them may be
thought proper for the preservation of the oysters in such Townes
where to they belong -

At a Town Council hold at Providence In the County of Providence
in the Colony of Rhode Island &c: this fourteenth day of April
Anno Domini 1735.

Where as it hath bin a Practise for many years as well by many of
the Inhabitants of this Town of Providence as by some
other Inchoaching Persons: to get by the protest oyster shells
to burn into lime: and it being found by experience that in get
ting of shells they broke up and destroy the oysters so that they
are almost totally destroyed: which is greatly to the damage of
the Inhabitants and especially to the Poor who must be
Relieved there by: for Remedy where of for the future
Beit ordered and enacted by this Present Town Council and
by the authority of the same it is hereby ordered and enacted -
that from and after the Publication here of that there shall
be no shells nor oysters fatched or taken of from the
oyster bed called the Long oyster bed in said Providence Ri-
ver: nor no part of the oyster beds there to adjoyneing nor
of from the oyster bed called the Grate bed which is to the
southward of the Island called Swan Island in Providence a
bove said: to putt in a kiln to burn into lime or other way
to throw in a heape where by the oysters may be destroyed
on the Penalty of forfeiting all such oysters and shells
and to be seized by a warrant from under the hand and
seals of one or more Justices of the Peace for said Town
directed to a constable: and after all charges Paid
the over Plusk to be put into the Townes Treasury
to defray Town Charges: and also to pay a fine att the
discretion of the Justices not exceeding twenty shillings
for one offence to be taken by distress by a warrant
from under the hand and seals of a Justice or
Justices -

98.
Justices of the Peace for said Towne directed to a constable
and for want of sufficient estate to be found by the officer to make
discreet upon them to apprehend the Body of the offender and
commit him to his majesties goal in s^d Providence until the same
be paid with the charge of imprisonment and other charges there
by accruing due by law. And no appeals to be allowed; and
also be liable to be sued in an action of Trovass by
any of the freeholders or freeholder of said Towne and to be
tried by the Justices of s^d Towne after the same manner as
for by finding actions are to be tried; and to recover to their own
use according to the nature of the offence all the discretion of
the Justices not exceeding forty shillings with the charge of
Prosecution; and no appeals to be allowed
And it is further ordered and enacted that there shall not be any officers
caught or taken of from the said long oyster bed nor beds thereof
adjoining to Pickles and put up into Cask in order to be trans-
ported out of this Town on the Penalty of forfeiting all such
oysters and Cask where in they are put; and the Party so offend-
ing shall pay a fine at the discretion of the Justices not exceed-
ing Twenty shillings for one offence to be taken in man-
ner as aforesaid with the charge of Prosecution.

And it is further ordered and enacted that there shall be no oys-
ter shells caught or taken up in the River northward of
the Point called Sandy Point; or Little Point in said Pro-
vidence; in order to be either before they are burnt
or after they are burnt into lime; and any Person or Persons
shall presume so to do and are thereof lawfully convicted
shall forfeit all such shells or lime and shall pay a fine
at the discretion of the Justices not exceeding forty
shillings: To be taken in manner as aforesaid and no
appeals to be allowed.

And it is further ordered and enacted that Mr William
Aston and Mr Jeremiah Field shall be constituted Consti-
tables by a warrant or Warrants from under the
hands and seals of two or more of the Justices of Peace for
said Towne in order for the management of the above said
acts and orders so that the Persons offending may be brought to
the Justices: until the Towns election for Town officers and then
to be chosen as other Town officers are chosen.

Ordered &c me Richard Waterman Clerk of s^d Council

At a Town Council held at Providence the 2^d day of June -
annodons: 1735; In the morning before the election of Towne
officers: -

It is Voted and ordered that Richard Waterman Clerk shall grant
Administration unto Penelope Sheldon and late her last
Remains upon the estate of this mother Mrs Mary Arnold
deceased; and take bond in behalf of the Council -
Silas Forrester Esq^r and Nicholas Sheldon Jun^r being present
gave their words to be the bondsmen; and accepted -

At a Court of Sessions Inquirey held at the house of our Deleg^y
Williams in Providence this 2^d day of September annodons: 1727

Nicholas Power - A Magistrate
Richard Waterman - A Magistrate
John Burton - Justice
John Smith - Justice
James Arnold - Justice

To Enquire after a highway that was formerly laid
out a Gap thro' the northern End of Metemphite hill and
after strict Inquirey made: the Judgment and final
determination of the Court is that the line that was
lately run by the said Waterman and Edward Jenner -
which was a due East line from a Walnut tree that is
the north west corner of Nicholas Sheldons Land to a heap
of stones lying upon the south End of s^d Metemphite hill and from
thence near the same corner to a heap of stones -
lying near a corner of the s^d Sheldons: shall be the
south Boundary of the said highway. And the said way to
extend two days wide northward from said line. And that
the said Nicholas Sheldon shall remove his fence accordingly
all the whole length: within six Months after the
date here of: and set it on the south side of s^d Highway:
But he shall remove his fence on the eastern End to the
top of the Knoll as that way may be done within one month
time of the date here of: and also say James Stanton for one day
time of the date here of: in Information concerning Richard Waterman Clerk
the former laying of s^d way -
Ordered by the Town Council -
me Richard Waterman Clerk } James Arnold Justice

Att^d Towne Council held at Providence this 29th
day of August anno Dom: 1735.

This day Capt Richard Fenner and Capt Joseph Fenner
rendered an account of their administration upon
the estate of the Hon^{ble} Major Thomas
Fenner deceased. so far as they have proceeded.
and it appears by the accounts they layed before this
Council that they have payed out in debts and legacies
and other lawfull charges the sum of 444 - 8 - 2
over and above the total of the Inventory of the movable estate
The sum in the Inventory
Errors excepted the sum of being - 433 - 19 - 9 -
The debts legacies and charges amounting to 848 - 07 - 11
444 - 08 - 2

The Council is adjourned to the third munday in
September next at 10 a clock in the fore noon to the Court house
and that if Clerk shall grant a summons to the Towns sargent
to summons the Towns sargent to come in and take his ome
munday ye 15th of September 1735

This day the Council granted several licenses
and have adjourned the Council to the third munday in
October next
October 20th anno Dom: 1735 It being munday
and that third munday in said month the Council is againe
in being

It is ordered that Justice Robert Gibbs Esq^r
and Justice Richard Thornton Esq^r grant forth a warrant
to the Constables of the Town of Providence to
take Alexander Lovell Esq^r and John Long Esq^r and
John Hunt Esq^r out of this Town forth with
their families and also one Anne Deavos
a Vagrant Person accordingly

with their families; and also to James Deavos
and John Deavos Esq^r and Anne Deavos
It is voted and ordered that Justice Robert Gibbs Esq^r
and Justice William Hopkins Esq^r grant forth a warrant
or warrants to the Constables or Constables any or
either of them to remove Alexander Lovell Esq^r
and John Long Esq^r and John Hunt Esq^r out of this Town forth
with their families: and also one Anne Deavos
a Vagrant Person accordingly

And it is further ordered that the Constables or Constables
be empowered to take sufficient aid for the Prosi-
cution of said work

And it is further voted and ordered that Richard
Waterman and Arthur Fenner Justices of the Peace
shall grant forth a warrant to the Towns sargent
to warn: one Mary Frazer, John Lancesford to depart
out of this Town with their families forth with
and also to warn Elizabeth Wright: and one Mary
Hollom, a Vagrant Person to depart out of this
Town forth with accordingly

The Council is adjourned to the first munday in
December next at 10 a clock in the fore noon.

December the first day It being munday and the first munday
in said month the Council is againe in being

it is voted that James Ellis shall have
license provided he pay the sum of thirty five shillings
and pay the charge of the wrightings and Comply with
the Law of this Colony in giving bond for keeping good
orders

It is voted that William Olney gun^r may have
License paying twenty five shillings and the cost of
the wrightings and Comply to the giving of bond
as the Law requires the License to be out at the
same time with them that was first taken
and also that John Briggs may take license to pay
the sum of twenty five shillings and the charge of wrightings
and Comply with the terms above said
And that the Councils Clerk shall grant licenses and take
bond in behalf of the Council

102.
It is Voted and ordered that the Clerk shall write to Benjamin Wright in behalf of the Council concerning his sister Elizabeth Wright who now is and hath for sometime bin depending in this Town under legal warning to depart out of the Town forth with and to desire ~~him~~ either to come to the Council all the next sitting: to be hold at the house of Capt James Olney on the 22nd day of this instant December, or other ways to declare what he will doe toward the relief of his sister in writing - but heather to approve him self.

It is further Voted and ordered that William Olney Jun^r 3rd - notol may be accepted for y^e space of one month for his ~~liens~~ - to be paid to y^e Town Oversea prior

Patrick Malom one Holder all m^{rs}lantatuck John White and his wife Hannah Elker shall be by order of the Council warned to depart out of this Town: by a warrant from under the hand and seals of Richard Waterman Justice of the Peace is adjoned to the 22nd day of December next to y^e house of Capt James Olney to be hold at 10 a clock in the day.

December y^e 22nd Anno Domini: 1735: The Council is againe In being: by adjournment from y^e 1st day of December 1735

It is Voted and ordered upon the Petition of Capt Thomas Harris m^r John Thornton and m^r Richard Thornton that there shall be a highway layed out beginning at the highway that leadeth by John Mactons and by the farms of m^r Henry Harris deceased and from thence to lay a highway to the Land of Capt Thomas Harris neere the corner of Joseph Borden's Land - and then to Range southerly as neere as may be: Betwene said Harris: is and said Borden's Land untill it comes to m^r Richard Thorntons Land: then south easterly through said Thomas Land neere one hundred poles: and then turne into thirty poles which will com to the Land that was Thomas Thorntons then to Range to the eastward of south a bout forty poles and then Turn into said John Thorntons Land againe: then Rangeing southerly untill it extonds to the south side of said Thorntons Land then Rangeing south westerly untill it comes to the line that Rangeeth

103.
Betwene the Land of Mary Garnett and the Land of Josiah Thornton: decayed. and then south untill it comes to the highway that leadeth from Situate to Providence Towne - And Capt Nathaniel Jenkes m^r Cornelius Estin and m^r John Han Kings are chosen & committed to lay out said Highway: And Arthur Jenner Esq^r Justice of the Peace shall grant forth his summons to one of the Constables or Towns s^rgent of said Town to warn in the s^e committed to go on and employe said work: and to attend to the performing the same him self with the said Constable or Town s^rgent - and make Returns to the Council

Whereas it was said before this Council by m^r John Smith and his daughter in Law: his son Philips widow: for there Advise and Allowance to a bargain of Lands that was made betwixt them: In manner and form following: being the Land which said Philip Smith had in his life time made over to the Colony Trustees for bank money: now the said John Smith by bargain was to give to the said Philip Smith the sum of three hundred Pounds and Rec^d the s^e Lands from the bank - the Council by vote approves and assents to the said Bargain: and that the said John Smith shall remove the security that was given by his son Philip both mortgages and bonds: and put in new security in his own name: and when those things are done the Council sh^{ll} as Justice of the Peace shall Enter upon the decde. that it was given by the advice and allowance of the Council

It is Voted that Richard Waterman sh^{ll} be of the Council sh^{ll} on y^e Councils behalf give a license to Solomon Paine for to keep a Tavern untill the 15th of September next - provided he pay 30^{sh} shillings and pay for the wrightings - The Council is adjoned to the first monday in february next to 12 a clock in the day - at the house of Capt Olney -

104
February the 2^d day Anno Dom. 1735/6
It being munday and the first munday in said month the
Council is againe in being

Col^d Daniel Abbott Appeares before this Council and Porges
his word by way of Promise to the Council that if Adam
Lowe who lives upon the said Abbotts Land upon Plainfield
Road doth not bring a certificate from the Town Council
of Warrick that shall be sufficient to clear this Town from
any charge that shall or may accrue by reason of the said
Adam Lowe and his family remaining in said Towne
within threemonths time next ensuing after the date
hereof. Then he the said Col^d Abbott will either give in
sufficient Bond to keepe the Towne endamaged from all
cost and charge that shall or may accrue to said Towne by
reason of s^d Lowe and his family and every of them

Otherways to be att the charge to remove them out of the
Towne so that the Towne shall be at no charge nor
trouble by reason of them nor either of them

Resolved that two of the justices of the peace and two of the
overseers of the said Towne find out Phoebe Skorton daughter
of Thomas Skorton and Phoebe his wife, who hope to come
until shee come to the age of Eighteen years to provide
to find and provide for her sufficient meate during washing
and lodging during so term and when so term is expired
to give her two new pices of apparel fitt for her body
complete through out besides her ordinary wearing cloth
shee being Eight years old in October last past

Resolved that Justice Wm. Hopking Grant forth a warrant
brought Timothy Swan and Rebecca Saffling that they depart
out of this Towne and also to warn Joseph Eddy that he
depart out of this Towne

Resolved that two of the justices of peace and two of the
overseers of the said Towne find out Phoebe Skorton daughter of Thomas
Skorton and Phoebe his wife, on appoyntment to provide
shee come to the age of Eighteen years to provide
to find and provide for her sufficient meate during washing
and lodging during so term and when so term is expired
to give her two new pices of apparel fitt for her body
complete through out besides her ordinary wearing cloth
shee being five years old the thirtieth day of September 1735

105
Whereas it was represented to this Council that one
James Lee a Resident in this Towne departed this life in this
Towne the 24th day of January Anno Domini 1735. Legatibus
(as appears att probon) it is voted and ordered that Capt
Jacob Brown shall have Administration granted
to him and that the Clerk shall Grant Letters
of Administration on s^d Lee's Estate and take Bond
to render an inventory according as the Law directs
on behalf of the Council

The Council is adjourned to the 16th day of this
instant to the house of Mr Joseph Angel in Providence
at 10 o'clock in the day

February 16th 1735/6
The Council is againe in being
It is voted that John Potter son of John Potter senior
may have s^d come from this time until the same time there s^d come
be expired which first took for this year provided he pay six pence
shillings and also pay the cost of the writings
and also the Clerk to grant the same and take bond as the
Law directs

It is voted and ordered that Richard Waterman Clerk
shall Grant Administration unto Phoebe Waterman: Widow of
Nathan Waterman deceased: upon her said deceased husbands
personal Estate and take Bond in behalf of the Council
the Bondsmen Proposed are Christopher Smith of Warrick
and Daniel Waterman of Providence: her brother in law

It is voted and ordered that Richard Waterman Clerk
shall Grant Administration unto Mrs Mary Bernon upon
the movable Estate of her husband Mr Gabriel Ber-
non: deceased: and take Bond in behalf of the Coun-
cil: the said Mrs Bernons will being read before this
Council: and his wife being named executrix: shee
declared her satisfaction and content therewith and
that shee Accepted the said Propose in her choice in

It is granted to Mr. Israel Arnold shall have a license granted him by the Clerk of the Council to be out at the same time when the other licenses before granted to other persons are out paying 30^l down and charge of writing -

This day Mr. ³ Gemina Harkings who was the Relict Widow and Administratrix to the estate of her husband former husband Henry Epton; deceased Brought an account of her said Administration for as she has proceeded;

And it appeared that there remained good to the estate not yet administered sum of - 148 - 4 - 4

Other Inventory of the whole being - 226 - 9 - 6
since brought by the Administratrix - 1 - 6 - 7

payed out by the Administratrix - 224 - 16 - 4
49 - 11 - 9

there is yet remaining to give bond for - 148 - 4 - 4

And it is voted and ordered that the Clerk shall take bonds for the Administration of the same And there upon deliver up of former bonds

the bonds now proposed are John Harkings & Joseph Harkings voted that the Return brought by Capt Nathaniel Jones John Harkings and Cornelius Epton be except of the highway layed out from the Road that leads by John mantons westward to the north west corner of Joseph Burdons Land and go southward until it comes to the highway near where Christopher Harris dures is excepted And here by do order it to be Recorded

The Council is adjourned to 3rd munday in march next at the house of Joseph Angell at ten a Clock in the day

10th
march y^e 18th 1735⁶ it being the third munday in so month the Council is again in being

it is voted that James Dillinghast of Dept greenwich in the County of Kent shall have Letters of administration upon the personal estate of his brother Benjamin Dillinghast of providence deceased and that if Clerk shall grant them under the Council seals his exhibiting a proper inventory before the Council according to Law & he giving bond for the due administration thereof with two sufficient persons namely Mr Charles Dillinghast & William Ashton Mr John Ottinghast his mother having the first

~~it is ordered that the Clerk of the Council shall give bond for the due administration of the estate of Benjamin Dillinghast deceased to the satisfaction of the Council~~

The Council is adjourned to be held at the house of Mr Israel Arnold at Pautuxett on thursday next being the 10th of march current; and Daniel Waterman is by the Clerk of the Council substituted Clerk Protempore to officiate at said Council - Past by a vote of the Council

march y^e 18th anno Domini 1735⁶ the Council is again in being

the Council is adjourned to the house of Andrew pitcher this present day - to be held at 5 of the Clock

march y^e 18th anno Domini 1735⁶ it being 4 of the Clock the Council is again in being

it is voted that Capt Richard waterman Clerk of the Council shall grant Letters of administration of the personal estate of Benjamin Smith of providence deceased; unto Lydia Smith his sister under the Council seals and all go to take bond for her due administration of the same according to Law with Giles Carpenter and Joseph Howes sureties

the Council is adjourned to 24th of march current to be held at the house of Capt James Olney in providence at 8 of the Clock in the morning

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Providence March 27th Anno Domini 1736
The Council is againe in being

It is Voted and ordered that the Clerk shall Grant Admini-
stration: unto Thomas Delph upon the estate of his
sister Sarah Delph: deceased and Oake Bond in behalfe
of the Council - the Bonds men Proposers are -
Ezekiel Warner Esq^r and Benjamin Westcott

It is voted that Kristian Arnold shall have
Letters of Administration upon the estate of her brother
Stephen Arnold: deceased shall Giveing Bond With parties
to Exhibit An Inventory of the same according to
Law and also for her due administration of the same
the Bonds men to be Phillip Arnold and Daniel Sheldon
and the Clerke of the Council to Grant the same
in behalfe of the Council: her mother Mrs. Sheldon
having ~~refused~~ -
Mr. John Thornton and Quirel Waterman are
appointed a Committee to settle the accounts with the
Administratrix of the Estate of Mr. William Brook
of Providence deceased and to see if any thing remain
undistributed in behalfe of the Council.

Mrs. Alice benches is Will being brought before this Council
for Probation: And her son Capt. Stephen Dexter having
Putt in a caveat against the approuing of the said Will
where upon the approuing thereof or any further
proceeding there on ^{is deferred} until the next sitting of the Council

At a Towne Council held at Providence on y^e 27th day of
March Anno Domini 1736 -
An Additionall act to an act of the Towne Council of
Providence made and Passd at said Providence on the 14th
day of April in the eighth years of his majestys Reign Georg.
the second: King of Great Brittain &c. Anno Domini 1735 -
made for the Preservation of the oysters within the
Jurisdiction of said Towne

Beit Enacted by the Towne Council of Providence
in the County of Providence in the Colony of Rhode
Island &c. - and -

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And by virtue of the Power and authority to them
Given by the Law of the Colony aforesaid: It is hereby
enacted that from and after the Publication of this Act
no Person or Persons shall catch take or gather up any more
then Ten Bushels of oysters in one weeke from or off the
Long oyster bed or from or off the Grate oyster bed which oyster
beds are in said Providence and are commonly called known and
distinguished by said names: of the Long oyster bed and Grate oyster
bed: And that no Person or Persons shall after the Publication
of this Act take more then Ten Bushels of oysters of from said
oysterbeds in his own right or upon the right of any other Per-
son or Persons without a Certificate from under such Persons
Name in Writting: and that if any Person or Persons shall
catch or take any oysters Contrary to this Act and be thereof
convicted: before any one or more of his Majestys Justices in
said Towne: by their own Confession or by the Evidence of one or more
Credible Witnesses or Witnesses: such Person or Persons shall be fined
at the discretion of said Justice or Justices: not exceeding Twenty
shillings for the first offense and Forty of Prosecution: and Thirty
shillings for every after offense of the like nature: and shall
lose all the oysters by them so taken: which oysters shall be con-
demned ~~as forfeited~~ and for the use of the Towne and shall be
sold by order of said Justice or Justices by Publick outcry and the
money they sell to be put into the Towns Treasury within one
month after the sale thereof: and no appeals to be allowed -
And where as in said former Act it is enacted that there should be no
shells that was Wreckt to the northward of Sandy Point or Little
Point: Transported out of this County nither in shells nor after burnt
into Lime which we conceive to be needless: where upon it is
Enacted by this present Council: that that clause or Paragraph in said
act shall be repealed: and is hereby repealed and made void -
And all the Remaining part of the aforesaid former act to Remains
Good and Vailed In the Law: and that all the aforesaid Acts shall
be Published in this Towne by Beator of Drum: Within five days
after the date here of: -

Recorded of meo - ~~Richard Waterman Clerk~~
Richard Waterman Clerk

The Council is adjourned to y^e 3rd day in April next to y^e House of
Capt James Olney to 12 a'clock in the day.

At a Town Council held at Providence this 14th day of April Anno Dom. 1736. It being Saturday the Council is againe in being.

Where as Capt. Stephen Dexter Put in a Suit against the Probation of his Mothers Will at the last Council where upon the matter was referred to this Council: and each Party being heard by their Attorneys on both sides: And the Council having ~~well~~ deliberately considered the pleas and Allegations: Made by both Parties: Have Past their Judgment for the Probation of said Will.

And it is further Ordered and ordered that the Clerk of the Council shall Grant Administration unto Mr. Eliza Greene who was named Executor to the above mentioned Will. upon the estate of Mrs. Alice Genes deceased and Take Bond in behalf of the Council according as the Law directs.

The said Capt. Stephen Dexter Prays an appeal to the Governor and General Council of this ~~Colony~~ Colony which is granted Provided he give in Bond for his Prosecution with in ten days.

The Council is adjourned to the third Saturday in May next.

Ensuang -
May 15th 1736 it being the Third Saturday in said month the Council is againe in being.

Mr. Eliza Greene Appeared before this Council and made his application that one of the men that he had Impowered to take and Inventory of the estate of his Mother in Law Mrs. Alice Genes deceased. he had not accomplished the matter so as to exhibit a perfect Inventory of said estate before this Present Council at this sitting: the Council having accepted the Report and there upon Gives him longer time: And ~~there upon~~ orders that the said Eliza Greene shall bring the Inventory of said estate before the Council at their next sitting.

The Council is adjourned to Saturday next being 22nd day of May this instant may -
May 22nd day Anno Dom. 1736 It being Saturday the Council is againe in being.

Where as the wife of John Bird deceased being ~~before~~ before this Council and Administration being taken for upon the estate of her deceased husband the Positive of Refusal taking Administration upon said estate.

The Council is dissolved.

At a Town Council held at Providence this 28th day of June Anno Domini 1736: - - - - -

Where as John Hunt and his family who was ordered out of this Towne by authority: are now returned againe in a seditious manner without leave: where upon it is ordered and ordered by this present Council that Justice Robert Gibbs Esq. Grant forth a warrant to one of the Constables of said Towne to remove the said John Hunt and his family forth with out of this Towne: and for the said Hunt cannot be found at home him selfe then to remove his wife and family only and after words he is to be forth to remove him selfe.

Upon the Petition of Nehiel Warner Esq. William Hopkins Esq. Richard Jenner Esq. Richard Thornton Esq. and Mr. Toleration Harris with several Others: Praying that there might be an Act made to Prohibit any Oysters or shells Taken of from the oyster beds called the west Bed which is Northward from Saxafraigs Point in Providence River.

Where upon for the remedy and Preservation of the oysters upon the said West Bed It is hereby ordered and enacted by this present Council and by the authority of the same It is ~~enacted~~ enacted that there shall be no Oysters nor shells fatche or Taken of from the said West Bed on the Penality of refusing the same Punishment by fine and other ways as he they were fatche or Taken of from the bed fatche the Long oyster bed in se Providence River either to be burnt into lime or other ways to be thrown into a heap where by they may be destroyed: any Law Custom or usage to the contrary not with standing.

The Council is adjourned to the last Monday in August next.

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August the 30th 1736: It being munday and the last munday in
said Month; The Council is againe in Being.

This day m^r Jacob Smith had an order from the Council
too draw & ^{out} of the town's treasury ^{it} being in full
of what remained due to her for keeping Elizabeth
wright; the time she went from her was ^{of} twenty first
day of June: anno Domini 1736.

The Council is adjourned to the third
Saturday in September next.

September 18th anno Domini: 1736: It being Saturday and 1st
Saturday in 8th month: the Council is againe in Being.

It is voted that the Clerk of the Council shall
Grant Letters of Administration of the Estate of m^r
James Edmonds deceased, unto his Relict widow m^{rs}
Alice Edmonds who was appointed Executrix in his Last
will and Testament and hath accepted the Executrix ship
and also take Bonds in the families behalfs.

The Keping of Elizabeth Wright is answered this day
The Council is adjourned to the 3rd munday in October next.

October 18th day anno Domini: 1736 It being Munday and the
third munday.

The Council is againe in Being.
It is voted that the Clerk of the Council shall take
Bonds of John Colvin to secure the town from any Charge
by Reason of Zornial Spooners Coming in to this town.

The Council is adjourned to the last munday
November next to the House of Capt James
Olney in providence.

November 29th anno Domini: 1736: It being munday and
the last munday in said month the Council is againe
in Being.

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It is Voted and ordered that Richard Waterman Clerk of
the Council shall Grant Administration unto Bettyah Westcot
Relict widow of Phineas West Jun^r deceased, upon the
movable estate of her said deceased husband: and take
Bonds with sureties in behalfs of the Council: the Bonds-
men Proposed are James Jongsdon and Josiah Westcot.

this day Eliza Brownes son of James Browns of providence
deceased, came before this Council and chose m^r Thomas
Olney Esq^r to be his Guardian and the said Thomas
being present accepted the Guardianship to appear in
behalfs of the said Eliza Browns in the
settling of his fathers Estate betwixt his brothers and him.
The said Eliza Browns: And the Council by votes accepted
and approved of the promises before written.

for as much as the Will of m^r Thomas Harris of Providence
son of m^r Henry Harris, deceased: was laid before this Council
for Probation and approbation: and by Reason the witnesses
to said Will could not all Present before att: and his Brother
Henry Harris and his sister Lydia Harris ^{son} who are the only
Heirs to said estate being now both of full age to act for them-
selves & whome as the Estate sum of it being under a definite
difficult circumstance: so that there cannot be an Inventory
conveniently before att: all Present; whereby the said estate
may be legally settled according to the exact prescription of
the Law: ^{all} which considered: and by the advice of
and att the Request of Capt Thomas Harris and Thomas Olney
Esq^r who were the Guardians to the Children of the said
deceased Henry Harris: and the earnest desire and Request
of the said Henry and Lydia Harris.

It is Voted and ordered by this Present Council that Richard
Waterman Clerk shall in behalfs of the Council Grant
a Letter of Administration unto the said Henry Harris
upon the Goods and Personal estate of his Brother Thomas
Harris: deceased and take Bonds with sureties in behalfs
of the Council: provided his sister Lydia appear with him
at the Granting the same: but nothing here in Intend.

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to exclude the said Henry Harris from Exhibiting an Inven-
tory of said Estate which Legally falls thereunto
of said Harris being present when Administration was granted to
my Brother Henry Harris upon the inalienable Estate of my
Brother Thomas Harris: deceased: and gave my free and
full Consent to the same Lyra Harris

it is voted and ordered that the Clerks of the
Council shall Grant Letters of Administration to
Jeremiah Brown and Eliza Brown ^{appointed} upon the
who were Executors in the last will and testament
of their mother Mary Brown deceased upon their
or mother's personal Estate in behalf of the
Council; and also take bond in behalf of said Council
for their due Administration of the same

The Council is adjourned to y^e Last Monday in
December next at y^e house of Capt James Olney
December y^e 24th 1736 It being Monday the Council
is againe in being

It is Voted and ordered that William Burton Esq^r Justice of Peace
shall Grant forth a warrant to one of the Constables of this
Town to remove William Vincent with his wife and family
out of this Town with all convenient speed

The Council is adjourned to the Last Monday of January next
to y^e house of Capt James Olney

January y^e 31th anno Domini; 1736

It being Monday and the Last Monday in said Month
the Council is againe in being

It is voted and ordered that y^e Clerks of the
Council shall Grant Letters of Administration
to Mary Whitmore upon the Estate of her mother
Phoebe Whitmore deceased into the Council seat

and take bond with parties for her Exhibiting
an inventory of the same according to Law - and
for her due Administration of the same
the bonds men proposed are Mr Hope Angell and
Mr Thomas Olney

115.
For as much as the Towns hath of late bin Put to a
considerable charge by Reliving one Bristol an Negro
man: Belonging to Stephen Dwinells: the which Negro
was by order of authority Placed with Sarah an Indian
woman: Wife of Arlon an Negro man; the which
charge the said Stephen Dwinells: Refuseth to pay
Where upon it is Voted and ordered that Capt
William Hopkins Esq^r be Impowered and have here by
fully Impowered: to use all Lawfull means to Recover
the said charge of the said Stephen Dwinells: of
whome it Properly belongs to Pay: and upon the Receipt
there of to Pay it into the Towns Treasury

for as much as the Towns Council of Providence Labours
under Difficulty by Reason that there is no Provision
made in the Law to Impower the Towns Council for the
Granting of warrants to Putt thore Acts and orders in
Execution: Where upon Richard Waterman Clerk of the
Council is ordered hereby ordered by Votoe to
Petition the Genl^l Assembly at their next sitting
to the said Towns Councils as in thore wisdom they
think fit or other ways to Give thore opinion
advise upon the former act how far it extends

The Council is adjourned to the second Saturday
in March next to the house of Capt Olney

March y^e 12th anno Dom. 1736 It being Saturday: the
Council is againe in being

Jonathan Dextor appeared before this Council and declared that
he had given his Brother Stephen Dextor to be his Gardian
And the said Stephen Dextor being present Accepted the Trust
Reposed in him on that Affairs

116
It is voted and ordered that the Clerk of the Council shall Grant Administration unto one Daniel Matheson upon the movable estate of his Honor father one James Matheson deceased; and take Bond in behalf of the Council -
The Council is adjourned to the 16th day of April next to the Court House in Providence
April y^e 16th anno Domini: 1736 the Council is againe in being

It is voted and ordered that the Clerk of the Council shall Grant a Letter of administration under the Council seal to John Norton upon the personal Estate of his Brother Stephen Norton deceased; and take bond of him in behalf of the Council for his due administration of the same.

It is voted and ordered that the Clerk of the Council shall Grant Letters of administration under the Council seal unto Hannah Field upon the personal Estate of her deceased husband John Field and take bond of her with further for her due administration the Jurators nominated are Joseph Snow and Richard Waterman jun^r

The Council is adjourned to the 3^d Saturday in May next

May y^e 28th day anno Dom: 1734 It being Saturday and the third Saturday in 2^d month the Council is againe in being

It is voted and ordered that the Clerk of the Council shall in behalf of the Council Grant a Letter of Administration unto William Smith upon the movable estate of his Honor father John Smith deceased; and also take bond for his true performance of the same. And the said William Smith being Present: Accepted of the Trust that was Deposited in him by his father

It is voted that Alexander Roul have an appeal from a Judgment of this Council upon a petition presented by Roul to the Court and Council provided he comply with y^e law in giving bond for the prosecution thereof and the Clerk of the Council to take bond in behalf of y^e Council

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The Council is dissolved

At a Towne Council held at Providence this 11th day of June anno Domini: 1737

Whereas the Town of Providence at a Town Meeting held by adjournment y^e 11th of June 1737 Voted that y^e Town Council of Providence should be desired by petition to order y^e Highway from y^e bridge westwardly so far as they thought there was neede for y^e same and y^e Council having taken y^e same into their Consideration and considered the same order that Capt Thomas Harris m^r Toleration Harris and m^r Ephraim Arnold be and they are hereby Chosen a Committee to Lay the

A Suitable Highway from y^e bridge westwardly (taking in y^e present path or Highway) with y^e way passing by y^e Salter at South of y^e bridge and that y^e said Highway as wide as they may think proper and that there be

Done As soon as may be taking to their assistance Nathan Turner Esq^r to the Highways and the Town Surveyor or a Constable and Turner shall appraise and make that y^e said Highway be a Surveyor to measure and bound the way and make return of their doings to this

Council at their next Sitting. And that the Justice within y^e next Esq^r Grant forth his Warrant to the said Town Surveyor or Constable to warrant a few named Committee to meet at y^e convenient times and Place in order to Proceed upon said work as soon as conveniently may be

The Council is adjourned to the first Saturday in July next - Enjoining and to the house of m^r Hugh Dray at 10 o'clock in the fore noon

118.
It is voted and ordered that the flock of the Council
shall Grant Administration unto Mr Daniel Matheson
upon the movable Estate of his Honored father Mr
Daniel Matheson deceased and take Bond in behalf
of the Council - there was a mistake in entering in the Page

July 12th day anno Dom 1737. being Saturday and the first
day in said month.

The Council is againe in being

It is voted and ordered that Richard Waterman Clarke shall
Grant Administration unto Jeremiah Field upon the movable
Estate of his brother Joseph Field deceased and take Bond
in behalf of the Council; his Honor Thomas Field being
Present. Refused - the Bond to be 100 -

It is voted upon the Information of Benjamin Wright
that he hath not had any satisfaction for the keeping his
sister Elizabeth the which charge was by agreement to
be Paid out of the Towns Treasury at ten shillings
a week for one year: but by reason the money
cannot at present be had: upon which consideration it is
agreed and concluded that the said Benjamin Wright shall have
after the rate of twelve shillings a week from this
time until the year be expired which will be sometime
in October next

Upon the Petition of Capt Joseph Richards Capt Thomas Harris
Capt William Richards Mr Edward Arnold Mr Eliza Arnold
with many other freeholders setting forth the Great Necessity
there is to have a Highway to be laid from Dantuxett Road
and to take its departure near the house of Richard Waterman
direct to the place called Plain field Road near the
house of Stephen Thornton deceased
Whose vision Ensign Joseph Angel Mr Joseph Bronne
and Mr Henry Harris are chosen a Committee to

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to lay out said way: and Mr Henry Harris to be also the surveyor
and Richard Thornton Esqr and Mr John Whipple Town
Parson are ordered to be assisting to the said Committee
in the Performance of said work: And that the said Esqr
Thornton Grant both his permissions to the said Town
Parson to warn the said Committee: to meet at
some convenient time and Place in order to go on
and finish said work and make Returns to the Town Councill
with all convenient speed

The Council is dissolved

A Town Council held at Providence in the County
of Providence &c this 17th day of August D. 1737
being called by Warrant at the Request of Nathaniel
Ames of Dedham in the County of Suffolk in the Province of
Massachusetts Bay, Physician

Anne Ames of said Providence daughter of Nathaniel Ames
late of Bridgewater in the County of Plymouth in the said
Province of Massachusetts Bay, came before this Council and declared that she by letters
allowance would charge her Guardian in which was allowed
her: and she accordingly chose her brother the above
named Nathaniel Ames to be her Guardian to take
care as well of her Person as also to take in his
care Custody Education and management all
her whole Estate both Real & Personal which
doth belong to her out of her Father's Estate
Nathaniel Ames' Estate both Real & Personal
The whole Charge of said Anne was approved and
allowed of by the Council and the said Nathaniel
Ames being Present Accepted of the Trust
Proposed in him

At Test Richard Waterman Clarke

It is further voted by this Council That Quack Hunt of
Windsorbury & Ebenezer a negro before the Court be removed

remained out of the town and that if he is not of
the Council Grant forth his warrant for their
Speedy removal

The Council is adjourned to Monday the
19th day of September next at ten of the clock
in the day at the house of Mr. Joseph Angell
in said Providence

September 19th 1737. It being Monday The Council is againe
in being

Hugh Stone of this Town of Providence appeared before this
Council and declared his intention to remove with his family
into the Town of Warwick: upon consideration whereof those
may informe and certify the Honorable Town Council of
the Town of Warwick aforesaid: that we do acknowledge
the said Hugh Stone to be an Inhabitant and Resident of
this Town of Providence and that he and his wife and
family or either of them shall be received as such at
any time when they shall come or be sent neither

Oliver Westcott son of Capt Josiah Westcott deceased: being about
seventeen years of age: appeared before this Council and declar-
ed that he had chosen his Brother In Law Henry Harris of
this Town of Providence to be his Guardian to take care
as well of his Person as of his estate: The which is
approved of and allowed by the Council: And the said
Henry Harris being Present: accepted of the Trust that is
reposed in him on that affair

The Council hath received thirty shillings from Solomon Pains wife
for their last years license and it is concluded they shall have
Liberty in other years: Keeping of good orders

To the Honorable select men of the Towne of the Robott
Gentlemen: those may certify you that we do own and
acknowledge that Elizabeth Sprague widow of Ebenezer
Sprague of this Town of Providence deceased: and her Poor
Reliefs Daughter and Proper Inhabitants and Residents of
this Town: and that we shall and will receive them as
such at any time when they or either of them are sent
or come here: the Council is adjourned to Monday next
the 26th of this Instant September at nine of the clock in
the morning at the House of Mr. Joseph Angell

September 26th 1737 It being Monday if Council
is againe in being

It is ordered and ordered that William Hopkins Esq. and Pres-
ident of the Council shall Grant forth a warrant to warn
the Jury that is appointed to lay the highway that hath
been laid out lately by a Committee from the highway near
Richard Watermans to Plainfield Pass near the house of
Stephen Thornton deceased: and to order the said Jury to
meet at the house of Mr. John Hayle and the said William
Hopkins Esq. shall engage the said Jury and attend upon
them with the Townsarrant in these Proceedings in
laying out the said way and to make returns to the
Town Council on Saturday next being the 3rd

The Council is adjourned to Saturday next ensuing to the house
of Mr. Ebenezer Knight

Saturday the first day of October anno Domini 1737
The Council is againe in being

The Council is adjourned to the 22nd day of this Instant October
to the house of Mr. William Smith

October 22nd 1737

The Council is againe in being
It is ordered that methuselah Northord shall be and he shall
be allowed to keep a public house and victualling house
in the house where he now dwells in Providence until the 1st
day of November next so as he doth not suffer any one
Rule or order to be kept there

122.
It is further voted and ordered that the Clerk
of the Council shall Grant a License to the of
Joshua northon under the Council Seal to keep
a Duffel, Blanket, and wearing hose in the Fort
and that he shall be bound to pay for the same
as provided that he shall procure one of
the freeholders; of this Town to be his surety
for his keeping and maintaining orders according to
Law so northon to pay for the License on his death
there being thirty already licensed

november 4th anno Domini = 1737

January 1st day anno domini, 1434th it being saturday
and the ~~first~~ first saturday in said month
The Council is againe in being - - -

It is voted and ordered that ~~John~~ Waterman Clarke of the
Council shall Grant a Letter of Administration unto the
Anne Stuart Relict Widdow of ~~John~~ Administration to the
Will and Testament of her husband ~~John~~ Stuart deceased
upon the movable Estate of her said deceased husband
and take Bond in behalf of the Council.

whereas Arthur Jones Esq^r was appointed
to warn the Comittie to lay out the highway
along by Conall whipples shop over the mill
River and to attend the work; and he refused
to officiate

whereupon it is voted and ordered by this
present Council that Capt William Hopping
Esq^r Grant forth his warrant to ~~the~~ ^{some} ~~the~~
to warn the Comittie and officiate in said matter

The Council is adjourned the first saturday in february next
to the house of Hugh Bally
for the 1st day anno domini, 1434th it being the
first saturday in said month the Council is againe in being

whereupon being brought before the Council
for Contumacious cy. Returning into the town of
being Language Remored out by order of the authority
of this Council which facts he confessed and
whereupon appearing by Constable Return
whereupon the Sentence of the Council is that
Arthur to pay as a fine to the poor of the
poor of the Town thirty Shillings in money or
forthwith he whipped three times on his naked
Back by Constable See if same immediately done
if so there remains in Custody until sentence passed

It is voted and ordered that if Clerk of the
Council shall Grant a Letter of Administration
unto Nathaniel Blague upon the personal Estate
of his father Nathaniel Blague deceased under
of Council Seale; and also take Bond as the Law
directs in behalf of the Council

Jamwell worsted hath agreed to keep the same
negroes Bristol from this time (until further order)
for ten shillings p^r week

upon the Petition of John Patter Esq^r John Colman Esq^r
father and several others of the inhabitants of motham
tithing for a highway to be laid through the path through
part of the lands of motham tithing to make a highway
that is already laid out ~~in the~~ ^{the} lands of pautuxet

whereupon Capt Thomas Harris son of Mr Nicholas
Harris and Mr Thomas Williams; and Mr Henry Harris
son of Mr Henry Harris deceased are here by chosen
a Committee to lay out a highway and to take the
departures at some convenient place at a highway in the
land of motham tithing where the petitioners shall show
them and lay said way to make the way already
laid through the land of pautuxet afore said

and Mr Richard Thornton Esq^r grant forth a warrant
to some Constables of said town to warn said Committee
to meet at some convenient time and place in order
to lay out said way and also to attend the work

Voted & Ordered that Richard Waterman Esq^r Clerk of the
Council take Bond of Joseph Thornton of said town
with sufficient sureties for his wife performing her
Administration upon the Estate of her late husband
John Turner deceased; and give up the former Bond by
her & her sureties given and this Council is adjourned
to the first saturday in march next at the house
of William Smith in said town

At a Towne Council held att Braintree ye 4th day of february anno domini: 1737 &
Where as Phoebe Thornton hath removed her selfe and one of her children into the Towne of Smithfield: - - -
Those are therefore to certifye the Honorable Towne Council of Smithfield: that wee do owe them to be Inhabitants of this Towne and will receive them as such att any time when sent hither; ~~which~~ Voted and Pass

Signed per Order by me Richard Waterman Council Secy-
march ye 4th 1737 & It being saturday and the first saturday in said month the Council is againe in being

this Day samuell westcott hath got an order to the Towne Treasurer for seven pounds ^{in part of pay} for keeping a lame negroe the time when he was great sick said negroe was ye 22nd of october last and kept him att 6-8 p^{er} weeke; untill the 4th of february from which time he is to have ten shillings p^{er} weeke

It is voted and ordered that the Clerke of the Council shall Grant a Letter of Administration to m^{rs} Mary Cook widow of said Council for the personal Estate of her deceased husband Daniel Cook and take bond in behalf of the Council -

Voted that the Town Treasurer pay to Benjamin Wright of Rochester Thirty Pounds in money for his Keeping Elizabeth Wright and that the Clerk of this Council Give an Order to Benjamin Wright for the Same

Voted that Richard Waterman Clerk of this Council shall Grant forth his warrant Under the Seal of this Council for the Removing of Joseph Mason & his family they being Rejected to be Inhabitants in this Towne

This Council is adjourned to the first Saturday in April next at 4 o'clock of Cap. James Olney at nine o'clock in the morning & this Council is adjourned accordingly

April ye first day: Anno dom: 1738: It being saturday and the first saturday in 3rd month: The Council is againe in being

the Council is adjourned to the second saturday in May next at ten o'clock in the forenoon: to be hold at the house of Capt James Olney & the Council is accordingly adjourned

May ye 13: 1738 The Council is againe being according to adjournment.

This the tenth day of May A.D: 1738 Personally appeared M^r John Thorsdon Administration upon the Estate of his deceased Brother Stephen Thorsdon and laid his acct of his Administration before this Council where the sd Thorsdon made Oath to the same before the Council and is by them accepted by the Council and Justices of the peace have in fully Administred Upon sd Estate

this Day Richard west gave an account of her Administration upon the personal Estate of her deceased husband Jonathan west which account was by them accepted and it appeared that there remained Eighty two pounds and fourteen shillings not administered

Voted and ordered that Richard Waterman Clerk shall Grant a Letter of Administration unto m^{rs} Edward Jenner upon the Estate of his Mother m^{rs} Mary Jenner deceased and take bond in behalf of the Council

It is Voted and Ordered that Cap^t Jacob Bowen shall (as he is one of the Overseers of the Poor) Place out to Service Ann a Negro woman and Reserve her wages for the Town Use. Until such Time as her wages shall come to a Sufficiency to repay y^e Town what money hath been Laid Out for her and that D^r Bowen shall have the Care & Inspection of D^r Negro for and in behalf of D^r Town Until the Town is paid their aforesaid money.

Those may Inform the Honourable Town Council of Smithfield: that w^o do in behalf of the Town of Providence - Promise and Engage to Receive Robert Hodon and his wife and Present family that is now about settling in your Towne: at any time when they shall be sent or come here: they being Proper Inhabitants of this Towne of Providence; signed wth order of the Town Council Held at Providence the 13th day of May Anno Domini: 1738

Richard Waterman Clarke of the Council -
Upon the request of sundry Gentlemen of this Town

It is Voted that there be a Committee of three men Chosen to Preambulate and Revise the Bounds of the Highway that leads from the Town Street in to the Neck Between the Land of Col^d Joseph Whipple and the Land of Mr Nicholas Power, and make a return to next Council and Mr. Guriel Waterman Esq^r Nathaniel Smith and William Joseph be the men to Perform this work forthwith

The Council is adjourned to the 2^d Monday in May
at 10 o'clock of said month above

May 29th - Anno Dom: 1738: It being Monday and the 29th day in 5th month the Council is againe in being -

Upon the Petition of Robert Gibbs Esq^r: It is Voted and ordered that the Wood and Timber that is upon that Part of the Highway that goes through the End of the said Robert Gibbs: that was sold from Plainfield Place to Pauluxett: shall be to the only Proper use of the said Robert Gibbs his Executors or Administrators Provided he takes it of within a Twelve month after the date here of: And doth not in so wise obstruct the usual Passage in the mean time: The Council is deplored

At a Town Council Held at Providence on y^e 15th day of July Anno Dom: 1738: Being Called by Warrant

Created and ordered that Richard Waterman Clarke shall Grant a Letter of Administration unto Mr Joseph Edmonds upon the Movable & Estate of Mr Elizabeth Bellingham: deceased: who departed this life on y^e 23th day of March: Anno Dom: 1738: at sea; and take Bond in behalf of the Council

It is Voted and ordered that Richard Waterman Clarke shall Grant a Letter of Administration unto Elizabeth Field Widow of Capt John Field: Mariner: deceased: who departed this life at y^e Hospital on y^e 5th of April Anno Dom: 1738 that is to say upon the Movable & Estate Goods Chattels and Credits of her said deceased husband; and take Bond in behalf of the Council: - y^e Bond to be of y^e Value of £2000

It is Voted that Richard Waterman Clarke shall Grant forth a warrant to y^e Constables to Remove a Beggart - leamed Person which is now Residing at Leitt Joseph Browns out of this Towne

It is Voted and enacted by this Present Council that Mr Edward Jenner Esq^r and is hereby Chosen and appointed Guardian to Josiah Thornton son and Heirs of Esq^r Josiah Thornton: deceased: to take care for the

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August 12th - 1738: It being Saturday and the second Saturday in
said month, the Council is againe in Being.

The Council is adjourned to Saturday the 23^d Day of September
next: to the House of Mr. William Smith;
September 23^d 1738 it being Saturday the
Council is againe in being - - - - -

According to Appointment
Upon the Petition of ^{George Angel, Barth. Johnson and} ~~George Angel, Barth. Johnson and~~ William Hillinghurst, and Laurens other
gentlemen free men of Providence nothing forth to the
Council The necessity of a Committee being shown to
Review the Comers of The Highways from y^e Town
Street Down to y^e Salt water and to Lay out such
Highways as may be by s^t. Council thought proper
Near or about y^e East End of y^e Great Bridge, ^{at other places} and the
Council haveing Taken this same into Consideration
To Grant s^t. Petition and Accordingly to Appoynt
C^oll^{rs} William Hopkings m^r Charles Hillinghurst
and J^ohn^t Richard Waterman a Comity and they
are here by appointed to Review the bounds of such
highways as they shall think meete and also to lay
out a high way or ways att y^e East End of the
Greate Bridge ^{at other places} from providence towns street to s^t.
Bridge, and m^r George Browne Esq^r is appointed
to Grant forth a warrant to a Constable to warn
the Community to meete att some convenient time and
place for order to prepare s^t. work and to make
Return of there proceedings too the next Council

It is Ordered and Decreed that each laborer bound to the poor of the parish shall place out Joseph James for a year or till full convenient place where it may be for the best advantage of the said child and payment of the said laborer to the parish where the mother of the said child makes any distinction of the said child is Plaintiff upon complaint made by the master or mistress of said child the said mother shall by a warrant from under the hand of a Justice of the Peace be apprehended and brought to Justice and suffer such punishment as the Court affords.

It is Voted & Ordered by this Council that Richard
Waterman Towns-erjant of Providence forthwith bring
John Hunt a Transient Prisoner before this Council
in order to answer for his Conventiously ^{Detaining} ~~Detaining~~
into this Town with his Family, and the Sergeant
Brought ^{John} Hunt before this Council and the said
Hunt ^{Page} he did not know if ever he had been
Lawfully Carried out of Town nor did he know
it was any Crime to Come into this Town. Upon
Consideration This Council do Order the said John
To pay The Sum of Forty Shillings in money
as a fine To and for the Poor of sd Town or be
whipped Nine Stripes on his naked Back
Between the Hours of Ten and Twelve of the
Clock ^{on} ~~on~~ ^{the} 36th day of September 1738
and that the Sergeant Richard Waterman
Keep sd Hunt in Custody Untill Sentence
be performed, and Immediately After Sentence
is performed by whipping or paying a fine to be
Carried out of this Town & Delivered to a Constable in
of Town of Warwick.

By the way, I got an answer. Let me make suggestions to the Council for the Academy, in this, which I've liked very much.

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The Council is adjourned to the Third Saturday in
October next at the House of Mr. Joseph Angell

All a Town Council held at Providence, this 27th
Day of September A.D. 1738.

Being Called by Warrant Present at said Council

It is voted that if
Clerks of the Council } W^m Hopkins
Grant a Letter of admⁿ John Thornton
istration unto m^r } Benjⁿ Carpenter
Mary Rhoads upon the } Richard Waterman
personal Estate of her } Charles Sillinghast
deceased husband Joseph }
Rhoads (she being exonerated by her said will
and testament) and take bond in behalf of
Council: she being present att^y of Proof of
if so will, and accepted the Execution of

The Council is adjourned to the House of
Joseph Angell the third Saturday of October next

All a Town Council held at the House of Mr.
Hugh Beatty in & for the Town of Providence being
Called by Warrant the 10th Day of October 1738

It is Voted and ordered
by this Council that } Refert W^m Hopkins
Richard Waterman Clerk } Benjamin Carpenter
of this Council Grant unto } Daniel Waterman
Warrant under the Seal of this Council to remove
the Town forment of Providence

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To Remove ^{out of this town} John Hunt ^{this family} a Vagrant Person (who
has been Lawfully Brought Before the Council
And by them Rejected to be an Inhabitant
of Providence) and Deliver them to a Court of
Justice of Peace in the town of Providence
Warwick. being the town they last dwelt
in.

This Council is adjourned to the House of Joseph
Angell to the 21st Day of this instant

October 21st 1738: It being the 3rd Saturday in
said month & Council is againe in being

Present: —
It is voted and ordered that
the Clerks of the Council shall grant
a Letter of administration to m^r } W^m Hopkins
John Rhoads of warwick upon the } Hope Angell
personal Estate of his deceased } John Thornton
wife the widow of his deceased } Benjamin Carpenter
who died in Providence on the 5th day of August A.D. 1738
and take bond in behalf of Council

It is Voted that m^r William Huston shall have
Administration granted to him Upon the Personal
Estate of William Allyn late of Providence Purveyor
deceased, and that The Clerk of this Council take bond of
S^r Huston with Sureties and give him a Letter of administration
Under Seal of this Council
The Council is adjourned to the third Saturday of
November next att^y of Proof of Capt James Oney
This adjournment fails for want of members

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At a Town Council held at Providence on the 13th day of November Anno Domini 1738; Being called by Warrant

Present William Hopkins
Richard Waterman
Benjamin Carpenter
Charles Olinthoff

It is Ordered and ordered that Richard Waterman Clerk of the Council shall grant a Letter of Administration unto Mrs. Mary Sheldon upon the Marriable estate of her husband Mr. Roger Sheldon deceased and take Bond in behalf of the Council

upon the Request of Mrs. Elizabeth widow for to have the third part of her deceased husband's Real Estate George Brown Esq. Mr. Daniel Smith and Mr. Joseph Sheldon are appointed a Committee to sell of the one third part of the Real Estate of John Jeths gun of Providence deceased unto his wife and widow and to make returns to the Council at their next sitting of what they shall do thereon

At a Town Council held at Providence on the 25th day of November Anno Domini 1738 being called by warrant

This day Samuel Westcott Received an order to the Town Treasurer for the sum of twenty two Pounds six shillings and six pence being in full of what was behind for the keeping the Negro Bristle

It is Ordered and ordered that Elizabeth Rhoads have the same Negro Bristle and keep him until further order; and she to have nine shillings per week for the same to be paid out of the Towns Treasury

This day Benjamin Wright hath got an order for Eighteen pounds to be paid out of the Towns Treasury for keeping his sister Elizabeth

the Council is adjourned to the second 135
Saturday in January next at the house of Joseph Angot

January 13th 1738 being the second Saturday in the month
The Council is in being according to adjournment

Peter Joy of Providence appeared before this Council and desired to have a license to keep a Publick house for entertaining of Travellers & wayfaring People and this Council not being any ways acquainted with Peter Joy's circumstances do refer the consideration thereof until next Council that Peter Joy may bring the opinion of some of his neighbors to next Council certifying their knowledge relating of Peter Joy

James Tyler of Providence also desired the same Liberty which is likewise referred to the same time for the same consideration

Samuel Westcott of said Providence likewise desired to have the Liberty of keeping a Publick house for entertaining Travellers & wayfaring People and this Council considering the circumstances the said Samuel Westcott now labours under and considering he is now under bonds for his good behavior until next Sessions of the Court do not adjudge him a proper person to keep a Publick house while under those circumstances

It is ordered and ordered that Honor Harris Esq. Grant forth warrant to remove John and Guy and his wife out of this Town

136.
It is Voted & Ordered by this Council that Jacob Brown
Esqr. and George Brown Esqr. Two of his majestys Justices of
the Peace and any One of the Overseers of the poor
bind out William Thornton a poor Child and one of
one Thomas Thornton late of said Providence an apprentice
to some proper person as they may adjudge suitable
to take an apprentice, and upon such Terms as they
may adjudge reasonable.

The Council is adjourned to the first Saturday in February
next at the House of Mr. John Hoyle at ten a'clock in
said Day.

February 3^d 1738, it being the Saturday
and 1st Saturday in said month the Council is again
in being

Whereas William Bennett of the Town of Providence
Labourer made known to this Council his present
purpose to remove himself & his wife and
out of this Town into the Town of Situate
and prayd a Certificate certifying that he
and his present family are Inhabitants of
this Town. Whereupon it is Voted that
William Bennett & his present family are
now proper ~~residents~~ Inhabitants of this Town
and shall at any Time here after be received
from said Town of Situate if by said Town desired.

Joseph Field son of John Field deceased came before this Council
and declared that he made George and Joseph Richard Water-
man son of Richard Waterman gone of Providence his
Executor to take care of his Person: the which is accepted
by the Town Council: And the said Richard Waterman
being present accepted of the Trust that is reposed
in him on that affair.

137.
Whereas as ~~John Arnold~~ ^{John Arnold} and nineteen other free
men belonging to this town of Providence have set
forth to this Council by Petition of Complaint
as if said Petition of Complaint were on file and
here to be removed will appear. This Council do
order that the Council Clerk grant forth a Warrant
Under the Seal of this Council for the apprehending
John Hunt & Samuel and the persons complained
of and Petitioned against and also one Sarah Pinket
and bring them before this Council in order to
answer to such facts as are in said Petition of
complaint set forth and also to answer to what
is alleged by J. Hunt & Pinket, & Living
together in an unlawful manner.

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To the President and Council of the Town of
Sitting in Providence the third day of February 1722

Gentlemen. As the Subscribers of the Town of Providence
much Concerned by the Violence and Injury done to our Town
and of particular by shooting up in his House and carrying from the
John Hunt Taylor a Seditious person whom this Council did by their
Order to be brought before them to show cause for his Contumacious
into our Town after he had been legally carried out. Now although the
Samuel Ladd hath bin from Time to Time admonished by our Council
by his Majty Anthony D. D. Town to Desist from his House
and did sometimes first promise to do yet Lately of late he hath
Retain here and under the pretence of being his part of his house
Disput and bring to naught all the measures taken by the Council
D. Hunt. Now as the Subscribers being much Disturbed as thinking it
unreasonable that the aforesaid Saml Ladd who is Originally a Stranger
should be tolerated himself to come into our Town and dwell peaceably
and in return for such an Indulgence should Endeavour to Establish what
he pleases (tho' of Evill & bad morals) amongst us to our great Damage and
Disturbance. And as further reason it as a great Inconvenience from our Neighbour
of Warwick who often permitting D. Hunt to dwell in his own house
their Town for the space of a year and four Months and that without any
Molestation that they should then by their Town Inhabitants pay him an
Salary and use their Interest in the Town House of Representatives to Establish
in our Town. These and other Reasons hath therefore moved us to Intreat
worthy Council not to suffer themselves and the Town to be imposed upon
themselves to surrender up our ancient privilege of rejecting Seditious but their
Speedy and Effectual method be taken to bring D. Hunt out of our Town
before them in order to be dealt with for his contempt according to Law and
are Ready if need be to assist the Council in any legal prosecution they
undertake and to vindicate them therein as in Duty bound we are

Eleazar Smith

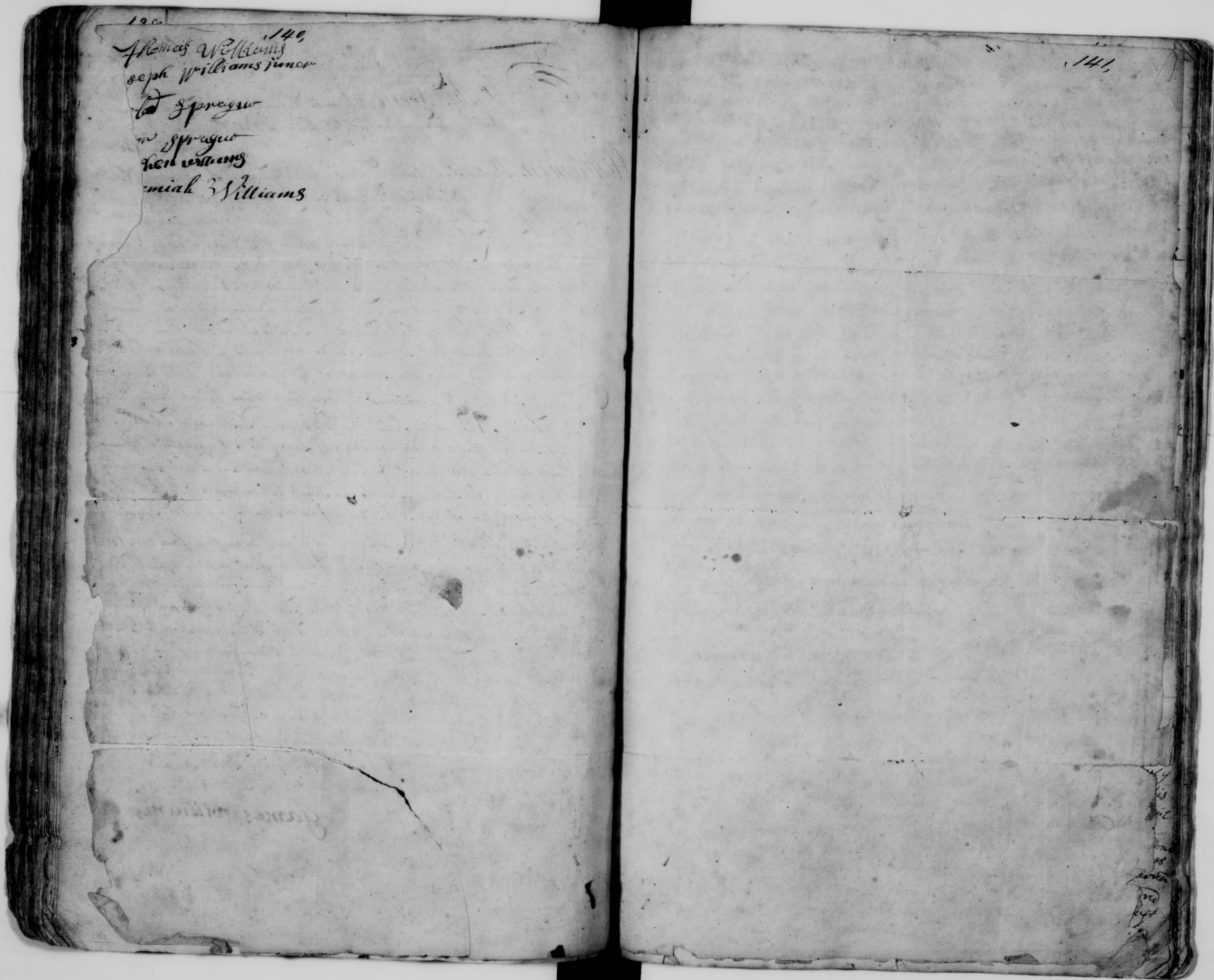
James Williams

Joseph Compantier
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Timothy Blanchard

Joseph Williams
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James Williams

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Thomas Williams
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Ed Sprague
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Hen Williams
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Thomas Williams
Joseph Williams Junior
Ed Sprague
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Ben Williams
Emial Williams

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Whereof Complaint
being made to
the Council

Whereas John Hendrick of Providence, Taylor, who departed this
Life on the eighth day of June anno dom 1738 - died intestate -
and it may be left something of a marriage estate though
it seems Quakerish: yet never the less the wisdom of the
said John Hendrick hath bin lawfully summoned to appear
before this Council in order to take administration upon her
several husbands & estate: or to refuse the same: but she did
not appear: whereupon administration was offered to the
Greatest Creditor: as was supposed by the Council who refused
also; Whereupon the Council hath appointed Mr Joseph
Waterman and Mr Jabor Westcot to take an inventory
of the said John Hendricks movable & estate of any kind
he found; and also to order and appoint Mr John Thorne
one of the members of the Council to be their Agent
at the time of the taking & inventory: in order to sell
all such Goods as shall be appraised and taken by the
Council: When convenient; and to make said Sarah Hendrick
that she hath still left with all her husband's estate to be appraised.
It is voted and ordered that Richard Waterman Clerk
of the Council see into the Records and Accounts of
Benjamin Wrights keeping his Sister Deborah
from his first taking care of her until say &
give s. Benjamin and order on Mr Charles
Silliman for the Balance.

This Council is Adjourned until the 5th of August at
the house of Mr William Smith

February 5th 1738/9 the Council is again in Being

Whereas there is one John Hunt a vagrant and unruly
person of evil fame which for some time hath bin in this
town: and there having been many Complaints made to the Council
by way of petition and other ways: and the Council hath from
time to time granted forth their warrants in order to remove
said Hunt out of said town: and there by hath several times
been removed; yet never the less the said Hunt is returned
into the town: and he hath been concealed by some of the
said towns blacksmith so that several of their last
warrants hath been defeated: by Reason of the said
Concealing him and also the said said

entertain¹⁴⁴ in his said house one Sarah Pinest
Woman of said place and it is suspected by us
and several of the said complainants that said Pinest
and said woman both conspired together for the purpose
of said proceedings as well as to think a criminal
and another person recognizable before his majesty
of the peace whereupon it is voted and ordered
and by said Council requested that some of
his majesty's justices of the peace will take some
special care and call the above mentioned persons
into examinations concerning the premises.

The Council is adjourned to the second Monday in
March next at 10 o'clock of m^r n^r Smith.

March 4th 1738th
It being Monday and 4th of second Monday in said month
the Council is again in being according to adjournment.

This Day made up accounts with Benjamin Wright
upon the account of his keeping his sister Elizabeth
from the time he first took her until the time she
deceased: and there remained due to him in balance of
accounts the sum of thirty four pounds: for which he
hath got an order to the Treasurer for to receive.

C^ol^l m^r Hopkins m^r Hopkins and m^r Waterson
are chosen a Committee to report a highway from
street to the cross the mill race taking their departure near
the house of Thomas Harding go along by the west end of
C^ol^l Joseph Whippers Cooper shop; and to make Return to
Council at their next sitting.

The Council is adjourned to the 13th of this instant March
to the house of m^r William Smith.
The Council is again in being according to adjournment
at the house of William Smith.

This day John Rhoads hath got an order to the Treasurer
for twenty one pounds and fifteen shillings
for being in full for keeping Zachariah Jones and
the same negroes from the time he first took them until
this day.

The Council is adjourned until the third
Monday in May next to the house of ^{Capt} John

May 4th 1739: It being the third Monday in said month
the Council is again in being according to adjournment.

It is voted and ordered that the Clerks of the Council
Grant a Letter of administration upon the personal estate
of James Browne of Providence merchant deceased: unto his
wife: Hope m^r Charles Sillingham Joseph Browne and Charles
Sillingham: shee being Executrix and they Executors to
James Browne last will and testament and safe bond in behalf
of the Council.

The Council is adjourned until the Saturday next to be
held at the house of m^r John Randol: at 10 o'clock of the day.

May 12th 1739: the Council is again in being
according to adjournment.

This Day Amey Roberts Pollard widow and administratrix to William
Roberts of Providence deceased Exhibited an account of her adminis-
tration upon her husband's personal estate: which account
being duly read: it appeared there remained undistributed
the sum of one hundred and seven pounds and ten pence
which being proportioned according to Law: to the widow Amey
Roberts one third part which amounts to: 35-15-7¹/₂
there being five Children surviving namely: William
Roberts: John: James: David Roberts Thomas Roberts Peter
Roberts: the said William: being the eldest son: and by the
Law of this Colony then in force: a double portion to him
which amounts to 22-5-8¹/₂
and to each of the other Children 11-2-8¹/₂

upon the request of m^r Amey Roberts Pollard widow
of William Roberts late of Providence deceased: it is
voted and ordered that Charles Warner Esq^r

William Barton Esq^r and Zuriel Waterman
shall be; and are here by appointed a Committee to part
of the third part of the Real Estate of the said
William Roberts deceased, unto the said widow almay
Roberts and make return to the Council at their
sitting.

Daniel Roberts son of William Roberts of Providence deceased
appeared before this Council and desired that Daniel
son of said Providence should be his Guardian where-
upon it is ordered by the Council that the said Daniel
son shall be and is hereby appointed his Guardian
to take care of his person as well as his Real and
personal Estate; the said son being present
accepted the office and trust reposed in him.

Whereas Sarah Church of this town of Providence
is removed unto the town of Warwick in order there
to continue for some time. These are therefore
to certify the Honorable town Council of
the said Warwick that we do own and acknowledge
the said Sarah Church to be an inhabitant of this
town and will accept her as such at any time
when she shall be sent or come hither.

It is voted and passed
That the Council is dissolved.

At a Towns Council (called by warrant) held
this 25th day of June Anno Domini 1739 -
In presence of Mr John Hayles and Mr Stephen Wright
came before this Council and desired the Council to adjust
their accounts for living and receiving some goods
that was infected with the small pox but by reason
the goods were not delivered to the owners we thought
not convenient to do it where upon this Council
is adjourned to the first Saturday in July next -
Attest Rayls of Mr Joseph Angel

At a Town Council held at Providence on the 19th day of January
Anno Domini 1739.

For as much as Mrs Prudence Folis hath refused to take
Administration upon the Estate of her husband Capt John
Folis; Mariner deceased where upon it is voted and ordered
that Richard Waterman Clerk shall grant Administration
upon said Estate unto Mr Joseph Angel father of the said
Prudence Folis and take bonds in behalf of the Council
the Bonds men Proposed are Richard Otherton and Joseph Olney.

It is voted and ordered that Richard Waterman Clerk
shall grant Administration unto Mr John Whipple the 3^d
upon the Estate of Esparionio Saicoskay deceased and
take bonds in behalf of the Council.

The Council is adjourned to Saturday next 26th of this present
January 1739 Anno Domini 1736 It being Saturday
The Council is againe in Being.

The Council is adjourned to Saturday next 2^d day of February
to the house of Mr William Smith at 9 a clock in the forenoon.

Saturday 2^d day of February Anno Domini 1739
The Council is againe in Being.

It is voted and ordered that Richard Waterman Clerk
shall grant a Letter of Administration unto Zeviah
Waterman upon the Estate of her husband Zuriel
Waterman deceased and take bonds in behalf of the
Council; the Bonds men Proposed are her Brother

Thomas Harris and Brother in Law Richard Waterman.
The Council is adjourned to Saturday 10th of this present February
to the house of Capt James Olney.

William Burton Esq^r and Zuriel Waterman
shall be; and are here by appointed a Committee to put
of the third part of the Real Estate of the said
William Roberts deceased, into the said widow alone
Roberts and make Return to the Council at their
sitting.

Peter Roberts son of William Roberts of Providence; deceased
appeared before this Council and desired, that Daniel
Fenner of Providence, should be his Guardian, where-
upon it is ordered by the Council, that the said Daniel
Fenner shall be and is hereby appointed his Guardian
to take Care of his person as well as his Real and
personal Estate; the said Fenner being present
accepted the office and trust Reposed in him.

Whereas Sarah Church of this town of Providence
is removed into the town of Warwick in order there
to continue for some time; These are therefore
to certify the Honorable town Council, of the
town of Warwick that we do own and acknowledge
the said Sarah Church to be an inhabitant of this
town, and will accept her as such at any time
when she shall be sent or come hither.

Ordered and past
This Council is Dissolved

At a Towns Council (Called by warrant) held
this 21st day of June: Anno Domini 1739 -
In presence of Mr John Hayle and Mr Stephen Wright
came before this Council; and desired: the Council to adjust
their accounts for living and counting some goods
that was suspected with the small pox. But by reason
the goods was not delivered to the owners we thought
not convenient to do it: where upon this Council
is adjourned to the first Saturday in July next -
at the house of Mr Joseph Inge

At a Towns Council held at Providence on the 19th day of January
Anno Domini 1739

For as much as Mrs Prudence Collis hath Refused to Take
Administration upon the Estate of her husband Capt John
Collis; deceased: where upon it is Voted and ordered
that Richard Waterman Clerk: shall Grant Administration
upon said Estate unto Mr Joseph Inge father of the said
Prudence Collis and take in behalf of the Council
the Bonds men Proposed are Richard Othman and Joseph Olney

It is Voted and ordered that Richard Waterman Clerk
shall Grant Administration unto Mr John Whipple the 3^d
upon the Estate of Experience Sarsbury deceased and
Take Bonds in behalf of the Council

The Council is adjourned to Saturday next 26th of this present
January 1739 Anno Dom 1736 It being Saturday
The Council is againe in Being

The Council is adjourned to Saturday next 2^d day of February
to the house of Mr William Smith at 9 a clock in the forenoon

Saturday 2^d day of February Anno Dom 1739 to
the Council is againe in Being

It is Voted and ordered that Richard Waterman Clerk
shall Grant a Letter of Administration unto Zeviah
Waterman upon the Estate of her husband Zuriel
Waterman; deceased and take Bonds in behalf of the
Council; the Bonds men Proposed are her Brother

Thomas Harris and Brother in Law Richard Waterman
The Council is adjourned to Saturday 16th of this present for way
to the house of Capt James Olney

February 14⁸ 16th - anno domini 1439/40
It being Saturday: the Council is againe in being

Ordered that John Rhodes pay an order
on the Town of Springfield for the sum
of thirty dollars on the 1st of April 1881
money being the whole of the
for keeping Jeremiah Jones & the
charge of burying him and that
Richard H. Weston pay to Clerk R. Con-
give P. Rhodes an order for the same
for the Council for the same

Voted that Richard Waterman - Clerk shall Grant
Administration unto Mrs. ~~Joseph~~ Angel upon
the Estate of her Husband Capt. Abraham Angel -
deceased; and Take Bond in behalf of the Council
the Bondsmen Proposed are Col. William Hopkins
and Capt. Joseph ~~Alney~~ Alney - -

It is ordered that Richard Waterman Clerk. shall grant
a warrant or Warrants to remove James Wap Jarvis ~~and~~
his family William Compton and his family William Davis John
Johnson and his family Joseph Major and his family Experi-
ance Mitchel and his family Joseph Olthoff and his
family west of and his family Benjamin Hinder-
and his family the widow ^{sarah} Fairbairn and her family
out of this town and Benjamin Cary and his family
and Thomas Fear brother and his family
It is further ~~ordered~~ that the Clerk shall have the assistance of other Just
ices the Council is adjourned to the first day of march
next Enquiring after the date here of
To the house of Mr Hugh Petty

march 4th first day anno dom. 1939/40

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1740
The Council is againe in being - According to Adjournment
Upon the Petition of ^{Mr} Nicholas Harris ^{Mr} Timothy Sheldon
with several others: John Thornton ^{Mr} Richard Jennings &
^{Print} High Waterman are chosen a committee to revise the bounds of
the Highway that was formerly laid: taking their departure
before the dwelling House of ^{Mr} Fisher Potter and from
thence to extend west ward to ^{Mr} Daniel Abbotts former where
John ~~Donnet~~ now dwells: and Henry Harris ^{Esq} Justice
is chosen and appointed to attend upon the said Committee
in their performing s^d work: and to summon such evidences
as there may be occasion for: and the said Richard Waterman
shall attend as an officer ~~and~~ under the s^d Justice Harris: as
well as to serve on the s^d Committee: and the Committee to
make Returne of their doings unto the said Council -
and also to ~~return~~ Exchange part of y^e Highway for other lands where the occasion

Upon the Petition of Mrs Sarah Smith widow of Philip
Smith deceased: It is Granted by a Vote of the Council that
the said Sarah Smith shall have liberty to sell the Sawmill
on the east side of the Mill River with so much of the stream
and water in the dam as may be convenient & spare not
damnifying the Sawmill and other water works ^{she} hath on the
west side of said River; and also to sell the small Lot of Land
where on the said Sawmill standeth: and also another
small Lot of Land lying on the west side of the Town streets
near the dwelling house of Mr Thomas Key: and the
Produce thereof to be improved towards Paying her husband's
debts -

It is voted & ordered that Richard Tenner Esq.
Provide Suitable Sustainance for The two Indian
Women Called Absolame and Charge the Town
for Such Necessaries as he may Provide for them
Untill farther orders from this Council

It is Greater and Ours that the over poor of the Poor
shall take care to Provide Places for the Binding

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out the children of Hesteriah Whipple who hath affor-
ed him self and left his family in a disposing condition
and also Joseph Placer for the children of John Bird: decessed
and over those persons that appears to take them to appraise
before the family in order to agree upon the terms -

It is Voted and ordered that Richard Waterman Clerk
shall give an order to John Hoopes that he shall receive
out of the Towns Treasury the sum of twenty three
Pounds and eight shillings for the keeping the same
Negro Bristol from the 13th of march anno dom 1738⁹
until march the 13th anno dom 1739/40 - Being in
full for the charge in that time -

The Council is adjourned to the fourth day of this instant
march to the house of Joseph Angel

march 22nd anno dom 1739/40 It being Saturday and the fourth
Saturday in 3rd month the Council is again in being -

Voted by this Council that there be the sum of four
Pounds sixteen shillings and six pence in money
paid out of the Towns Treasury to Mr John Hoopes
for his charge in keeping in her last sickness
and burying Deborah and Indian woman Deceased

It is Voted and ordered upon the Petition of Mrs Jonathan Whipple
and Mr Joseph Smith that Mr Thomas Olney Junior Mr Samuel
Elin and Richard Waterman shall lay out a highway
beginning at the west River and from thence to extend
Northward until they come to the lands of Mr Hoopes
Angel and Mr John Brown to the extent of our townships
North line: and that William Hopkins Esq Justice of Peace
attend upon the said Committee in there performing said work
and that the said Richard Waterman shall be assisting to the
said Justice Hopkins as an officer under him as well as one
of the Committee: And to make Returns to the

Town Council } At a Town Council held 20th of
October 1740 - It was Voted and ordered
that Jacob Brown Esq shall be appointed in the name of Mr Hoopes

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Voted and ordered that Richard Waterman Esq Clerk
of this Council grant a License to Obediah Brown to keep
a publick ale house &c. and take Recognizance in the
behalf of this Council ^{for the sum} of Seventeen shillings & six pence the same license
to expire at the same time the other Tavernkeepers
Licenses do. Voted & past order

Voted the same Richard Waterman grant the same
Privilege to Joseph Burd in he paying the sum of
fifteen shillings there for Voted & past order

Voted & ordered that William Hopkins Esq Call upon
Elisha the outson of Horatio Esq and Receive
of him the Return of the Highway Commonly
Called Elisha Smiths Road.

The Council is adjourned to the second Saturday in April
next to the house of Mr William Smith

The Council is in being according to Adjournment

The Council is adjourned to Saturday 13th day of May
next ensuing to the house of Mr William Smith

May 11th day anno dom 1740

The Council is again in being

Samuel Westcott appeared before this Council and agreed
with them To take the same Negro Bristol who lies
upon the Towns charge; And take him home into his
own house and provide for him Meats Drink Washing Rog-
ing and Attendance as may be necessary for a Negro man
in his condition; for the sum of eight shillings & six pence
for the full term of one whole years: where upon
The Town Council engaged on the Towns behalfs to find and
provide for the said Negro Bristol suitable cloathing

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And appraill suitable for an Negro man in his condition -
during the said term; and also pay unto him the sum of eight
shillings for woole in Bills of Publick Credit or for want money
of newengland out of the Towns Treasury -

John Randall son of Doct^r Jonathan Randall deceased -
being upwards of Eighteen years of age; declared before
the Council that he had chosen Reu^t Col^l William Hopkins
Esq^r To be his Guardian to take care for his supportance
and provide as occasion may be in Justice -

The which choice was by the Council approved of
and Accepted -

~ ~ The Council is dissolved ~ ~

At a Town Council held at Providence on the 5th day of July
anno dom: 1740.

This day John Rhodes Received an order to the Treasurer
for the sum of four Pounds three shillings and eight
pence being in full for the charge he hath bin at
in keeping the same negro Bristol since they made
up accounts -

The Council is adjourned to the 19th day of this
Instant July being Saturday: to the County House

July 19th anno dom: 1740: It being Saturday
The Council is againe in being -

It is voted and ordered that the Executors to the last Will and
Testament of Joseph Jencks Esq^r deceased: or either of them may
have access to any Papers that are kept in the Councils office
relating to the said Joseph Jencks Esq^r -

William Carpenter son of Mr^r William Carpenter deceased -
appeared before this Council and declared that he had his uncle
Silas Carpenter Esq^r to be his Guardian to take care both of
his Person and Estate - And -

And the said Silas Carpenter being present: declared that he
would also be accept of that charge that his Cousin the said
William Carpenter had proposed in him on that affairs
and was by the Council Accepted -

Whereas the Will of Ebenezer Sprague deceased: was brought before
this Council: But Ebenezer the Witness to said Will was absent
and could not be had at present: whereupon Administration
is granted to Mr^r Edward Nelson to take the said Will of the said
Ebenezer Sprague into his Possession and manage ment: accord-
ing to Law; he being named Executor in the said Will: and
the Clerk shall sign and seal & Administration on the said Will -

It is voted that Richard Waterman Clerk of Council shall sign
a summons to the Towns sargent to summon in Nathaniel
Jencks and John Stephen Dextor Executors to the last Will
and Testament of Joseph Jencks Esq^r deceased: to make their
appears and before the Town Council on the 11th

day of August next ensuing: with the witnesses to said Will
in order the same may be proved: other ways given
those Persons answer whether they will accept or not

and also summons Mr^r Amy Gibbs and her husband to
render an account of their Administration upon
the estate of Capt John Jencks deceased
The Council is adjourned to the 2^d munday in August
next to the County House -

August 11th 1740: It being munday and the second munday
in said month: the Council is againe in being -

It is voted and ordered that Richard Waterman Clerk shall in
behalf of the Council provide the warrant that was granted
for the removing William Sympton and his family out of this
Town: so that the former Constable Christopher Arnold may be in
full Power to Execute the said warrant -

It is further ordered that the said Clerk shall as Justice of Peace
grant a warrant to the Constable William Field to remove
one John Hays out of this Town: who now abiding at Capt
Dunking -

The Council is adjourned to the twentieth day of the
October next to the house to go House of Joseph Engel

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October 19th - annodomi - 1740 -
The Council is againe in being -

This day Mary fisher whose maiden name was Mary Whitman
Rendered an account of her administration upon her
deceased mother's estate -
the which account is entered in the Town Council there Book
and in Page 284 -

The Returne of the Committee that laid out the highway from Mr
fisher Potters house westward: is referred to the next sitting
of the Council, and the Clerk of the Council shall Grant
a summons to the Towns seryant to summons Capt Benjamin
Waterman Mr David Sprague and Mr Charles Walker to
appear before the Council at their next sitting in order to
give evidence concerning what they know concerning a former
laying said way - the Council is adjourned to the next munday
in November next to the house of Capt John Hopkins -

November 24th annodomi 1740 -
At being munday and the next munday in 2nd month the Council
is againe in being -

It is voted and ordered that Richard Waterman Clerk of the
Council shall Grant administration unto Mrs Mary Olney widow of
Mr Eponetus Olney deceased upon the movable estate
of her said deceased husband and take Bond in behalf of the Council

Upon the Petition of Roger Bwillinggams Junr Thomas Man-
tor Samuel Bwillinggams Joshua Bwillinggams and Elizabeth
Baker with several others for the laying a highway beginning
a little westward of the dwelling house of Peter Roberts and
from thence to extend southward to warwick line: where upon
Mr Thomas Williams Mr Joseph Pandal and Mr Christopher
Harris are chosen a Committee for the laying out said way and
Henry Harris Esqr is chosen as a Justice of Peace and a surveyor
and Mr Ezekiel Sheldon to attend as Constable's assistant upon the
Committee in performing said work and that the said Justice Harris
Grant full a summons to the said Constable to summon the
Committee to go on with all convenient speed: and to make
Returne to the Council of these Proceedings

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The Council is adjourned to the third munday in January next - 157
to the house of Capt James Olney -
January 19th - annodomi 1740 - 41 - It being munday and the
third munday in said month: the Council is againe in being -

The Returne of the Committee that was at a Towne
Council held on the first day of March annodomi: 1739/40
appointed to ~~report~~ ^{report} the bounds or display a high
way that was formerly laid: and to take the departure near
the dwelling house of Mr fisher Potter and from thence to
extend westward to Coll Daniel Abbotts farme where John Bennett
dwells: hath bin laid before this Council for their consideration
and was by the Council voted out and is allowed and is now
made good and to be of no effect -

It is voted and ordered that Richard Waterman Clerk shall
Grant a letter of administration unto Elizabeth Maxwell
widow upon the movable estate of her husband Mr
Peter Maxwell: deceased: and take Bond in behalf of the
Council: the Bonds men proposed are John Hopkin
and Nathaniel Waterman - the Bonds to be: 600^l value

It is voted and ordered that Joseph field son of John
field: deceased, shall at any time or times be accepted
an Inhabitant of this Town of Providence when he shall
either come, or be brought here: he shall be deemed
a legal Resident as he is of this Towne

It is voted and ordered that Mr Peter Bwillinggams Junr
Capt Robert Knight and Mr John Beaton Junr shall be
and are hereby appointed a Committee to lay out a highway
beginning at or near the house of Mr fisher Potter and from
thence to extend westward ~~to the dwelling house of John Bennett~~
and that Henry Harris Esqr Justice of Peace shall Grant
full a summons to Mr Ezekiel Sheldon Constable to warn
in the said Committee to meet in order to proceede in
the performing said work and make Returne to the Council
of their doings therein. And that if said Justice Harris
Citizens with the said Constable Mr Sheldon upon the
Committee in their performing the said work

158 It is voted and ordered that the Justices of Peace for s^d Towne Grant
forth warrants to remove ~~John Morin~~ John Paly and his family
Mary Andrews ~~and~~ the woman that abides with him out
of this Towne. It is ordered that George Browne ^{Justice of Peace}
give an order for the warning the Persons above named that dwell
in the Towne to remove out forth with: and that William Burton
Esq^r Justice of Peace Grant forth an order to remove the
other Persons above named to remove forth with out of this Towne.

The Council is adjourned to the third munday of march next
To y^e house of Capt James Olney.

March the sixteenth Day, it being the
third munday in the month the Council is in
being according to adjournment. R^d. 1740
Richard Waterman Jun^r appointed
Clerke Peramperey.

It is voted and ordered that Richard Waterman Clerk
of the Council Grant Administration upon the
Estate of Benjamin Stillinghast deceased that is
unadministred on by James Stillinghast his
former Administrator. and take Bond in behalf of
the Council.

The Council have this day given an order to Mr
Elizabeth Rhoads for the sum of thirteen pounds and six
pence: being for the keeping of one of Thomas
Hawker's children 21 weeks & five days from y^e 31st
day of October to y^e 28th day of February last at 12^d
p^{er} week.

The Council adjourned to y^e second munday of
May to the house of Capt John Hopkins
May y^e 11th - 1741 It being munday and the second
munday in said month.

The Council is againe in being
It is voted and ordered that Richard Waterman Clerk
shall Grant Administration unto Peter Burlingame
upon the moveable Estate of his Brother Samuel
Burlingame deceased and take Bond in behalf
of the Council.

159 It is voted and ordered that Richard Waterman Clerk
shall Grant Administration unto Nicholas Gales and Benja
min Bond upon the moveable Estate of Thomas Parlay
deceased and take Bond in behalf of the Council.
The Council is dissolved.

At a Town Council holden at Providence on the 13th day of
June anno domini: 1741.

This Day Mr Daniel Sheldon personally appeared before the Coun
cil upon agreement betwixt him and the Council he undertook
and engaged to find and provide for the Negro man called Bristol
sufficient house room & going and provision for a year in
his condition for the space of one whole year: from the sixth
day of this Instant June: for the sum of Ten shillings
p^{er} week.

It is voted and ordered that Richard Waterman Clerk shall
Grant a Letter of Administration unto Hannah Jones upon the
moveable Estate of her husband Jeremiah Jones deceased
and take Bond in behalf of the Council.

The Bonds men Proposed and acceptors are Mr Bartholomew
and Capt Stephen Remington.

The Council is adjourned to the last Saturday in July
next ensuing the date here of
To y^e house of Henry Sprotteing.

July y^e 25th anno domini: 1741: It being Saturday and the
last Saturday in said month.
The Council is againe in being.

It is voted and ordered that Richard Waterman Clerk
shall Grant a Letter of Administration unto Anne Kilton
upon the moveable Estate of her Husband Samuel
Kilton deceased and take Bond in behalf of the
Council. The Bonds men Proposed are John Walton
and Capt Christopher Harris.

It is Voted and Ordered that Richard Waterman Clarke shall Grant Administration unto Mary Dollen for upon the movable estate of her husband John Dollen deceased: and take Bond in behalf of the Council. Provided Solomon Brown and Capt Obadiah Brown will be her bonds men.

It is Voted and Ordered that Richard Waterman Clarke shall Grant Administration unto Mr John Shedon upon the movable estate of his father John Shedon deceased and take Bond in behalf of the Council the Executor of the last will and Testament of the said deceased John Shedon: being departed out of this life: In the Executors life time; the Bonds Required is 60th and the Bonds men Proposed are Mr Fisher Peter and Mr John Williams.

The Council is adjourned to the next Saturday in August to the County of Court House in Providence at 12 a clock in ye day.

August 29th 1741: It being Saturday and the last Saturday in said Month the Council is again in being.

At the Request and many allegations made by Solomon Paine and his wife by their Council in the law that the witnesses to the last will and Testament of their father and father in law John Owen deceased might be summoned before the Council: In order to be further examined concerning the Reasons they can give in what Condition the said John Owen was in concerning his mind and of being in his perfect senses and Memory at the time when he signed his last will and Testament.

whereupon it is Voted and Ordered that Richard Waterman Clarke shall at the cost of the said Solomon Paine Grant forth a summons unto the Court sargent to summon the said witnesses to appear before the Council at their next sitting in order to be examined concerning the Promises.

It is Voted and Ordered that Richard Waterman Clarke shall Grant a Letter of Administration unto Joseph Williams upon the movable estate of his brother Jonathan Williams deceased and take Bond in behalf of the Council: the Bonds men Proposed are his Brothers Thomas John Williams: the Bonds to be 60th if Jonathan dyed in August: or about the 15th of August: 1740:

It is Voted and Ordered that Richard Waterman Clarke shall Grant a Letter of Administration unto Amey Whipple Widow of Mr Jonathan Whipple deceased and take Bond in behalf of the Council: the Bonds men Proposed are Mr Hope Angel and Mr Thomas Whipple John Brown of Smithfield.

It is Voted and Ordered that Capt George Brown of Justice of Peace Grant a warrant to remove the Patrick out of this town and the other women also that he hath the name of at home.

It is Voted and Ordered that Richard Waterman Clarke Town sargent shall Give publick notice that those Persons that Inclined to keep a publick ale also Rouse and especially those that have kept a publick ale have to appear at the next sitting of the Council in order to be Licenced for the same. The Council is adjourned to the thirtieth day of September next at the County House.

September 9th 1741:

The Council is again in being.

It is Voted and Ordered that Richard Waterman Clarke shall Grant a Letter of Administration unto Stephen Hanks upon the movable estate of his father Edward Hanks deceased and take Bond in behalf of the Council: the Bonds men are Elias Apontor and Samuel Biles.

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Samuel Westcott appeared before this Council and Prayed
an Appeals from the Return of the Jury that layed out
the Highway that leads to Col. Abbot's farm and parts of Part
of his Land: so that he desires the Liberty of a Jury
which is Granted Provided he appears at the next Council
and Pleads his Appeals

It is voted and ordered that Richard Waterman Clerk
shall Grant Administration upon the Estate of
Joseph Owen deceased unto his son John Owen
and take Bond in behalfe of the Council

The Council is adjourned to the third munday in October
next to the house of Capt. John Hopkins

At a Town Council called by warrant held at
Providence on the 25th day of September anno domini 1741.
By Reason Amey Whipple, Widow of Leitt Jonathan Whipple
deceased. Dyes before her Administration was Granted
Administration is now removed and Granted unto
Mr. Thomas Whipple Brother to the said deceased
deceased Jonathan Whipple: who accepts to take Admini-
stration upon the same Inventory as the widow
already made or says to be made and sent in to the former
Council

And it is voted and ordered that Richard Waterman
Clerke shall Grant Administration unto the said
Thomas Whipple upon the Moveable Estate of his
said deceased Brother Jonathan Whipple and take Bond
in behalfe of the Council

This Council orders that Richard Waterman Town
Sargent shall in behalfe of the Council Grant a
Licence to Mr. Joseph Angol and take his Bond
for keeping Good Orders: He paying down the
the sum of four Pounds and Charges of Writing

And also orders that the Town Sargent shall Grant
a Licence to Capt. Joseph Olney for paying down the
sum of four Pounds with the charge of writing
and take Bonds for the keeping of Good Orders
this Council is dissolved

October 19th 1741. It being munday and the third
munday in the month the Council is in being

Whereas Jonathan Whipple son of Leitt Jonathan Whipple
deceased. Declared before the Council at their last sitting
that he made choice and chose his Uncle Thomas Whipple
to be his Guardian to take care as well of his Person as of
his Estate

As Joseph Whipple the son of the above named Leitt Jonathan
Whipple Personally appeared before this Present Council
and declared that he had made choice and chose his Uncle
the above named Thomas Whipple to be his Guardian
to take care as well of his Person as his Estate

And the said Thomas Whipple being Present before this Present
Town Council declared that he accepted of the Trust
that was Deputed in him by his above named two Cousins
and that he would be assisting to each of them according to
his Power

And the said Town Council both also appoynt him the said
Thomas Whipple to be Guardian to the other two children of
his Brother the above named Jonathan Whipple: Namely
Ezraiah Whipple and Mary Whipple who are both under
the age of fourteen years - And the said Thomas
Whipple both also promised his assistance to them
according to his Power
Voted and Passed x x x x x x x x x x

It is voted and ordered that Richard Waterman Clerk shall
Grant Administration upon the Estate of Joseph Decker
deceased unto the Executors named in his Will and take
Bond in behalfe of the Council

It is voted and ordered that Richard Waterman Clerk
shall Grant Administration unto Daniel Cook upon the
Estate of his father ~~deceased~~ and take bond
in behalf of the Council

Samuel Cook appeared before this Council and
Prayed for his appeals concerning the laying out the
highway that runs through his Land may be continued to
the next sitting of the Council: which is granted

It is Voted and ordered that Mr Daniel Smith one of the members
of the Council Notify Hierahial Whipple Patience Hide and
Mercy Arnolds Children of Mr John Whipple deceased to
appear before the Council at their next sitting
In order to either accept or refuse to take
Administration upon the deceased fathers Estate

The Council is adjourned to the third Monday in
November next ensuing to the house of Joseph Angell

November 16th 1741. It being Monday and the
third Monday in 3^d month

The Council is again in being

Whereas Robert Gibbs Esq^r and his Wife Mrs Abigail Gibbs
who was the Relict Widow of Capt John Crawford late
of Providence; deceased; have bin summoned to appear
before this Present Council: and have made default
there appearing - In order to render an account
of the Administration that was granted
to the said Amy Gibbs upon the Movable Estate of
her former husband John Crawford; deceased; Made default
in their appearance

Whereupon It is Voted and ordered that Richard
Waterman Clerk of the Council shall deliver
up the Bonds that was Given to the said Council
of Providence for her true and faithful Performance
of her Administration upon her said deceased
husbands

Personal Movable Estate unto her son John Crawford
and take his receipt for the same -
And also Give him the said John Crawford now surviving
a Power of Attorney and sign and seal it in the Councils
behalf: to give out the said Bonds

The Council is adjourned to the second Monday in Decem-
ber to the next to the house of Mr Henry Frothing
December: 14th 1741 It being Monday and the second
Monday in said month: the Council is again in being

It is Voted and ordered that Richard Waterman Clerk shall
Grant Administration unto Timothy Sheldon Jun^r upon the
Estate of his father Mr Timothy Sheldon deceased: and
Take Bonds in behalf of the Council

It is Voted and ordered that Mr Fisher Potter shall have
and be allowed the sum of fifty shillings for the Land the way
takes and the damage of both in going a grass his Land
on the west side of Pauckasot River: the which sum
shall be Paid out of the Towns Treasury

It is Voted and ordered that Richard Waterman Clerk
shall Grant a summons to the Town Sayant to summon
in all said Persons: At the Request of Mr John Sheldon
that he shall Request to be summoned before the Council at
their next sitting in order to render an account of what
of the Movable Estate they have in their Possession that
belong to his late father John Sheldon: deceased
at which time the charge of the summing to be at the
Cost of him as Administrator

Daniel Phoebe a stranger is by the Council committed into
the Care of John Bennet: who is to bring in account of his
Charge to the Council at their next sitting

The Council is adjourned to the house of Mr Alexander Hession
to be held the third Monday of January next

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At a Town Council Called by Warrant. & held at
Providence the 22^d day of December: Anno Dom 1741
Mr John Thornton was by this Council Licenced to
Keep Tavern
The Council is dissolved

January 18th 1741 It being Monday and the
third Monday in said month the Council is again
in being
It is voted that Richard Waterman Clerk of Council shall
Grant a License to Richard Thornton Esq^r to keep a public
ale house Victualling and tipping house in the house where he
now dwells and take bond in behalf of y^e Council: he paying
Twenty six shillings: and the writing: the License to expire
the Eighteenth day of September Next
It is voted and ordered that George Brown shall Grant forth a
Warrant to the Constable to warn James Angel out of this
town and also to warn out of this town
and his wife and family: Benjamin Eoy and family

It is voted and ordered that Richard Waterman
Clerke shall Grant a Letter of Administration
unto Mr Henry Harris and his Brother
Thomas Harris upon the moveable Estate
of their father Capt Thomas Harris and
take bond in behalf of the Council

It is voted and ordered that Richard Waterman
Clerke shall Grant a Letter of Administra-
tion unto Mr John Thornton upon the
moveable Estate of his son Solomon
Thornton deceased and take bond
in behalf of the Council

The Council is adjourned to the fourth Monday next to the house of Capt James Olney

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At a Town Council held at Providence the 22^d day of February
Anno Dom 1741/2 It being Monday and the first Monday in said
month the Council is again in being

Richard Carpenter Esq^r who was Guardian to his son William Carpen-
ter: appeared before this Council and declared that he had Received
of John Potter Esq^r the sum of one hundred and Twenty eight
Pounds five shillings and Eleven pence being in full for the
money that the said John Potter had in his Hands that belonged
to the said William Carpenter

It is voted and ordered that Richard Waterman Clerk shall
Grant Administration upon the moveable Estate of Mr
Nathaniel Jenches Jun^r deceased: unto his Relict Widow
Budget Jenches and: Mr Jonathan Jenches Executor
Executor to the Last will and Testament of the said deceased
Nathaniel Jenches and take bond in behalf of y^e Council

It is voted and ordered that Mr Daniel Smith and Mr John
Whipple two of the Town Council shall take an
Inventory of the moveable Estate of Mr John Whipple
deceased: and make Return to the Council at their
next sitting

The Council is adjourned to the fourth Monday in March
next to the house of Capt James Olney

March 18th 1741/2 It being Monday and the fourth
Monday in 3^d month: The Council is again in being

Christopher Waterman came before this Council and
declared that he had for his two uncles Thomas Harris
and Richard Waterman: to be his Guardians to take care of
his Estate both Real and Personal: the whole Property
was by the Council voted and accepted
And the said Thomas Harris being Present declared before
the Council that they accepted of the Trust that
was Deposited in them on that Affairs

And the aforesaid Guardians having desired the Council to
 Appoint three men out of the Thirds of that which
 was the home stead of ~~Richard Waterman~~ deceased: for the
 use of ~~Reveriah Williams~~ who was the Relict widow of
 the said ~~Reveriah Williams~~ deceased: where upon the
 said Council Appointed Capt. Moses Birrellingame Mr
 Eliza Arnold and Mr. John Clarke a Committee to
 sett off to the said ~~Reveriah Williams~~ who was the Relict
 widow of the said ~~Reveriah Williams~~ deceased one third Part
 of that which was his home stead: And Make Returne
 to the Council: And that the said John Clarke shall also
 officiate as surveyor in said work: See further in the next page
 It is ordered that Richard Waterman Justice shall Grant
 a warrant to Remove James Angol out of this Town
 and that Richard Stanton Esq. Grant forth a warrant
 to Remove one Saml. Whittier out of
 this Town of Providence forth with: and that
 Buxton Esq. Grant forth a warrant to warn one Oliver
 King that he forthwith Depart out of this Town of
 Providence with his family

The Council is Adjourned untill the third Monday in May
 and to y^e house of Mr. John Thornton.

Providence May 17th 1742 It being Monday and the third Monday
 in 3rd month the Council is againe in Being

It is Ordered and ordered that Henry Harris Esq. Justice
 of Peace shall Grant forth a warrant to a Justice
 to warn Alexander Levis and his family to depart
 out of this Town forth with

Edward Sheldon and Richard Thornton Esq. son and son in
 law to Mr. John Sheldon deceased: all the Regent of Mr. John
 Sheldon Administrator to the estate of his father the said
 deceased John Sheldon: Appeared before this Present
 Council and declared upon oath that they had nothing

the moveable estate of the said deceased John Sheldon in
 these hands nor did not know who had
 Mr. Edward Sheldon Administrator of the moveable estate of
 Mr. Ebenezer Sprague of Providence deceased
 Personally appeared before this Council and rendered an account
 of his said Administration: and after the accounts were duly
 Examined and Corrected: there was found due to the said
 Administrator the sum of three Pounds Eleven shillings -
 and Eleven Pence

Christopher Waterman appeared before this Council and
 did with the leave of the family and Request of his uncles
 Thomas Harris: Dismiss him the said Thomas Harris from
 being his Guardian: And did with the leave and Consent
 of this Present Council Commit the whole Power of a
 Guardian to his uncles Richard Waterman: whose Ratt
 already chosen: And the said Richard Waterman being
 Present: Accepted that whole Office - and trust -
 By Reason that Capt. Moses Birrellingame and John Clarke
 have Refused to settle the Lands and Real estate of ~~Reveriah~~
 Waterman deceased: but with his son eldest son Christopher
 Waterman and that was his widow ~~Reveriah~~ who is now
 the wife of James Williams Junr. George Browne Esq.
 and Thomas Harris Junr. are chosen and appointed in
 their stead in that place: to Joyn with Eliza Arnold
 in that affair: The Council is Dissolved

At a Town Council held at Providence the
 eighth day of June: 1742 being: Called by warrant
 Richard Waterman y^e third appointed Clerk
 pro tempore

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John Potter Esq^r Appeared before the Council who was Executor to the Last will and Testament of Abiah Carpenter, deceased; the Executrix being deceased; the said Executor rendered an account of the administration upon the movable Estate of the said Abiah Carpenter; After all Charges and the Widows things were deducted therefrom remained due to the Estate the sum of five hundred and thirty four Pounds ten shillings and ten pence; the which sum the said Executor hath delivered up in to the hands of the Present Executor Capt. Edward Arnold who was appointed by the Last will and Testament of the said deceased Executrix who was the Relict widow of the said deceased Abiah Carpenter; the which the said Edward Arnold presents to

Sarah Carpenter daughter of Abiah Carpenter, deceased being upwards of fifteen years of age: appeared before this Council: and declared that she had chosen her two uncles John Potter Esq^r and Capt. Edward Arnold to be her Guardians to take care of all her Estate both Real and Personal: as well as of her Person - the said John Potter and Edward Arnold being Present Accepted the Trust that she had Reposed in them - the which was all by the approbation and allowance of the Council

It is Ordered and Ordered that Richard Waterman Clarke shall Grant Administration unto Capt. Edward Arnold upon the movable Estate of his sister Sarah Carpenter widow: and take bond in behalf of the Council the Council is adjourned to the house of Joseph Angell to be held on the second Monday in July next

July 12th 1742 It being Monday and the second Monday in said month: the Council is again in Being

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Charles Smith the son of Mr Philip Smith, deceased being upwards of four toono years of age: appeared before this Council and declared that he had chosen his Mother Sarah Smith to be his Guardian to take care of his whole Estate both Real and Personal: as well as of his Person - and his said Mother Sarah Smith being Present Accepted the Trust that he had Reposed in her on that Affairs - all which is approved of and accepted by the 3^d Council -

This Day the Town Council made up Accounts with Mr Daniel Sheldon for the Range of his Keeping the Negro-man called Bristol from the sixth day of June 1741 to the sixth day of June 1742 - and the said Sheldon hath an Order to the Treasurer for the same - and the Council hath further agreed with the said Daniel Sheldon for his keeping the said Negro after the same Rate until further order and agreement -

By Reason that Moses Willingame and John Potter Refuse to be Executors - It is Ordered and Ordered that Richard Waterman Clarke shall Grant Administration unto Mr^s Jerusha Willingame upon the Estate of her husband Capt Benjamin Willingams deceased; and sign it in behalf of the Council -

The Council is adjourned to the next meeting in August next to the house of Mr Obadiah Browne -

The Clarke is ordered to give out a warrant to remove Spary for too long Obadiah Richards - Dority Gads - In Case Negro out of town or to warrant Jeremiah Robison to depart out of town with his family -

The Council is adjourned to the next Monday in August next to the house of Obadiah Browne

172.
At a Town Council Meet. upon a special Occasion and
held the 14th day of August Anno Domini 1742:-
It is voted and ordered that Richard Waterman Clarke shall Grant
Administration unto Henry Dandall upon the movable & estate of his
son Forrest Dandall deceased; In behalf of the ^{Council} without taking
any Bonds for the rendering of any account of his administration
to the said Town Council.

This Council is dissolved
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August 30th 1742. It being munday and the last
munday in 8th month the Council is in being according to the
Adjournment from 12th of July last past.

It is voted and ordered that Richard Waterman Clarke shall
Grant Administration unto Henry Dandall upon the movable
& estate of his son William Dandall deceased
and take Bonds in behalf of the Council.

Upon the Petition of ^{William Rhodes} John Warton Abraham Sheldon
Thomas Field Nehemiah Sheldon Benjamin Carpenter James
Williams and others to the number of fifteen Inhabitants
is: Henry Harris Esq^r Justice of Peace Mr Richard
Thornton and Mr Edward Sheldon are chosen a com-
mittee to lay out a high way agreeable with the above
mentioned Petition: bearing date 12th day of July 1742
and that Jacob Westcot Constable attend upon the com-
mittee under: Justice Henry Harris in performing the said
Work: and that the said Justice make Returns to the
said Council of those things therein.

And that the said Justice Harris Grant forth a summons to the
said Constable to warn the Committee to meet at some
convenient time and place in order to proceed upon the
Business.

It is voted and ordered that Richard Waterman Clarke
shall Grant Administration unto Jeremiah Field upon the
movable & estate of his husband William Field deceased
and take Bonds in behalf of the Council.

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The Council is adjourned to the 3rd munday in September
next to the house of Mr John Hopkins.

It is voted and ordered that Henry Harris Justice of Peace
Grant forth a warrant to a Constable to warn John Lion
to depart out of this Town forth with his family and also
to warn out: one Hely and one Fuller: And also to
Grant forth a warrant to remove one Dority and one
Gale an Indian and his family out of this Town
forth with.

It is also voted and ordered that George Browne Esq^r
William Walker and Richard Waterman Justice of Peace
do take care at their discretion to remove
one Pargo and family Joseph Dargo and his family
and a Negro that lives upon John Browns farm
with his family out of this Town.

The Council is adjourned to the 3rd munday of
September next to the house of Mr John Hopkins.
September 20th 1742. It being munday and the
third munday in 8th month the Council is againe
in being.

Shubley Westcot the son of Shubley Westcot Jun^r deceased, being upwards
of sixteen years of age, personally appeared before this Council and
declared that he had taken his Uncle Benjamin Westcot son of Mr
Shubley Westcot and his Cousin Jacob Westcot to be his Guardians.

To take care as well of his Person as of his Estate.
And the said Benjamin Westcot and Jacob Westcot being present
accepted of the Trust that is reposed in them on that behalf
all which is accepted and approved of by the said Council.

Upon the Petition of Roger Burlingame John Pter
Christopher Burlingame ~~Jeremiah~~ Jeremiah
Merillan and Israel Gibbs: It is voted and ordered
that there shall be a high way laid out a Cross the
farme of Mr Richard Knight son of Capt Jonathan.

Jonathan Knight, deceased beginning at the highway that was laid
by Pautuxet Propriety from the person mill line to the said
Knights Land and so a cross said Knights Land and on
farme to the highway that is laid by S^r Pautuxet
Proprietors to the easterly side of S^r Knights farme
and the Committee chosen to lay out said way are
Joseph Waterman Peter Burlingame and ^{John Gorton} ~~William~~
~~John Gorton~~ to lay out said way: and that William Burwell
Esq^r Justice of Peace shall attend upon S^r Committee
and Jeremiah Morihous, Esq^r attend upon the Justice
and there performing the said work - and that the
S^r Justice shall Grant forth his summones to the said
Constable to summons in S^r Committee to appear
all sum convenient Peace to go on and accomplish
the said work - and make Returns to the
Council

The Council hath this day agreed with Mary Garnit
Widow to take John Shaw into her care and to find
and provide for him sufficient meate drink washing
and bedding for fourteene shillings p^r weeke for
and during the space of one whole year from
the twenty four day of this Instant September

It is ordered and ordered that Richard Waterman Clerk shall
Grant Administration unto Jeremiah Morihous upon the
Estate of movable Estate of his now father Jonathan
Morihous deceased and take bond in behalf of S^r Council

Capt Amiel Waterman and Mr John Whipple two of S^r Council
are appointed to inspect into the administration that was
Granted upon the Estate of William Browne deceased
and to lay the matter before the Council at their
next sitting

The Council is adjourned to the second munday of
October next to the house of Mr Joseph Angel

October 11th 1742

It being munday and the second munday in said month
the Council is againe in being

The Council is adjourned to the second munday in
November next to the house of Henry Brewster

At a Town Council held at Providence on the 21st day of
October annodom 1742: being called by Warrant

It is voted and ordered that Richard Waterman Clerk shall
Grant Administration unto Mrs Hope Brown Widow
upon the movable Estate of Capt William Walker
deceased and take bond in behalf of the Council
the Bonds men proposed are Mr Joseph Brown Mr Charles
Billinghast ^{and Mr John Thornton} any two of them; to be her Bonds men
in the sum of 200^l Capt Walker departed ^{this day} 14th of
October 1742 the Council is dissolved

It is further ordered that Richard Waterman Council
Clerk shall Inform the executor to Capt
Walkers Will: lodged in England of his death
as Appears by a Copie from under his own hand
Writing: the Council is dissolved

November 8th 1742 It being munday and the second
munday in said month the Council is againe in being

Where as Information is made unto this Council that Ann Frank
Negro is fallen againe into a disordered condition: And now
Jeremiah Field having offered to take the care of her at
his own charge Pleaded she be committed to his custody
for the space of three months: and if at any time she
shall abscond her self from his custody within that time
upon application made to any Justice of Peace for
Town: y^e Justice shall Grant forth a warrant
to sum proper officer to apprehend her and then
upon conveyance and deliver her into his custody againe
and the S^r Jeremiah Field to be at the charge

The Council is adjourned to 2nd munday in December
next to the house of Mr Alexander Frayser

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December 13th Anno Domini 1742. It being Monday and the
second Monday in said month the Council is again in being.

It is Voted and Ordered that Richard Waterman Clerk of the
Council shall Grant Administration upon the movable
Estate of Mrs. Pardon Sheldon deceased unto his Relict
Widow Mrs. Mary Sheldon and Take Bond in behalf
of the Council.

It is Voted that Richard Waterman Clerk shall Notify Mrs.
Ann Kilton to appear before the Council at their next
Meeting and Render an account of her Administration upon
her Husbands Estate.

The Council is adjourned to the first Monday in
February next to the house of Obadiah Brown.

At a Town Council Held at Providence on the 22^d
day of December A.D. 1742
being Called by Warrant

Col. William Goddington of Newport appeared before this Council
and desired of the Council that they would be pleased to Grant Admini-
stration of the movable Estate of his son Arden Goddington late
of Providence deceased unto his son Nathaniel Goddington and
his wife Mary Goddington of Newport who
is the Great & Creditor to my son Arden's Estate
for that the said Col. Goddington declines to take Adminis-
tration him self by reason of his living at a distance and is
hath other business.

Where upon It is Voted and ordered that Richard
Waterman Clerk shall Grant Administration upon
the movable Estate of Mr. Arden Goddington unto
Nathaniel Goddington and William Gannett both of Newport.

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Take Bond in behalf of the Council.

It is Voted and Ordered that Richard Waterman Towns Joyant
shall in behalf of the Council Grant Administration to Mr.
Jeremiah Williams until the expiration of other Licenses
and take his Bond for his keeping orders: he paying for
the writings he having already paid the Councils part
the Council is adjourned.

February 1st Anno Domini 1742. It being Monday
and the first Monday in 2^d month: the Council is in being
according to the adjournment from December last past.

This day Mrs. Ann Kilton Relict widow of Mr. Sam-
uel Kilton deceased: and Administratrix to his
Estate Rendered an account of her said Adminis-
tration: And It appearing to the Council that she
had fully Administered: where upon the Council
hath discharged her from any further account.

Philip Burdington son of Mr. Samuel Burdington
deceased appeared before the Council and
declared that he had sold his uncle Peter
Burdington to his Guardian to take care both of
his Person and Estate both Real and Personal
and the said Peter Burdington being Present
before the Council accepted of the Trust
deposited in him on that affair.
Where upon It is Voted and accepted by the
Council.

It is Voted and ordered that Richard Waterman Clerk
shall Grant Administration unto Eibol Mason Widow
of Mr. Timothy Mason deceased upon the Movable
Estate of her said deceased Husband and Take
Bond in behalf of the Council.

The Bonds men offered are Col. Jacob Bonon
and Mr. Charles Stillinghast.

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It is voted and ordered that Richard Waterman Clerk shall Grant Administration unto Ann Taylor upon the movable estate of her husband Thomas Taylor deceased and State Bonds in Behalf of the Council.

The Bonds men that Present themselves to the Council are ^{Benjamin} George Brown and Mr. ^{James} Sheldon son of Mr. Timothy Sheldon Junr deceased. being upwards of four years of age. appeared before this Council and Declared that he had chosen his Brother Benjamin Sheldon to be his Guardian to take care both of his Person and Estate. and the said Benjamin Sheldon being Present. accepted of the Trust Deposited in him on that affair.

Whereupon it is Voted and Accepted by the Council It is Voted and ordered that Richard Waterman Clerk shall in behalf of the Council sign the Deed that was given by Edward Sheldon and John Brewin to Nathaniel Waterman of the Land that formerly belonged to Ebenezer Sprague deceased.

It is Voted and ordered that Richard Waterman Clerk Grant a summons to Eliza Tillinghast Constant to summons Jeremiah Tilling in order to Give an account of their residing in this town.

It is Voted and ordered that Jonathan D. and all others shall Grant a warrant to remove John Lovel and Sarah Palmer out of this town and also to warn Alexander Lovel and his family to depart out of this town forthwith.

It is Voted and ordered that George Brown Esq. Grant a warrant to warn Mary Frazers widow out of this town and also to carry Galeb Indian and family and John Deade Richard Fuller to be warned out. And John Lion Livers or John Browns farm to be carried out with his family to be carried out.

It is Voted and ordered that the Town Clerk Grant forth a warrant to the Towns Gent to warn in the freedom of this town to come to gather on Saturday the nineteenth day of this instant February.

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at the County house in in order to receive a list of those persons whose names are to be presented by the Town Council to be put into a box in order to be drawn for Jurors according to an act of Assembly made in November: 1742. and ordered that Mr. Daniel Smith and George Brown Esq. proper boxes for to put the names of persons in that and to be taken for Jurors accepted to serve as Jurors.

The Council is adjourned to Saturday the nineteenth of this instant February at the house of Capt. John Hopkins: at nine o'clock in the forenoon of the day February 19 - 1742. It being Saturday the Council is againe in being according to Adjournment.

The Council is adjourned to the first of March Secondary in April next to the house of Joseph Angell.

At a Town Council held at Providence on the Eleventh day of April anno dom. 1743: It being Monday and the second Monday in said month; the Council is againe in being.

There being an addition of a further Proceeding in up further Inquiry into the movable estate of Capt Benjamin Breckinridge deceased there appears to be the sum of 2288 - 18 - or not yet given bond for the which sum the Clerk is ordered to take bond for of the executor for further Administration.

It is Voted and ordered that Richard Waterman Clerk shall in behalf of the Council Grant Administration unto the movable estate of her husband Joseph Pease deceased and take bond in behalf of the Council the Bonds men Propos are Hope Gorge and Esq. Richard Waterman.

It is Voted and ordered that Richard Waterman Clerk shall Grant Administration unto Freolove King upon the movable estate of her husband Amos King deceased.

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And Take Bond in behalf of the Council the Bonds men Propos are John King of Situate and Solomon King of Gloucester;

It is Voted and ordered that Richard Waterman Clerk shall Grant Administration unto Christopher Arnold upon the Movable Estate of his Mother in Law Mrs Sarah Sillingham deceased and take Bond in behalf of y^e Council Bonds men 12e Popes are Solomon Brown and Edward Kinnicut

It is Voted and ordered that Mr John Lion and Col Mathews be both of them kept under warning at their own charge until said Council shall see Cause to Conclude upon other terms - the Council is Adjourned to y^e 3^d Monday in May next to y^e house of Mr Obadiah Browne

At a Town Council held at Providence on the 30th day of Aprill anno Domini; 1743 - It being Called by Warrant

It is Voted and ordered that Richard Waterman Clerk shall Grant Administration unto Philip Sillingham upon the Movable Estate of his father Mr Charles Sillingham deceased and take Bond in behalf of the Council the Bonds men are to be George Brown Esq and Mr Joseph Sheldon

It is Voted and ordered that Richard Waterman as Justice shall Grant a warrant to summons Edward Sprague and his Wife to a peace before the Council at their next sitting to answer for their Contempt in coming into this Town after their being sent away this Council is dissolved

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may the 16th - anno dom: 1743 It being Monday and the third Monday and the third Monday in said month the Council is againe in Being

Where as Mr John Whipple late of Providence deceased Dyes into Estate and left sum small Movable Estate: And by reason that No Person neither his Exors nor Executors Will Administer upon said Estate: though notified thereto. Where upon Mr Daniel Smith one of the members of the Council; Is Chosen and hereby Impowered to take into his Possession Care and Custody all and singular the Movable Estate Goods Chattels and Credits that belonged to the said John Whipple at the time of his death: and on the same day to Administer: and render a true and just account of his said Administration unto the said Town Council or to their Successors in said office whom legally called thereto unto

the Inventory of s^d Estate Amounting to the sum of - 55^l - 13^s - 08^d the Inventory was delivered to y^e s^d Daniel Smith

It is Voted and ordered that John Tuncle and his Wife William Remington and his family be warned to depart the Town at their own charge And that John Burston Junr off the Justices of s^d Town for the same Purpose

And that George Brown Esq Justice of Peace Grant forth a Warrant to Remove one Sarah Palmer out of this Town forth with: And one Eadey and family: at their own charge

The Council is dissolved

At a Town Council held at Providence on y^e 6th day of June: 1743: It is Voted and ordered that Richard Waterman Town sargent with the Clerk of the Council shall In behalf of the Council Grant a license to Lieut William Smith to keep a Publick Ale House until y^e 18th of September next he paying Charge of y^e writings: the license money being already paid

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It is also Voted and Ordered that Richard Waterman Town
Sergeant shall Grant a License with the Clerk: In behalfe of
the Council unto William Peirce for the Keeping an ale
house and Publick house of Entertainment untill the 18th
of September next he Paying the Charge of ye writing
the License money being already Paid.

It is also ordered that Capt George Brownes summons
Benjamin Bellisnap to appear At the Town Council
all there next sitting.

The Council is Adjourned to the 3^d Monday of this Instant
June to the house of Leut William Smith.

June 20: 1743 It being Monday and the 3^d Monday
in said month the Council is againe in being according
to adjournment.

It is Granted to Capt Joseph Borden that he may Keep
a Publick house of Entertainment and Ale house
untill the 18th of September next. Provided he
Procure a License and Give Bond for Keeping Good order
and Pay the Charge of ye writings. The License
money being already Paid. And w^{ch} have left the bond
of Granting License and Bonds with Richard Waterman Town
Sergeant.

It is Voted and ordered that George Brown Esq^r Grant
a Warrant to Remove Gorham Holden and his family
out of this Town: Except Mr Benjamin Beaknap
appears with in the space of three days and Give
Bond in the sum of one thousand Pounds to keep
the Town Examinied from a charge that may
accrow by reason of there being Inhabitants here.

183.

This Day the Town Council made up accounts with
Mr Daniel Sheldon for the Keeping the Negro Bristol
from the sixth day of June in the years 1742 --
untill the sixth day of June 1743. And the said
Daniel Sheldon hath an order to the Treasurer
for the full sum to defray the Charge.
And the Council hath further agreed with the said
Negro Bristol. Daniel Sheldon to Keep the said
Negro Bristol after the same date that he hath
can untill further order.

It is Voted and ordered that George Brown Esq^r shall Grant
forth a warrant for the removal or Warrants to remove
John Peade a negroman and the negroman that lives upon
John Browns Land out of this Town with his family
except Capt Stephen Dexter and John
Brown appears with in eight days to Keep the Town
Indemnified each of them according to there Comons
with the said negros.

It is Voted and ordered that Richard Waterman Clerk
shall Grant Administration unto Charles Field upon
the moveable estate of Nathan Field supposed to
be deceased and take the same in behalfe of ye Council.
The Council is Adjourned to ye first Monday in
August next ensuing
To the house of Mr William Peirce

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