

in St. Clairsville, in said County, this 27th day of April 1908.

John S. Cochran,  
Judge and Ex-officio Clerk of said Probate Court  
(Seal) By Raymond A. Tallman, Deputy Clerk

It appearing from the certificate of said Court that no change in the compensation and damages has been made on account of any proceedings in said Court, therefore it is ordered that the proceedings of this board had on the 9th day of March, 1908, relative to the compensation and damages and the establishment of said road, be and the same are hereby affirmed.

ATTEST

A. W. Beatty,  
Auditor.

A. G. Holloway  
R. M. McMillen      Commissioners  
J. W. Martin

# ROAD PETITION.

For Vacation Road in Pultney Township

To the Board of Commissioners of Belmont County, Ohio:

Your petitioners, freeholders of said County, residing in that part of said County through which the County road passes leading from the Bellaire and Jacobsburg pike through the lands of William Z. Masters to a gate on the property line between William Z. Masters and Belle Kennedy, in Pultney Township, Belmont County, Ohio, (Being that part of the old Brooks Run Road left open when the Bellaire and Jacobsburg pike was established as an outlet to said pike from the Kennedy farm); respectfully represent that said road has become useless for the reason that a road upon a nearer and better route between the said points has been established.

Wherefore your petitioners pray that said old road may be vacated .

(See Commissioner's Journal Volume 10, page 80)

Dated this October 29th A. D. 19 07

PETITIONERS' NAMES	PETITIONERS' NAMES	PETITIONERS' NAMES	PETITIONERS' NAMES
	William Z. Masters Andrew Roure John R. Crozier Stephen Kennedy John Behills Mrs. W. H. Darrah	John Workman Harry B. McKain Marshall G. McCirkle Matthew Johnson Charles N. Creamer John C. Heslop and 1 other.	

**Know all Men by these Presents:**

That we, William Z. Masters , D. Danford and Cook Danford are held and firmly bound unto the State of Ohio, for the use of Belmont County, in the penal sum of One hundred twenty-five (\$125.00) 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 Bellaire, Ohio this 2d day of December 19    

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

Leading from the Bellaire and Jacobsburg pike through the lands of William Z. Masters to a gate on the property line between Wm. Z. Masters and Belle Kennedy in Pultney Township, Belmont County, Ohio, (being that part of the old Brooks Run road left open when the Bellaire and Jacobsburg pike was established, as an outlet to said pike from the Kennedy farm ).

Now if the said William Z. Masters shall pay into the Treasury of the said County the amount of all costs and expenses accruing on said application, 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 shall be void, otherwise it shall be in full force in law.

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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William Z. Masters SEAL.  
D. Danford SEAL.  
Cook Danford SEAL.

St. Clairsville, O., \_\_\_\_\_ 19    

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.

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

St. Clairsville, O., Dec. 2 1907

The Commissioners met in regular session, 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 vacation of said road, and the proper notices have been given according to law, bond filed, approved and thereupon it is ordered that final action in the above entitled matter be deferred until the next regular session of the Commissioners.

ATTEST: A. W. Beatty, Auditor. A. G. Holloway Robert McMillen J. W. Martin Commissioners.

St. Clairsville, O, March 9th, 1908.

The Commissioners met in regular session and said petition having been this day publicly read for the second time, and it appearing to the satisfaction of the Board that said road has become useless and no objection having been made, it is ordered that that part of the county road (known as the Brooks Run Road in Pultney Township) extending from the Bellaire and Jacobsburg pike through the lands of William Z. Masters to a gate on the property line between William Z. Masters and Belle Kennedy, in Pultney Township, Belmont County, Ohio, be and the same is hereby vacated.

ATTEST: A. W. Beatty, Auditor. A. G. Holloway Robert McMillen J. W. Martin Commissioners

# ROAD PETITION.

For Alteration Road in Richland Township

To the Board of Commissioners of Belmont County, Ohio:

We the undersigned petitioners, resident freeholders of said County, residing in the vicinity of the proposed improvement hereinafter described, respectfully represent that the public convenience requires the alteration of a part of the county road leading from McMahon's Creek near Stewartsville to the Bellaire and Jacobsburg Ridge Road, on the line as hereinafter described; and pray that your honorable body will institute and order the proper proceedings in the premises to alter such road, to-wit:-

Beginning for said alteration at a point in the present county road in the north-west quarter of Section 23, Township 5, Range 3 in Richland Township, on the land of William Nichol, said point being on the east side of McMahon's Creek, near the north line of said section and near a walnut and an elm tree; thence southward through the land of said William Nichol along the present county road about two hundred feet to a point south-west of the corner of a fence; thence southeastward about three hundred feet to a stake; thence continuing in a southeastward direction to a stake; thence in a westward and southwestard direction to near a breaker in the present county road; thence southward by a uniform grade to near a stake on the land of William Boyd; thence northeastward to the present county road on the land of Wm. Nichol; thence southeastward along said road to near a post at the south corner of John Hart's orchard; thence southward and southwestard through the lands of John Hart and land of William Boyd by the most practicable route to a point in a field near a gate in a stone fence; thence southeastward along or near a private roadway on the land of said William Boyd to the present ridge road; thence southwestard along said road to a point in front of the residence of William Boyd; thence by the most practicable route to or near a marked locust tree on the line between land of said William Boyd and land of R. M. K. Fulton; thence by the most practicable route through the land of said R. M. K. Fulton to a point north-west of a large rock; thence along the ridge to a private road; thence with said private road and in front of said Fulton's residence to a gate near a telephone pole; thence southward with a private road to the land of Isaac H. Keyser; thence southward through said Keyser's land and along said private road to a lane to said Keyser's residence; thence southwestward by a uniform grade, crossing the southwest corner of the school lot of District No. 17 in the aforesaid present county road on the land of Isaac H. Keyser near a hickory tree.

(See Commissioners Journal Volume 10, page 111)

Dated this 5th day of December A. D. 19 07

PETITIONERS' NAMES	PETITIONERS' NAMES	PETITIONERS' NAMES	PETITIONERS' NAMES
	Isaac H. Keyser Robert M. K. Fulton William Boyd John Hart George McFarland J. J. McFarland	Adam Wess John Albert Birt A. Perkins M. L. Bailey George M. Taylor Andrew J. Neff and 14 others.	

**Know all Men by these Presents:**

That we, Isaac H. Keyser and Robert M. K. Fulton  
are held and firmly bound unto the State of Ohio, for the use of Belmont County, in the penal sum of  
Two hundred and 00/100 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 Key, Ohio this 17th day of Dec., 1907 19

The Conditions of the above obligations are such, That whereas application has been made to the Board of Commis-  
sioners 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 McMahon's creek near Stewarts-  
ville to the Bellaire and Jacobsburg Ridge road, in the north-west quarter of Section 23,  
Township 5, Range 3 in Richland Township, Belmont County, Ohio on the land of William  
Nichol said point being on the east side of McMahon's Creek near the north boundary line  
of said Section and near a walnut and an elm tree; thence through the lands of William  
Nichol, William Boyd, John Hart, R. M. K. Fulton, Isaac H. Keyser and Richland Township  
Board of Education to a point in the present county road on the land of said Isaac H.  
Keyser near a hickory tree, said-road being more fully described in a petition bearing  
date December 5th, 1907.

Now if the said applicants shall pay into the Treasury of the said County the amount of all costs and ex-  
penses 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. J. McFarland  
Sadie Fulton

Isaac H. Keyser SEAL.  
Robert M. K. Fulton SEAL.  
SEAL.

St. Clairsville, O., Jan. 13, 1908 19

The Commissioners met in Special session at their office, and the Board being satisfied that the fore-  
going 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 Miles R. Hart, James Dixon and Lee Hays  
three disinterested freeholders of the County, viewers, and John A. Bond surveyor  
of said proposed road, to meet at Tower House, Stewartsville, O.. Feb. 18, '08, 10:00 A. M.  
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:

A. W. Beatty  
County Auditor.

A. G. Holloway  
Robert McMillen  
J. W. Martin } Commissioners.

# Report of Viewers.

To the Board of Commissioners of Belmont County, Ohio:

In obedience to your order, issued at your Jan. 24 session, A. D. 1908, we the undersigned, Viewers appointed under said order, met with John A. Bond Surveyor, at Stewartsville, O Feb. 28th, 1908 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.

Roy Wilson and Pearson Mehl were selected by us as chain carriers, and J. W. Mehl as a marker, who were also duly sworn.

We then proceeded to view said proposed alteration 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 Page 38)

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

That the original road to be of practical use being 17° 12' at steepest point and on Hart's Hill for a distance of 250 feet a grade of 10° 56', besides of other heavy grades on steep pinches. And that said alteration will place the road on average grade of 6.95° on a good road bed throughout, and will be an alteration of general public utility, making a road that is greatly needed for public travel. Said grades on alteration can be reduced by cross-sectioning and grading to a grade of 5° or less.

We have also determined that the public convenience requires that such alteration shall be established 30 to 50 feet in width.

All of which is respectfully submitted, }  
Feb. 26th 1908 }

<u>Miles R. Hart</u>	}	Viewers.
<u>James Dixon</u>		
<u>Lee Hays</u>		

**FEES.**

<u>Miles R. Hart</u> Viewer, 4 days, \$ 8.00		<u>Roy Wilson</u> Chainman, 4 days, \$ 8.00
<u>James Dixon</u> " 4 days, \$ 8.00		<u>Pearson Mehl</u> " 3 days, \$ 6.00
<u>Lee Hays</u> " 6 days, \$ 12.00		<u>J. W. Mehl</u> Marker, 3 days, \$ 6.00
<u>John A. Bond</u> Surveyor, _____ days, \$ _____		

# Separate Report of Viewers.

To the Board of Commissioners of Belmont County, Ohio:

The undersigned, Viewers of the alteration petitioned for by Isaac H. Keyser 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 William Nichol, Seventy-five and 00/100 Dollars;
- To Richland Township School Board, Ten and 00/100 Dollars;
- 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 William Nichol, Twenty-five and 00/100 Dollars;
- To R.M. K. Fulton, Fifty and 00/100 Dollars;
- To \_\_\_\_\_ Dollars;
- To \_\_\_\_\_ Dollars;
- To \_\_\_\_\_ Dollars;
- To \_\_\_\_\_ Dollars;
- To \_\_\_\_\_ Dollars;
- To \_\_\_\_\_ Dollars;

Miles R. Hart  
James Dixon  
Lee Hays

} Viewers and Jurors to award damages.

February 26th 19 08

St. Clairsville, O., March 2, 1908 19

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:

A. W. Beatty  
County Auditor.

A. G. Holloway  
Robert McMillen  
J. W. Martin

} Commissioners.

St. Clairsville, O., March 9, 1908 19

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:

A. W. Beatty  
County Auditor.

A. G. Holloway  
Robert McMillen  
J. W. Martin

} Commissioners.

St. Clairsville, O., March 10, 1908 19

The Commissioners met in regular session, and the Viewers having reported in favor of the alteration of said road, said report was this day publicly read for the third time, and the 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 alteration of said 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, to-wit:-

William Nichol	Compensation	\$75.00	Damages	\$25.00
Board of Education of Richland Township	"	10.00	"	50.00

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 and damages out of the County Treasury, and no petition for review having been filed, it is ordered that the County Auditor issue his warrant on the County Treasurer in favor of said claimants for the amount of compensation and damages awarded to them respectively; that the several reports of the Viewers together with the survey and plat of said established road be recorded and that said road be and the same is hereby established a public highway from 30 to 50 feet in width as shown on Surveyor's report, that the County Auditor issue the necessary order to the Trustees of Richland Township to open said road according to law.

ATTEST:

A. W. Beatty, Auditor.

Robert McMillen  
J. W. Martin  
Commissioners

# Surveyor's Report.

To the Board of Commissioners of Belmont County, Ohio:

The undersigned, in obedience to your order, dated Jan. 13 1908, proceeded on the 18 day of February to survey and mark the proposed alteration described in said order, under the direction of the Viewers therein named, and respectfully submits the following return of said survey:

Beginning at an iron pin driven in center of Stewartsville and Jacobsburg Road in N. W. quarter, Section 23, Township 5, Range 3 from which iron pin the N. W. corner of William Nichol's house bears S. 62° 30' E. 23' thence from station 1 S. 8° 19' E. along old road 204' to station No. 2 in center of said old road from which the S. W. Corner of William Nichol's house bears N. 21° E 44.80'; thence S. 42° 32' E. 156' leaving old road through lands of William Nichol to station No. 3; thence S. 44° 26' E. 176.90' on lands of said Nichols to station No. 4; thence S. 53° 23' E. 213.50' on lands of said Nichols to station No. 5; thence S. 9° 50' W. 58' on lands of William Nichol to station No. 6; thence N. 65° 50' W. 270' on lands of William Nichol to station No. 7; thence N. 74° 47' W. 99.60 ft. to station No. 8 in old road from which a locust 10" in D. bears N. 7° 30' W. 11.50'; thence N 42° .06' W. 53' along old road on lands of William Nichol to station No. 9 from which a Beech 12" in D. bears N. 49° W. 15.90'; thence S. 3° 14' E. 118.60' along old road on lands of William Nichol to station No. 10 from which a sugar tree 16" in D. bears S. 78° 30' E. 20.60'; thence leaving old road S. 9° 14' E. 228' on lands of William Nichol to station No. 11; thence S. 14° 51' E. 143.70' through timber on said Nichol's land to station No. 12; thence on Wm. Nichol and William Boyd's land S. 16° 38' E. 220' to station No. 13; thence S. 32° .08' E on lands of William Boyd 67.40' to station No. 14 in timber on lands of William Boyd and William Nichol to station No. 14; thence N. 65° 44' E. 50' on lands of William Boyd to station No. 15 in timber; thence N. 18° 34' W. 106.80' through timber on lands of William Nichol to station No. 16; thence N. 62° 43' E. 40' on lands of said Nichol to station No. 17 in old road; thence S. 27° 22' E. 181.10' along old road on lands of Wm. Nichol and John Hart; thence S 40° 28' E. 68' along old road on lands of John Hart; thence S. 77° 28' E. 748.70' along old road on lands of John Hart from which station 20 the S. W. corner of John Hart's house bears N. 54° W. 79'; thence S. 33° 30' E. 131.80' along old road into John Hart's field station No. 21; thence S. 19° 28' E. 195.00' on lands of John Hart and William Boyd to station 22; thence S. 40° 12' W. 78.30' on lands of William Boyd to station No. 23; thence S. 48° 37' W. 146.30' on said Boyd's land to station No. 24; S. 75° 15' W. 47' on said Boyd's land to station No. 25; thence N. 87° 40' W. 261.0' on lands of William Boyd to station No. 26; thence S. 0° 55' E. 50' on said Boyd's land to station No. 27; thence S. 78° 57' E. 143.20' to station No. 28 on lands of William Boyd; thence S. 52° 57' E. 169.60' on lands of William Boyd along a lane to station No. 29; thence N. 89° 29' E. 147.60' to station No. 30 on lands of William Boyd along a lane to station No. 30; thence N. 78° 54' E. 281' to station No. 31 on lands of William Boyd along a lane to station No. 31; thence S. 1° 46' E. 40 Ft. on lands of William Boyd to station No. 23 in old road; thence S. 59° 29' W. 340.80' along road on lands of William Boyd to station No. 33; thence S. 46° 36' W. 223' along old road on said Boyd's land to station No. 34 from which the N.E. corner of William Boyd's house bears S. 17° 50' W. 61'; thence N. 82° 33' W. 351.80' leaving old road on lands of William Boyd to station No. 36; thence S. 85° .02' W. 362.80' along ridge on lands of William Boyd to station No. 37; thence S. 44° .05' W. 227.90' along said ridge on lands of Boyd to station No. 38; thence S. 44° 16' W. 584.80' on lands of William Boyd and R. M. K. Fulton to station No. 39; thence S. 60° .04' W. 427.60' on lands of R. M. K. Fulton to station No. 40; thence S. 22° 19' W. 273.80' on lands of R. M. K. Fulton to station No. 41; thence S. 6° 36' E. 686' on lands of R. M. K. Fulton to station No. 42; thence S. 29° 04' W. 283.30' on lands of R. M. K. Fulton to station No. 43; thence S. 36° 36' W. 219.80' on lands of R. M. K. Fulton to station No. 44 from which the S. E. corner of Fulton's wagon-shed bears N. 39° 10' W. 14'; thence S. 69° 16' W. 288.70' on lands of R. M. K. Fulton to station No. 45 from which the S. W. corner of Fulton's wagon-shed bears S. 45° 20' E. 53'; thence S. 24° 42' W. 212.30' on lands of R. M. K. Fulton to station No. 46; thence S. 3° .05' E. 325.30' on lands of R. M. K. Fulton to station No. 47 line between R. M. K. Fulton and Issac H. Keyser; thence S. 15° 47' E 236' on lands of Isaac H. Keyser to station No. 48; thence S. 39° 47' E. 726.30' on lands of Isaac H. Keyser and Board of Education to station No. 49; thence S. 53° 59' E. 164.40' on lands of Isaac H. Keyser to station No. 50 from which a W. O. 30" in diameter bears N. 80° 10' E. 79.60'; thence S. 33° 29' E. 261.60' on lands of Isaac H. Keyser to station No. 51 in center of Stewartsville and Jacobsburg road an iron pin from which a hickory 14" in D. bears 14° W. 19' distant.

I Certify, That the above is a correct plat and return of the survey of the proposed alteration named above.....

John A. Bond

Surveyor of said.....

Plat of \_\_\_\_\_ County \_\_\_\_\_ Road.  
Isaac H. Keyser

Scale 500 FEET = ONE INCH.

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