

Lay Out of Roads 1889 from records of Town of Rochester

Town of Marion

Rochester February 19th 1883.

I the undersigned, John S Ryder, hereby certify that the following lay out of roads, as far, and including the 47th page of this Book, are true copies from the Records of the Town of Rochester as made by me, on the request of the Selectmen of the Town of Marion.

Attest John S. Ryder
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Lay out of Road from Mr. Canins new dwelling house to Joseph Clarks new dwelling house and near the dividing line between the 2nd & 3rd wood lots.
Rochester, July 22nd, 1729.

Then by the desire of some persons we whose names are underwritten viewed the way that was formerly laid out from Abr. Cains new dwelling house until it came to a crooked white oak tree standing a little Eastward of Joseph Clark's new dwelling house and near to the line that divides between the 2* and 3* wood lots, and, said way not being laid out so conveniently in some places as it might have been-therefore we have altered said way in some places where we thought it was needful to be altered.

Imprimis: We turned the way by Cornelius Clark's new dwelling house as followeth - Beginning at a white oak bush marked standing about two rods near about Southwest from a great rock near to said Clarks, and from said bush the way to lay across said Clarks improved land on a straight line until it comes to a red oak tree marked standing by the side of the way as it now goeth, said tree is also standing a little Westward of a Crossway made over a swamp-then from said tree the way to lay Eastwardly as the way now goeth until it comes to the aforesaid crooked tree and line that divides between the 2* and 3* wood lots as aforesaid. - One half of said way to lay on Joseph Clark's land, and the other half to lay on the land belonging to the heirs of Samuel Arnold deceased - Then from the crooked oak tree aforesaid the way to lay Southwardly between the 2* and 3* wood lots as aforesaid until it comes to the old country road at the South end of a field known by the name of Deerfield- and the way to lay the one half on the 2* wood lot and the other half of said way to lay on the 3* wood lot aforesaid./ from the said crooked tree till it comes to the Country Road as aforesaid then from the place where the way comes to the Country Road aforesaid the way to lay Eastwardly as it now goeth by John White Jr.'s new dwelling house until it comes to the Country Road aforesaid / and so across said Country Road as the way now goeth until it comes into the Country Road again near to a corner where two fences meet not far from a great rock.- Then from the place where the way came into the Country Road last mentioned, and from thence as the said road was formerly laid across the inclosed land until it comes to the Southeast side or part of said inclosed land / and from thence the way to lay as the way now goeth until it comes opposite the house that Ebenezer Clapp now lives in and thence the way to lay a little to the Southward of where the way now goeth where it wants crosswaying - and from thence the way to lay as the way goeth until it comes into the Country Road a little to the Westward of Mr.. John Clapp's new dwelling house. - At a town Meeting in Rochester March 9th 1729-30 Voted the above written be recorded in Rochester town book - entered per Sam Wing T. Clerk

Nicholas Snow
John Freeman Selectmen

(From page 35 - Book 1 Rochester Records.)

A true Copy Attest. Edward G Spooner
Rochester Feb'y 19, 1883. > Town Clerk of Rochester

Rochester the 16th day of July 1729 - Then We whose names are underwritten laid out a way from Joshua Coggels homestead until it comes into the way formerly laid out that goeth out of the Neck to the Meeting house in said Rochester. Said way was laid out Nov. the 6th 1716. And we began to lay out said way at the Northwest corner bound of said Coggels homestead, and from thence we laid the way Northwardly in line between Thomas Clark Juniors land, and the reputed land of John Hammond Jr. until it comes to a great rock in or near the line of their lands,. that is to say the one half of said way to lay on said Clark's land, and the other half of said way is to lay on the reputed land of said Hammond until it comes to the aforesaid Rock, and from said rock, the way to lay North five deg. West thirty eight rods and a half to a red oak sapling marked with the letter H, and from thence to lay North thirty four deg. East until it comes into the way formerly laid out as aforesaid, and from said rock the way is to lay on the West side of the aforesaid red oak sapling marked with the letter H, and two points of the cowpass over from said rock / and the way is to lay also on the West side of said great rock

John Freeman
Nicholas Snow Selectmen

At a Town Meeting in Rochester March 9th 1729-30
Voted the above written to be recorded in Rochester town book
Entered per Sam=l Wing.T. Clerk

(From page 35 - Book 1 of Rochester Records)

A true copy attest. Edward G. Spooner } Town Clerk
Rochester Feby. 19, 1883 Fr Rochester

October 18th 1694 - The selectmen of the town of Rochester made choice of Aaron Barlow and Lieut. John Hammond to lay out such highways as were needful for said town.

Whereupon began on the West side of - Mattapoisett river and marked a white oak tree with a letter H on the North side for the bounds of the highway and so ranging over the river marked a red oak tree, so crossing through the woods marked a red oak tree on the North side and a walnut tree on the South side near Moses Barlows house for the bounds of said way - then they did forbear marking until they came to the long Bridge. Then they marked two pine trees for the bounds of said way, so ranging over the Bridge and so ranging over the plain marked trees and laid a highway to brook and so ranging the way went over to Joseph Bensons and marked trees as they went for the highway over the bridge near old Goodman Bensons and so through the lane as the way now lays to the line between Aaron Barlows and John Randalls through the line as the way lay to and over Sepecan River - marked a pine tree near John Mendick for the highway, which is the extent of our doings.

This record is transcribed from Mark Haskells book as it was there recorded

(From page 61 - Book 1 Rochester Records)

A true copy attest. Edward G Spooner } Town Clerk of Rochester
Rochester Feby. 19, 1883 -

Middleboro line to Sippican River 2

October 24, 1698 - Laid out by us whose names are underwritten, a road and highway as followeth. Beginning at Middleborough bounds as the old path which extendeth to plymouth there marked a pine tree on both sides of the path with the letter H. Thence as the old path extendeth with marked trees on both sides two red oak trees marked with letter H standing near the springs head. Thence as the old way extendeth till we came to the maple swamp then marked trees with H on both sides the old path on both sides said swamp, and thence as the old way extendeth till we came to a Boxberry swamp and on the west side of said swamp with other marked tress till we came to the old way over Sepecan River, with sundry marked trees with the letter H ,on the - path to John Mendells field and to the bridge over Sepecan River - to be Forty feet wide from one end to the other.

Samuel Briggs
Peter Blackmen Selectmen

(From Book 1 page 61 Rochester Records)

A true copy attest. Edward G. Spooner } Town Clerk of Rochester
Rochester Feby. 19, 1883.

August 7th 1704

Laid out a town highway 40 feet wide from the foot of John Whites land towards the mill - ranging as followeth. Beginning at the Country Road between John White's and Samuel Princes land, thence ranging East to William Clarks land, thence by trees marked with letter H, ranging Northerly & Easterly round the point of a swamp till it comes to another swamp with marked trees with letter H. - Thence Easterly to another swamp, between marked trees with H. - Thence Easterly by the South end of a boggy swamp - Thence Easterly and S.E. to an old bridge where the said way is allowed to be 50 feet wide Thence between John Randall & James Griffith's land to the South end of Anthony Coombs land at a hole of water where the way lays on both sides of it at which the way is allowed to be 20 feet wide on the Southerly side of the hole of water at least, and then ranging Easterly between the said Coombs & Kenelm Winslow's land till comes to Peter Blackmen's land and thence Southerly corner of his land till it comes to the Country Road again & thence as the way now is to the mill.

Laid out per John White &
Peter Blackmen Selectmen

Entered on the record October 21 1704

(From Book 1 page 62 - Rochester Records.)

A True Copy

Attest Edward G. Spooner } Town Clerk of Rochester
Rochester Feby. 19, 1883.

February 18th 1703 - 4.

Then laid out a town road or highway as followeth Beginning at 2 white oak trees standing by the Country road that lays by the West end of Joshua Leonards land, Thence ranging Northerly to the West end of -

Kenelm Winslow's lot of land ???/ thence ranged along between said Winslows land and James Griffiths land till it comes to the road that rangeth from John Whites land to the mill where we passed along by the South end of John Randalls land till the way comes to the S.W. corner of Athony Coombs land by a little hole of water - Thence ranged N. by W. along by the East side of said Randalls land 120 rods - Thence N. by W. about 30 rods to a peaked rock, Thence North to the old cartway Thence along as that extendeth till it comes to another way that rangeth W.N.W. & windeth about Northerly till it comes to marked trees with the letter H. on them, Thence N.E by marked trees till it comes to another old way that goes to Middleborough bounds, Thence as that way leads by the right hand way till it comes to Middleborough line at the east side of black oak tree marked with a letter M on the North side and R. on the South side, to meet with Middleboro way and the aforesaid way is laid out 40 feet wide from end to end.

Then on the day above written we went & began again at a white oak tree with 2 H's standing by the Country road by Mr. Arnolds & Mr. Lathrop=s land, thence ranged 40 feet wide between their 2 lots N. by W. to a crooked tree marked, thence Westerly upon the edge of Mr. Arnolds land and John Clarks land over the swamp till we crossed to the trow of the hill, thence over the hill till it comes to the old way & so by marked trees to a show of water by William Whitridge's land, thence by marked trees till the way goes to the lower bound at the South side of said Whitridge's land, thence in the brook as the way leadeth to the S.E. corner of John Sherman's land till it comes to John Blackmen=s first lot of land, Thence Westerly by his land to the swamp and so over it ranging west to John Somer's land & so by the Southerly side of his field to his house, which is laid out 40 feet wide from end to end.

John Wing
Elisha Wing
Peter Blackmen Selectmen

(From Book 1 page 62 of Rochester Records)

A true copy

Attest Edward G. Spooner } Town Clerk of Rochester
Rochester Feby. 19, 1883.

March 9th 1705-6.

Then laid out a highway 2 rods wide as followeth. Beginning at the East side of the Ministry land where the Country road crosses it near the Meeting house , ranging from said road S. by E. 2 rods wide by the west side of Joseph Doty's land till it comes to the way left between the - - - - of woods lots then to slant across that to the East side of a clump of pine trees no 17 on the east side. Thence ranging south to a show of water, thence by the head of the said show & so about 2 roads wide on the bank or firm upland till it comes to the old bridge near James Stewards new dwelling house & so over Easterly to the brook on the east side the brook & wet land, thence on the bank 2 rods wide ranging S.S.E. to a pine tree marked no. 33 on the East side & H. on the West side. Thence S.S.E. to black oak tree marked H. on the west side. Thence S. half a point Easterly 56 rods to a pine tree marked with H. on the West side. Thence as the ways lead Southerly to Mattapoissett, and also another way leadeth to Charles Neck being branched out from the aforesaid black oak tree easterly to the cartway & so as it leadeth. Thence to the meadows upon & near Charles Neck, & what land is to the south side of the bridge by Steward & between the brook & 19th lot of land is by the said Steward & William Griffith Jr. allowed to be as a common for the use & benefit of the neighborhood & such as the way lyeth out of their land as witness their hands.

James Steward
William Griffith

Benjamin Dexter
Peter Blackmen Selectmen

(From Book 1 Page 63 of Rochester Records.)

A true copy

Attest Edward G. Spooner } Town Clerk of Rochester
Rochester Feby. 19, 1883.

Rochester, December 2nd, 1718.

Than we laid out a way to Pine Islands Beginning to the Northward of George Danforth's house on the north side of the long hill, Thence easterly till we come to the North side of the fifth lot of land Thence Easterly as the lots run till it comes to the way that goes from Major Barlows to Bolles, this way is to lay on the sixth lot till it comes to the North of the fifth lot as aforesaid, and then to lay the one half on the fifth lot and the other half on the sixth lot. Thence Southerly in the aforesaid way that goes from Barlows till it come to a sapling marked, and from thence to turn Easterly to William Earls and lay about one rod to the Southward of said Earls house and so Easterly across said Earls land to a sapling marked standing near the path, and from said sapling to run on a straight line to a bridge that Thomas Dexter made over a swamp or bog to the eastward of said Dexters barn, and to lay over said swamp where said bridge is and from thence to run on a straight line to Benjamin Dexters gate that stands a little to the Westward of his house, and thence Easterly where the way now is a little to the Southwards of his house and so to run Easterly by marked trees where said Benjamin Dexter has cleared a new way till it comes to Pine Island Brook and so over said brook by marked trees till it comes to a tree marked near the foot of a hill, and thence to turn southwardly by marked trees till it comes to a pine sapling marked standing a little Westward of John Mumfords house, and from said pine to run on a straight line to the Southeast corner of Moses Barlows meadow at Pine Islands aforesaid: The aforesaid trees are all marked with two blazes and three chops across each blaze, and the way is to lay to the Eastward & Northward said trees. The way is to lay as it is above expressed and provided that Thomas Dexter his heirs and assigns do and shall maintain a good bridge over the swamp to the Westward of his house above said, and Benjamin Dexter his heirs & assigns do make and maintain a good bridge over that swamp to the eastward of his house in the above said way. But if the said Thomas Dexter and Benjamin Dexter their heirs & assigns shall neglect or refuse to make and maintain the above said bridges, then the way is to lay along by Thomas Dexters house in the old way and so is to lie in said old way to pine island brook and so as the way goes to Pine Islands.

Benjamin Hammond
John Briggs Selectmen

Recorded per me Samuel Sprague T. Clerk

(From book 1 Page 81 of the Rochester Records)

A true copy

Attest Edward G. Spooner } Town Clerk of Rochester
Rochester Feby. 19, 1883.

June the 11th, 1720.

Laid out a highway into the Great Neck.

Beginning at white oak sapling marked on two sides standing on the South side of Magunes field so called, and so near East Southeast to a sapling marked on four sides standing by a place of water, and thence near East by a range of marked trees to another tree marked on four sides with H. on the East side and then near South East by a range of marked trees till it meets with John Clapps & John Wings lands. This way is to be two rods wides and may be kept with gates and bars.

John Dexter
Benjamin Dexter Selectmen

From Rochester Rochester Records Book 1 page 102

A true copy

Attest Edward G. Spooner } Town Clerk of Rochester
Rochester Feby. 19, 1883.

February the 15th, 1738-9.

Then we laid a way from Jeremiah Griffiths in Sippican Great Neck to the South side of Gideon Giffords homestead lands & where theres has been a way formerly laid out by Benjamin Dexter & John Dexter from the road by Shubal Barlows beginning at Maguin field so called, thence down to the said part of Giffords & now found not convenient. We also proceeded to lay out a way from said Giffords up to the way that leads from said Barlows to John Mendells coming in thereto by Magouns field partly as it was formerly laid and partly in alteration & in lieu of said old way.

And we began at the Northwesterly corner bound of a lot of land which Jeremiah Griffith bought of John Clapp at a heap of stones near to said Griffiths dwelling house. Thence running North Thirty seven deg. West Forty rods to a white oak bush. Thence North Twenty Five West Sixty four rods to a heap of stones, Thence North five deg. West thirty one rods to a stake and heap of stones the bound between the land of Benjamin Clapp & Joel Ellis deceased. Thence North Nineteen deg. West sixteen rods to a stake, Thence North thirty seven deg. West Forty rods to a heap of stones, Thence North Northwest 84 rods to a pine tree in or near the south side line of Gideon Giffords land. from thence we run without setting any points of compass the most direct course into the old way & so as it now goes 88 rods to a heap of stones in or near the North side line of said Giffords land, Thence North 37 deg. West 53 rods to a heap of stones lying 33 feet West from the S.W. corner of John Allens land, Thence North 20 deg & 1/2 West 39 rods to a red oak tree marked. Thence North 4 deg. West 15 rods to a red oak tree marked, Thence North 22 deg. West 76 rods to a small rock, Thence North 27 deg. West 54 rods to a heap of stones which lieth upon or near thereto the south side of the 12th lot in the common field so called, and from thence the way is to lay as it now goes until it comes into the road by Magouns field as aforesaid. This way is laid out 33 feet in width & to take its width on the Easterly side of the bounds and ranges before mentioned, and allowing reasonable and necessary gates & bars to all adjoining proprietors, excepting that it is to be open through Gideon Giffords land.

Cornelius Briggs
Benjamin Hammond Jr. Selectmen

We the subscribers being owner of the land the above said road lyeth across, assign liberty to all men to travel there through gates and so assign the land for a town road. And will make & maintain the gates on our own lands at our own costs for ever

Silas Briggs	Nathan Jenne
Benjamin Clapp	Philip Griffith
Hannamiah Gifford	Benjamin Wing
Jeremiah Griffith	

At the annual meeting held in Rochester March 5 1738 the above return of a way was voted to go to record by said town.

And recorded per Noah Sprague Town Clerk

(From Rochester Records Book 2 page 86.)

A true copy

Attest Edward G. Spooner } Town Clerk of Rochester
Rochester Feby. 19, 1883.

Rochester December 15th, 1739.

We laid out a way from the South end of the way at Aucoot to the way that is laid from Mattapoisett to Pine Islands coming into Pine Islands way at the head of the lane by Ephraim Dexters Dwelling house. And we began at a pine tree old marked H on the East side standing on the hill about 60 rods to the Southwards of the bridge that goes over the Sawmill brook by Benjamin Hillers & from said pine tree we run West 29 deg. South 10 rods to a stake. Thence South 25 deg. West 36 rods to a White oak sapling marked H. Thence South 38 deg. West 13 rods to a red oak tree marked H. Thence South 38 deg. W. 41 rods to a white oak sapling marked H. Thence South 20 deg. W. 104 rods to a stake & heap of stones. Thence South 19 deg. East 43 rods to a stake & stones the Easterly corner bound of Samuel Looks land, Thence S.W. 62 rods in the line between said Looks land & David Irishs land to a pine tree old marked, a reputed bound of David Irish land. Thence W. 16 deg. S. 15 rods across said Looks land to a white oak sapling the Southeast corner bound of Winslows land then in line between said Look & said Winslows land between the West & the South about 23 rods to a brook. Then again between said Looks & Winslows West 16 deg. S. 74 rods to a stake & heap of stones. Thence S. 43 deg.. W. 15 rods to a stake. Thence S. Twenty five deg. W. 27 rod to the line between said Winslow & Pools land so called: Thence in that line W.S.W. 48 rods to a stake & heap of stones the S.W. corner bound of said Winslows land. Thence S. 40 deg. W. 54 rods to Pine island way at the head of Ephraim Dexters lane aforesaid. This way is laid out two rods wide & to take this width to the left hand or Southeastward of the marks & ranges except between Look & Irish it is to go half on each and between Look & Winslow it is laid out 1/3 on Look & 2/3 on Winslow & between Winslow & Pools land so called it is laid 1/2 on each.

Benjamin Hammond Jr.
Cornelius Briggs Selectmen

In Town meeting March 25th 1740 voted to go to record with this proviso that if the owner of the land will assign it for a way & the town free from charge there in

Recorded per Noah Sprague T. Clerk

Rochester March 5, 1741. We the subscribers here into inform the Town of Rochester, being owner of the land of the way do allow & agree to give leave for the way to be & go as it was laid out from Sippican to Mattapoissett that is to say by Benj=n. Hillers over to meet with the former way by Ephraim Dexters that goes to Pine islands, with reserve for gates & bars when needful. All which we give freely for the towns use. It is to be known we give none but our own rights which we have subscribed unto by us

Thomas Winslow
David Irish
Benjamin Hiller
Sam Look

A true copy of assignment of the land for highway aforesaid
Attest Noah Sprague Town Clerk

(Book 2 page 92 - Rochester Records)

A true copy

Attest Edward G. Spooner } Town Clerk of Rochester
Rochester Feby. 19, 1883.

(Mill St.?)

Rochester January the 29th 1734.

Then by the desire of sundry proprietors of lands and meadows in Charles Neck & the village called Aucoot - We the subscribers laid out a highway of 20 feet as follows, Beginning at the head of Shubail Bigelows (?) lane a little to the Southeast of the Quakers meeting house & so ranging as the way now leadeth through Stephen & William Wings lands and so ranging till we came a little to the Southwards of John Barrows shop & then marked a pine tree sapling standing on the Westerly side of the way with the letter H. and so starting up the hill by a range of trees standing by the West side of the way marked with the letter H. so ranging a little to the Westward of the old path till we came to Freeman Ellis' old field, so ranging over the field along the west side of Cornelius Briggs= fence so ranging as the way now goeth by marked trees with the letter H standing on the West side of the way till we came to Jabez Hillers a little to the Westward of said Hillers house & so as the way now goeth by Butler Wings on the west side of said Wings fence till we came to Ichabod Nyes land.

Then went and began at the Southward side of said Nyes land where the way goeth through it : marked a sapling with the letter H. on the west side of the way by a range of marked trees standing on the west side of the way as the way now goeth till we came near a rocky swamp there marked a pine sapling standing by a rock with the letter H so by a range of trees over the swamp a little to the westward of the old path, so by a range of marked trees till we came in the way that leads from Stewards to Benjamin Hillers house so as the way goeth over the bridge over Aucoot Creek, so by marked trees standing on the west side of the way with the letter H till we came over the hill where the way parts, one going to Pine islands & the other to Mattapoisett. There marked a tree with the letter H which is the extent of said way.

Sam=l. Sprague

Sam=l Wing Selectmen

(from Book 2 page 164)

A true copy

Attest Edward G. Spooner } Town Clerk of Rochester

Rochester Feby. 19, 1883.

The committee appointed on the petition of Timothy Hiller and his father, Barnabas Luce and Silas Handy praying an allowance for land which by a road laid out in June 1794 leading from the Old Wharf in Rochester to the Country Road leading from Friends Meeting house to Mattapoissett we have viewed the ground between said wharf and said Country Road especially between the two gates where the parties own land on one side and after hearing the parties had to observe, we are fully of opinion that for the land owned by the said Timothy and others as aforesaid amounting to about one acre he ought to have and receive therefor four pounds in full consideration for said lands. We have enquired of said Hiller and his company what sum he should demand, who said he thought his damages to be equal to fifteen pounds.

Rochester March 16 1795

Harper Delano
John Keen
Joseph Haskell Jr.

I consent and agree to the foregoing report reserving until next Nov. to make my fence

Timothy Hiller

April 6th 1795

Recorded by N. Willis Town Clerk
from book 4 page 5 Rochester Records

A true copy

Attest Edward G. Spooner } Town Clerk of Rochester
Rochester Feby. 19, 1883.

At a meeting of the notable inhabitants of the town of Rochester held on adjournment from Oct. 20 - 1801.

Voted to accept the report of a committee to lay out a road from the Old Landing to Sippican Wharf which is as follows Viz: Beginning at a rock near the Landing Bars on the East side of the road, thence West one rod: Thence South 20 deg. East 25 rods to a pear tree, thence South 14 deg. West 32 rods to the line of John Keens land. Thence South 10 deg. West 41 rods Thence South 29 deg. East 83 rods to Major Roland Luce's land. Thence South 11 deg, East 56 rods to a rock by the Street near the Meeting house. This road is two rods wide lying Westerly of said line

David Peckham
Elisha Ruggles
Stephen Luce Com.

We the subscribers agree that the town shall leave the land for a road through our land on condition the town give us one hundred of Cedar rails each and obtain the road through the land belonging to the heirs of Barnabas Holmes

Rowland Luce
John Keen

Voted that David Peckham be an agent to attend Courts Committee coming to view said road

Recorded by H. Willis Town Clerk
(Rochester Records Book 4 Page 128)

A true copy

Attest Edward G. Spooner } Town Clerk of Rochester
Rochester Feby. 19, 1883.

New Road

At a meeting of the inhabitants of the town of Rochester legally warned, the town voted to accept the following report.

We the subscribers two of the selectmen of the Town of Rochester at the request of David Hiller and other inhabitants of said Town laid out a road, beginning at a stake in the line of Seth Hiller & Ebenezer Holmes' land near Silas Handys thence West 15 deg. South 33 rods , thence West 21 deg. South 40 rods thence West 43 deg. South 70 rods, thence West 28 deg. South 80 rods, thence Southwest 92 rods, thence South 11 deg. West 31 rods, thence South 34 deg. West 60 rods, thence South 45 deg. West 80 rods, thence South 42 deg. West 102 rods, thence West 30 deg. South 24 rods, thence South 34 deg. West 28 rods, thence south 25 deg. West 30 rods to the road near Ephraim Meiggs.

Said road is 30 feet wide and to be one half on one side of said line the other half on the other side

Nathan Willis

Geo. B. Nye

(From Rochester Records. Book 4 Page 45)

A true copy

Attest Edward G.Spooner } Town Clerk of Rochester
Rochester Feby. 19, 1883.

Back Road

May 11th 1807.

Voted to accept the following report of the Selectmen who laid out a road as follows-

This day laid out a road from the road which leadeth from the Rev. Oliver Cobbs to Mr John Keens. We began at a stone by the side of the road where the road parts from that which leads to the Old Landing so called being a mile stone marked No 3. thence South 30 deg. East 38 rods, thence Southeast 24 rods to a white oak tree standing in ? Hedleys wall, thence South 49 deg. East 12 rods to a small round rock, thence south 37 deg, East 11 rods to a heap of Stones near Savory (?) Cliftons house East from said house. Said road is laid forty feet wide and on the southerly and Westerly side of the above mentioned line

Geo. B. Nye
Gideon Barstow Selectmen
of
Rochester

The subscriber gives the land where the above road is laid if the town move and rebuild the wall in the line of the road from said white oak tree as far as his land extends Southwards.

Wing Hedley

Accepted the above report.
Recorded by Nathan Willis. Town Clerk of

Rochester

(Rochester Records Book 4 page 278)

A true copy

Attest Edward G.Spooner } Town Clerk of Rochester
Rochester Feby. 19, 1883.

Old Landing

May 17th 1811. The committee appointed by the town of Rochester on the subject of opening the road from Savory Cliftons to Seth Hammonds, beg leave to report that in their opinion there ought to be a town road in that place beginning at the east side of the highway laid out by the Old Landing so called to the Meeting house at Sippican Wharf, and at the North end of said Highway near Seth Hammonds dwelling house, thence ranging North 22 deg. West 8 rods, thence North 33 deg West 34 rods to the south-east side line of the town highway by Savory Cliftons.

And as several owners of the land through which said road must be laid are absent from home, that the town choose an agent to negotiate the purchase of said land from the several proprietors.

Thomas Bassett -per order

Voted that Abr. Holmes Esq. be an agent to make the best bargain he can with said proprietors and have the road opened.

Recorded by Nathan Willis - Town Clerk

From Records of Rochester Book 4 page 321

A true copy

Attest Edward G.Spooner } Town Clerk of Rochester
Rochester Feby. 19, 1883.

Voted to accept the following report of the selectmen the town knowing no expense in making the road or for land or for the same

Report as following viz :

June the 17th 1814. Then laid out the following road into the Great Neck.

Beginning by the road that leads from the Friends Meeting house to Wareham where the road is now trod, Thence East 4 deg. North 30 rods - Thence South 60 deg. East 30 rods, - thence East 3(?) rods, thence E. 20 deg. S. 25 rods, thence E. 30 deg. N. 17 rods. Thence E. 7 rods, thence E. 15 deg. N. 22 rods. Thence E. 5 deg. S. 18 rods, thence E. 30 deg. South 32 rods, thence S. 25 deg. E. 14 rods. Thence S. 55. E.4? rods, thence S.30 deg. E. 74 rods, thence S. 50 deg. E. 25 rods, thence S. 18 deg. E. 12 rods, thence S. 55 Deg. E. 19 rods, thence E. 15 deg. S. 28 rods, thence S. 56 deg. E. 35 rods, thence E. 37 deg. S. 14 rods, thence S. 45 deg. E. 14 rods, thence E. 30 deg.N. 40 rods, thence E. 30 deg. N. 43 rods, thence E. by N. 40 rods to Stephen Delano's wharf. Then began 8 rods W. by S. from Stephen Delano's wharf, thence S. 30 deg. E. 108 rods, thence South 40 deg. W. 10 rods, thence S. 13 deg. E. 32 rods to the old road leading to Joshua Allens. Then began at the northerly line of Cornelius Briggs homestead where the road is now trod.thence N. 34 deg. W. 78 rods, thence N. 16 deg. W. 28 rods, thence N. 30 deg. W. 18 rods, thence N. 7 deg. W. 34 rods, thence N. 25 deg. W. 22 rods, thence N. 30 deg. W. 56 rods. Thence N. 23 deg. W. 75 rods, Thence N. 50 deg. W. 60 rods, thence N. 29 deg. W. 110 rods, thence N. 50 deg. W. 60 rods, thence N. 29 deg. W. 110 rods, thence N. 20 deg. W. 36 rods, thence N. 14 rods, thence N. 23 deg. W. 176 rods. Thence N. 15 deg. W. 72 rods, thence N. 10 deg. E. 54 rods, thence N. 26 rods, thence N. 40 deg. E.20 rods thence N. 10 deg. W. 39 rods to where the road leaves the main road to Stephen Delanos.

The said roads to be 30 feet wide and lay one half on one side the courses above mentioned and the other half on the other side of said courses.

Stephen Hammond
Nicholas Davis Selectmen
 of
 Rochester

Recorded by me M.H. Ruggles, Town Clerk

From Rochester Records Book 5 pages 117-118

A true copy

Attest Edward G.Spooner } Town Clerk of Rochester
Rochester Feby. 19, 1883.

Old Landing

Town meeting April 5th 1824

Voted to accept of the selectmens report of laying out a road at the Old Landing some time since -
The report is as follows.

August 5th 1811

The subscribers selectmen of the Town of Rochester in the County of Plymouth laid out a town road in said Rochester at a place near the Old Landing so called. Beginning in the northerly line of a piece of land owned by Wing Hedley and where the road was laid out some years ago, and by the Easterly side of the fence. Thence South 31 deg. East five rods across the land of Wing Hedley, Thence in the same course three rods across the land of Savory Clifton three rods to Peleg Tripps land. Thence the same course, three rods across the said Tripps land to the land of John Prebble. Thence in the same course three rods across said Prebbles land to the land of Major Noah Dexter. Thence in the same course three rods across said Dexters land to the land of Butler Wing, thence on the same course on said Wings land Running within ten feet of said Wings porch to the road already laid out. This road is two rods wide and on the Easterly side of the above line.

By us Timothy Hiller
Gideon Barstow Jr.
Timothy Davis Selectmen of Rochester

The subscribers owners of the land across which the within mentioned road is laid do consent to the said road being established there : This we do respectively for ourselves our heirs & assigns.

Aug. 5th 1811

Butler Wing
Noah Dexter
Peleg Tripp
John Prebble
Savory Clifton

(From Rochester Records Book 7, pages 154-155.)

A true copy

Attest Edward G.Spooner } Town Clerk of Rochester
Rochester Feby. 19, 1883.

Silas B. Allens west to the NB Road

Town Meeting May 12th 1828.

Voted to accept of the selectmens report of their laying out a road.

Which report is a follows viz :

We the subscribers Selectmen of Rochester met the 9th day of May A.D. 1828 for the purpose of laying out a street or town way from the dwelling house of Widow Thankful Norton to the road opposite where Seth Hiller formerly lived. Have attended that service and laid out said road for the use of the town as follows viz: Beginning at the Southeast corner of the Widow Thankful Norton house lot and running West 4 deg. South eighty one rods to the land belonging to Barnabas Holmes, then in the above mentioned course thirty four and one half rods to the road leading from Barnabas Holmes to Bethuel Dexters. The said road to lay on the South side of said ? course and to be 36 feet in width.

Also the road leading out of Charles= Neck to continue Northerly about seven rods to the above mentioned road.

Dated May 12th A.D. 1828.

Amittai B. Hammond
Butler Wing Selectmen
of Rochester

Recorded per one Abr. Holmes T. Clerk

(Rochester Records Book 7 page 258)

A true copy

Attest Edward G.Spooner } Town Clerk of Rochester
Rochester Feby. 19, 1883.

Water St. from Eben Holmes to Main St.
Now HR Reeds

At a meeting of the inhabitants of the town of Rochester on adjournment from the 2nd Monday of November A.D. 1831 on the seventh day of May A.D. 1832 the selectmen made the following report.

We the subscribers Selectmen of the Town of Rochester have laid out for the use of said town a townway as follows. Beginning at the North end of a stone wall Northerly from Ebenezer Holmes house, thence North 22 deg. West across Loring Dexters land 9 rods 14 links to Rowland Luce land, thence North 29 West 35 rods 14 links. Thence North 7 1/2 deg. West 19 rods 42 links to Noble E. Bates land. Thence continuing the same course 4 rods 8 links to the Main road of Sippican. To be 30 feet wide and to lay on the Eastern side of said course. And we agree with Loring Dexter as follows. The said Dexter released all the damage for laying said road through his land. We agree to allow Rowland Luce Thirty four dollars damages. We allow to Noble E. Bates Thirty Dollars.-James Luce twenty dollars. All which we humbly submit.
Rochester May 7th 1832,

Philope Crandon	
Amittai B. Hammond	
Theophilus Wing	Selectmen

Voted to accept the said report of a road.

(From Rochester Records Book 7 page 319.)

A true copy

Attest Edward G.Spooner } Town Clerk of Rochester
Rochester Feby. 19, 1883.

At the same meeting

The Selectmen made the following report.

To wit - We the subscribers selectmen of Rochester having met this eight day of July A.D. 1831 for the purpose of laying out a town or private way to the dwelling house of John Clark have attended that service and laid out said road for the use of the town as follows viz;

Beginning at a stake and heap of stones on the West side of the road leading into Charles Neck by the fork in said road and running South 100 rods to a large white oak tree standing in front of Silas Briggs dwelling house, thence South 31 deg. E. 46 rods to the gate by John Clark's dwelling house. The said road to lay on the Easterly side of said described course and to be Twenty six feet in width.

Dated November 14th A.D. 1831

Subscribed by

Amittai B. Hammond
Theophilus Wing

Selectmen of Rochester

Voted to accept this report

This meeting was then by vote dissolved

Recorded per me Abr. Holmes Town Clerk

From Records of Town of Rochester Book 7 page 319

A true copy

Attest Edward G.Spooner } Town Clerk of Rochester
Rochester Feby. 19, 1883.

Old Landing Road

We the subscribers selectmen of Rochester being met this ninth day of June 1834 for the purpose of running out the road as formerly laid out by the selectmen near the Old Landing Sippican and finding the road as formerly laid out is not where the road is now built and travel have proceeded to lay out the road that is now traveled for the use of the town as follows viz : Beginning at a stake standing 40 feet West 15 deg. South of a mile stone marked 3 thence South 25 deg. East twenty-two rods, thence South 33 deg. East twenty seven rods, thence South 43 1/2 East 34 rods.- The said road to lay on the Easterly side of the said described course, and to be forty feet in width. Thence South 31 deg. East twenty three rods. The said road to lay on the Easterly side of said described course, and to be two rods in width. Thence beginning two rods West of where the Pear tree stood by the Old Landing thence north 19 1/4 West twenty three rods the said road to lay on the Easterly side of the said course and be two rods in width. Thence beginning two rods West of where the pear tree stood, thence, South 15 deg. West thirty two rods, thence South 15 1/2 deg. West thirty two rods, thence South 26 deg. East twenty rods, the said road to lay on the Easterly side of said described course and to be two rods in width.

Dated June 9th 1834

Amittai B. Hammond
Theophilus Wing
Philip Crandon Selectmen of Rochester

A true copy of the original

Recorded by me

James Ruggles Town Clerk

April 1835

(Book 16 page 2 of Rochester Records)

A true copy

Attest Edward G.Spooner } Town Clerk of Rochester

Rochester Feby. 19, 1883.

We the subscribers selectmen of the town of Rochester meeting this 8th day of November 1837 for the purpose of laying out a road or highway from the Old Landing to the Great Neck road so called have attended that service and laid out the said road as follows viz :

Beginning by the road corner of Joseph Hammetts land, thence North thirty two deg. East in a line of said Hammett's land Sixty-nine rods, thence East thirty seven deg. North on the land of the heirs of Isaac Thomas thirty five rods, thence on Seth Haskells land thirty one rods to the corner of Abial Deans land, thence through the land belonging to the First Precinct in Rochester, thirty Seven rods thence on Abial Deans land fifty rods, thence East twelve deg. North on said Dean Land forty six rods, thence on Ephraim Allens land two and a half rods, thence on land of the heirs of George B. Nye and Clement Hammond Peter Mackie and the said Mackie seventy-four rods to the road by Marshall V. Simmons dwelling house, The road to lay on the North side of the above described line and to be forty feet in width and we have awarded damage to the persons herein named as follows viz :

	Joseph Hammett	\$40.00
	Heirs of Isaac Thomas	40.00
Seth Haskell	50.00	
	First Precinct Rochester	40.00
	Abial Dean	65.00
	Heirs of Geo. B.	
	Nye & others	<u>75.00</u>
		\$310.00

Respectfully submitted
 Amittai B. Hammond
 Philip Crandon
 Weston Allen Selectmen of Rochester

A true copy Recorded by me
 Roger L. Barstow
 Town Clerk

March 26, 1838 the town voted to accept this report as here recorded 37 to 17.

James Ruggles T. Clerk

A true copy
 Attest Edward G. Spooner } Town Clerk of Rochester
 Rochester Feby. 19, 1883.

((Rochester Records Book 13. page 61)

Nyes Wharf

Road to Nyes Wharf in Sippican.

We the subscribers selectmen of the town of Rochester have laid out for the use of said town a town way through gates as follows. Beginning at the South end of a road laid from Elisha Luce's store to Ebenezer Holmes land at the Westerly side thereof, thence South twenty two deg. East fifty rods through land of Ebenezer Holmes to land of John B. Blankenship & Barnabas B. Nye. Thence continuing the same course through the said Blankenship & Nye's land thirty five rods - thence North seventy deg. East two hundred & twenty feet to a Wharf built and owned by the said Blankenship & Nye, and the road to be forty feet wide and to lay on the Easterly side of said course and we do agree with the said Blankenship and Nye that they give the land and fence the same and we do award the aforesaid Ebenezer Holmes Sixty eight dollars and seventy five cents damages for laying said road through his land, and we do allow said owners three months to open the way and make their gates which said road is hereby reported to the town for their acceptance and when accepted is forever after to be known as a public townway.

Dated at Rochester this 2nd day of November in the year 1839.

A.B. Hammond
 Stephen Delano
 Ira Clark
 Stephen C. Luce Selectmen of Rochester

The foregoing is a true copy of the report as accepted by the town at their adjourned meeting 6 April 1840.

Recorded by W.N. Ellis Town Clerk

(From Records of Rochester, Book 16. Page 5th)

A true copy

Attest Edward G. Spooner } Town Clerk of Rochester
 Rochester Feby. 19, 1883.

Second Street in Sippican.

Being the field notes of a road in Sippican Wharf Village located as follows. Beginning at a stone set into the ground on Front St. in the north West corner of Dr. W.N. Ellis house lot, thence East thirty four rods four feet to a fourteen feet passway leading South into the Main Street. The street is thirty feet wide and lays Northerly the said line. The road was given to the public more than thirty years since and was accepted by the town at a meeting held at Mattapoisett 21st May 1840.

Recorded by W.N. Ellis Town Clerk

(Rochester Record Book 16 page 6)

A true copy

Attest Edward G.Spooner } Town Clerk of Rochester
Rochester Feby. 19, 1883.

Road in Sippican Village

We the subscribers selectmen of Rochester being met this seventh day of July A.D. 1842 for the purpose of laying out a street in the village of Sippican have attended to that service and laid out said street as follows for the use of said town Viz: Beginning at a hub the West side of the a little North of the dwelling house of Rowland Luce, thence West tree deg. South across the land of Rowland Luce forty four rods and twenty two and a half links to a post the street to lay on the North side of the above described line and to be thirty five feet in width; thence North five deg. West through said Luce's land to the corner of the Meeting house lot eight rods and twenty two links, thence same course through the land of John Pitcher and Job Blankenship about ninety feet to the Main Street, the street to lay on the East side of the last described line and to be thirty three feet in width.

And we make the following allowances for land

To John Pitcher & Job Blankenship - \$24.

To Samuel & Charles Luce each - 5.

Respectfully submitted to the inhabitants of said town of Rochester for their acceptance.

A.B. Hammond

David Lewis

William Sears Selectmen of Rochester

Accepted by the town 16 July 1842.

Recorded by Theo. King Town Clerk

From Rochester Records Book 16 Page 8.

A true copy

Attest Edward G.Spooner } Town Clerk of Rochester

Rochester Feby. 19, 1883.

Back Road Part of Mill Street

Sippican Road.

We the subscribers selectmen of Rochester being met this 7th day of July A.D. 1842 for the purpose of running out the road from the Wid. Bethiah Holmes dwelling house in Sippican to the road leading from the village of Sippican to Rochester have attended that service and run and laid said road for the use of said town as follows. Beginning at the corner of a wall east of the said Bethiah Holmes dwelling house, thence North 9 deg. East through the land of Barnabas Holmes as the fence now stands thirty rods, thence North ten deg. East fifty five rods, thence North five deg. East twenty rods, thence North four deg. West thirty six rods, thence North twenty five deg. East twenty five rods to the South west corner of Seth C. Leonard's land, same course four rods, thence North ten deg. West thirty four rods, thence North eight deg. West thirty six rods to the North West corner of David Hathaway's orchard lot, thence North six deg. West thirty rods to a stake and stones, thence North twenty deg. East eight rods to a stake and stones, thence North twenty eight deg. East four rods fourteen links to the Northwest corner of James Delano's land, same course thirty rods, thence North four deg. East fourteen rods thence North one deg. West sixteen rods to the road leading from the village of Sippican to Rochester Centre. The above described line is as the fence now stands on the east side of the old road. The road to lay on the West side of the above line and to be two rods in width including the road as it is now travelled.

Respectfully submitted

Amittai B. Hammond

David Lewis

William Sears Selectmen of Rochester

The foregoing is a true copy of the selectmens report as accepted by the town July 16th 1842.

Recorded by me Theo. Wing Town Clerk

Rochester Records Book 16 Page 10

A true copy

Attest Edward G. Spooner } Town Clerk of Rochester
Rochester Feby. 19, 1883.

Town Meeting June 13th 1843.

4th Art. The town chose David Lewis to sell at auction the building & making of the County road as laid out by the County Commissioners, from the Old Landing road to the Weweantic River & also that he superintend the work thereof & when finished to be accepted by the selectmen. Then if the road costs more than what is coming from the county, D. Lewis call on the Treasurer for the same and also voted if it is necessary to do work to fit for the sale the said Lewis do or cause it to be done.

The Treasurer is also directed to hire if necessary money to furnish the wants of the Agent in said matter.

Recorded by Theo. Wing T. Clerk

(from Rochester Records Book 13 page 167)

A true copy

Attest Edward G. ? } Town Clerk of Rochester
Rochester Feby. 19, 1883.

note in margin: can find no record of this lay out

Street in Sippican

To the people of Rochester. The following is a lay out of the Main Street in Sippican Village.

Commencing at the South E. corner of Elisha Luce's store (7 feet South) and running West 1 deg. N. 42 rods 10 links on the North side of the street to the S.W. corner of W.N. Ellis' house lot. Thence W. 1 1/2 deg. N. 24 rods to Silas B. Allen's dwelling house leaving said house 6 feet in rear of the line.

The above layout is thirty two feet wide measuring from the given line as laid by us this day.

Rochester March 15th 1845

O. R. Howes

David Lewis Selectmen of Rochester

True copy Theo. King Town Clerk

(Rochester Records Book 16 page 15)

A true copy

Attest Edward G.Spooner } Town Clerk of Rochester
Rochester Feby. 19, 1883.

Road in Sippican. By Universalist Church

We the selectmen of the town of Rochester have laid out for the use of the said town a town way as follows. Beginning at a stake at the Northeast corner of the Wid. Eunice Hiller's house lot and runs North 4 deg. East nine rods to the road that leads out of Sippican Village. The said road being to the Eastward of said line and to be 40 feet wide. The road running through the land of Caleb Handy & Ebezener Holmes.

And we have awarded the following sums

To Caleb Handy	\$6.00
" Ebez. Holmes	9.00

Rochester March 24. 1846.

David Lewis
 William Sears
 A.B. Hammond Selectmen of Rochester

A true copy attest Theo. King Town Clerk

Rochester Records Book 16 page 16

A true copy

Attest Edward G.Spooner } Town Clerk of Rochester
 Rochester Feby. 19, 1883.

Across the Neck

Great Neck road:-

We the selectmen of the town of Rochester, the subscribers have laid out for the use of the town, a town way as follows. Beginning at the North West corner of Clement Hammond house lot on the East side of the old Neck road and running East 15 deg. North 30 rods through land of Ephraim Allen, thence East 23 1/2 deg. North 20 rods through the land of Noble E. Bates same course 10 rods through land of James Delano, same course 4 rods through land of Marshall V. Simmons, 28 rods same course through land of Paddock Bates and Reuben Allen, same course 6 rods & East 30 deg. North 11 rods and East 75 deg. North 50 rods through land of Ephraim Allen, thence East 26 1/2 deg. North 12 rods through land of Jabez Delano heirs, same course 13 rods through land of Henry Delano, same course 8 rods, and East 17 deg. North 15 rods through land of Wid. Ruth Delano, thence East 25 deg. North 56 rods through land of Stephen Delano, same course 7 rods & East 2 deg. South 14 rods through land of Wid. Ruth Delano same course 15 rods & East 24 deg. North 17 rods through land of Stephen Delano thence East 11 deg. North 13 rods through land of Isaac Delano to intersect the Delano road to be two rods wide and to be on the Northerly side of said course, and the owner of the land over which said road passes so far as we have ascertained release all damages for laying said road way through their land. Which said road is hereby reported to the town for their acceptance and when accepted & recorded is forever after to be known as a public town way. Dated at Rochester this 30th day of October 1846.

David Lewis
A. B. Hammond
Noah C. Perkins Selectmen of Rochester

Accepted by the town

True copy attest Theo. King Town Clerk

A true copy

Attest Edward G. Spooner } Town Clerk of Rochester

Rochester Feby. 19, 1883.

(From Records of Rochester Book 16 page 18)

Lane from (?) Delano=s Store to Back Road

We the subscribers Selectmen of the town of Rochester have laid out for the use of said town a town way as follows. Beginning at a stake in the line of the old road near Frederic Mendells dwelling house and running East 11 deg. North 32 rods and 11 links through land of Frederic Mendells and David Hathaway - thence East 23 deg. North 16 rods on land of John C.. Ryder - ten rods in land of David Lewis & David Hathaway, 14 rods in land of David Hathaway 10 rods in land of Mendell & Delano to the street in the Old Landing village to be 18 feet wide and to lie on the Northerly side of said course, and the owners of the land over which said way passes released from all damages for laying said way through their land except-Stephen Delano to whom we award the sun of twenty five dollars; which said road is hereby reported to the town for their acceptance and when accepted and recorded is forever after to be know as a public town way.

Dated at Rochester this Seventh day of August in the year 1846.

David Lewis
 A. B. Hammond
 Noah C. Perkins Selectmen of Rochester

Accepted by the town.

True copy Attest Theo. King } Town Clerk

(Book 16, page 20 - Records of town of Rochester)

A true copy

Attest Edward G. Spooner } Town Clerk of Rochester
 Rochester Feby. 19, 1883.

Commonwealth of Massachusetts
Plymouth SS.

On the petition of W. N. Ellis & others inhabitants of Rochester in said County praying that the road leading from Cowing Mills in said town Northerly to the Old Landing School House may be widened straightened or otherwise altered.

The County Commissioners pursuant to an order of notice for that purpose duly served, met at the house of Caleb Handy in Sippican Rochester, on the twenty ninth day of April A.D. 1851 and having viewed the premises and heard the parties interested in said petition who wished to be heard thereon, are of opinion and do adjudicate and determine that common convenience & necessity require that the prayer of said petition be granted.

They accordingly proceed no person objecting to lay out and establish the alterations widenings & new locations as prayed for in said petition in manner following viz :
Alteration of the road by a new location - Beginning at a stake on land of the heirs of Jonathan Cowing on the Northeast side of the road opposite the house of Phineas Hiller thence North 30 deg. East 64 rods to land of the heirs of Seth C. Hiller - same course 47 rods to land of the heirs of Joseph Meigs - same course 15 rods to the road. The road to extend in width 1 1/2 rods on each side of said line - all parts of the old road not included within these limits to be discontinued when the new location shall be made possible.

Beginning on the Westerly side of the road at a stake on land Charles R. Sisson, thence North 15 1/4 deg. East 9 rods to the road.
Beginning on the Easterly side of the road at a stake on land of Philip D. Hathaway, thence North 19 deg. East 26 rods to a stake. North 21 1/4 deg. 32 rods to land of Noah Handy - same course 14 rods and 13 links to land of Silas B. Allen, same course 9 rods 5 links to a stake. North 34 deg. East 8 rods to land of Mary Bowman - same course 28 rods to land of Rufus Dexter - same course 8 rods 12 links to a stake. North 15 deg. East 16 rods to land of Samuel Briggs - Same course 41 rods to a stake. North 8 1/2 deg. East 3 rods 9 links to land of heirs of Joseph Meigs - same course 31 rods 12 links to a stake. North 11 deg. East 7 rods 10 links to land Joseph Jenne & C. - same course 10 rods 12 links to a stake in the road. Same course 7 rods to land of Jarvis Bates. North 9 1/2 deg. East 14 rods 16 links to a stake in the road near the house of Jarvis Bates From the land of Philip D. Hathaway to Hillers Mills Bridge the road to extend in width 1 1/2 rods on each side of the above described line.

New location. Beginning at the last named stake in the road near the house of Jarvis Bates, (which house is to remain unmolested), thence North 3 1/2 deg. East 3 rods 11 links to land of Jarvis Bates - same course 51 rods to land of James Delano - same course 37 rods to land of James Bates - same course 4 rods to land of Desire Bolles - same course 23 rods 5 links to the road - same course 16 rods to land of Benjamin Handy. North 17 3/4 deg. East 23 rods 9 links to a stake. The road to extend in width 1 1/2 rods on each side of said line. All parts of of the old road not included within these limits, to be discontinued when the new location is made possible.

Beginning on the Easterly side of the road at a stake on land of Desire Bolles, thence North 23 3/4 deg. East 13 rods to a stake. North 32 1/4 deg. East 14 rods 10 links to the road.

Beginning on the Westerly side of the road at a stake of land of John B. Blankinship, Thence North 32 1/4 deg. East 15 rods to a stake - North 26 deg. East 9 rods to the road.

Beginning on the Easterly side of the road at the North gate past of Desire Bolles front yard.

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Thence North 26 deg. East 11 rods 10 links to land of John B. Blankinship.

Alteration. Beginning at the last named stake on land of John B. Blankinship, thence North 26 deg. East 34 rods 15 links to land of James Wittet - same course 2 rods 19 links to the road. The road to extend in width 1 1/4 rods on each side of said line. All parts of the old road not included within those limits to be discontinued when the new location is made possible.

Beginning on the South side of the road at a stake on land of James Wittet, thence North 55 deg. East 7 rods to the road. Beginning on the Easterly side of the road at a stake on land of Job Blankinship, thence North 35 1/4 deg. East 11 rods 12 links to the road. Beginning on the Westerly side of the road at a stake on land of Ebenezer Holmes, thence North 35 1/4 deg. East 11 rods to a stake, thence North 30 deg. East 4 rods 14 links to a stake. North 11 1/4 deg. East 20 rods to the road.

Beginning on the Easterly side of the road at a stake on land of Edward Sherman, thence North 13 deg. East 29 rods 12 links to Back road - same course 2 rods to land of Elijah Braley, same course 8 rods to the road by the corner.

Owners of wood, timber, trees etc. in lands taken as above are allowed six months from the first of August next to remove the same.

The inhabitants of Rochester are required to cause alterations to be built and made safe and convenient for public travel on or before the first day of December A.D. 1852.

The Commissioners at the same time estimate the damages sustained by the several persons whose lands are taken for said alterations as follows.

Heirs of Jonathan Cowing	forty dollars	40.00	
" Seth Hiller	Nine dollars	9.00	
" Joseph Meigs	Nine dollars	9.00	
Charles R. Sisson	Thirteen dollars	13.00	
Philip D. Hathaway	Forty eight 48/100 dollars	48.48	
Noah Handy	One 87/100 dollars	1.87	
Silas B. Allen	Two dollars	2.00	
Mary Bowman	Three 56/100 dollars		3.56
Rufus Dexter	Five dollars	5.00	
Samuel Briggs	Five 50/100 dollars	5.50	
Job Jenne	sustains no damage		
Jarvis Bates	Fifty one dollars	51.00	
James Delano	Eleven 56/100 dollars	11.56	
Desire Bolles	Forty five 17/100 dollars	45.17	
Benjamin Handy	Two dollars	2.00	
John B. Blankinship	Eighteen 20/100 dollars	18.20	
James Wittet	Eleven 87/100 dollars	11.87	
Job Blankinship	Sixteen 50/100 dollars	16.50	
Ebezener Holmes	Fifty two 25/100 dollars	52.25	
Edward Sherman	Twenty three 32/100 dollars	23.32	
Elijah Braley	Sixteen dollars	16.00	
Hiram Look	Fifty cents		.50

A true copy of Record

Attest W. H. Whitman Clerk

A. True copy Attest Theo. King Town Clerk

From Rochester Record Book 16 pages 7-8 & 9

A true copy

Attest Edward G. Spooner } Town Clerk of Rochester
Rochester Feby. 19, 1883.

Commonwealth of Massachusetts
Plymouth SS.

On the petition of James Ruggles and others of Rochester and Marion in said county of Plymouth, representing that the highway in Rochester in said County from a point seventy five feet North from the dwelling house of said James Ruggles running to the Depot of the Fairhaven Branch Railroad in Marion in said County is narrow, crooked & dangerous for Public travel and that public necessity requires the same to be widened, straightened and in some parts new located & praying the same may be done.

The County Commissioners pursuant to an order of notice for that purpose duly issued & served by which all persons and corporations interested had due notice, met to view the premises and to hear all persons and corporations interested at the dwelling house of Robert C. Randall in said Rochester on the Twenty fourth day of May A.D. 1866 and after viewing the premises and hearing all persons & corporations interested who wished to be heard thereon, they adjourned said view & hearing to the next regular meeting of the County Commissioners held at Plymouth in said County on the First Tuesday of August next following. All persons & corporations interested having due notice thereof: When and where they adjudicated & determined that common convenience and public necessity require that the highway in said Rochester & Marion commencing in said Rochester at a point in the highway near the Easterly end of the farm of James Ruggles & running to the Depot of the Fairhaven Branch Railroad in Marion be widened, straightened & in some points new located & they then after duly publishing, posting & serving said adjudication according to law, and thereby giving notice to all persons & corporations interested that they would hold a meeting at the dwelling house of Robert C. Randall in Rochester in said County on the Twenty First day of September, A.D. 1866, and that they would proceed to widen straighten and new locate said highway as adjudicated and hear all persons & corporations interested and assess such damages as any person or corporation may sustain by reason thereof.

And they met at said time & place & for the said purpose and heard all persons & corporations interested who wished to be heard thereon, and adjourned said meeting from time to time all persons & corporations interested having due notice thereof till the next regular meeting of said County Commissioners held at Plymouth on the First day of January A.D. 1867.

When & where they proceeded to widen said highway beginning on the Northerly side of said highway at a stone post marked the bearing North 23* East 70 feet 6 inches from the North West corner of N.Giffords dwelling house in said Rochester, thence South 77* East 150 feet thence South 79* East 200 feet - thence South 81* East 200 feet - thence South 83* East 200 feet - thence South 82* 10' East 568 feet - on land of Thomas Bourne_ same course 195 feet on land of David Lewis to the highway.

Then proceeded to widen the highway. Beginning on the Southerly side of the road at a stake standing at right angles with and 48 feet from the fourth angle in the above named courses - thence South 82* 10' East 949 feet - thence South 76* East 288 feet on land of David S. Lewis to the highway.

Then proceeded to locate a new highway. Beginning at the last named stake running South 58* East 893 feet in the highway to a point on the south end of the bridge between Marion & Rochester- thence in the town of Marion South 59* 30' East 132 feet across the highway to a cherry tree - thence South 76* 10; East 110 feet - thence South 80* 50' East 100

feet - thence South 85* 20' East 84 feet on land of Amos Headley to the highway. The last section of highway to extend 45 feet in width on the Northerly side of said courses - the North line of said location to be continued until it intersects with the old road.

Then proceeded to widen. Beginning on the Southerly side of said highway at a stake bearing South 60* 10' West 144 feet from a white oak tree standing on land of Amos Headley - thence South 86* 45' East 220 feet - thence South 67* 45' East 817 feet - thence South 52* East 85 feet on land of Amos Headley to the Brook thence South 41* 30' East 17 feet across the brook same course 126 feet on land of Stephen Hammond to the highway.

Then proceeded to widen the highway beginning on the Northerly side thereof at a point 9 feet North Easterly from the North Easterly end of the South Easterly abutment of the Bridge over the last named brook - thence South 39* 15' East 315 feet on land of Stephen Hammond to the highway.

Then proceeded to widen the highway. Beginning on the Westerly side thereof at the Southerly end of a bar-way on Daniel Halls field - thence South 19* 10' East 261 feet on land of Daniel Hall - thence South 14' East 185 feet on land of James Delano - same course 225 feet on land of Edward W. Cobb to the highway.

Then proceeded to widen on the Westerly side of the highway at the Southerly end of Capt. John Hathaway's garden wall thence South 10* 20' East 333 feet on land of Widow Lucy Smith - same course 33 feet on land of Judah Hathaway.

Owners of land taken for said widenings and locations of said highways are hereby ordered to remove their fences trees &c. from the same before the first day of June A.D. 1867 The inhabitants of the towns of Rochester & Marion are hereby ordered to cause said widenings & locations of said highway each in their respective towns limits to be worked and made safe and convenient for public travel and to the acceptance of the County Commissioners before the First day of November A.D. 1867 and to cause permanent stone bounds not less than three feet long, two feet to be inserted in the earth, to be erected at the termini & angles of said highway as the same are run in each of said towns when practicable.

At the same time awarded to the several persons & corporations whose lands are taken for said widening & locations of said highway for damages the owners following to wit.

To Thomas Bourne, twenty nine dollars 75/100	29.75
" David S. Lewis, Thirty five dollars 25/100	35.25
" Amos Headly, One hundred & eleven dollars 40/100	111.40
" Stephen Hammond, Twenty eight 75/100	28.75
" David Hall, Forty five dollars 60/100	45.60
" James Delano Thirty six dollars 40/100	36.40
" Edward W. Cobb Twenty eight dollars 40/100	28.40
" Lucy Smith Widow, Forty one dollars 20/100	41.20
" Judah Hathaway, one dollar-	1.00

For the payment of which warrants will be drawn upon the County Treasurer as soon as said towns of Rochester & Marion shall have entered upon and possession taken for the purpose of constructing said highway.

Given under our hands at Plymouth at a regular Meeting of said Commissioners held the First day of January A.D. 1867.

These returns being now made are accepted

Charles H. Paine
Wm. P. Corthell
H. Staples

A true copy

Attest Wm. H. Whitman Clerk.

A true copy - Attest Theo. King Town Clerk

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Attest Edward G. Spooner } Town Clerk of Rochester
Rochester Feby. 19, 1883.