

Ordered by the Court that after this date the County Comm. Clerk be and is hereby instructed not divide any County Bonds from the original sum as entered upon this Book and all orders hereafter made shall be good and valid

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Ordered by the Court that ~~except~~ ^{void} the appointment of Joseph Wood on the Eleventh day of December 1837 - as an Agent or Commissioner for said County is null and void and of no effect for want of Jurisdiction and that all his acts and appointments are void and are of no binding force whatever

Ordered by the Court that Noan Song Agent for the County of McHenry to make an arrangement with the heirs of Thomas H. Staines be void the same is hereby revoked

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Ordered by the Court that Noan Song is hereby appointed Agent and Commissioner to obtain all their right and Interest in a to the South East Quarter of Section 26 Township Six in Range Eight East of the third principal Meridian Township 45 forty five North it being the Quarter Section of Land on which the Commissioners (W. Peter Colver of McHenry County and David Buchanan of Main County) were appointed by the Legislature of the State of Illinois at their session in 1837. to locate the seat of Justice in said County did establish the same thence and that he is fully authorized to purchase the same whenever the said Land can be obtained either by Purchase or Purchase and he is further authorized and empowered to sell the same for the purpose of erecting a Court House and Jail on said Quarter Section according to the plans to be furnished him by the County Commissioners and said buildings to be erected on such site as shall be selected by said Commissioners said Public to be completed and finished by the first day of August 1840

Ordered by the Court that the sum of Ten Dollars be and is hereby allowed to James H. Collins for his advice and written opinion which is on file

Ordered that this Court adjourn until Court in Court
Gideon Colby
Attest Gideon S. Beardsley Clerk D. P. Brown

March Term McHenry County Court 1840

At a meeting of the County Commissioners Court of McHenry County convened at McHenry on the 2d day of March in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and forty

Present the Hon^{ble}

Gideon Colby } McHenry County
Ben B. Brown } Commissioners
Robert G. White }

Ziba S. Beardsley Clerk

Ordered by the Court that a Venue be issued for the following persons to act as a Grand Jury at the March Term of the McHenry Circuit Court - to wit:

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| John Adams | Benjamin Bailey | Solomon J. Beldin |
| Sydney W. Arkells | Isaac L. Barnes | Warren Blakesley |
| John Ackerson | Francis Barrow | Brazil Bevan |
| John Crane | Geo. Bennett | Daniel Blair |
| Isaac G. Wood | De Witt Bradley | |
| John Boon | George C. Diggins | |
| Baldwin | Albin Diggins | |
| Mudgett | James Duffield | |
| Wm D. Carey | Lindsay Austin | Erastus Smith |
| | Truman Harvey | |

and that the following be summoned to form a panel of Petit Jurors at the same term - to wit:

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| William Deite | Simon Morgan | Johnathan Ackman |
| Enos A. Pease | Henry Lake | Joseph Golder |
| Reuben Tower | Andrew S. Hayward | Aspur Joslin |
| Clauder H. Bishop | Quartus Judd | Josiah Downs |
| Brooks Bowman | Reuben Doyney | Stephen Parry |
| William D. Clair | George Stickney | Daniel Owen |
| Franklin Wallace | B. F. Bosworth | Robert Day |
| Alexander Lawson | Mascall Sand | John Santorum |

Ordered by the Court that the Clerk be authorized to issue orders on the Treasury for the Judges and Clerks of Election for services rendered at the Special Election for Probate Justice of the Peace in December next last.

Ordered by the Court that the sum of six dollars for services rendered in making a plan and specifications for a Court House and Jail for said County

Ordered by the Court that Benjamin B. Brown be allowed the sum of four dollars for services rendered in going to Chicago to take advice with respect to County property

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Ordered by the Court that the County Commissioners be allowed in full for their services rendered the County including March Term A.D. 1840 J. B. P. Brown / 27.50, to Sidon Colby / 27.50 -

Ordered by the Court that the Commissioner in Clerk be allowed in full for his services including March Term 1840 and also Ten dollars for the one half of his yearly "Ex Officio" fees 40.25

Ordered by the Court that Abijah S. Barnum surveyor for the County of McHenry be and he is hereby appointed agent to act in conjunction with an agent to be appointed from Lake County and to establish the line between McHenry and Lake Counties. And is further Ordered by the Court that in the event the said agents shall be unable to agree upon the line aforesaid, the said A. S. Barnum is authorized on his part to select some disinterested third persons not living in either of said Counties in conjunction with whom they shall proceed and establish said line.

Ordered by the Court that Orison Rogers be appointed Supervisor of all the Public Highways in the following bounds to wit: beginning at the South West Corner of McHenry thence north to the Kishwaukee River, thence East up said river to the range line between ranges 5 and 6. thence South East including Pleasant Grove to Proctor Smith's, also including said Smith's thence South East to Mr. Batters including him to the County line thence West to the place of beginning -

Ordered by the Court that Aaron F. Randall be appointed Supervisor of all the Public Highways in the following bounds commencing at the County line south of Mr. Bates' thence with Orison Rogers' district to Proctor Smith's thence including all the inhabitants East and South East of said Smith's, having the prairie East to Pleasant Grove for his north boundary

Ordered by the Court that Peuben Tower be appointed Supervisor of all the Public Highways in said described bounds beginning at the County line where said line crosses the Kishwaukee river, thence up said river including the same to the line between Ranges five and six, thence North with the range line to the Township Corner thence West with the township line to the Boone County line thence South to the place of Beginning -

Ordered by the Court that Russel Diggins be appointed Supervisor of all the Public Highways in the following described district, beginning on the South bank of the Kishwaukee where the Range line between Ranges 5 & 6 crosses the said River, thence South East to the township line, thence with said line to the Township Corner thence North to the Township Corner, thence West to the Northwest Corner of Township 44, thence South to the place of beginning

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Ordered by the Court that the County surveyor have an Extension granted until the last Monday in March 1840 to make return of the plat and field notes on a road leading from McHenry to the State line as run by Samuel Jackson and A. S. Barnum

Ordered by the Court that William Sporable, Orrin Steven & John Beldin be appointed to review a Road commencing at Andrew Stalls on the Southport & Belvidere Road, thence in an Easterly direction crossing the Kishwaukee at Robert G. White, thence on the South side of Crystal Lake in a direction Denny's ferry on Fox River, and that they report at the next Commissioners Court of McHenry County

Ordered by the Court that S. S. Breakleaf be allowed the sum of Sixteen dollars & twenty five cents to office Room for the Clerk of the Circuit and County Court from December 30 to March 1st 1841

Ordered by the Court that P. C. Cassidy, R. T. Coddin and John Mudgett are appointed viewers to lay out a Road commencing at the Chicago Road at or near Alden Harveys thence on or near the old survey by J. Grinnold down the river towards T. H. Spruance to the line of McHenry County, and also a Branch of said road in the most suitable place in a direction towards Thomas Stearns

Ordered by the Court that Robert Day is hereby appointed supervisor on all that part of the Road commencing at the middle of McCallum outlet running north on the River Road to John Santorns north line, and that all of the inhabitants living on the east of said Road and Fox River and all within one mile West of said road be included in said District

Ordered by the Court that Joseph B. Struter be appointed supervisor on the Road leading from Purdy's to Brigham's

Ordered by the Court that Henry Crabtree have so much of the County Tax remitted to him as was wrongfully ascertained in 1839 and that the Treasurer be authorized to remit the same

Ordered by the Court that all that part of McHenry County that lies East of Fox River and South of the school section in Range 9 Township 43 North be laid off into a Road district & that Joseph S. Linck be appointed Supervisor for the same.

Ordered by the Court that so much of the County road be reviewed as leads from Crystal Lake in the direction to the Head of Geneva Lake as lies between William St. Clair and the State line, and

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that James M. Kidd, Daniel Blair Jr. Ransom Parish be appointed viewers.

Ordered by the Court that William Ginn be appointed Supervisor on the Road leading from C. Walkup's to Sake & Schofield's mill

Ordered by the Court that John Downs be appointed Supervisor in Township 45 range 5.

Ordered by the Court that Robert Metcalf be appointed Supervisor in Township 45 Range 6.

Ordered by the Court that Geo. E. Smith be appointed Supervisor in Township 46 Range 5.

Ordered by the Court that a Review be allowed on so much of the County road running in the direction of South Post and Belvidere as lies between Donnelly's bridge and the point where it intersects the State Road leading from Crystal Lake to the State line in a direction to Mineral Point in Wisconsin Territory and that James Dufield, John McClure and David McClain be appointed viewers.

Ordered by the Court that the survey and plat of a Road on file, leading from Christopher Walkup's to Lake's Schofield's Mill be accepted

Ordered by the Court that viewers be appointed to survey and locate a Road on the nearest and best route from Crystal Lake running in a north Eastern direction to McHenry County Seat and that James Dufield, Abram Vincent and Dennis Reynolds be appointed viewers, and that they make report at the next Term of this Court.

Ordered by the Court that a plat of a Road leading from Brigham's to the State line be and is hereby accepted and is on file in this office

Ordered by the Court that a road be viewed and located on the nearest and best route commencing at the Town Plat of Crystal Lake running in a southerly Eastern direction to Dundee Kane County crossing the outlet of Crystal Lake at or near the sawmill thence running near a point of timber claimed by Ephraim Cornick and that Lyman King, Ziba S. Beardly and Franklin Wallace be appointed viewers

Ordered by the Court that the viewers appointed to view a road leading from the County line to Chunn's mill thence to Crystal Lake be allowed an extension of time to make Report until the next term of the Court

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Ordered by the Court that a road be laid from the village of McHenry along the best and nearest route to or near the House of Joseph Carr, said Carr being on the road leading from McHenry to the Head of Geneva Lake and that John M. Amber, Alden Hawley and C. G. Wheeler be appointed viewers of the same.

Ordered by the Court that Elias E. Wrightman be appointed Supervisor in District No. four south of the 7 see notice on file

Ordered by the Court that the returns of a Road as viewed by William St. Clair commencing one half mile north of Pleasant Grove leading to the Outlet of Geneva Lake be referred back to the said viewers for a plat of said Road and that they return the same to the next Court.

Ordered by the Court that James Bryant be appointed Supervisor on a road running from Powell to McHenry from the four mile to the eleven mile stake

Ordered by the Court that Almond Stone be allowed the sum of one dollar for services as chain bearer on the State Road in McHenry County

Ordered by the Court that Alexander S. Drain be allowed the sum of one Dollar for services as chain bearer on a State Road in McHenry County

Ordered by the Court that Carr be allowed the sum of Two dollars for service as Chain Bearer on a State Road in McHenry County

Ordered by the Court that Hotcomb be allowed the sum of two dollars for services as Chain Bearer on a State Road in McHenry County

Ordered by the Court that Smith be allowed the sum of One Dollar for services on a State Road in McHenry County

Ordered by the Court that Calvin Tuttle be allowed the sum of One dollar for service on State Road in McHenry County

Ordered by the Court that Stewart be allowed the sum of Four dollars for services on State Road

Ordered by the Court that John Sutton be allowed one dollar for service rendered on State Road

Ordered by the Court Michael Sutton be allowed one dollar for services on State Road.

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Ordered by the Court that Luke Hale as Commissioner on State Road be allowed for Ten days service at 12¹/₂ per day amounting to the sum of Fifteen dollars and also Two dollars being the One Half of wages expended in hiring Chain Beams &c

Ordered by the Court that Rufus Soules be allowed for his services as Commissioner of State Road the sum of nineteen dollars and fifty cents and also Two dollars for hiring Chain Beams for the same.

Ordered by the Court that A. S. Parmum be allowed for services as Surveyor on the State Road (four days at 25¹/₂ per day) Ten dollars

Ordered by the Court that Nelson Slater be allowed for his services as surveyor of the State Road (Ten days at 20¹/₂ per day) Twenty five dollars.

Ordered by the Court that the plat and profile and field notes of so much of the State Road leading from Chicago in a direction to Madison as lies in McHenry County be, and the same is hereby accepted, and is on file in this office.

Ordered by the Court, that Whereas Horace Long has been appointed agent and Commissioner for the County of McHenry State of Illinois to purchase the quarter section of land on which the County seat of said County is now located, Said Horace Long is hereby authorized, required and fully empowered to execute a Bond with a penal sum of Five Thousand (\$5000) dollars to William H. Beach, his heirs, executors, administrators and assigns to purchase said land of Government as soon as it can be obtained, and thereupon to assign the same to the said William H. Beach or any other person or persons said Beach may direct - which Bond shall be forever binding on the County Commissioners of said County of McHenry and their successors in office it being agreed and understood that the said Beach shall furnish the purchase money to enter said quarter Section of Land. It is further agreed by the said William H. Beach that if he shall not within ten days hereafter - to wit: by the fifteenth day of March 1840 execute and deliver to the said Horace Long a Bond in the penal sum of five thousand dollars with security to be approved by said Long conditioned that he will build finish and complete a certain Court House and jail underneath according to a plan which has been furnished said Long by said County Commissioner - the said Buildings to be completed by the first day of August A. D. 1840 - then this to be null and void - otherwise to remain in full force and virtue -

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Special Term of the McHenry County Com Court March 30th 1840

Ordered by the Court that Alden Harvey be appointed a judge of Election in McHenry Precinct to fill an existing vacancy in said office

Ordered by the Court that Bela H. Fryer be appointed Supervisor on the West end of State Road and that Solomon Moug be appointed Supervisor on the East End of the same Road - from the outlet of McCollins Lake to the State Line

Ordered by the Court that Christopher Waltrip be allowed for his services as Sheriff attending Court four days four dollars

Ordered that the Court do now adjourn until Monday the 30th day of the March 1840

B. B. Brown
Gideon Colby

County Clerk
McHenry Co.

The Court met in pursuance of previous adjournment

Present the Hon. Gideon Colby

B. B. Brown

H. A. Beardsly Clerk

Robert G. White

County Clerk
McHenry Co.

Ordered by the Court that Solomon J. Dayhane be appointed Assessor in and for Ripon Precinct for the present year

Ordered by the Court that Henry Lake is hereby appointed Assessor for Kishwaukee Precinct for the present year

Ordered by the Court that A. W. Beardsly be appointed Assessor for Piquia Precinct for the present year

Ordered by the Court that Horace Long be appointed Assessor in and for McHenry Precinct for the present year

Ordered by the Court that A. S. Parmum be allowed the sum of Five Dollars for Books purchased by him or out of the first money that can be obtained from the Treasurer

Ordered by the Court that A. B. Wynn be allowed the sum of seven dollars for Co. Office Fees up to the Twenty Second of August A.D. 1839

Ordered by the Court that Stephen Pardee be appointed Supervisor on a Road leading from McHenry to the State line

Ordered by the Court the Town plat of Crystalville is hereby returned and Recorded

Ordered by the Court that Counsel be obtained on the subject of Licenses

And further Ordered by the Court that Gibe S. Beardley is and is hereby appointed an agent to obtain said legal opinion

Ordered that this Court adjourn until Tue. Oct. Next P.M. March the 31st A.D. 1840

Gideon Colby
B. B. Brown

Court Met pursuant to previous adjournment present the same as yesterday

Ordered by the Court that no person be allowed any account for services rendered the County belonging to the Sheriff's Department unless the same is referred by the Sheriff of said County

Ordered that this Court adjourn until Court in Course

Gideon Colby
B. B. Brown

At a meeting of the County Commissioners Court of McHenry County, Convened at McHenry on the first Day of June in the Year of our Lord One thousand Eight Hundred and forty

Present the Hon. B. B. Brown
Gideon Colby
Robert White

Attest Gibe S. Beardley Clerk

Ordered by the Court that Ryan and Dickey be allowed the sum of fifty dollars for their services rendered on a Habeas Corpus in a suit the People vs James Stoutenberg & Parker D. Wallis

Ordered by the Court that William A. Beach be allowed the sum of sixteen dollars for services rendered the County in going to Chicago &c

Ordered by the Court that Idomon J. Dunham be allowed the sum of Four dollars for services rendered the County as Assessor for the Year of 1840

Ordered by the Court that seven ^{dollars} and sixty Six Cents be allowed R. M. Muttley for his services rendered on the Examination of Stoutenberg and Wallis

Ordered by the Court that Isaac Hathaway be appointed Supervisor on the State Road commencing at the Fork on the East side of the Prairie West of Henry D. Bates and running to the State Line

Ordered by the Court that the former place of holding the Election be removed to the Block Shed House in Rushwater Precinct

Ordered by the Court that Nathan S. Hart be appointed Supervisor on all the roads commencing and extending three miles from McHenry County Seat

Ordered by the Court that Eli S. Reynolds be appointed Supervisor on the roads and public Highways in Township (46) Range (5)

County Commissioners

Ordered by the Court that a Highway district be formed on the Belvidere and Southport Road commencing at or near Lake Mills and extending northward to the North Branch of the Mispasink Creek and that Henry Stewart be Supervisor over the same for the year 1840

Ordered by the Court that William Steele be appointed Supervisor on the road leading from McHenry to the State Line on the East side of English Prairie commencing at the Mispasink Creek to the State Line

Ordered by the Court that the petition of sundry Inhabitants be accepted granting a road commencing at the Village of McHenry and running to the State line one half mile east of Township 46 and that Abel Walker Thomas Ray and Martin L. Hoffman be appointed viewers to review the same

Ordered by the Court that the petition of sundry Inhabitants be granted to review so much of the road from Pleasant Grove to Seneca Lake as lies between the South line of Section 26 and the Centre of Twp range (5) Township 45 and that Eliza Dodge Robert Latham and Thomas Ketchum be appointed viewers

Ordered by the Court that the petition of sundry Inhabitants be granted for a road commencing at or near Lake and Deepfield Mills and passing westerly of proper mound and terminating on the State Road at a proper place between the land of Alfred Tuttle and the House of Henry D. Bates and that Lewis Brown Henry D. Bates and Robert W. Stewart be appointed viewers to locate the same

Ordered by the Court that a plat and profile of a Road be accepted on a review of a road leading from Neil Doherty Bridge to the State road leading from Crystal Lake to the mouth of the Mispasink to a point of said road near Abin Addel

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Ordered by the Court the petition of sundry Inhabitants of McHenry County for the location of a road commencing at or near John Purdy's running down the Mispasink Creek to the Solon Mills from thence down the North side of said Creek to or near the Lycurgus Mills crossing the McHenry road near the East Bridge on said Creek from thence to near the mouth of said Creek as thought practicable and that Henry Milton William White and C. C. Taylor be appointed viewers to locate the same

Ordered by the Court that the petition of Citizens be granted to review a road leading from Chicken Grove on the Township line easterly to the residence of Leander M. Bishop and extend said road westerly to intersect the Chicago and Galena State road at or near the residence of R. Timkins and easterly to intersect the County road leading from Aqua France on the north side of the Kishwaukee River to Jerry Perry at or near a convenient point between the Detsy and Jacob Hinder and make such other alterations as may be thought advisable and that Leander M. Bishop Joseph Detsy and Richard Timkins viewers to locate the same

Ordered by the Court that the plat and field notes of the location of a road from the Village of McHenry to the State Line as returned by A. Barnum be and the same is hereby accepted

Ordered by the Court that the plat and field notes of a road from McHenry to intersect a State road leading from Chicago to Madison in Wisconsin Territory on the dividing line between Lake State and N. Harrison be and the same is hereby accepted

Ordered by the Court that the petition of sundry Inhabitants be granted to view and locate a road leading from Henry White Mills to James DeField in a Mound Settlement and that John Walthrop Horace Long and Daniel Owen be appointed viewers to locate the same

Ordered by the Court that A Huntington be allowed the sum of Ten dollars for services rendered the County in the Cause People vs Anthony Kelly

Ordered by the Court that Thomas R Chum be allowed the sum of Ten dollars for services rendered the County as Treasurer

Ordered by the Court that Thomas R Chum be allowed the sum of ^{Eighty 25/100} Ten dollars for money advanced to Collins

Ordered by the Court that Thomas R Chum be allowed the sum of Five dollars for money advanced to Abraham for Books

Ordered by the Court that the Assessment list of Abner W Beardsley be and the same is hereby accepted

Ordered by the Court that the Assessment list of Horace Long be and the same is hereby accepted

Ordered by Court that R D Pleading be appointed Supervisor on a road district commencing at or near Alder Run and running by S. Wood to the line of McHenry County and also a track of said road running in a direction to Thomas R. County

Ordered by the Court that the Assessment roll in Fishers and Kipusink precincts be returned back to the said Assessor for correction and that they have an Extension of time to make the said correction and Assessments until the first day of September AD 1840 and that they be instructed to take an assessment of all personal property and Money loaned within their respective districts

Ordered by the Court that Christopher Walker and Geo. Hostler be allowed the sum of Seven dollars for a pair of Fatted purchased of N. Hart

Ordered by the Court that A W Beardsley be allowed the sum of Nineteen dollars for services rendered taking the Assessment in Virginia precincts

Ordered by the Court that Horace Long be allowed the sum of Nineteen dollars for services rendered taking the Assessment in Virginia precincts

Ordered by the Court that all that part of Virginia precinct which lies north of the North line of Downing (13) East of Fox River be attached to McHenry precinct

Ordered by the Court that Jacob H. Stum be appointed to take the Census in and for the County of McHenry for the year 1840

Ordered by the Court that Whitman Colb. Stey should be appointed judge of Election in Kishwaukee precinct

Ordered by the Court that G. D. Beardsley be and is hereby appointed to investigate and ascertain as nearly as is practicable the actual indebtedness of McHenry County at the time that was taken from the County of McHenry

Ordered by the Court that the Grand and Petit Jurors be allowed the sum of Seventy Cents per Day

Ordered by the Court that Robert G. White be allowed the sum of twelve dollars and fifty Cents for services rendered the County of McHenry as County Commissioner

Ordered by the Court that B. B. Brown be allowed the sum of thirty dollars for Room Rent

Ordered by the Court that B. B. Brown be allowed the sum of ten dollars for services rendered as County Commissioner of McHenry County

McHenry County Commissioners Court June Term 1840

Ordered by the Court that time be given and an Extension granted to survey and locate a road leading from Crystal Lake to Dundee and that the same be appointed and report until next Court in Case

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Ordered by the Court that time be given and an Extension granted to survey and locate a road from McHenry County to Crystal Lake and that the same be appointed as in a previous order and that they report to the next Court in Case

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Ordered by the Court that the sum of Ten Dollars be allowed A. M. Beardsley for services rendered as Constable at the March Term of the McHenry Circuit Court

Ordered by the Court that George Wooster be allowed the sum of fourteen dollars and fifty cents for services rendered the County as Constable at the March Term AD 1840

Ordered by the Court that J. P. Greenleaf be allowed for Room rent for the Clerk of the Circuit Court and Commissioners Court for March the sum of three dollars

Ordered by the Court that John B. Washburn be allowed the sum of six dollars for attendance at the Circuit Court at the March Term AD 1840

Ordered by the Court that A. W. Beardsley be allowed the sum of two dollars and fifty cents for posting Election Notices

Ordered by the Court that J. P. Greenleaf be allowed the sum of fourteen dollars for room rent and use of Store Room days for Court room

McHenry County Commissioners Court June Term 1840

Ordered by the Court that a road district be formed including the Cornish and Dairy road and lying between Crystal Lake and Fox River and that all the inhabitants north of said road be included in said district to the Town line and that Samuel P. Shephard be appointed Supervisor on said road

Ordered by the Court that George Wooster be allowed the sum of one dollar for attending Probate Court at the June Term 1840

Ordered by the Court that Isaac S. Wilson Clerk of the Circuit Court be allowed the sum of eight dollars for Stationary for the use of the Circuit Court.

Ordered by the Court that J. S. Greenleaf be allowed the sum of five dollars for guarding the prisoners five nights.

Ordered by the Court that Meritt Stevens be allowed the sum of nine dollars for services as Constable at the March Term of the Circuit Court.

Ordered by the Court that a road District be formed commencing at the west line of Township Seven thence East until it intersects the Chicago Road leading from Crystal Lake East and that Ellworth be appointed Supervisor.

Ordered by the Court that E. M. Smith be allowed the sum of three dollars for Guarding Crofts and Paddy

Ordered by the Court that A. S. Harris be allowed the sum of 4.25 for Guarding Crofts and Paddy five nights and taking off and putting on the shoes on the Prisoner

Ordered by the Court that Yuba S. Beardsley be allowed the sum of twenty dollars and fifty cents as per bill on file

Ordered by that Court adjourn until day in Case

A. P. Brown
Prob. G. White

At a meeting of the County Commissioners Court of McHenry County convened at McHenry on the 25th Day of July A.D. 1840

Present Benjamin B. Brown,
Christopher Walkup Sheriff
Attest Ziba S. Beardsley Clerk

Whereupon Robert G. White did not appear and there not being a Quorum of the County Commissioners Present, no business was transacted on the day above mentioned.

At a meeting of the County Commissioners Court of McHenry County convened at the Court Room in McHenry on the fifth day of August A.D. 1840.

Present the Hon. Benj. B. Brown &
Robert G. White } County Commissioners
Christopher Walkup Sheriff

Attest Ziba S. Beardsley Clerk
Co. Comm. Court, McHenry County

Ordered by the Court that whereas; Hiram Long Assessor of McHenry Precinct and Abner W. Beardsley Assessor of Wisconsin Precinct, did in making out their respective tax lists return property but that was not Assessed by Solomon J. Dunham and Henry Lake of St. Joseph, and Ripswaukee Precincts; It is therefore ordered by the Court that Ziba S. Beardsley Clerk of the County Commissioners Court of McHenry County be authorized to strike off of the list returned by Hiram Long and also the list returned by Abner W. Beardsley the amount Assessed by them in the Columns of their lists marked, "Value of all other kinds of personal property not enumerated" in order that the Assesment in the several Precincts may be Equal and just.

Ordered that the Court adjourn until Day in Course.
B. B. Brown } County Commissioners

At a meeting of the County Commissioners Court of McHenry County convened at the Court Room on the 1st Day of September in the Year of our Lord One Thousand Eight Hundred and Forty and of the Independence of the United States the Sixty Fourth.

Present the Hon. Robert G. White
Daniel W. P. Tower

Attest Ziba B. Beardsley Clerk

County Commissioners

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Ordered by the Court that the petition of sundry Citizens praying the location of a road from the Horsehoe Prairie to a point near James Dufield to David Dufield thence passing a few rods south of the southeast corner of section twenty nine (29) Township (45) forty five Range seven (7) East to Neil Donahy on the nearest and best ground. And that Mustoe B. Givins Andrew J. Keanwood and David Dufield be appointed viewers of the same.

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Ordered by the Court that a petition be granted for the location of a road commencing at the State road at or near where it crosses section sixteen (16) Township (43) forty three Range six (6) East of the third (3^d) principal meridian thence running in a westerly direction to the pigeon Woods and Blantford road at or near the house of Russell Bates and that Russell Bates Procter Smith and David J. Houghton be appointed viewers of said road.

Ordered by the Court that the plat and profile of a road to relocate a County Road leading from Wm M. St. Clairs to the State line in a direction of the head of Crystal Lake. And that they have reported according to the best of their abilities and that as the plat and field notes are on file in the office

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Ordered by the Court that time and extension be given to complete the survey plat and profile of a road leading from McHenry to Crystal Lake until next Court in Course.

Ordered by the Court that time and extension be given to finish the survey on a road leading from Crystal Lake village to the County line in a direction to Grindee and that they return the plat and profile of said Road to the next Court in Course.

Ordered by the Court that a venire be issued for the following persons to act as Grand Jury at the McHenry Circuit Court for the September Term of the McHenry Circuit Court A.D. 1840 to wit:

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| Reueland Passon | William Barr |
| Spelius Hastings | Gideon Godly |
| Robert Latham | Eli M. Buzam |
| Jim Neary | David Dufield |
| Joseph Acor | Mustoe B. Givins |
| Joseph Golder | Amos Seffield |
| John Beldin | Jeddings |
| Timothy Mc Namary | John J. Hutch |
| Marcus White | Daniel Crockett |
| Procter Smith | Prescott Whitmore |
| Jedediah Rogers | Abram Vincent |
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Ordered by the Court that a venire issue for the following persons to act as Grand Jury at the September Term of the McHenry Circuit Court A.D. 1840

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| George Griffin | J. A. Davis | Eli Bates |
| Loucy Sturton | Ephraim French | Lewis Hatch |
| George Trimble | Lewis Johnson | Jonathan Kimball |
| W. Reynolds | Richard B. Simphim | John McClyre |
| Lorah Wright | Charles Weeks | John McQueen |
| Ransom Gannish | Levi Moore | Lewis Stilson |
| R. W. White | John Gillaton | William H. Harris |
| Wm Ruggles | Thomas Hocomb | John S. Duffield |

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Ordered by the Court that the petition of sundry Citizens praying the location of a County Road commencing at Joseph News or near there thence Easterly to Walton's Grove thence thence to the Middleton Diggins thence to Andrew Donnelly's or near there to intersect the State Road running from Chicago to Madison in Wisconsin Territory and the same is hereby granted and that George Smith William Hart and Jonathan Lockman be appointed viewers to locate the same.

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Ordered by the Court that the petition of sundry Citizens of McHenry County for and for full returned by R. B. Simpkins L. W. Bishop and Joseph Diez of a road extending from Chicken Grove on the Township line Easterly to the residence of Alexander W. Bishop and extend said road west to intersect the Chicago and Galena State road at or near the residence of R. B. Simpkins and Easterly to intersect the County road leading from Squaw Prairie on the north side of the Kishwaukee river to Dennis Ferry be and the same is hereby accepted.

Ordered by the Court that Emory B Johnson be appointed Collector in and for McHenry County for the Year A.D. 1840

Ordered by the Court that Rufus Soyles Christopher Walkup and John McCord be accepted as assistants of the Treasurer and that the Clerk be authorized to accept of the same

Ordered by the Court that George Stratton be allowed the sum of two Dollars and fifty Cents for making returns of Election in Kishwaukee precinct at the August Election 1840

Ordered by the Court that Alex Stodd be allowed the sum of two \$40.00 dollars for returning poll Books of Kishwaukee precinct at the August Election 1840

McHenry County Commissioners Court September Term 1840

Ordered that the Court adjourn until the first Monday in October A.D. 1840

Robt G White
Daniel W. P. Fowler

The Court adjourn in pursuance of Adjournment as above

Present John Honoring
R. G. White

B. B. Brown, Commissioner

Ordered by the Court that the resignation of C. C. Whelby be and is hereby accepted as one of the Judges of Election for McHenry County and that Isaac Griswold fill said vacancy

Ordered by the Court that a Petition be granted for a Road commencing at the Town of McHenry and running a westerly direction to the residence of Benson Sherman thence north to the residence of David M. Colburn thence west to the most suitable point on the Courtsville State Road on Queen-Army Prairie and that John M. Embury Benson Sherman and Joseph Nerby be appointed Viewers of the same

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Ordered by the Court that the petition of sundry Inhabitants be granted for a Road commencing near the residence of John Green and following the section line from Chicken Grove Ave west to the Spencer Road and that John Green Phosam Rodgers Wilson & Rodgers be appointed viewers on the same

Ordered by the Court that Anna Sumner be allowed the sum of fifteen Dollars for services rendered in the case of Stoutenburgh and Wallis

Ordered by the Court that Simon Stone be allowed the sum of one Dollar and fifty Cents as per Bill on file

Ordered by the Court that Levi Kimball be allowed the sum of Four Dollars for services rendered as Constable

Adjourned Term October 5th A.D. 1840

Ordered by the Court that the resignation of Job McComber be allowed the sum of One dollar for services rendered in granting Licenses

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Ordered by the Court that the plat and profile of a road be received commencing at Joseph Kew or near there thence East to Gallons Grove thence to the Widdow Higgins to Andrew Somnells or near there to intersect the State road running from Chicago to Madison W. I. be and the same is hereby accepted.

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Ordered by the Court that a plat and profile of a Road be accepted commencing at the Town of McHenry and running to the State line one half mile East of Township forty six (46) and that Abiel Walker Thomas be

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Ordered by the Court that a plat and profile of a road be accepted commencing at McHenry and running to the State line one half mile East of Township forty six (46) and that the Old Road from the South side of McHenry Prairie to the State line on the East Road and that Stephen Landee be appointed supervisor on the same and that on the Old road James Stilson be appointed supervisor

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Ordered by the Court that a petition of sundry Citizens be granted for a Road commencing at the Town of McHenry and running in a Westward direction to the residence of Benson Sherman thence near the residence of David Wood from thence West to the most suitable point on the Crystal Hill State Road on the Queen Ann's Prairie and that John McComber Benson Sherman and Joseph Kelly be appointed viewers of the same

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Ordered by the Court that the plat and profile of a Road commencing at or near John Linds thence down the Superior Creek to the Solon Mills thence down the north side of said Creek to or near the East Bridge on said Creek from thence as near the mouth of said Creek as thought practicable be and the same is hereby accepted and that Henry Wilson be appointed supervisor on the same

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Ordered by the Court that R. P. White be and he is hereby appointed supervisor on the Belvidere and Southport Road from the Stage road leading from McHenry to foot of Geneva Lake East to the East line of said County

Ordered by the Court that Jonathan Kimball be and he is hereby appointed supervisor in the place and stead of William Steele on the road leading from McHenry to the State line on the East side of English Prairie from the Superior Creek to the State line

Ordered by the Court that the report of a survey of a Road commencing at Genoa Perry and running to Boone County line crossing the Kishwaukee at or near Robert G. White be and the same is hereby accepted

Ordered by the Court that a New Precinct be formed from McHenry Precinct embracing Township forty six Range seven Township forty six (46) Range Eight and that part of Iron Ship forty six (46) Range Nine (9) which belongs to McHenry County shall be known and designated as and by the name of Independent Precinct and that Bela McTyron Jonathan Kimball and William McConnell be appointed Judges of Election in and for said Precinct and that the place of holding election in said Precinct shall be at J. W. White at Solon Mills

Ordered by the Court that the Court House erected Rufus Pauls and Culeb Davidson at McHenry be and the same is hereby accepted by the County Commissioners of McHenry County

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Ordered by the Court that the sum of two dollars be allowed to Morrell Christopher Waltrip for services rendered as Sheriff

Ordered by the Court that Ziba St Benedict be allowed the sum of Seventy two dollars and Eighty Cents for services rendered as Clerk and agent for said County

Ordered by the Court that the place of holding Auction in Kishwaukee Precinct be removed from the Rock School house to the house of Calvin Stencus in said Precinct

Ordered that the Court Adjourn until the first Monday in December A.D. 1840

Know all men by these presents that We Emory B. Johnson principal and Christopher Waltrip Rufus Soules and John McCumber sureties, all of the County of McHenry and State of Illinois are held and firmly bound to the People of the State of Illinois in the penal sum of Twelve Hundred and Forty Five Dollars and two Cents for the payment of which sum well and truly to be made we bind ourselves and each of us our heirs Executors and Administrators firmly by these presents. Signed with our hands and sealed with our seals. Dated at McHenry this seventeenth day of September A.D. 1840

The Condition of the above obligation is such that if the above bounden Emory B. Johnson shall perform all the duties required to be performed by him as Collector of said County of McHenry in the time and manner prescribed by law and when he shall be succeeded in Office shall surrender and deliver over to his successor in Office all Books Papers and Money belonging to said Office or to the State and appertaining to his said Office then the above obligation or bond to be void otherwise to remain in full force and virtue

Signed sealed and delivered in presence of Joel H. Johnson Deputy Co. Court Clerk

Emory B. Johnson [Seal]
Christopher Waltrip [Seal]
Rufus Soules [Seal]
John McCumber [Seal]

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McHenry County Commissioners Court Adjourned Term October 5th A.D. 1840

Ordered that the Court adjourn until the first Monday in December A.D. 1840
Hobett & White

It is remembered that on the Seventh day of December in the year of our Lord One Thousand Eight Hundred and Forty the time prescribed by law for holding County Commissioners Courts in the respective Counties in the State of Illinois & for Revised Statute Page One hundred and Forty Three Sec. 17th An act entitled an act for holding County Commissioners Courts in the several Counties in this State is sufficient number of said Commissioners did not meet to form a Quorum therefore the Court stands adjourned until Court in Course

Attest Ziba St Benedicty Clerk
By Joel H. Johnson Deput

McHenry Co Coms. Court December Term 1840

At a meeting of the County Commissioners Court of McHenry County, Convened at the Court Room of said County on the 21st day of December A.D. 1840 and of the Independence of the United States the sixty fifth.

Present Robert G. White
Daniel H. P. Tower

Attest: Ziba St Bernardy Clerk

Ordered that the Court adjourn to the Clerk's Office

Court met pursuant to adjournment present the same as above stated

Ordered by the Court that the petition of David Citizens of McHenry County praying the location of a Road commencing at McHenry and running from thence to William Holcomb thence on the nearest and best route to intersect the State Road at or near James Duffield be and the same is hereby accepted and that George Penns William Holcomb and H. A. Owen be appointed viewers on the same.

Ordered by the Court that the plat and profile of a road commencing at the Town of McHenry and running in a westerly direction to the residence of Benson J. Sherman thence near the residence of David McLellan thence west to the most suitable point on the Crystal Lake State road on the Green Ann prairie be accepted and that David McLellan be appointed supervisor on the same.

Ordered by the Court that the plat and profile of a road commencing near the residence of John Green and following the section line from Chicken Run and west to the Spencer road be and the same is hereby accepted.

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McHenry Co Coms Court June Term 1840

Ordered by the Court that the plat and profile of a road commencing at the State road at or near where it crosses Section sixteen (16) East of the third principal Meridian thence running in a westerly direction to the pigeon Hoop and Blanchford road at or near the house of Rowland Tate be and the same is hereby accepted.

Ordered by the Court that Henry Lake be allowed the sum of sixteen Dollars for services rendered the County taking the Assessment for the Year A.D. 1840.

Ordered by the Court that the Judges and Clerks of the August Election A.D. 1840. be allowed the sum of One Dollar Each, also the same amount for services rendered the County at the late Presidential Election A.D. 1840.

Ordered by the Court that D. H. P. Tower be allowed the sum of two Dollars for services rendered the County in returning the Poll Books of Wisconsin precinct at the Presidential Election 1840.

Ordered by the Court that J. N. White be allowed the sum of twenty Cents for returning poll Book of Independence precinct at the Presidential Election 1840.

Ordered by the Court that Orson P. Rodgers be allowed the sum of two Dollars for returning poll Books from Rushworth precinct at the Presidential Election 1840.

Ordered by the Court that John McComber be allowed the sum of five Cents for returning poll Books McHenry precinct at the Presidential Election 1840.

Ordered by the Court that Ziba St Bernardy be allowed the sum of One Dollar for returning poll Books of Virginia Precinct at the Presidential Election 1840.

Ordered by the Court that George Wooster be allowed the sum of three Dollars and fifty Cents for posting notices of Election August A.D. 1840.

Ordered by the Court that Joel W. Johnson be allowed the sum of fifteen Dollars and twelve Cents for Stationery purchased for Clerk's Office.

Ordered by the Court that Joel W. Johnson be allowed the sum of fifteen Dollars for half yearly Escheat fees.

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Ordered by the Court that Emory P. Johnson be allowed the sum of five dollars for services rendered the County in posting notices of Election for the Presidential Election 1840

Ordered by the Court that the report of R. J. Woodring supervisor on a road district commencing at or near Alden Hoenigs and running from thence to Isaac Griswold thence to the East line of McHenry County be and the same is hereby accepted.

Ordered by the Court that the plan and profile of a road from the Keweenaw prairie to a point near James Duffield in Service Duffield thence passing a few rods south of the fourteenth corner of section twenty nine Township forty five Range seven (7) East to Neil Donnelly on the nearest and best ground be and the same is hereby accepted and that John McRay be appointed supervisor on said road

Ordered by the Court that the plan and profile of a road leading from Whites Mills to James Duffield in Virginia settlement be and the same is hereby accepted.

Ordered by the Court that the plan and profile of a County Road leading from McHenry to Crystal Lake be and the same is hereby accepted.

Ordered by the Court that the plan and profile of a road commencing at the termination of the McHenry and Crystal Lake road East of the school house running westerly to the saw mill on the Outlet of Crystal Lake to the County line in a direction to Dundee be and the same is hereby accepted

Ordered that the Court adjourn until ^{seven} Eight O'clock P.M. Court met pursuant to adjournment.

Ordered by the Court that Andrew Ingersoll be allowed the sum of two dollars and twenty five cents for services as Petitioner at the March Term 1840.

Ordered by the Court that Stephen Wines be allowed the sum of two dollars and twenty five cents for services as Petitioner at the March Term 1840.

McHenry Co Courts Court December Term 1841

Ordered by the Court that a venire be issued by the County Commissioners Court of McHenry Co. for the following named persons to serve as Grand Jurors at the March Term of the McHenry County Circuit Court AD 1841. to wit

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| 1 | Samuel Walker | 13 | John Jones |
| 2 | John K. Madger | 14 | George R. Papp |
| 3 | Alden Hoenig | 15 | Alexander J. Stule |
| 4 | Jonathan Kimball | 16 | Alan Stacey |
| 5 | Alfred Rogers | 17 | Theophilus Reppick |
| 6 | Charles Woodruff | 18 | Walter R. Raymond |
| 7 | Henry King | 19 | Cyprian King |
| 8 | Leopold | 20 | A. W. Robinson |
| 9 | John Smith | 21 | John Great. Walker |
| 10 | George Kimball | 22 | George B. Throop |
| 11 | John Smith | 23 | Charles Patterson |
| 12 | William Hartman | | |

Ordered by the Court that a venire be issued out of the Clerks Office of the McHenry County Commissioners Court for the following named persons to serve as Petit Jurors at the March Term of said County Circuit Court for the year 1841 to wit

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| 1 | Abiel Walker | 13 | Johna Jones |
| 2 | John Boon | 14 | Alonso Riley |
| 3 | David Burnham | 15 | J. Papp |
| 4 | Harvey Wilson | 16 | Joseph Stevenson |
| 5 | Ernie Hathaway | 17 | Levi H. H. H. |
| 6 | George Tidwell | 18 | John Stull |
| 7 | Robert Day | 19 | David Stevens |
| 8 | Herman A. Owen | 20 | Charles Hastings |
| 9 | Breeman Hegan | 21 | Francis B. B. |
| 10 | A. Benson Sherman | 22 | Samuel Shephard |
| 11 | Joseph Koor | 23 | William Holcomb |
| 12 | E. H. Ashby | 24 | Abram Vincent |

Ordered by the Court that Christopher Walker Sheriff of McHenry County be empowered to draw on the Treasurer of said County a sufficient sum of money to purchase a sufficient quantity of paper to be used in diameter to furnish the Clerks Office of said County. Also if there is at present ^{money} no furnish paper for the the Sheriffs Office a sufficient quantity of the aforesaid store paper in the necessary then in the said Christopher Walker is empowered to draft the same and if not enough in the Treasury at present he is empowered to draw the first that may come into the hands of the Treasurer of said County

McHenry Co Courts Court December Term 1840

Order of the Court that Joseph B Tuttle be and he is hereby appointed Supervisor on the Road leading from McHenry from thence across the outlet of the McCollum Lake ^{at or near the bridge} from thence ^{to Joseph B Tuttle from thence} to Joseph B Tuttle from thence to Joseph B Tuttle from thence Mathew and Joseph Carr

Order that the Court adjourn until tomorrow morning at Eight O'clock A.M.

Court was pursuant to adjournment present the same as yesterday.

Order of the Court that Robert J White be allowed the sum of Five Dollars as per Bill on File for services as County Commissioner.

Order of the Court that Robert J White be allowed the sum of Five Dollars for services as County Commissioner.

Order of the Court that Robert J White be allowed the sum of Seven Dollars and fifty Cents for services as County Commissioner of said County.

Order of the Court that Robert J White be allowed the sum of Five Dollars and twenty five Cents for services as County Commissioner.

Order of the Court that Daniel W. L. Jones be allowed the sum of sixteen Dollars and twenty five Cents for services as County Commissioner.

Order of the Court that the Treasurer of McHenry County be and he is hereby instructed to receive the County Order left by Isaac S. Wilson, Clerk of the County and now in the hands of Joel W. Johnson Clerk of said Circuit Court and that he the said Treasurer be and he is hereby required to settle and receive the same of said Clerk.

Order of the Court that Christopher Walkup be and he is hereby allowed the sum of three Dollars and fifty Cents for services rendered as Sheriff of said County.

Order of the Court that the Sheriff of said County be authorized to repair the Jail of said County and that he be authorized to draw on the Treasurer for the same.

McHenry Co Courts Court December Term 1840

Order of the Court that the Sheriff of said County be authorized to repair the Jail of said County and that he be required to keep the same in repair.

Order of the Court that Joel W. Johnson be appointed Agent to procure seals for the Offices of Clerk Circuit Court Clerk of the County Commissioners Court and Justice of the Peace and that he the said Joel W. Johnson be authorized to make a draft on the Treasurer of said County for a sufficient quantity of money to purchase the blocks for the aforesaid Offices. Provided that an Engraver can be employed to do the Engraving on the aforesaid seals for a draft on the County Treasurer for said Engraving.

Order of the Court that Ziba S. Beardsley Clerk of the McHenry County Commissioners Court be empowered by said Court to write to the several Members of the Illinois Legislature ^{from their respective} to request their influence in regard to the passage of a Law requiring Lake County to pay their proportional share of the debt existing against the Original County of McHenry previous to the formation of Lake County and that they be instructed to procure the passage of the same.

Order of the Court that Ziba S. Beardsley be authorized to make a draft on the Treasurer of said County for a sufficient sum of money to purchase blanks to supply the office of the Clerk of the County Commissioners Court of said County.

Order of the Court that the Clerk of the County Commissioners Court Ziba S. Beardsley be instructed to call on the several Tavern keepers and Taverns in this County who retail or sell Signet of less quantity than one Gallon and request them to take one Signet for the same and if they will not or refuse to take Signet after being properly requested Commence suit against the several delinquents.

Order of the Court that Ziba S. Beardsley be allowed the sum of ^{Ent} Twenty Dollars and twenty five Cents as per Bill on file.

Order of the Court that Josiah Walkup be appointed Supervisor on the Road leading from McHenry to Crystal Lake.

Order that this Court adjourn until the next Court in Court
Robt. J. White
D. W. L. Jones