

Separate Report of Viewers.

To the Board of Commissioners of Belmont County, Ohio:

The undersigned, Viewers of the _____ petitioned for by _____ and others, make the following separate report of the compensation and damages assessed and awarded by them to persons entitled thereto. The parties named below have filed their written applications for the said allowances, according to law, and the same are hereto appended and returned with this report.

Compensation for land taken for said road has been awarded in the following sums:

To _____ dollars;

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To _____ dollars;

To _____ dollars;

To _____ dollars;

Each of the above sums has been assessed without deduction for benefits to any property of the owner, which would accrue by the opening of said road."

The following sums are allowed as damages to be paid to claimants whose premises will be rendered less valuable by the opening and construction of said road through the same:

To _____ dollars;

To _____ dollars;

To _____ dollars;

To _____ dollars;

To _____ dollars;

 _____ } Viewers and Jurors to award Damages.

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St. Clairsville, O., March 3d 1879

The Commissioners met in regular session, and the report of the Surveyor and Viewers appointed to survey and view the road, as described in the above petition, was read the first time.

ATTEST:
 M. J. Coffland, Dyk. }
 County Auditor.

Henry Truesky
 A. W. Anderson
 J. J. Potts } Commissioners.

St. Clairsville, O., March 4 1879

The Commissioners met in regular session, and the report of the Surveyor and Viewers appointed to survey and view the road, as described in the above petition, was read the second time.

ATTEST:
 W. H. Coffland, }
 Auditor

Henry Truesky
 A. W. Anderson
 J. J. Potts } Commissioners.

St. Clairsville, O., March 5th 1879

The Commissioners met in regular session, and the report of the viewers in relation to the establishment of said road, having been this day publicly read, (being the third reading of the same) and no objections being made, nor damages claimed, nor petition for review filed, and the Board being of opinion that said road, as laid out and surveyed, will be of public utility, it is ordered that the reports of said viewers with the survey and plat of said road be recorded and that said road be established a public highway thirty feet

in width. It is further ordered, that the County Auditor issue an order in the name of the Board directing the trustees of Kirkwood Township to cause said road to be opened according to law.

Attest
M. P. Coffland }

Henry Frasher } Commissioners
H. M. Bruesse } of
J. J. Potts } Belmont County

ROAD PETITION.

For a County Road in _____

To the Board of Commissioners of Belmont County, Ohio:

The undersigned petitioners, resident freeholders of said county, respectfully represent that the public convenience requires the establishment of a County road on the line hereinafter described; and pray that your body will institute and order the proper proceedings in the premises to locate and establish such road, to-wit: Beginning at or near a Sycamore tree on the County road on the lands of James Dixon in Pullney Township. thence through the lands of James Dixon, thence through the lands of Samuel Alexander, thence through the lands of Joseph Hutchinson, thence through the lands of William Greenlee, thence through the lands of Mary Alman, thence through the lands of William Thomas and Rees Thomas to intersect the County Road on the lands of Hugh Merrill at a stake near a White Oak tree also including the lands of Charles Hall.

Dated this 24th day of January A. D. 1879

PETITIONERS' NAMES.	PETITIONERS' NAMES.	PETITIONERS' NAMES.	PETITIONERS' NAMES.
Thos Ault	Thos Johnson	Robt Brown	John Dubois
Robert Clark	Peter Neff	A. Richardson	Fred Echarle
John Stewart	Alex Ault	J O Cammins	Wm J Ayers
Wm H Arroy	R. H. Nelson	P J King	Levi Cassell
James Johnson	Robt M Fulton	R M Dent	John McConick et al

Know all Men by these Presents,

That we, _____ and _____ are held and firmly bound unto the State of Ohio, for the use of Belmont County, in the penal sum of _____ Dollars, for the true and faithful payment of which, well and truly to be made, we bind ourselves, jointly and severally, our heirs, executors and administrators, by these presents.

Sealed with our seals and dated at St Clairsville this _____ day of March 1879

The Conditions of the above Obligations are Such, That, whereas application has been made to the Board of Commissioners of said Belmont County for the establishment of a County road on the following line, to-wit: Beginning at or near a Sycamore tree on the County road on the lands of James Dixon in Pullney Township. thence through the lands of James Dixon thence through the lands of Samuel Alexander, then a through the lands of Joseph Hutchinson, thence through the lands of William Greenlee, thence through through the lands of Mary Alman, thence through the lands of William Thomas and Rees Thomas to intersect the County road on the lands of Hugh Merrill at a stake near a White Oak tree also including the lands of Charles Hall,

Now if the said applicants shall pay into the Treasury of the said county the amount of all costs and expenses accruing thereon, in case the prayer of said petitioners shall not be granted, or when the proceedings had in pursuance thereof shall not be finally confirmed and established, then this obligation to be void; otherwise to be in full force in law.

ATTEST.

W. H. Buffland }

Thos Ault (SEAL)
Robert Clark (SEAL)

(SEAL)

St Clairsville, O.,

March 5th 1879

The Commissioners met in regular session at Auditor's Office, and appointed

Thomas Lodge and Wm Caldwell

Viewers, and

Chalkley Dawson

Surveyor, of said, proposed road,

Nathaniel Taylor

ATTEST:

H. N. Coffland,

County Auditor

James Hutchison et al, by their attorney

excepts to the appointment of viewers

on said Petition.

"Motion on file"

Henry Seashier

A. J. Potts

A. M. Anderson

Commissioners.

Surveyor's Report.

To the Board of Commissioners of Belmont County, Ohio:

The undersigned, in obedience to your order, dated March 5th 1879, proceeded, on the 22nd day of February to survey and mark the County Road described in said order, under the direction of the Viewers therein named, and respectfully submits the following return of said survey:

Beginning for the said at a large sycamore tree on the County Road on the lands of James Dixon in Puttney Township, in sec. 13, Sp. 6, Range 3, and running thence by the following courses and distances

Sta	Bearings	Dist	Remarks
1.	N 29 1/2 E	46.60	Crossing little Mc Mahons creek at the commencement and the St Clairsville N. & C. R. at 400 Rods from Sta. 1.
2.	N 74 1/2 E	29.32	Crossing line between Samuel Alexander and James Dixon which is the Sec. line between Secs. 7 & 13, at a point 1.32 rods from Sta 3.
3.	S 88 1/2 E	41.60	To a point on west side of S Alexander's Private Road.
4.	N 73 3/4 E	4.28	To a point from which the S.W. corner of S Alexander's stable bears N 62 E. 28 links distant.
5.	N 15 E	9.28	
6.	S 88 1/2 E	10.28	At 3.28 rods crossing a small run.
7.	S 73 1/2 E	12.60	
8.	S 44 1/2 E	8.80	
9.	S 57 E	19.72	From this station a sugar 10 in in diameter bears south 70 E. 13 links
10.	S 9 E	17.52	
11.	S 3 E	19.76	at 15.76 rods crossed spring drain.
12.	S 11 1/2 N	20.08	
13.	S 1 1/2 N	13.56	
14.	S 21 3/4 E	10.28	To line between S Alexander & J Hutchison Township line
15.	S 18 1/2 E	19.00	From this station a sugar 30 in in diameter bears east 20 links
16.	S 26 1/2 E	12.40	
17.	S 75 E	15.20	Top of Ridge
18.	S 62 E	18.20	At the end of Hutchison's Private road.
19.	S 74 E	14.24	
20.	S 49 1/2 E	8.28	
21.	S 57 E	13.84	From this station a large willow bears N 75 E. 22 links
22.	S 60 E	21.64	At 8.64 rods crossing spring run.
23.	N 85 E	7.72	To line between J Hutchison and W. Isom's
24.	N 65 1/2 E	11.00	At 4.00 rods crosses road line in the Co Road.
25.	N 61 1/2 E	9.52	With the Co Road.
26.	N 74 1/2 E	16.00	With the Co Road.
27.	N 65 1/2 E	8.48	To a point north of W Isom's house in County Road.
28.	N 20 1/2 E	47.00	With the Co Road.
29.	N 29 1/2 E	27.36	At 2.36 Rods crosses line between Mary Alliman and W. Isom's.
30.	N 57 E	14.60	also at this point bears the Co Road an Elm bears N 72 W 3.00
31.	N 46 1/4 E	14.56	At 60 Rods crosses spring run
32.	N 79 E	5.92	Along a bluff
33.	N 88 1/4 E	7.20	Along a bluff about 1 Rod from creek.
34.	N 87 E	14.44	To line between Alliman and W Thomas sec line between sec. 1 & 7 Township 6 Range 3.
35.	N 78 3/4 E	8.40	
36.	S 69 E	11.24	
37.	S 83 3/4 E	37.60	At 1.60 Rods crosses a small creek.
38.	S 18 1/2 E	54.18	At 42.00 Rods crosses line between Wm Thomas at Ho Merriette
39.	S 39 1/2 E	12.00	Sp line between sec. 1 Sp 6, R. 3 & sec 6 Sp 5, R 3.

At 2.00 Rods crossing line between Merriette and Hall running about 1 Rod across corner of Halls land thence the balance of the distance on the lands of H. Merriette to a stake in the County Road at station No 41 from which a red oak 2 feet in diameter bears N 27 1/2 Rods. Total length of Road two miles 56.6 Rods. Line of old road used 91 Rods. Total length of New Road One mile 280.6 Rods

I Certify that the above is a correct plot and return of the survey of the County Road named above Petitioned for by Thomas Ault et al. Chalkley Dawson Surveyor of said Road.

REPORT OF VIEWERS.

To the Board of Commissioners of Belmont County, Ohio:

In obedience to your order, issued at your March session, A. D. 1879, we the undersigned, Viewers appointed under said order, met with Chas. Dawson Surveyor, at Quincy on April 22nd and were severally sworn to discharge, faithfully and impartially the duties required of us in said order.

If any viewer is unable to attend, here state by whom the vacancy was filled.

James Gallett and John Devere were selected by us as chain carriers, and Jos. W. Campbell as a marker, who were also duly sworn.

We then proceeded to view said proposed Line of Road on the line described in your order, and caused the same to be surveyed, "as prayed for in the petition, or as near the same as in our opinion a good road can be made at a reasonable expense, taking into consideration the utility, convenience, and inconvenience and expense which will result to individuals as well as the public," by the Construction of said road as follows:

Beginning at a large sycamore tree, standing on the South side of Little Mc Mahons creek, and running thence in a N. Easterly direction through the lands of James Dixon crossing the creek and narrow passage R. R. nearly at right angles, and at the commencement of the line, thence in an easterly direction through the lands of Samuel Alexander, fronting his house thence in a South Easterly direction along a hill side of said Alexander's land, to the lands of Joseph Hutchison, thence through said land intersecting the County Road on the line between Hutchison and New Starule, thence with said County Road through Gourleys land striking the lands of Mary Allman, thence through said Mary Allmans land in a N Easterly direction, through the lands of New Thomas and Henry Merrett to a stake standing in the County Road, and called for in the Petition. For further Report see Surveyors Report

We would respectfully report that the said Line of Road ought to be Granted

for the following reasons: First, that the establishment of said line of Road, would be of general public utility. Second, that a Road on said line, can be easily and cheaply opened and at a very low grade in no place exceeding five degrees. Third, that if a Road was opened upon the proposed route, persons passing to and from the River would avoid all crossings and fording of Mc Mahons Creek, which from its nature, is for a considerable portion of the year, dangerous and difficult. Fourth, that by this route, all close approaches to the R. R. would be avoided. We would therefore recommend the Commissioners to pay out of the County Fund the within named compensation and damages, and have the road located upon the line as recommended, thereby avoiding the necessity of bridging Mc Mahons Creek, as they would in course of time. We recommend to make a soft and convenient route to the River. We have also determined that the public convenience requires that such Line of Road shall be established Thirty three feet in width.

All of which is respectfully submitted.
This 24th of April 1879

Nathaniel Taylor
Thomas Lodge
William Caldwell } Viewers.

FEES

<u>N Taylor</u> Viewer, <u>3</u> days, \$ <u>4.50</u>	<u>Jos Devere</u> Chainman, <u>2</u> days, \$ <u>2.00</u>
<u>Thos Lodge</u> " <u>3</u> " \$ <u>4.50</u>	<u>Gas Gallett</u> " <u>2</u> " \$ <u>2.00</u>
<u>Wm Caldwell</u> " <u>3</u> " \$ <u>4.50</u>	<u>J. W. Campbell</u> Marker, <u>2</u> " \$ <u>2.00</u>
<u>Chasley Dawson</u> Surveyor, <u>5</u> days, \$ <u>15.00</u>	

Separate Report of Viewers.

To the Board of Commissioners of Belmont County, Ohio:

The undersigned, Viewers of the Line of Road petitioned for by Thomas Ault and others, make the following separate report of the compensation and damages assessed and awarded by them to persons entitled thereto. The parties named below have filed their written applications for the said allowances, according to law, and the same are hereto appended and returned with this report.

Compensation for land taken for said road has been awarded in the following sums:

To	<u>James Dixon</u>	<u>Two hundred</u>	<u>(200.00)</u>	dollars;
To	<u>Samuel Alexander</u>	<u>One hundred sixty seven</u>	<u>(167.00)</u>	dollars;
To	<u>Jos Hutchison</u>	<u>One hundred one</u>	<u>(101.00)</u>	dollars;
To	<u>Mary Alliman</u>	<u>One hundred</u>	<u>(100.00)</u>	dollars;
To	<u>William Thomas</u>	<u>Two hundred sixty six</u>	<u>(266.00)</u>	dollars;
To	<u>Hugh Merritt</u>	<u>Ten</u>	<u>(10.00)</u>	dollars;

Each of the above sums has been assessed without deduction for benefits to any property of the owner, which would accrue by the opening of said road."

The following sums are allowed as damages to be paid to claimants whose premises will be rendered less valuable by the opening and construction of said road through the same:

To	<u>James Dixon</u>	<u>Three hundred</u>	<u>(300.00)</u>	dollars;
To	<u>Samuel Alexander</u>	<u>Four hundred eight</u>	<u>(408.00)</u>	dollars;
To	<u>Jos. Hutchison</u>	<u>Three hundred sixty three</u>	<u>(363.00)</u>	dollars;
To	<u>Mary Alliman</u>	<u>One hundred</u>	<u>(100.00)</u>	dollars;
To	<u>Wm Thomas</u>	<u>Two hundred twenty five</u>	<u>(225.00)</u>	dollars;
"	<u>Hugh Merritt</u>	<u>Twenty five</u>	<u>(25.00)</u>	dollars;

Nathaniel Taylor
Thomas Lodge
William Caldwell

} Viewers and Jurors to award Damages.

April 24th 1879

St. Clairsville, O., June 2d 1879

The Commissioners met in regular session, and the report of the Surveyor and Viewers appointed to survey and view the road, as described in the above petition, was read the first time.

ATTEST:

M. J. Coffland }
County Auditor.

A. W. Anderson
Henry Trask } Commissioners.
A. J. Potts

St. Clairsville, O., June 3d 1879

The Commissioners met in regular session, and the report of the Surveyor and Viewers appointed to survey and view the road, as described in the above petition, was read the second time.

ATTEST:

M. J. Coffland }
County Auditor.

A. J. Potts
Henry Trask } Commissioners.
A. W. Anderson

St. Clairsville, O., June 4th 1879

The Commissioners met in regular session, and the report of the Viewers in favor of the establishment of said road was this day publicly read being the third reading of the same and said viewers having filed a separate report in writing of the amount of compensation and damages which they have assessed to landowners by reason of the location of said road through their several premises. said report was also publicly read and now comes Samuel Alexander and others and filed a remonstrance against the establishment of said road also by R. E. Chambers Esq. Attorney filed motion to

Dismiss said application &c, which was ordered placed on file.
Compensation and Damages awarded by said viewers to the several claimants are as follows,

To James Dixon	\$200.	compensation	\$300.	Damages
" Sand Alexander	167.	"	" 408.	"
" Jrs Hutchison	111.	"	" 363.	"
" Mary Alman	" 100.	Pd.	" 100.	" Pd.
" Wm Thomas	" 266.	"	" 225.	" Paid Order. 1098.
" Hugh Merritt	" 10.	"	" 25.	" " " 1131

And the report of the viewers being favorable to the establishment of said road and the Board being of opinion that the compensation and Damages so awarded as above is reasonable and just, and that said road is capable of division, it is ordered that so much of said road as lies east of Station 25. be established a public highway and that such part of said road will be of public utility and of sufficient importance to the public, to justify the payment of the compensation and Damages on said portion of said road out of the County Treasury, and no petition for division being filed, it is ordered, that the County Auditor draw his order upon the County Treasurer in favor of the following claimants to wit.

To Mary Alman	\$100.	compensation	\$100.	Damages
Pd. Order. 1098	" Wm Thomas	" 266.	"	" 225.
" Hugh Merritt	" 10.	"	"	" 25.

Amount of compensation and Damages so awarded that the several reports of the viewers with the survey and plat of so much of said road as above specified be recorded, and that said road be established a public highway 33 feet in width. It is further ordered that the County Auditor issue in the name of the Board an order to the Trustees of Putney Township directing them to cause said road to be opened according to law.

Attest M. J. Coffland Dep Auditor	A. M. Anderson J. J. Potts Henry Trasher	} Commissioners of Belmont County
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Wm Thomas Et. Al. by their Attorney R. E. Chambers Esq. gives notice of appeal from the location of said road and the assessment of Compensation and Damages, also excepts to the overruling of motions.

ROAD PETITION.

For a Alteration Road in Washington Sp

To the Board of Commissioners of Belmont County, Ohio:

The undersigned petitioners, resident freeholders of said county, respectfully represent that the public convenience requires the Alteration of a County road on the line hereinafter described; and pray that your body will institute and order the proper proceedings in the premises to Alter

such road, to-wit: Beginning at ~~the~~ the Corner The same being a portion of the County Road leading along Captina Creek, so that beginning near the Corner of a field at the first ford south of the residence of William Armstrong, said road may be made to pass around on the north and east side of said Creek as near the same as may be most practicable, running through the lands of William Armstrong, William Kettlewell, Michael Hendershot and Isaac Ramsey and striking said County Road at or near the east end of the ford next below the residence of Michael Hendershot, in said township.

Dated this _____ A. D. 18____

PETITIONERS' NAMES.	PETITIONERS' NAMES.	PETITIONERS' NAMES.	PETITIONERS' NAMES.
Wm Armstrong	Joseph M Phillips	E B Armstrong	Geo Schaffer
John Sidibottom	Anthony Coon	Wm M Armstrong	Wm Nicks
Robt J Alexander	Morgan Stidd	Isaac Ramsey	G Armstrong
D A Talbot	J A Welsh	David Huff	Geo McKeen
Jno E Timberlake	Geo Perkins	H B Graham	Isaac Shepherd et al

Know all Men by these Presents,

That we, Wm M Armstrong, J A Welsh and Alonzo A Armstrong are held and firmly bound unto the State of Ohio, for the use of Belmont County, in the penal sum of One hundred Dollars, for the true and faithful payment of which, well and truly to be made, we bind ourselves, jointly and severally, our heirs, executors and administrators, by these presents.

Sealed with our seals and dated at St Clairsville O this 4th day of March 1879

The Conditions of the above Obligations are Such, That, whereas application has been made to the Board of Commissioners of said Belmont County for the Alteration of a County road on the following line, to-wit:

The same being a portion of the County road leading along Captina Creek, so that beginning near the Corner of a field at the first ford south of the residence of William Armstrong, said road may be made to pass around on the north and east side of said Creek as near the same as may be most practicable, running through the lands of William Armstrong, William Kettlewell, Michael Hendershot and Isaac Ramsey and striking said ^{County} Road at or near the east end of the ford next below the residence of Michael Hendershot in said township.

Now if the said applicants shall pay into the Treasury of the said county the amount of all costs and expenses accruing thereon, in case the prayer of said petitioners shall not be granted, or when the proceedings had in pursuance thereof shall not be finally confirmed and established, then this obligation to be void; otherwise to be in full force in law.

ATTEST.

MS Coffland

Wm M Armstrong
J A Welsh
Alonzo A Armstrong

