



# Report of Viewers.

To the Board of Commissioners of Belmont County, Ohio:

In obedience to your order, issued at your November session, A. D. 1891, we the undersigned, Viewers appointed under said order, met with W S Jones Surveyor, at mouth of Little Bushy Creek on Lands of J. B. Aiken and were severally sworn to discharge, faithfully and impartially, the duties required of us in said order.

If any Viewer is unable to attend hereafter by whom the vacancy was filled.

J A Phillips and Clint Davis were selected by us as chain carriers, and G W Davis as a marker, who were also duly sworn.

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

The Road is laid out on the west side of the present road bed

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

The present road is nearly impassable

We have also determined that the public convenience requires that such Road shall be established 30 feet in width.

All of which is respectfully submitted,  
Nov 26 1891

W R King  
J F Shry  
John Phillips } Viewers.

**FEES.**

<u>W R King</u> Viewer, _____ days, \$ _____	<u>A J Phillips</u> Chainman, 1 days, \$ _____
<u>J F Shry</u> " _____ days, \$ _____	<u>Clint Davis</u> " 1 days, \$ _____
<u>John Phillips</u> " _____ days, \$ _____	<u>G W Davis</u> Marker, 1 days, \$ _____
<u>W S Jones</u> Surveyor, 1 days, \$ <u>5.00</u>	<u>Paid # 368</u>

# 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	<i>J B Aiken &amp; Others</i>	<i>Twenty (\$20)</i>	<i>Paid # 368</i>	Dollars;
To				Dollars;
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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	<i>J B Aiken</i>	<i>Five (\$5.00)</i>	<i>Paid # 368</i>	Dollars;
To				Dollars;
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To				Dollars;

*W R King*  
*J F Shry*  
*John Phillips* } Viewers and Jurors to award damages.

*Nov 26* 1890

St. Clairsville, O., 189

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. }  
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 \_\_\_\_\_ } Commissioners.

St. Clairsville, O., 189

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: \_\_\_\_\_ }  
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 \_\_\_\_\_ } Commissioners.

St. Clairsville, O., December 2 <sup>1901</sup> ~~189~~

The Commissioners met in regular session, and In the matter of a petition to the Trustees of Wayne Township, by G W Davis Etal, for the Alteration of a county road.

The report of the Viewers, in favor of the establishment of said road was this day presented to the Board of County Commissioners, and publicly read and said viewers having filed a separate report, in writing, of the amount of compensation and damages which they have assessed to Land owners, by reason of the location of said Alteration of road through their several premises. which report was also publicly read, and the Board being of the opinion that the compensation and damages awarded by said viewers to the several Claimants Court:

To J B Aikens and others Twenty (\$20) dollars. Compensation  
To J. B. Aikens, Five (\$5) dollars. Damages  
are reasonable and just; that said road alteration will be of public utility and of sufficient importance to the public to justify the payment of said compensation and damages out of the County Treasury; and no petition for review being filed, it is ordered that the County Auditor draw his order on the County Treasury in favor of said Claimants for the amount of compensation and damages so awarded to them, respectively, that the several reports of the viewers with the survey and plat of said alteration of road be recorded in Road Record, and that said road be established a public highway 30 feet in width.

Edw. M. ... } Commissioners  
J. M. ... }  
R. B. ... }



## ROAD PETITION.

For *Alteration of a County Road in Smith Township.*

To the Board of Commissioners of Belmont County, Ohio:

The undersigned petitioners resident free holders 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 under the proper proceedings in the premises to cause the establishment of such road, to-wit:

Beginning at or near a tree intersecting the County Road running in a northerly direction to Whitney and Warnock through the lands of Robt Irwin and Wall Irwin and thence in a westerly direction through the lands of the said Robert Irwin to where the old mill set was and thence along the fence to the heirs of Wm Fulton nearly opposite the residence of Thos Coen, and thence nearly in the same direction through the lands of the said heirs of Wm Fulton and along the fence to a small Ash near the lines of the heirs of Wm Fulton and the lines of M C & E B Cross, and thence through the lands of the said M C & E B Cross to or near a small Black Walnut, intersecting the County Road running north through the lands of M C & E B Cross and Albert McKelvey to Whitney and Warnock. The above road being in Smith Township.

Dated this 2<sup>nd</sup> day of May 1901.Dated this 2<sup>nd</sup> day of May A. D. ~~189~~<sup>1901</sup>

PETITIONERS' NAMES.	PETITIONERS' NAMES.	PETITIONERS' NAMES.	PETITIONERS' NAMES.
M C Cross	Isaac Aull	E M Ramage	E V Phillips
E B Cross	J W Kettlewell	J W Weekley	Jas M Fuller
G M Minamyer	J E Hutchison	Robert Irwin	
Abraham Justin	Albert McKelvey	A B Toothman	
M E Duwall	Martha J Phillips	Alice Toothman	
Thos Coen	J C Gay	J M Higgins	
Robt Coen	Orville Ramsey	J C Phillips	

**Know all Men by these Presents:**

That we, M C Cross, E B Cross and Robert Irwin 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 Whitney this 1<sup>st</sup> day of June 1901

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 or near a tree intersecting the County road running in a northerly direction to Whitney and Warrock through the lands of Robert Irwin and Wall Irwin and thence in a northerly direction through the lands of the said Robert Irwin to where the old Mill set was, and thence along the fence to the lands of the heirs of Wm Fulton nearly opposite the residence of Thos Coen and thence nearly in the same direction through the lands of said heirs of Wm Fulton and along the fence to a small ash near the lines of M C Cross & E B Cross, and thence through the lands of the said M C & E B Cross to or near a small Black Walnut intersecting the County road running north through the lands of M C & E B Cross and Albert M Kelvey to Warrock and Whitney

The above mentioned road being in Smith 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:

J C Phillips  
Thomas Coen

M C Cross SEAL.  
E B Cross SEAL.  
Robert Irwin SEAL.

St. Clairsville, O., 189

The Commissioners met in session at their office, and the Board being satisfied that the foregoing petition was signed by at least twelve freeholders of the County, residing in the vicinity of the of said county road, and that the proper notices had been given according to law, bond filed, approved and accepted, thereupon the Board appointed

three disinterested freeholders of the County, viewers, and surveyor of said proposed road, to meet

for the purpose of discharging their official duties relative to the object prayed for in the foregoing petition. And the Auditor is authorized to notify all non-resident land owners by publication, as required by law.

ATTEST:

County Auditor.

Wm Irwin  
J W Mansou  
J B Smith Commissioners.

# Report of Viewers.

To the Board of Commissioners of Belmont County, Ohio:

In obedience to your order, issued at your June session, A. D. ~~189~~<sup>1901</sup>, we the undersigned, Viewers appointed under said order, met with John A Bond Surveyor, at Paris on June 27 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.

M C Cross and E B Cross were selected by us as chain carriers, and Marion Cross as a marker, who were also duly sworn.

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

For description see Surveyors Report Page 38

In our opinion the alterations here contemplated render unnecessary the following described part of the original road, to wit:

All that part of original road lying between the junction of roads south of Beginning of the proposed Alteration to the junction of roads near bridge south of western end of said alteration (being the old road sought to be changed)

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

The original road is in the bed of the run the greater portion of the way and it is impossible a part of the time in winter and in its present location it never can be improved so as to make a good road. Public necessity demands the change of route. The proposed alteration takes the road out of the run and places it on good ground for road bed. The grades are easy or light and the distance not increased. The cost of construction will not necessarily be very expensive being mostly through cultivated lands the owners of which ask no compensation for land appropriated.

We have also determined that the public convenience requires that such Alteration shall be established 30 feet in width.

All of which is respectfully submitted,  
August 8 <sup>1901</sup>~~189~~

John Workman  
John Barrett  
Miles R Hart } Viewers.

		# 207 FEES		
<u>J Workman</u>	Viewer,	2 days, \$ 3.00	<u>M C Cross</u>	Chainman, days, \$ 1.00
<u>John Barrett</u>	"	3 days, \$ 4.50	<u>E B Cross</u>	" days, \$ 1.00
<u>Miles R Hart</u>	"	3 days, \$ 4.50	<u>Marion Cross</u>	Marker, days, \$ 1.00
			<u>Surveyor</u>	1 days, \$ 5.00
			<u>Plat's Description</u>	1.50
			} \$6.50	



# Separate Report of Viewers.

To the Board of Commissioners of Belmont County, Ohio:

The undersigned, Viewers of the Alteration of C. Road petitioned for by M & E Cross, & 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>Robert Irvine</u>	<u>Nothing</u>	Dollars;
To	<u>Heirs Wm Fulton Decd</u>	<u>Nothing</u>	Dollars;
To	<u>M &amp; E B Cross</u>	<u>Nothing</u>	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	<u>Robert Irvine</u>	<u>Fifty Seven</u>	<u>(#57<sup>00</sup>)</u>	<u>Paid Ord 206</u>	Dollars;
To	<u>Heirs Wm Fulton Decsd</u>	<u>Twenty Six</u>	<u>(#26<sup>00</sup>)</u>	<u>" " 207</u>	Dollars;
To	<u>M &amp; E B Cross</u>	<u>Fifty One</u>	<u>(#51<sup>00</sup>)</u>		Dollars;
To					Dollars;
To					Dollars;
To					Dollars;
To					Dollars;
To					Dollars;

John Workman  
Miles R Hall  
John Barrett } Viewers and Jurors to award damages.

Aug 8 1891

St. Clairsville, O., Sept 2<sup>nd</sup> 1891

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 Aldredge }  
County Auditor.

Geo M Rice  
J H McKuspon  
J B Smith } Commissioners.

St. Clairsville, O., Sept 3 1891

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 Aldredge }

Geo M Rice  
J H McKuspon  
J B Smith } Commissioners.

St. Clairsville, O., Sept. 4<sup>th</sup> 1901

The Commissioners met in regular session, and In the matter of the alteration of a County Road in Smith Township as petitioned for by M C Cross Et al:-

The report of the viewers in favor of the establishment of said road was this day publicly read for the third time, and said viewers having filed a separate report, in writing, of the amount of compensation and damages which they have assessed to land owners, by reason of the location of said road through their several premises, which report was also publicly read: Whereupon Board suspended further action in the matter until investigation could be made concerning damages allowed

Attest  
M Aldredge Auditor  
Geo M Wise  
J W Walkerson  
J B Smith } Commissioners,

St. Clairsville, O Nov 11-1901

Board met this day in weekly session. Present Geo M Wise, J B Smith and J W Walkerson, Commissioners and M Aldredge, Auditor & Clerk of Board

In the matter of the Alteration of a County Road as petitioned for by M C Cross Et al, Smith Tp, Board having withheld final action in the matter at their session of Sept 4<sup>th</sup> 1901 in order to further investigate the matter of claims for compensation and damages awarded by viewers, and M C & E B Cross having agreed to relinquish all claims, on their part, for compensation & damages by reason of the construction of said road through their premises, and the Board being of the opinion that the compensation & damages awarded by said viewers to the other claimants, to wit: To Robert Inver, Compensation nothing, damages \$37<sup>00</sup>, To Heirs of Wm Fulton Compensation nothing, damages \$26<sup>00</sup> are reasonable and just; that said road will be of public utility and of sufficient importance to the public to justify the payment of said compensation & damages out of the County Treasury; and no petition for review being filed, it is ordered that the County Auditor draw his order on the County Treasurer in favor of said claimants as soon as work begins on said road, for the amount of damages so awarded to them, respectively, that the several reports of the viewers with the survey and plat of said road be recorded in Road Record and that said be established a public highway 30 feet wide

Auditor is further instructed to notify the Trustees of Smith Township of this order.  
Attest  
M Aldredge Auditor  
Geo M Wise  
J B Smith } Commissioners,

## Surveyor's Report.

To the Board of Commissioners of Belmont County, Ohio:

The undersigned, in obedience to your order, dated June 5<sup>th</sup> 1901, proceeded on the 27<sup>th</sup> day of June to survey and mark the Alteration of County Road described in said order, under the direction of the Viewers therein named, and respectfully submits the following return of said survey:

The following is a description of an Alteration of a County Road near Marbletown in Twp. 6. R 4 Sec 10 petitioned for by M. C. Cross et al and Viewed by John Workman, Miles Hart, and John Barrett, on June 27-1901.

Beginning for the same at a Gas Pipe on the west side of a public road from which a white Oak 24" d bears N 20° 15' W 53' 4" and a White Oak 15" d bears N 29° W 53' 8". Thence N 17° W 386.92' to Sta No 2 Thence N 25° 28' W 276.75' to Sta No 3 Thence N 2° 15' E 159.42' to Sta No 4 near a small run, Thence N 48° 03' W 632.92' to Sta No 5 near Robt. Coens house, Thence N 37° 35' W 273.33' to Sta No 6, Thence N 75° 05' W 137.17' to Sta No 7, Thence N 44° 28' W 125' to Sta No 8, Thence N 60° 46' 158.83' to Sta No 9, Thence S 83° 29' W 141.83' to Sta No 10 Thence S 75° 57' W 128.17' to Sta No 11, Thence N 64° 18' W 172° 83' to Sta No 12, Thence N 85° 05' W 143° 67' to Sta No 13 line between Fulton and Cross, Thence S 86° 40' W 79.25' to Sta No 14, Thence N 81° 11' W 194.17' to Sta No 15, Thence N 62° 09' W 168.17' to Sta No 16 near a hollow Thence N 55° 54' W 400' to Sta No 17, Thence N 66° 14' W 418.25' to Sta No 18, Thence N 59° 57' W 518.83' to the end in center of road leading to Warnock marked by a gas pipe at Sta No 19

I Certify, That the above is a correct plat and return of the survey of the Alteration of Ce Road named above.

John A Bond Surveyor of said Alteration

Plat of ALTERATION OF COUNTY Road.  
SMITH TOWNSHIP

END  
Gas Pipe  
Ash 6" d S 22° 45' E 27'  
Ash 5" d N 47° 10' W 36.7'

No lineal poles through lands  
of M<sup>c</sup> G<sup>rd</sup> E B Cross = 102.99 = 16.99.32'

No lineal Poles through lands  
of W<sup>m</sup> Fulton 87.03 = 842.41'

No lineal poles through lands of  
Robert Irwin = 113.55 = 1873.68'

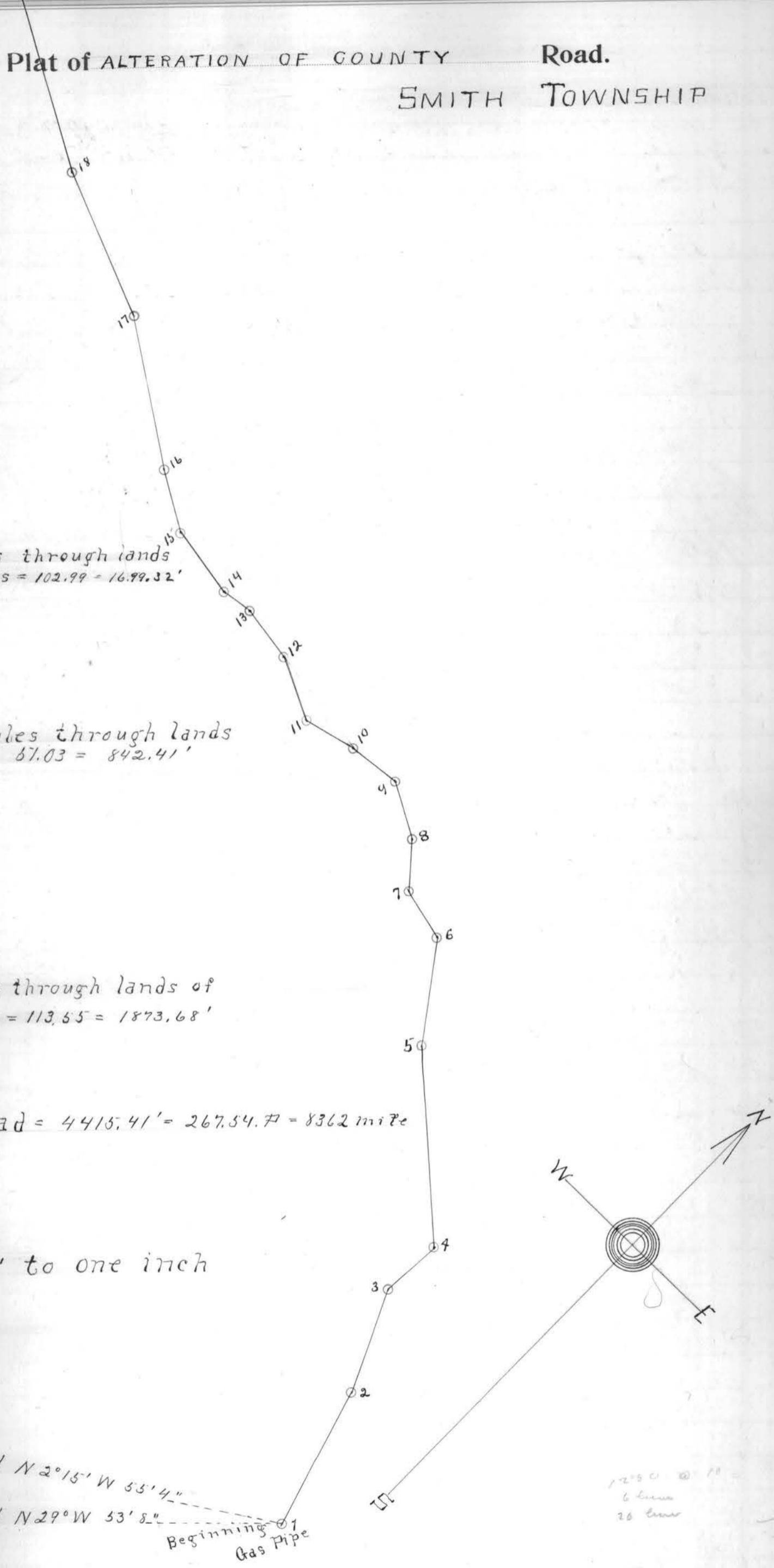
Length of Road = 4415.41' = 267.54.7 = 8362 mi<sup>re</sup>

Scale 270' to one inch

White Oak 24" d N 2° 15' W 55' 4"

White Oak 15" d N 29° W 53' 8"

Beginning Gas Pipe



12.50	10	1.25
6 lines		1.00
20 lines		1.00
		3.25