

ROAD PETITION.

For a _____ 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 _____ of a _____ road on the line hereinafter described; and pray that your body will institute and order the proper proceedings in the premises to _____ such road, to-wit: Beginning at _____

Your Petitioner respectfully represents that by reason of the removal of monuments or caused the true course of the County Road leading from Robt Lindseys Mill dam terminating and intersecting the County Road leading from Centerville to Leipsville has become uncertain and is in dispute. Therefor your Petitioner prays your Hon Body to take such steps to find and mark the true line of said road as you may be authorized by law to take.

M. Glover

Dated this _____ A. D. 18_____

PETITIONERS' NAMES.	PETITIONERS' NAMES.	PETITIONERS' NAMES.	PETITIONERS' NAMES.

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 _____ this _____ day of _____ 18_____

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 _____ of a _____ road on the following line, to-wit:

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.

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St Clairsville, O., December 6th 1880

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

J. A. Walsh

Geo. Spadebottom and Samuel Stonebraker

Viewers, and

Chalkley Dawson

Surveyors of said proposed road.

Do meet at William J. Stover's residence on Tuesday, July 1, 1881, at 10.0 o'clock A.M.

ATTEST:

County Auditor.

Commissioners.

J. P. Potts
O. Mearns

Surveyor's Report.

To the Board of Commissioners of Belmont County, Ohio:

The undersigned, in obedience to your order, dated _____ 18____, proceeded, on the _____ day of _____ to survey and mark the _____ described in said order, under the direction of the Viewers therein named, and respectfully submits the following return of said survey:

I Certify that the above is a correct plat and return of the survey of the _____ named above _____

Surveyor of said _____

REPORT OF VIEWERS.

To the Board of Commissioners of Belmont County, Ohio:

In obedience to your order, issued at your Dec session, A. D. 1880, we the undersigned, N Viewers appointed under said order, met with Chalkley Dawson Surveyor, at Wm Slowers on Feb 1 1881 and were severally sworn to discharge, faithfully and impartially the duties required of us in said order.

_____ and _____ were selected by us as chain carriers, and _____ as a marker, who were also duly sworn.

We then proceeded to view said proposed _____ 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 _____ of said road as follows:—

Discharge the duties of our appointment according to your orders. We found upon investigation that the true course of the road named in your order or that the original survey and location of the same is not in dispute. But we find from William Slowers own statements made to us, that his object in appealing to the Commissioners was to get a certain portion of said road (about 17 rods) located according to the original petition for the establishment of the same. He claims the road was not located according to said petition but that it was located on lands not called for in the petition. Having no orders from you to change the road from the original location, we found no further action on our part necessary. In this investigation we went upon that part of the road that the contention was about and took the sworn testimony of Wm Slower, Saml. Wilkinson, Alex Porterfield & Hesehiah Saffell. As to the original location of the road there was not any material difference in their testimony.

We would respectfully report that the said _____ ought _____ to be _____ for the following reasons:

We have also determined that the public convenience requires that such _____ shall be established _____ feet in width.

All of which is respectfully submitted. }
Feb 1 1881

N Welsh
John Sidebottom
Samuel Slowerbraker } Viewers.

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<u>N Welsh</u>	Viewer,	1	days,	\$ 1.50	Chainman,	_____	days,	\$ _____
<u>John Sidebottom</u>	"	1	"	\$ 1.50	"	"	"	\$ _____
<u>Saml. Slowerbraker</u>	"	1	"	\$ 1.50	Marker,	"	"	\$ _____
<u>Chalkley Dawson</u>	Surveyor,	3	days,	\$ 15.00				

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;
To _____	dollars;
To _____	dollars;
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.

18_____

St. Clairsville, O., _____ 18_____

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:

_____ } County Auditor.	_____ } Commissioners.
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St. Clairsville, O., _____ 18_____

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:

_____ } _____ }	_____ } Commissioners.
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St. Clairsville, O., Mar 7th 1881

The Commissioners met in regular session, and the viewers having reported that they found the road as now used upon the original survey. It is therefore ordered that no further proceedings be had.

Attest
M. Hoffland
Dist. Auditor

J. J. Potts
O. McKim
Morris Cope } Commissioners
of Belmont County

ROAD PETITION.

For an Alteration of a County Road in Goshen Tp

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 a point in the County road leading from Somerton to St Clairsville and in Sec 9 Township 7 Range 5 in Goshen Township Belmont County Ohio at the old road near where it crosses Bendfork Creek on the land of Martha Fletcher, thence westwardly through said Martha Fletchers land to the land of John H Price deceased, said land being in Section 15 Township and County aforesaid, thence in a south west direction through said Price land to the mouth of the lane leading to said Prices house so as to intersect the old road as aforesaid

Dated this 13th of January A. D. 1881

Table with 4 columns: PETITIONERS' NAMES. Contains handwritten names of petitioners such as Jesse Finch, M M Bigley, John Vanfossen, J W Lamb, etc.

Know all Men by these Presents,

That we, Nathan Gregg, M L Carlton and Spencer Gregg 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.

Scaled with our seals and dated at Goshen Township this 25th day of February 1881

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: Beginning at a point in the County road leading from St Clairsville to Somerton and in Section 9 Township 7 Range 5 in Goshen Township Belmont County Ohio at the old road near where it crosses Bendfork on the land of Martha Fletcher, thence westwardly through said Martha Fletchers land to the land of John H Price deceased said land being in Section 15 Township and County aforesaid, thence in a south west direction through said Price land to the mouth of the lane leading to said Prices house so as to intersect the old road as aforesaid

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. A S Gowdy Madison Pryor

Nathan Gregg M L Carlton Spencer Gregg (with seals)

REPORT OF VIEWERS.

To the Board of Commissioners of Belmont County, Ohio:

In obedience to your order, issued at your March session, A. D. 1881, we the undersigned, Viewers appointed under said order, met with James Crosgrove Surveyor, at Stencer Greggs on 13th of April 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.

Ralph Phillips and Stencer Greggs were selected by us as chain carriers, and Madison Proyer as a marker, who were also duly sworn.

We then proceeded to view said proposed 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 Establishment of said road as follows:

(For description see Surveyors report)

We would respectfully report that the said road ought to be established for the following reasons:

That the old road is impossible a great part of the time on account of a run washing the road away in different places. That it will place the line of road on much better ground and in our opinion the public convenience requires that said alteration be made.

We have also determined that the public convenience requires that such road shall be established thirty feet in width.

All of which is respectfully submitted. }
April 13th 1881 }

Matthew Porterfield
Thos C Heskett
James Kinney } Viewers.

FEEES							
<u>Matthew Porterfield</u>	Viewer,	1	days, \$1.50	<u>Ralph Phillips</u>	Chainman,	1	days, \$1.00
<u>Thomas C Heskett</u>	"	2	" \$3.00	<u>Stencer Greggs</u>	"	1	" \$1.00
<u>James Kinney</u>	"	1	" \$1.50	<u>Madison Proyer</u>	Marker,	1	" \$1.00
<u>James Crosgrove</u>	Surveyor,	2	days, \$10.00				